

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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USE OF CNG/ LPG IN VEHICLES  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government has identified the names of cities for use of LPG/CNG after the success of CNG in Delhi and following the order of the Supreme Court for adopting CNG/LPG by other polluted cities;
- (b) if so, the response of the State Governments where these cities are situated;
- (c) whether any action plan has been formulated by these State Governments;
- (d) whether the action plan is being monitored regularly; and
- (e) the time by which these cities will start using CNG/LPG for vehicles to control pollution?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (e) The Hon'ble Supreme Court, in its various orders from time to time, has identified, 16 most polluted cities of the country. These cities are – Ahmedabad, Kanpur, Sholapur, Lucknow, Bangalore, Chennai, Hyderabad, Agra, Varanasi, Jharia, Faridabad, Patna, Jodhpur, Pune, Mumbai and Kolkata. Out of these 16 cities, in accordance with the directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the action plans for the seven cities, namely, Ahmedabad, Kanpur, Sholapur, Lucknow, Bangalore, Chennai and Hyderabad are under monitoring by the Environmental Pollution (Prevention & Control) Authority, constituted in pursuance of the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court. The action plans for seven cities, namely, Agra, Jharia, Varanasi, Faridabad, Patna, Jodhpur and Pune are under monitoring by the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India. The Action Plans for Kolkata and Mumbai are under monitoring by the respective State Pollution Control Boards. Change over to cleaner fuels like Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)/Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG), etc. is one of the measures contemplated in these action plans. The implementation of the CNG/LPG as automotive fuel in the above sixteen cities is under different stages.