GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2350 ANSWERED ON:11.03.2010 DADRI-BAWANA-NANGAL GAS PIPELINE PROJECT Singh Shri Ravneet

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

- (a) the status of Dadri-Bawana-Nangal Gas pipeline project;
- (b) whether the pipeline would adversely affect thousand of acres of fertile cultivable land and threat to thickly populated areas that it will pass through; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) Dadri - Bawana Section (length 94.5 km) of Dadri-Bawana-Nangal Gas Pipeline Project has been commissioned & gas has been charged in the system on 05/01/2010. As regards Bawana – Nangal Section (length 510 km) of the pipeline, its status is as follows:-

Around 43% physical progress has been achieved. All tendering packages have been awarded. Delivery of line pipe has been started. Pipes and other materials are progressively being made available at the site. Construction work in this section has been started. 3 km of Right of Use grading, 1 km of pipe stringing and 0.7 km of welding has been completed.

(b) & (c): Laying of the pipeline will not affect the fertile cultivable land, because the land is restored to its original state for cultivation. There is no threat to the populated area through which the pipeline is passing, as the same is pressure tested at 1.4 times the maximum allowable operating pressure and, further, higher thickness pipes are laid where the pipeline passes through populated areas complying to American Standard of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) 31.8 requirement.