

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:112
ANSWERED ON:03.03.2011
INDO-IRAN GAS PIPELINE PROJECT
Adsul Shri Anandrao Vithoba; Antony Shri Anto

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

- (a) the present status of the Iran-Pakistan-India (IPI) Gas Pipeline Project;
- (b) whether the Government has entered into any meaningful talk or signed any treaty with the beneficiary countries in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has estimated the cost of the project; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) to (e); A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.112 ASKED BY SHRI ANTO ANTONY AND SHRI ANANDRAO ADSUL, MPs TO BE ANSWERED ON MARCH 3, 2011

(a) to (c): Government is trying to ensure import of natural gas through transnational gas pipelines, including from Iran through the Iran-Pakistan- India (IPI) Gas Pipeline Project. Various important issues, viz., pricing of gas, delivery point of gas, project structure, payment of transportation tariff and transit fees for passage of natural gas through Pakistan, security of supply, etc., are under discussion amongst the participating countries. No agreement relating to the Project has been signed so far.

(d) & (e): The Project is estimated to cost around US \$ 7 billion.