

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2679
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17th March, 2022

City Gas Distribution Network in West Bengal

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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the details of the cities of West Bengal which have been selected for the City Gas Distribution (CGD);
- (b) the details of the areas in those cities where the distribution of gas has been started through pipes and the areas where the work related to infrastructural development is still in progress;
- (c) whether the Government is formulating any plan for CGD in other cities of West Bengal as well and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has any plan to provide Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections to all under city gas distribution in Bishnupur Parliamentary Constituency including Bankura district and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether any agency has been deployed for the implementation of this scheme and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
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(a) to (e) Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) is the authority to grant authorization to the entities for developing of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network in Geographical Areas (GAs) as per PNGRB Act, 2006. Upto the 10th CGD bidding round, PNGRB has authorized 228 GAs, comprising 407 districts in 27 States/UTs including 6 GAs in the state of West Bengal. Of these, the operations have commenced in 4 GAs covering Burdwan district, Kolkata Municipal Corporation and Parts of Adjoining districts, Howrah (EAAA) & Hoogly (EAAA) districts and Nadia (EAAA) District & North 24 Parganas districts in the state of West Bengal.

PNGRB launched the 11th CGD bidding round on 17.09.2021 for development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network in 65 Geographical Areas (GAs). PNGRB received bids against 61 GAs covering 215 (212 full & 3 part) districts including 3 GAs in the state of West Bengal and Letters of Intent (LoIs) have been issued to all the successful bidders. PNGRB also invited bid on 07.01.2022 for 5 GAs covering 27 districts including a GA covering Purulia and Bankura districts (Bishnupur Lok Sabha constituency) under the 11A CGD Bidding Round.
