GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

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ALLOCATION OF GAS FOR DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL /TRANSPORT USE
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to increase the natural gas allocation for domestic and commercial transport use in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of gas allocated for domestic and commercial transport sectors in the country during 2008-09 and the details of supply likely to be increased; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to procure extra gas required after such increase?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): City Gas Distribution (CGD) projects cater to the need of domestic and commercial transport sector. Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM) on commercial utilization of gas under New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) has allocated 5 million standard cubic metre per day (mmscmd) of natural gas to CGD projects for transport and domestic requirement.
- (c): During 2008-09, 950,800 metric tons of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) has been supplied to CGD projects for transport sector.
- (d): The Government has adopted multi-pronged strategy to enhance gas production in the country, consisting inter alia of the following:-
- i. Intensification of domestic E&P activities through NELP Rounds
- ii. Coal Bed Methane (CBM)
- iii. Underground Coal Gasification
- iv. Gas Hydrates
- v. Gas sourcing through transnational gas pipelines.