

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
LOK SABHA**

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MODERNISATION OF PETROL PUMPS IN ASSAM  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the names of cities and towns in Assam where extensive pollution control measures like introduction of CNG and distribution of purified petroleum products are ensured alongwith modernization of petrol pumps;
- (b) whether any specific action plan has been contemplated for Guwahati and some other towns also in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the number of petrol pumps in Assam showing the number already modernized and proposed for subsequent years, company-wise; and
- (e) the target set for modernization of all petrol pumps in Assam?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (c): Various cities in India are in the process of switching over to alternate fuel options like CNG. CNG has not been introduced in Assam due to its non-availability. However, Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) have a plan to introduce Auto LPG in four Retail Outlets (ROs). As per the Auto Fuel policy of the Government, Petrol and Diesel having quality and specifications commensurate to that of Euro-II or Bharat Stage-II requirements are supplied in Assam with effect from 01.04.2005. Gas Authority of India Ltd. (GAIL) has undertaken the demand assessment in domestic, commercial and automobile sectors for preparing the detailed feasibility report for implementation of City Gas Project in the City of Silchar in Assam State.

(d) to (e): Modernisation of Retail Outlets is a continuous process. The company-wise details of retail outlets modernized by public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs) during the year 2004-05 and 2005-2006 and plans for modernization during the year 2006-07 in the State of Assam are as under: -

	No of ROs modernized during	No of ROs planned for modernization during	
	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
IOC	0	1	3
HPC	8	8	13
IBP	2	4	7