

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

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

(a) whether it is fact the around 200 applications seeking gas linkage for new power plants for about 250 million standard cubic metres a day are pending with the Government; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and suitable steps being taken by the Government thereupon so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) & (b): Various applications requesting gas allocations for new power plants requiring over 550 million standard cubic meters a day (mmscmd) of gas have been received. At present, all the available natural gas has been allocated to various priority sectors, including the power sector, in terms of Gas Utilization Policy.