

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2655  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER, 2022  
**PNG Connections in Bihar**

2655. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any policy/programme initiated by the Government to provide new Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections in Bihar particularly in district Gopalganj;
- (b) if so, the measures taken in this regard along with the timeline fixed for providing the new connections of PNG;
- (c) the details about the number of districts which are likely to be covered in Bihar with connections of PNG and also proposed districts for new connections; and
- (d) whether it is a fact that company which is providing the new PNG connections is very slow in providing the PNG facilities in Bihar, particularly district Gopalganj; and
- (e) if so, the reason therefor?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री  
(श्री रामेश्वर तेली)

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a) to (e): Provision of Piped Natural Gas ( PNG) connections is part of the development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) Network and the same is being carried out by the entities authorised by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB). After completion of 11 A CGD bidding round, 14 Geographical Areas (GAs) covering entire state of Bihar, including Gopalganj which comes under Gopalganj, Siwan, West Champaran, East Champaran and Deoria (in UP) districts, have been authorised by PNGRB.

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) is the authorised entity for Gopalganj, Siwan, West Champaran, East Champaran and Deoria (in UP) districts GA. PNG connections are commissioned by the authorised entities as per the Minimum Work Programme (MWP) mandated by the PNGRB.

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