

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

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SUPPLY OF GAS TO PAKISTAN

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to supply gas to Pakistan at concessional rates;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) the name of the Public Sector Undertaking which has been entrusted with this task; and
- (d) the time by which the cross-border gas transaction is likely to be started between the two countries?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): No, Madam. However, due to limited acceptability of imported Regasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) prices, temporary spare capacity in GAIL's Dadri-Bawana-Nangal pipeline (DBNPL) and uncertainty of anchor load customers on this pipeline, discussions were held with Inter State Gas Systems Pvt. Ltd. (ISGS), Pakistan for export of about 5 MMSCMD imported RLNG from India for a period of 5 years.

(c) & (d): The offer for supply of gas to Pakistan was made through GAIL. However, no formal commitment has been made due to the concerns expressed by Pakistan on the price build up of RLNG indicated by GAIL.