

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2027
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31st July, 2025

DETERMINATION OF RATES FOR CNG AND PNG

2027. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether the Government has divided various districts of the country into blocks and given the work of CNG and PNG distribution to private companies and if so, the details thereof in respect of Rajasthan;
- (b) whether the Government has given the right to private companies to determine the rates of CNG and PNG in their blocks and these companies can sell at the desired rate and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the work of CNG and PNG distribution has been given to Gesonet Company for Churu district and this company is selling gas at a rate higher than the prescribed rates and if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (d) whether the Government intends to punish such companies and if so, the details thereof indicating the timeline and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री
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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS
(SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) to (d) Providing Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections and establishment of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations are part of development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) Networks and the same is carried out by the entities authorized by the Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) as per their Minimum Work Programme (MWP). PNGRB has authorized entities for development of CGD network in 307 Geographical Areas (GAs), covering almost 100% of the mainland area for the development of CGD network across the country.

PNGRB has authorized 17 GAs including (2 GAs spread over Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan; 1 GA spread over Punjab and Rajasthan and 1 GA spread over U.P. and Rajasthan), in the state of Rajasthan. The GA wise detail of authorized entities for

establishing CNG stations and providing PNG connections in the state of Rajasthan is at Annexure.

PNGRB has authorized Gasonet Services (RJ) Limited for the development of City Gas Distribution network in Bikaner and Churu districts GA.

The retail price of CNG and PNG in any GA is determined by the CGD entity after considering cost of gas procured, state taxes, tariff and other components.

The Government has taken various steps to ensure the availability of natural gas to CNG (Transport) and PNG (Domestic) sector, which includes allocating domestic gas on priority basis to CNG(T)/PNG(D), diverting domestic gas from non-priority sectors to meet the requirement for CNG(T)/PNG(D) sector, expansion of CGD network, expansion of National Gas Grid Pipeline, setting up of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) terminal, Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT) initiatives to promote Bio-CNG, etc. Government has also notified that gas produced from discoveries in deep water, ultra-deep water and high-pressure high temperature areas is prioritized for supply to the CNG(T)/PNG(D) sectors.

Further, in order to minimize the impact of rising Natural Gas prices, the Government has approved the revised domestic natural gas pricing guidelines vide Gazette Notification dated 07.04.2023 for gas produced from nomination fields of ONGC/OIL, New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) blocks, and pre-NELP blocks, where the Production Sharing Contract (PSC) provides for Government approval of prices. Under the revised guidelines, the price of such natural gas is determined as 10% of the monthly average of the Indian Crude Basket and is notified on a monthly basis. For gas produced by ONGC and OIL from their nomination blocks, the APM price is subject to a floor of \$4.0/Metric Million British Thermal Unit (MMBTU) and a ceiling of \$6.5/MMBTU. The ceiling would be maintained for the next two financial years (2023-24 and 2024-25) and then increased by \$0.25/MMBTU each year. This has led to price stability for consumers.

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTIONNO. 2027 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31ST JULY 2025
REGARDING DETERMINATION OF RATES FOR CNG AND PNG.**

GA wise detail of authorized entities for establishing CNG stations and providing PNG connections in the state of Rajasthan- as on 31.5.2025

S.No	Unique GA ID	Geographical Area/ CGD Networks	State/Union Territory	Authorized CGD Entity
1.	1.02	Kota	Rajasthan	Rajasthan State Gas Limited
2.	9.55	Barmer, Jaisalmer& Jodhpur Districts		AGP CGD India Private Limited
3.	9.56	Alwar (Other than Bhiwadi) & Jaipur Districts		Torrent Gas Jaipur Private Limited
4.	9.57	Kota District (EAAA), Baran&Chittorgarh (Only RawatbhataTaluka) Districts		Torrent Gas Limited
5.	9.58	Bhilwara&Bundi Districts		Adani Total Gas Limited
6.	9.59	Chittorgarh (Other than RawatbhataTaluka) & Udaipur Districts		Adani Total Gas Limited
7.	9.60	Dholpur District		Dholpur CGD Private Limited
8.	10.34	Ajmer, Pali and Rajsamand Districts		Indraprastha Gas Limited
9.	10.35	Jalore and Sirohi Districts		Gujarat Gas Limited
10.	11.42	Bikaner and Churu districts		Gasonet Services (RJ) Limited
11.	11.43	Jhunjhunu, Sikar and Nagaur districts		Indian Oil Corporation Limited
12.	11.44	Dausa, Karauli, SawaiMadhopur and Tonk districts		Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited
13.	98.12	Bhiwadi (in Alwar District)		Haryana City Gas Distribution (Bhiwadi) Limited
14.	10.30	Jhabua, Banswara, Ratlam and Dungarpur Districts	Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan	Gujarat Gas Limited
15.	11.22	Agar Malwa, Neemuch, Mandsaur and Jhalawar districts		Megha City Gas Distribution Private Limited
16.	11.41	Fazilka (except area already authorized), Ganganagar and Hanumangarh districts	Punjab & Rajasthan	Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited
17.	99.13	Firozabad (Taj Trapezium Zone)	Uttar Pradesh & Rajasthan	GAIL Gas Limited

Source: PNGRB
