

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS  
LOK SABHA**

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Natural Gas for Fertilizer Plants  
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**Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:**

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantity of natural gas required per day by the functional urea producing units and the sources thereof and the price of natural gas charged by the supplying agency from the urea producing units in the country, unit-wise;
- (b) the quantity of natural gas required for the completion of all ongoing urea projects including the proposed revival of units of Fertilizers Corporation of India Limited and Hindustan Fertilizers Corporation Limited in the country and the sources thereof, unit-wise;
- (c) whether construction work of the proposed Jagdishpur Haldia Pipeline (JHPL) for transporting natural gas has commenced;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the same is likely to be completed; and
- (e) the route through which the pipe line would traverse and whether the closed/sick public sector fertilizer units would fall enroute the pipeline and if so, the details thereof, unit-wise

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a): Natural Gas (both Domestic & imported RLNG) is being supplied to all the 25 urea units connected by the natural gas grid at a uniform pooled price. The uniform pooled price of gas for the month of June, 2015 is Rs 622.47 per MMBTU (GCV basis). The details of quantity of natural gas required per day is annexed.

(b): Each proposed urea project to be set up under New Investment Policy (NIP)- 2012 and its amendment thereof, would require 2.4 MMSCMD of Natural Gas.

So far as revival of urea projects is concerned, Sindri, Gorakhpur and Ramagundam units of Fertilizer Corporation of India Limited (FCIL) and Barauni unit of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited (HFCL) would each require 2.4 MMSCMD of gas, which is likely to arise by 2018-19.

(c) to (e): The likely date of completion of Jagdishpur Haldia pipeline project Phase-I (JHPL) (which comprises of Mainline – 30" x 341 Km (Phulpur – Dobhi) & Spurline – 24"/18"/12"/8" x 414 Km (Gorakhpur, Varanasi, Patna, Barauni)) is 'December 2018' (in synchronization with revival of Fertilizer Plants/readiness of IOCL Refinery at Barauni). The section of JHPL Phase-I Pipeline passes through the following Districts of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar:

"Districts of Uttar Pradesh: Allahabad, Jaunpur, Varanasi, Chandauli, Azamgarh, Gorakhpur, Ambedkar Nagar & Sant Kabir Nagar.

Districts of Bihar: Kaimoor, Rohtas, Aurangabad, Gaya, Nalanda, Patna, Shekhura, Lakhesarai and Begusarai."

The above would cater the energy requirement of following fertilizer plant:

- "(i) FCIL, Gorakhpur.
- (ii) HFCL, Barauni."

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