

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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INFRASTRUCTURE STATUS TO OIL INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the oil industry has sought the infrastructure status for all the Liquefied Natural Gas import terminal projects in the country;
- (b) if so, whether there is an urgent need for the effective fiscal policy to encourage investments in the oil sector;
- (c) if so, whether the Government have so far granted the infrastructure status only to those LNG projects which were coupled with the power projects; and
- (d) if so, the time by which the Government are likely to provide infrastructure status to the remaining LNG terminal?

Answer

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

(a) to (d) The Group of Secretary-level Officers constituted by the Government to examine all aspects of LNG Sector has recommended amongst others, that infrastructure status be accorded to LNG import terminal projects. The recommendations of the Group of Officers have been submitted to the Committee of Secretaries.