

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

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CNG LPG FILLING STATIONS

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

- (a) the number of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) and LPG filling stations in the country at present, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the areas where CNG/LPG filling stations are proposed to be set up during the next three years, location and State/UT-wise particularly in Bihar and Maharashtra along with the target for their completion; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to set up more CNG/LPG filling stations in the country to meet the growing demand ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SMT PANABAAKA LAKSHMI)

(a): The number of CNG and LPG filling stations/pumps in the country are 781 and 657 respectively. State-wise numbers are at Annexure-I.

(b) & (c): Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB), authorized for City Gas Distribution (CGD) network in the country has envisaged a roll out plan of CGD network development (CNG/PNG) in more than 300 possible geographical areas including 9 GAs in Bihar and 29 GAs in the state of Maharashtra, on the basis of Expressions of Interest (EOI) submitted to the Board and on suo moto basis. The development of City Gas Distribution network in a geographical area is based on the availability of natural gas through transmission pipelines in its vicinity. Setting up of CNG stations within the authorized Geographical Area is undertaken by the authorized entity based on techno-economic feasibility. The details of Auto LPG filling Stations proposed to be opened by the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies are at Annexure-II.