

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2834  
ANSWERED ON:23.07.2009  
SUPPLY OF NATURAL GAS TO POWER FERTILIZER SECTORS  
Patasani Dr. (Prof.) Prasanna Kumar

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

- (a) the requirement of natural gas for power/fertilizer sectors during the Eleventh Five Year Plan;
- (b) the details of the provisions made in this regard; and
- (c) the share of total production of KG D6 gas proposed to be supplied to both the priority sectors during Eleventh Plan?

**Answer**

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

(a) The estimated requirement of natural gas for power and fertilizers sectors during the remaining years of Eleventh Five Year Plan is as follows :

(in mmscmd)

Sector	2009-10	2010-11	2011-2012
Power	102.7	114.2	126.57
Fertilizer	55.9	76.26	76.26

(b) The average daily quantity of natural gas supplied to power and fertilizers sectors during 2008-09 by using GAIL's pipeline network is 30.76 mmscmd & 26.10 mmscmd respectively. Out of the mentioned quantity, 24.22 mmscmd and 15.8 mmscmd respectively is supplied at Administered Pricing Mechanism (APM) rate.

(c) Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM) formed to decide issues related to pricing and commercial utilization of gas under the New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) decided that, from the initial production of 40 mmscmd from KG D6, natural gas would be supplied to existing gas based urea plants, which were getting gas below their full requirement, so as to enable their full capacity utilization. Accordingly 15.33 mmscmd of gas has been allocated to these plants (@ 8200 Net Calorific value). Further, EGoM has decided that 18 mmscmd of natural gas, being the partial requirement of gas based power plants lying idle/under-utilized and likely to be commissioned during 2008-09, and liquid fuel plants, which are now running on liquid fuel and could switch over to natural gas, would be supplied to power plants.