

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

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DEMAND FOR CNG

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

(a) whether the demand for CNG has been increasing by 20 per cent to 25 per cent annually;

(b) if so, the comparative details thereof during the last three years; and

(c) the steps taken to introduce CNG in each State particularly in Haryana alongwith sufficient budgetary allocations in the coming 12th Plan period?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N SINGH)

(a) & (b): Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL), the City Gas Distributor for Delhi, NOIDA, Greater NOIDA and Ghaziabad has indicated an annual growth between 15% to 20%

(c): The Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) authorises the City Gas Distribution (CGD) networks to lay, build, operate or expand natural gas pipelines through a competitive bidding process. PNGRB has envisaged a roll out plan of CGD Network Development in more than 300 possible Geographical Areas (GAs) in various States, including Haryana over the next five years on the basis of Expression of Interest (EoI) and on suo moto basis, based on the connectivity with the existing and upcoming natural gas pipelines in India. No budgetary provision has been made by the Government for CGD network as this is a market driven business/ commercial activity.