

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

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN GAIL AND RIL FOR PETROCHEMICAL PLANTS  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Gas Authority of India Ltd. (GAIL) and Reliance Industries Ltd. (RIL) signed jointly for the proposed petrochemical industry's gas supply in Qatar on 04-12-2007;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether this matter was discussed for an assurance from Qatar in Asian sixth gas participation meet/summit in New Delhi; and
- (d) if so, the details and outcome thereof?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b): An MOU was signed between GAIL (India) Ltd. and Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) on 04-12-2007 to pursue potential opportunities for setting up gas based Petrochemical Complexes abroad in gas-rich countries, including in Qatar.
- (c) & (d): The issue of investment by GAIL in petrochemicals sector in Qatar was discussed with Qatari side on the sidelines of the 6th Asian Gas Partnership Summit (AGPS) held in New Delhi on March 22-23, 2010. The issue is under discussion.