

**Payment of imported oil in rupees**

†735. SHRI RAMCHANDRA PRASAD SINGH:

SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that mutual agreement has been reached with Iran to pay the 45 per cent of the total value of crude oil imported from there in rupees;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether India has offered to have commercial agreement on this line with other crude exporting countries; and
- (d) if so, the names of the countries to which this offer has been made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. India has reached an agreement with Iran to pay 45% of the total value of crude oil imported from that country in Indian Rupee.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.

**Expansion of PNG and LPG supply networks**

†736. SHRI RAGHUNANDAN SHARMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

- (a) the number of districts in the country where supply of gas cylinders has not been started;
- (b) the number of districts in the country where supply of both Piped Natural Gas (PNG) and gas cylinders have been started; and
- (c) by when the supply of PNG and gas cylinders throughout the country has been planned ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH): (a) and (b) Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) are supplying LPG through their LPG distributors in all the 628 districts of the country. City Gas Distribution (CGD) companies are supplying Piped Natural Gas (PNG) in 51 Geographical areas of the country covering the States of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Delhi, Haryana, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Tripura.

(c) Vision 2015 adopted by this Ministry envisages raising the country's LPG population coverage from 50% to 75%, by releasing 5.5 crore new LPG connections between 2009 and 2015 especially in rural areas and under-covered areas.

As far as extension of PNG facilities to different towns and cities in the country is concerned, the implementation time-frame is subject to *inter-alia*,

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availability of natural gas through a gas transmission pipeline, technical and commercial feasibility and availability of clearances from various authorities.

**Supply of gas from ONGC's oil fields for power generation**

†737. SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI:

SHRI RAMCHANDRA PRASAD SINGH:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government would supply gas from ONGC's oil fields for power generation in order to offset the negative effects of lesser production of gas from KG-D6 fields;

(b) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the respective quantum of gas supplies made from ONGC's fields along with the recipients industries and the leftover quantum being used for other purposes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI R.P.N SINGH): (a) and (b) All the available domestic gas (excluding what is covered under Small and Isolated Fields Policy and allocation of which has been delegated to National Oil Companies) has already been allocated to various consumers. No further gas is available for allocation, at present.

(c) During 2010-11 the total production of natural gas by ONGC was 63.273 mmcmd out of which 50.62 mmcmd was supplied to various industries either directly by ONGC or by GAIL. The industry-wise supply of gas produced by ONGC during the above period is as follows:

Industry	Supply in mmcmd
Fertilizer	13.27
Gas Based LPG plants for LPG extraction	3.03
Power	21.00
C G D	4.34
Court mandated customer other than CGD	0.97
Small consumers having allocation less than 50,000 SCMD	1.95
Refineries	1.21
Petrochemicals	1.42
Sponge Iron	1.61
Others	0.70
Internal consumption-P/L	1.12
TOTAL	50.62

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