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**GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
ABSTRACT**

Directorate of Industries and Commerce, Puducherry -Puducherry City Gas Distribution Policy 2023-Issued.

Directorate of Industries and Commerce (Secretariat wing)

G.O.Ms.No.7/Ind&Com/Tech/U-I/T10/2023-24 Puducherry, the 09.10.2023

Read: I.D.No2528-A/DI&C/CGD/2023-24 dated 22.06.2023 of
the Directorate of Industries & Commerce, Puducherry

ORDER:-

The following notification shall be published in the next issue of the official Gazette:-

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NOTIFICATION

The Government of India is keen to cut emissions through a greater share of environment-friendly natural gas for auto and cooking fuel and towards achieving its 'One Nation One Gas Grid' vision.

The Government of India has taken decisive action to enhance the share of Natural Gas in the primary energy basket from the existing 6.71% to 15% by 2030.

The Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board Act, 2006 provides the legal framework for the development of natural gas pipelines and city or local gas distribution networks. The Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India has notified a policy namely "Development of Natural Gas Pipelines and City or Local Natural Gas Distribution Networks" on 20th December 2006. The objective of the said Government of India policy is to promote investment from the public as well as the private sector in natural gas pipelines and city or local natural gas distribution networks and to secure the consumer interest in terms of gas availability and reasonable tariff for natural gas pipelines and city or local natural gas distribution networks.

The Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) established under the above said Act is the competent Authority for selecting an entity to lay, build, operate or expand a natural gas pipeline or a city or local natural gas distribution network in the country.

The Government of India is rapidly expanding the City Gas Distribution (CGD) networks across the country, so as to provide cleaner fuel through Piped Natural Gas (PNG) to households, industrial and commercial units, as well as transportation fuel through Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) to vehicles. The Government of India is also keen on utilizing domestically produced natural gas in the form of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG).

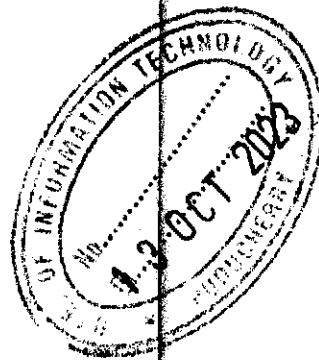
A necessity on the part of the Government of Puducherry has arisen to notify a CGD Policy for standardizing the road restoration/permission charges along with time-bound issue of permissions in the Union Territory of Puducherry.

The Policy proposes to nominate the Directorate of Industries & Commerce, Government of Puducherry as the Nodal Agency for all such assigned projects in order to expedite the implementation of Petroleum & Natural Gas Pipeline Projects and City Gas Distribution Network Projects (CGD) in the Union Territory of Puducherry.

The Puducherry City Gas Distribution Policy-2023 proposes the following objectives:

1. To promote the adoption of natural gas in the Union Territory of Puducherry as a Green and Clean fuel.
2. To ensure compliance with safe operations by CGD entities and also to entrust the entities to provide a reliable/uninterrupted supply of natural gas.
3. To develop applicable rules/regulations to encourage the use of natural gas for industrial, commercial, transportation and household purposes in a phased manner.
4. To encourage CNG/LNG as a preferred transport fuel, LNG bunkering in fishing vessels/boats and Conversion of Diesel generators in Telecom service towers with Gas generators.

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The Puducherry City Gas Distribution Policy 2023 was approved by the Council of Ministers on 04.10.2023

The Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor is pleased to accord approval to the Puducherry City Gas Distribution Policy 2023.

The Department of Industries and Commerce shall formulate Guidelines wherever required for implementing the Policy.

//BY ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR//



(P.T. RUDRA GOUD)

JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVT. (IND. & COM.)

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