GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1771 ANSWERED ON:02.08.2001 AVAILABILITY OF C.N.G ANNA SAHEB M.K. PATIL;GADDE RAMAMOHAN;JASWANT SINGH YADAV;MANIBHAI RAMJIBHAI CHAUDHARY;RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY;S. SAIDUZZAMAN;SHANKERSINH VAGHELA;SHIVAJI MANE;SHYAMA SINGH

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

(a) whether the State Government of Delhi has recently asked the Union Government to provide adequate CNG for buses and other commercial vehicles in the capital;

(b) if so, whether CNG filling stations in the Capital are ill-equipped to provide CNG to vehicles;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the further steps Union Government propose to take to set up more CNG stations to meet adequate supply of CNG for buses and other commercial vehicles in the Capital?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) Yes sir.

(b) & (d) As on date 72 CNG filling stations are in operation in Delhi. Out of these 72 stations 39 stations are still without booster compressors which are being imported. The following steps have been/ are being taken to further enhance the supply of CNG in Delhi:

- Orders have been placed for higher capacity compressors.

- The total CNG stations would be increased to $87\ \mathrm{by}$ September 2001 and to 120 by March 2002.

- The existing 39 daughter stations are proposed to be upgraded to daughter booster stations progressively by December 2001.

- Action has been initiated to lay 23 kms. long gas pipeline connecting Dhaula Kuan with GT Karnal Road.

⁻ In addition, 50 retail outlets have been identified for co-locating CNG dispensing facility.