## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:572 ANSWERED ON:25.02.2010 INDO-IRAN GAS PIPELINE PROJECT Naik Dr. Sanjeev Ganesh;Owaisi Shri Asaduddin

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

- (a) whether Pakistan has expressed some reservations over supply of gas through Indo-iran Gas pipeline project;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to resolve the matter; and
- (c) the status of the project?

## **Answer**

MINISTER SN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI MURLI DEORA)

- (a): No Madam.
- (b): Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c): india is pursuing the import of natural gas from Iran through Iran-Pakistan-India (IPI) Gas Pipeline Project. Various important issues, viz., pricing of gas, delivery point of gas, project structure, security of supplies, payment of transportation tariff and transit fees for passage of natural gas through Pakistan, etc., are under discussion amongst the participating countnes.

Such multilateral projects involve protracted discussions, as all the aspects have to be carefully examined and deliberated upon to the satisfaction of the participating countries to protect each country's interests and to avoid any problems in the future in the successful operation of the project.