

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2265**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 2021**

**CNG Stations in small Cities**

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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

(a) whether the Government is proposing to increase the number of CNG filling stations in view of the probable crisis over production of petrol/diesel in future and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government has any plan to increase the CNG stations in small cities where the people are not keen on CNG vehicles due to scarcity of CNG stations, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) and (b) Establishment of CNG Stations is part of the development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network and the same is carried out by the entities authorized by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB). PNGRB identifies Geographical Areas (GAs) for authorizing the development of CGD network in synchronization with the development of natural gas pipeline connectivity and natural gas availability. About 232 GAs covering 407 districts spread over 27 States/UTs of the country have been authorized for the development of CGD networks. As on 31.05.2021, there are 3,179 CNG stations in the country and PNGRB has assigned a Minimum Work Program of 8181 CNG stations to be set up by authorized entities over a period of 8-10 years.

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