

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

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SETTING UP OF NATIONAL GAS GRID
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has a proposal to establish a National Gas Grid in the country; and
(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Government is taking steps to expand natural gas transportation infrastructure in the country. The Government has issued authorizations for the following trunk natural gas pipelines totalling about 9000 km:-

- (i) Dadri-Bawana-Nangal Pipeline
- (ii) Chainsa-Gurgaon-Jhajjar-Hissar Pipeline
- (iii) Kochi-Koottanad-Mangalore-Bangalore Pipeline
- (iv) Dabhol-Bangalore Pipeline
- (v) Jagdishpur-Haldia Pipeline
- (vi) Kakinada-Basudebpur-Howrah Pipeline
- (vii) Vijaywada-Nellore-Chennai Pipeline
- (viii) Chennai-Tuticorin Pipeline
- (ix) Chennai-Bangalore-Mangalore Pipeline

Further, in order to encourage investment in gas sector, Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) Act, 2006 has been enacted and PNGRB has been constituted. The Board is inter alia responsible for giving authorizations for building natural gas trunk pipelines. PNGRB has initiated action to further expand the natural gas pipeline network.