

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

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

- (a) whether price and security measures could derail hope of Turkmenistan- Afghanistan-Pakistan-India (TAPI) pipeline;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to solve such problem and also to meet the rising demand in our country?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(c): On the issue of price of gas, various bilateral and multilateral meetings have been held among the four countries/their gas companies participating in the Turkmenistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan-India (TAPI) pipeline project. Regarding security & safety of the pipeline, suitable provisions have been made in the Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA) and Gas Pipeline Framework Agreement (GPFA) signed by the Governments of Turkmenistan, Afghanistan, Pakistan and India in December 2010. The talks relating to the TAPI Project, particularly the finalization of the Gas Sale Purchase Agreement (GPFA) are progressing well.