

(c) The requirement of imported crude for Guwahati and Bongaigaon refineries has been considered in the design of Paradip-Numaligarh crude pipeline approved as part of NRL expansion project.

Linking of National Gas Grid to Rajasthan

1210. SHRI NARAYAN LAL PANCHARIYA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken any decision to develop National Gas Grid;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether gas producing areas in Rajasthan are proposed to be linked to National Gas Grid; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) and (b) The Government has envisaged to develop the National Gas Grid. At present about 16,788 km. natural gas pipeline is operational and about 14,239 km. gas pipelines are being developed to increase the availability of natural gas across the country. These pipelines have been authorised by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) and are at various stages of execution *viz.* Pre-Project activities such as statutory clearances and acquisition of Right of Use under P&MP Act etc. and project implementation.

(c) and (d) To connect gas producing areas in Rajasthan with National Gas Grid, PNGRB has invited bids for development of 580 km. long Langtala-Jodhpur-Bhilwara Pipeline. This pipeline will connect RJ-ON/06 Block at Langtala with GAIL's existing Kota-Bhilwara which is already a part of gas grid.

Constant increase in price of LPG cylinders

1211. SHRIMATI SHANTA CHHETRI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of increase in price of LPG cylinders both subsidised and non-subsidised since implementation of 5 per cent GST applicable on domestic LPG till date;

(b) the reasons as to why Government is unable to contain the ever increasing price of LPG cylinders which is an essential commodity; and

(c) the year-wise and company-wise details of profits earned by Public Sector oil companies during the last three years till date?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) and (b) The Government continues to modulate the effective price to consumer for Subsidised Domestic LPG and Retail Selling Price of PDS Kerosene. After implementation of PAHAL scheme, LPG subsidy on purchase of refill, which happens at non-subsidised price, is directly transferred into the bank account of the customer. The prices of non-subsidised domestic LPG are, however, determined by the OMCs in line with changes in international markets.

The details of price of LPG cylinders both subsidised and non-subsidised at Delhi since implementation of 5 per cent GST till date are given in the Statement (See below).

(c) The year-wise and company-wise details of profits earned by Public Sector oil companies during the last three years and first half of current year are given as under:—

	(₹ in crore)			
Companies	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	H1, 2018-19
ONGC	16,140	17,900	19,945	14,408
OIL	2,302	1,549	2,668	1,567
GAIL	2,226	3,503	4,618	3,222
MRPL	1,146	3,642	2,224	281
CPCL	742	1,030	913	183
NRL	1,210	2,101	2,044	943
IOC	11,242	19,106	21,346	10,078
HPC	3,725	6,209	6,357	2,811
BPC	7,056	8,039	7,919	3,512

Statement

*Details of price of LPG cylinders both subsidised and non-subsidised in Delhi
Since implementation of 5 per cent GST*

Date	Domestic LPG		
	Subsidised/effective cost to consumers (A)	Non-subsidised (B)	Subsidy per cylinder (B-A)
	(₹/14.2 KG Cyl.)		
1	2	3	4
01.07.2017	477.46	564.00	86.54
01.08.2017	479.77	524.00	44.23
01.09.2017	487.18	597.50	110.32
30.09.2017	488.68	599.00	110.32
01.10.2017	491.13	649.00	157.87
01.11.2017	495.69	742.00	246.31
01.12.2017	495.69	747.00	251.31
01.01.2018	495.64	741.00	245.36
01.02.2018	495.63	736.00	240.37
01.03.2018	493.09	689.00	195.91
01.04.2018	491.35	653.50	162.15
01.05.2018	491.21	650.50	159.29
01.06.2018	493.55	698.50	204.95
01.07.2018	496.26	754.00	257.74
01.08.2018	498.02	789.50	291.48
01.09.2018	499.51	820.00	320.49
01.10.2018	502.40	879.00	376.6
01.11.2018	505.34	939.00	433.66
07.11.2018	507.42	942.50	435.08
01.12.2018	500.90	809.50	308.6
01.01.2019	494.99	689.00	194.01
01.02.2019	493.53	659.00	165.47

Note:- The price of domestic subsidised LPG is effective cost to consumer after DBTL subsidy at Delhi market.