

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

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

- (a) the present status of the India-Pakistan-Iran(IPI) gas pipeline project;
- (b) whether the project has not materialised due to the pricing issues;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the current status of the negotiations; and
- (d) the details of other factors responsible for the project not being materialised?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A number of Tripartite Joint Working Group meetings among the participating countries and Bilateral meetings have been held to discuss the modalities of the Iran-Pakistan-India (IPI) gas pipeline project including various important issues, inter-alia, pricing of gas, delivery point of gas, project structure, payment of transportation tariff, transit fees for passage of natural gas through Pakistan and security of supply. However, no agreement relating to the project has been signed so far.