

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2835**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2024**  
**PNG connection by BPCL**

2835. Dr. Alok Kumar Suman:

**पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री**

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) the authorized CityGas Distribution (CGD) entity for districts of Gopalganj, Siwan, West Champaran, East Champaran of Bihar and Deoria of Uttar Pradesh is not working properly to provide Piped NaturalGas Connection to consumers, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether it is fact that the BPCL has laid CGD networks in the Geographical Area (GA) commissioned Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Stations and completed the tendering process for providing gas connections to the consumers and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether BPCL has started providing connection to the consumers in the above saiddistricts, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether it is fact that due to delay in providing PNG connection in the said districts, lakhs of the consumers are bound to use wood for cooking purpose which is causing pollution in the area and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

**ANSWER**

**पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री**  
**(श्री सुरेशगोपी)**

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

(a) to (c) Establishment of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations and providing Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections are part of development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network and the same is carried out by the entities authorised by the Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB). PNGRB has authorised Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) in May, 2022 for development of CGD network in Gopalganj, Siwan West Champaran, East Champaran and districts of Bihar and Deoria district of Uttar Pradesh. As per Minimum Work Programme (MWP) target mandated by PNGRB, BPCL has to establish 67 CNG stations and 10,10,999 PNG connections in the Geographical Area (GA) by 2030. As on 30.09.2024, against the pro-rata target of establishing 13 CNG stations and providing 1,26,375 PNG connections, BPCL has established 26 CNG stations and provided 12,823 PNG connections in Gopalganj, Siwan, West Champaran, East Champaran and Deoria districts GA.

(d) To provide access to clean cooking fuel households, Government has introduced Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY). As on 04.12.2024, more than 18.5 lakh LPG connections have already been provided in Gopalganj, Siwan West Champaran, East Champaran districts of Bihar and in Deoria district of Uttar Pradesh under PMUY.

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