

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *61
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24th July, 2025

SHORTAGE OF CNG STATIONS IN HYDERABAD

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पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the number of CNG stations currently operational along with the estimated number of CNG vehicles they cater in Hyderabad;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the acute shortage of Compressed Natural Gas(CNG) stations in Hyderabad city and its suburban areas and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the inadequacy of CNG stations is leading to long queues, operational delays for public transport vehicles, autos and private CNG users and if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (d) whether the Government has any plans to increase the number of CNG fuel stations in Hyderabad and its suburbs and if so, the details and timeline thereof?

ANSWER

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MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND 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 PARTS (a) TO (d) IN RESPECT OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *61 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2025 REGARDING 'SHORTAGE OF CNG STATIONS IN HYDERABAD' ASKED BY SHRI KONDA VISHWESHWAR REDDY.

(a) to (d) Government has taken multiple steps to increase share of Natural gas in primary energy mix. This includes expansion of National Gas Grid Pipeline, expansion of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network, setting up of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Terminals, allocation of domestic gas to Compressed Natural Gas (Transport) / Piped Natural Gas (Domestic) CNG(T)/PNG(D) as priority sector, allowing marketing and pricing freedom with a ceiling price to gas produced from high pressure/high temperature areas, deep water & ultra-deep water and from coal seams, Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT) initiative to promote Bio-CNG, etc.

In order to increase the reach of natural gas in the country, in addition to authorizing the natural gas pipelines, Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) has authorized CGD entities to develop City Gas Distribution network in 307 geographical areas (GAs) covering almost 100 % of the country's mainland (excluding islands). As on 31.05.2025, various CGD entities have provided 1.50 Crores domestic PNG connections and commissioned 8,083 CNG Stations against the Minimum Work Programme (MWP) of about 12.6 Crores domestic PNG connections and 18,336 CNG station across the country (to be achieved by 2034). This marks a more than tenfold increase in the number of CNG stations in the country, which stood at 783 in the year 2014.

In the state of Telangana, the PNGRB has authorised 9 GAs for development of CGD infrastructure (including 1 GA spread over Telangana and Karnataka). The Hyderabad Geographical Area has been authorized to M/s. Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL) for the development of City Gas Distribution network. As on 31.5.2025, the authorized entity has established 83 CNG Stations in the GA. These CNG stations cater to approximately 55,000–60,000 CNG vehicles per day. The CNG sales in the Hyderabad Geographical Area have been continuously increasing and has increased from ~1.12 lakh kg/day in FY 2023–24 to ~2.1 lakh kg/day as of June 2025, reflecting more than 100% increase. Further to meet the growing demand in the GA, BGL has informed that they are in the process of continuously identifying new locations to cater to that demand.
