

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 647**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2024**

**KAKINADA-VIZAG-SRIKAKULAM GAS PIPELINE**

647 SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:  
SHRI KESINENI SIVANATH:  
SHRI SRIBHARAT MATHUKUMILLI:  
SHRI DAGGUMALLA PRASADA RAO:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the current status of the Kakinada-Vizag-Srikakulam Gas Pipeline project including the details of ongoing activities and completed phases;
- (b) the total funds allocated and disbursed by the Union Government and the State Government for the Kakinada-Vizag-Srikakulam Gas Pipeline project during the last five years, year-wise;
- (c) the status of funds utilised for the said Gas Pipeline project during the said period, year-wise; and
- (d) the details of the challenges faced or delays encountered during the implementation of the said Gas Pipeline project along with the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री  
(श्री सुरेश गोपी)

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS**  
**(SHRI SURESH GOPI)**

(a) to (d) Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) authorised Andhra Pradesh Gas Distribution Corporation Limited (APGDCL), a joint venture of GAIL Gas and Government of Andhra Pradesh, on 16.07.2014 to lay, build, operate and expand Kakinada – Srikakulam Natural Gas Pipeline Project. 75 Km of pipeline has been welded and lowered in different patches. However, during the construction phase, the project faced several challenges on account of change in demand scenario, delay in providing Right of User (RoU), lockdown due to Covid-19 and funding constraints. As per information furnished by PNGRB, APGDCL thereafter requested PNGRB for surrendering the project. Consequently, PNGRB terminated the authorisation of Kakinada-Srikakulam Pipeline on 01.12.2023. Details of funds invested by Government of Andhra Pradesh and GAIL Gas in the joint venture in last 05 years are as under:

<b>Year</b>	<b>GoAP(in Cr.)</b>	<b>GAIL Gas(in Cr.)</b>	<b>Total</b>
Upto 2018-19	32.50	42.50	75.00
2019-20	5.87	105.00	110.87
2020-21	0.00	0.00	0.00
2021-22	60.00	47.02	107.02
2022-23	68.20	4.05	72.25
2023-24	--	--	0.00
	<b>166.57</b>	<b>198.57</b>	<b>365.14</b>

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