

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1333**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.09.2020**

**Profit/Loss of GAIL**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to push to raise the share of natural gas in India's energy basket to 15 per cent by 2030 from the current 6.2 per cent and if so, the steps taken by the Government to achieve this goal;
- (b) the details of profit earned/loss incurred by GAIL (India) Ltd. during the last three years and the steps taken to enhance the profit;
- (c) whether the GAIL (India) Ltd. plans to invest large amount of money over the next five years to expand the National Gas Pipeline Grid and City Gas Distribution Network to help push for greater use of environment friendly fuel and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of the projects being operated by GAIL (India) Ltd. in different parts of the country along with the present status/ progress of the said projects, particularly in Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra along with the projects which are at planning stage?

**ANSWER**

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**MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS**  
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- (a) Natural Gas being an alternative cleaner fossil fuel has a major role in catering the growing energy demand in a sustainable manner. To increase the share of gas in the primary energy mix of the country, Government is progressively taking steps to enhance domestic gas

production and develop requisite gas infrastructure. Details of major initiatives to increase the share of natural gas in India's energy basket are as under:

**Upstream Sector :** Enhancing domestic gas production (a) issuing of Pricing Guidelines, 2014; (b) Marketing & pricing freedom to gas production from difficult & new field; (c) HELP Policy; (d) Discovered Small Field Policy etc.

**Midstream Sector:** Developing additional gas infrastructure capacities by (a) Completion of National Gas Grid and (b) Establishing new LNG import facilities

**Downstream Sector :** Development of downstream sector through (a) Development of CGD networks across country- presently covered 407 districts spread over 27 States/UTs for CGD development (b) Promoting gas in Refineries and in Steel industries, (c) Creation of free gas market and (d) Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT).

(b) Profit After Tax (PAT) during last 3 years of GAIL (India) Ltd. is as under:

| <b>Financial Year</b> | <b>PAT (Rupees in crore)</b> |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| 2017-18               | 4618.00                      |
| 2018-19               | 6026.00                      |
| 2019-20               | 6620.00                      |

GAIL (India) Ltd. is working towards developing gas sector as its profitability also depends on transportation tariff and marketing margin and their profit will enhance by increasing the market share, reducing the cost and improving the efficiency .

(c) GAIL (India) Limited is involved in expanding its natural gas pipelines and city gas distribution networks over the next five years. The projects being undertaken primarily consists of 17 natural gas pipelines and 35 CGD networks across various cities.

(d) GAIL(India) Ltd. is implementing 114 projects at Pan-India level including projects in the state of Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra, which are under different stages of implementation. Total project cost of all 114 projects is approximately Rs. 90,000 crore. Projects primarily consist of natural gas pipeline projects, CGD projects and other projects of GAIL and those of its joint venture/subsidiary companies. Details are available at GAIL(India) Ltd.'s website at <https://gailonline.com/BV-NarutalGas.html>.

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