

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2663
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22nd DECEMBER, 2022
PNG Connections in Odisha

2663. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the number of households that have been provided with Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections in Bhubaneswar till date;
- (b) the time-frame within which all households in Bhubaneswar would receive PNG connections; and
- (c) whether the Government has taken the steps to increase the availability of PNG connection in Odisha and if so, the details thereof?

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 (c) Providing Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections to households 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). Bhubaneswar is part of Khordha District Geographical Area (GA) authorised to GAIL by the PNGRB. As against a Minimum Work Programme (MWP) of 26,900 PNG connections, 39,387 connections have already been provided in Khordha GA which also includes Bhubaneswar as on 31.10.2022. In order to expand the coverage of PNG connections, the authorised entities continue to provide connectivity to all customers based on demand and techno-commercial feasibility.

PNGRB has authorised 12 GAs for the development of CGD network in Odisha.
