

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether 1220 MW gas based expansion units at Gas Turbine Power Station (GTPS), Uran is now ready to be launched but held up due to absence of long-term gas supply tie-up;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard;
- (c) whether the Government has received any requests from the State Government of Maharashtra to source/ supply 5.4 MMSCMD of Natural Gas for GTPS, Uran from M/s Reliance Industries Ltd. from their KG Basin; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and action taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (d): Maharashtra State Power Generation Company Ltd. (MAHAGENCO) has planned to set up 1220 MW gas-based expansion unit at the Uran Gas Turbine Power Station (GTPS). Government of Maharashtra has requested for allotment of 5.4 mmscmd (million metric standard cubic metres per day) natural gas from KG D6 field for the said project.

As regards supply of KG D6 gas to power projects which are in the pipeline, including inter alia the said project, Empowered Group of Ministers (EGoM) on issues related to pricing and commercial utilization of gas under New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) has decided that, subject to the availability of gas, necessary allocations from KG D6 fields will be made to these projects as and when they are ready to commence production.