

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1873
TO BE ANSWERED ON 4th August, 2021

Gas pipeline and CNG network

1873. **Shri Y.S. Chowdary:**

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

- (a) whether Government has decided to spread gas pipelines across the country, through massive network for transportation;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it would also extend CNG connections to more cities and towns, especially Andhra Pradesh in particular, for domestic and industrial purposes;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the period by which the said network would be spread across the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) and (b) As on 31.03.2021, Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) has authorized approximately 33,764 Km Natural Gas Pipeline Network across the country with the aim to create a national gas grid and increase the availability of natural gas across the country. The authorized Natural Gas pipeline entity is allowed to lay spurlines as per the provision of the regulations. Accordingly, 19,998 km of Natural Gas pipeline (including sub-transmission pipeline & tie in connectivity pipeline) are operational and 15,369 km are under various stages of construction. The existing and upcoming pipelines will form a basic National Gas Grid in the country. However, expansion of pipeline infrastructure is a continuous effort based on gas demand assessment of various regions.

(c) to (e) Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) is the authority to grant authorization to the entities for developing of City Gas Distribution (CGD) network in Geographical Areas (GAs) as per PNGRB Act, 2006. PNGRB identifies GAs for authorizing the development of CGD network in synchronization with the development of natural gas pipeline connectivity and natural gas availability. About 232 GAs covering 407 districts spread over 27 States/UTs including Andhra Pradesh have been allowed for the development of CGD networks. Details of authorized Geographical Areas (GAs) in state of Andhra Pradesh are at Annexure. CGD network would be spread across the country as per Minimum Work Program.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) to (e) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1873 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2021 REGARDING GAS PIPELINE AND CNG NETWORK.

Details of CNG stations in the country

Sl. No.	State	Geographical Areas/CGD Networks
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Kakinada, East Godavari District (excluding area already authorized), West Godavari District, Krishna District (excluding area already authorized), Srikakulam, Visakhapatnam and Vizianagaram Districts, Vijayawada, Anantapur and YSR (Kadapa) Districts, Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore District
2.	Andhra Pradesh Karnataka & Tamil Nadu	Chittoor, Kolar and Vellore Districts