

Hon'ble Prime Minister Laid the Foundation Stone of City Gas Distribution Projects in Alipurduar & Coochbehar Districts of West Bengal

Alipurduar, West Bengal – 29th May 2025 - As a significant step towards expanding the City Gas Distribution (CGD) network in India, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today laid the foundation stone of the CGD project in Alipurduar and Coochbehar districts of West Bengal.

The project, with a total cost of over Rs. 1000 Crores, aims to provide Piped Natural Gas (PNG) to over 2.5 Lakh households, 100+ commercial establishments and industries besides providing Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) to vehicular traffic by establishing minimum 19 CNG stations. The project is scheduled to be completed by 30th September 2030.

The tap-off point for taking Natural Gas is situated at Ambari and Ghoksadanga tap-off stations of M/s GAIL situated in the Coochbehar District, West Bengal.

The project's key objective is to build a robust gas distribution infrastructure by laying steel pipelines, MDPE pipelines and other equipment for providing PNG connections to households, commercial establishments and industrial customers and CNG to vehicular traffic by establishing CNG stations.

Impact of the Project :

The project is expected to have a significant impact on the environment, employment, and the community. It aligns with India's net-zero emission goals, promoting natural gas as a cleaner alternative to conventional fuels, reducing greenhouse gas emissions by approximately 27%. During the 25-year project period, there will be a reduction of approximately 98 TMT of greenhouse gas emissions, which is equivalent to planting around 50 lakh trees.

The project is also expected to create over 22 lakh man-days of direct and indirect employment thereby boosting local economic growth. Once fully operational, over 42 lakh population in these districts will enjoy a convenient, reliable, environment-friendly and cost-effective fuel supply.

The provision of a robust and efficient City Gas Distribution infrastructure, sets the stage for creating a healthier environment and boosting sustainable development in the districts of Alipurduar and Coochbehar of West Bengal.



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Fortune Global 500 Company, Bharat Petroleum is the second largest Indian Oil Marketing Company and one of the integrated energy companies in India, engaged in refining of crude oil and marketing of petroleum products, with presence in the upstream and downstream sectors of the oil and gas industry. The company attained the coveted Maharatna status, joining the club of companies having greater operational & financial autonomy.

Bharat Petroleum's Refineries at Mumbai, Kochi and Bina have a combined refining capacity of around 35.3 MMTPA. Its marketing infrastructure includes a network of installations, depots, fuel stations, aviation service stations and LPG distributors. Its distribution network comprises over 23,500+ Fuel Stations, over 6,200+ LPG distributorships, 500+ Lubes distributorships, 80 POL storage locations, 54 LPG Bottling Plants, 79 Aviation Service Stations, 5 Lube blending plants and 5 cross-country pipelines.

Bharat Petroleum is integrating its strategy, investments, environmental and social ambitions to move towards a sustainable planet. The company has Electric vehicle charging stations at 6500+ Fuel Stations.

With a focus on sustainable solutions, the company is developing an ecosystem and a road-map to become a Net Zero Energy Company by 2040, in Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions. Bharat Petroleum has been partnering communities by supporting several initiatives connected primarily in the areas of education, water conservation, skill development, health, community development, capacity building and employee volunteering. With 'Energising Lives' as its core purpose, Bharat Petroleum's vision is to be an admired global energy company leveraging talent, innovation & technology.

As it celebrates its 50th Foundation Year, BPCL looks back on five decades of fueling progress and reaffirms its commitment to shaping the future with sustainable energy solutions.

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