

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No. 240
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17th MARCH, 2022

Bio-CNG Plants

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to set up Bio-CNG Plants in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the quantum of CNG targetted to be produced each year in the country as a result thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to include more cities under the said scheme in view of the benefits of the same and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS
(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 240 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17.03.2022 REGARDING BIO-
CNG PLANTS BY SHRI RAKESH SINGH.**

(a) to (d) As per National Policy on Biofuels – 2018, Government has a multi-pronged approach to promote and encourage use of biofuels which includes Focus on advanced biofuels including bio-CNG which is also known as Compressed Bio Gas (CBG).

To meet this objective, “Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation” (SATAT) initiative was launched on 1 October 2018 wherein Oil and Gas Marketing Companies (OGMCs) invite Expression of Interest (EOI) to procure CBG from potential entrepreneurs. This initiative envisages establishment of 5000 CBG plants across the country mainly through entrepreneurs, with an estimated production of 15 MMT CBG per annum by 2023-24.

So far 19 CBG plants (3 plants each in Gujarat & Maharashtra, 2 plants each in Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Telangana & Uttar Pradesh and one each in Haryana, Punjab, Uttarakhand) have been commissioned and have started production of CBG.

Till February, 2022, OGMCs have issued 3160 Letters of Intent (LoIs) to entrepreneurs for procurement of CBG.