

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

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

- (a) the quantum of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) being imported from various countries at present;
- (b) the amount of loss being incurred by the Government on daily basis on account of import of CNG in the country;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to increase the price of CNG to compensate the loss; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) At present CNG is not being imported in India from any country as CNG is produced locally by compressing the natural gas. However, it may be noted that natural gas in India is imported from abroad in the form of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) and the same is regasified for converting into natural gas. The same imported natural gas can also be sold to City Gas Distribution companies, which in turn can be used as CNG after compressing the same.

(c) & (d) The retail price of CNG in any city is fixed by the concerned City Gas Distribution Company. The price of CNG is a function of the weighted average of the price of the gas (domestic gas/RLNG/spot RLNG), operating expenses, various central, state and local taxes and levies.