

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

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

- (a) the details of gas supply to various places from the piped natural gas line originating from Palghar, Maharashtra;
- (b) whether the residents and industries in Palghar and other adjoining areas of district Thane, Maharashtra has been left out of this gas supply;
- (c) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the time by which the Government proposes to include Palghar and other adjoining areas in the list of beneficiaries for Piped Natural Gas supply?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): As per information provided by Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB), there is no downstream natural gas pipeline originating from Palghar for supply of natural gas to industries, residents, etc. in Palghar and its other adjoining areas of district Thane, Maharashtra. Depending upon the natural gas pipeline connectivity/gas availability, the geographical area (GA) covering Palghar and its other adjoining areas of district Thane, Maharashtra will be considered by PNGRB along with various other GAs identified in the country for including in the bidding rounds in a phased manner for grant of authorization for development of city or local natural gas distribution (CGD) networks through which Piped Natural Gas supplies are made to domestic, commercial and industrial customers by the authorized entities.