

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1507**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2022**  
Natural Gas Share

1507. SHRI D.K.SURESH:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether it is true that the Government has increased the share of natural gas in total energy consumption of the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to invest in infrastructure to make natural gas available to more and more consumers and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री  
(श्रीरामेश्वर तेली)

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

(a): Yes Sir. The Government has set a target to raise the share of natural gas in energy mix to 15% by 2030. At present, share of natural gas in primary energy mix has increased from 6.3% to 6.7% from 2020 to 2021.

(b): Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) grants authorization to the entities for the development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network in Geographical Areas (GAs) as per PNGRB Act, 2006 and Regulation framed there under. Establishment of CNG stations and providing PNG connections are part of development of CGD network and the same is done by the authorized CGD entities in their authorized GAs as per the Minimum Work Plan (MWP). PNGRB also authorizes entities for laying of pipeline infrastructure for development of CGD network.

Investment for the development of CGD network and natural gas pipeline infrastructure is done by the authorized entities, both private and public as per the techno commercial requirements. The authorized entities have done an investment for approximately Rs.14,556 crore this year. Further, PNGRB has received bids for 61 GAs in the 11<sup>th</sup> round which entail investment of more than Rs.80,000 crore.

As part of initiative to make natural gas available to more and more consumers, government has approved partial capital grant of Rs. 5176 crore for the Jagdishpur-Haldia-Bokaro-Dhamra Pipeline (JHBDPL) project and Rs.5559 crore for North East Gas Grid. Till now Rs.4549.204 crore has been utilized in JHBDPL project and Rs.1030 crore has been utilized in North East Gas Grid.

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