

HM Shah inaugurates India's 1st co-op biogas plant in Maharashtra

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Union Home Minister Amit Shah, on Sunday, inaugurated the country's first cooperative compressed biogas plant in Maharashtra's Kopergaon and highlighted Narendra Modi government's "farmer-centric" initiatives.

The plant marks a significant milestone in India's efforts to promote green energy and strengthen the cooperative sector.

Calling it a "proud moment for the nation", the Union Minister said that Prime Minister Modi's vision has transformed the cooperative movement into a driving force for rural economic empowerment.

"By establishing the cooperative sector, PM Modi initiated a new lifeline for the country's rural economy. The cooperative sector is emerging as a strong pillar of India's development," he added.

The Union Home Minister



said that under PM Modi's leadership, 15 cooperative sugar factories across the country, with support from the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC), will soon be selected to develop similar biogas initiatives to promote sustainable rural industries.

Highlighting the Narendra Modi government's commitment to farmers, Union Minister

Shah referred to the launch of the 'Dalhan Atmanirbharta Project' on October 1 -- an ambitious Rs 11,340-crore mission aimed at achieving self-reliance in pulses.

"The Narendra Modi government is dedicated towards the country's farmers. Under this project, farmers cultivating pigeon pea, black gram pea, red lentils will be able to sell their produce at

Minimum Support Price (MSP) through NAFED and NCCF. The government will procure 100 per cent of these pulses," the Union Minister said.

He also announced that 1,000 processing units will be set up and 38 lakh high-quality seed kits will be distributed to farmers.

The Union government has recently increased the MSP of masoor by Rs 300 per quintal, mustard by Rs 250, and chana by Rs 225.

Reiterating PM Modi's call for sustainability, Union Minister Shah urged citizens to join the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign, planting two trees -- one in the name of mother Earth and one in their mother's name -- to combat climate change.

"Prime Minister Modi has taken India's economy from 11th to fourth position globally. To become number one, there is no alternative to 'Swadeshi'," he said.



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OUR CORRESPONDENT

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cheaper barrels to meet rising domestic demand. Russian oil share rose from less than 1 per cent prior to the Ukraine war to over 40 per cent.

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"Russian barrels are likely to remain the core of the import mix, though refiners are clearly placing more emphasis on diversification across the Middle East, Americas, and Africa," Ritolia said.

He expected India-bound Russian spot loadings to remain flat to slightly higher in October-December when compared to the previous quarter.

"Still, ongoing disruptions to Russia's downstream system suggest crude exports will remain healthy, and discounts could edge higher again to support flows."

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OPEC+ agrees on modest oil output hike in November

LONDON: OPEC+ will raise oil output by 137,000 bpd in November, matching October's modest increase, sources said.

This follows a 2.6 million bpd boost this year, about 2.5% of global demand, aimed at regaining market share from rivals like US shale.

Ahead of Sunday's online meeting, Russia and Saudi Arabia differed on the increase.

Russia supported a modest rise due to sanctions limiting output & to avoid pressuring prices, while Saudi preferred a larger boost of up to 548,000 bpd *Reuters* reported.

OPEC+ cuts peaked at 5.85 million bpd in March, comprising voluntary reductions and coordinated cuts by members. **AGENCIES**

Russia stays top oil supplier in Sept, despite US pressure

KEY PARTNER. At 34%, the cargoes are, however, lower than 40% recorded in April

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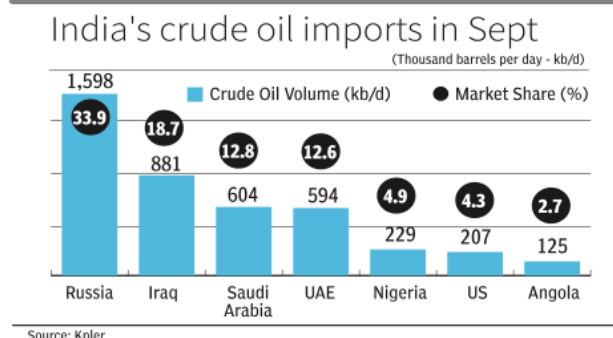
India's crude oil imports in September remained largely steady with Russia continuing to account for about one-third of the cumulative cargoes, despite high tariffs imposed by the US on Indian goods as penalty for sourcing energy from Moscow.

Numbers from global real time data and analytics provider Kpler put Russian barrels at the top, accounting for almost 34 per cent of the cargoes procured by the world's third largest importer.

Nevertheless, the signs of US pressure are visible in the current calendar year. For instance, the Russian share declined from a high of 40.26 per cent (April 2025) to a low of 33.8 per cent (September 2025).

Share of traditional suppliers, the Middle East, was a little over 44 per cent. India largely imports medium sour grades from these two regions, which favours its refinery structure that is more suited to heavy distillates, such as diesel and jet fuel.

For light sweet grades, In-



dia balanced the cargoes between Africa and the US. While Nigeria accounted for almost 5 per cent of the cumulative imports last month, American barrels made up for a little over 4 per cent. Russia was India's largest supplier in September at 33.9 per cent share, followed by Iraq (18.7 per cent), Saudi Arabia (12.8 per cent), the UAE (12.6 per cent), Nigeria (4.9 per cent) and the US (4.3 per cent).

RUSSIAN CARGOES

However, continuous US pressure on India to stop procuring Russian barrels seems to be bearing results with cargoes from the erstwhile Soviet Union declining, albeit not substantially.

Sumit Ritolia, Kpler's Lead Research Analyst for Refining & Modeling, told *businessline*, "Russian crude maintained its position as the largest single supplier, contributing around 1,600 thousand barrels per day, or kb/d, (a 34 per cent share). However, this was roughly 160 kb/d below the average Russian volumes imported during the first eight months of 2025."

Despite the dip, Russian barrels remain among the most economical feedstock options for Indian refiners, given their high gross profit worth margins and discounts relative to alternatives, he emphasised.

DIVERSIFIED SOURCING

India imported around 1,598

kb/d of Russian crude oil last month, a decline of more than 10 per cent month-on-month and almost 13 per cent year-on-year.

On the US pressure, Ritolia explained that refiners continue to diversify volumes incrementally from the Middle East, Latin America and the US, but this diversification is driven more by operational flexibility and arbitrage opportunities.

"At this stage, it's improbable that India will implement structural cuts purely to satisfy US and EU political pressure. If Washington intensifies pressure, Indian refiners could make a token reduction — in the order of 100-200 kb/d — to demonstrate diversification and appease Western partners. However, these cuts would likely be symbolic rather than transformative," he added.

Going ahead, he said that India-bound Russian spot loadings are expected to remain flat to slightly higher into Q4 2025 versus Q3.

Asked about importing more crude from the US, Ritolia said it is possible. However, the upside is capped at around 350-450 kb/d.

Opec+ to raise crude oil output by a modest 137,000 bpd from November

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The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries and its allies will add 137,000 barrels a day next month, Opec confirmed in a statement on its website. Russia, which has previously pushed for restraint in supply boosts, favored an adjustment that would help to defend prices while Saudi Arabia — more mindful of market share — supported a larger addition, a delegate said prior to Sunday's gathering.

Oil prices traded near a four-month low on Friday, a reminder of the careful balancing act for Opec and allies as they return supply to a market in surplus.



The group shocked the market back in April, announcing the accelerated return of barrels into a market that analysts said was heading for surplus. Once that first tranche — 2.2 million barrels a day — was restored, they then immediately moved onto returning the next layer — about 1.65 million barrels a day in total — albeit at a slower pace.

While prices have held up relatively strongly to the supply added so far, there are now signs that the market is starting to shift. Unsold cargoes from the Middle East are accumulating and the futures forward curve is showing signs of near-term weakness. The International Energy Agency anticipates that inventories will pile up rapidly this quarter and that a record surplus will emerge in 2026 as global demand cools and supply across the Americas

booms. Despite the risk of booming supply, two delegates said that there was no discussion of a surplus on Sunday. The meeting lasted for 9 minutes, as it did a month earlier — an indication of the work that goes on before formal talks begin. The next gathering will be on November 2.

On Friday, *Bloomberg* reported that one option was for an increase of 137,000 barrels a day while another was for two or even three times that amount. Saudi Arabia, which had borne the largest share of the production curtailments now being unwound, has led the group in its strategy shift to increase production in order to regain market share. Sunday's decision also comes ahead of a trip to Washington next month by Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman for a meeting with President Donald Trump, who has called repeatedly for lower oil prices. Saudi and Russian officials didn't immediately respond to requests for comment.

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2026 due to slower demand and rising U.S. supply.

Prices are trading below this year's peaks of \$82 per barrel but above \$60 per barrel seen in May.

In the run-up to the meeting, Russia and Saudi Arabia, the two biggest producers in the OPEC+ group, had different views, sources have said. Russia was advocating for a modest output increase, the same as in October, to avoid pressuring oil prices and because it would struggle to raise output owing to sanctions over its war in Ukraine, two sources said this week.

Amit Shah hails ethanol blending programme as a game changer for sugar cooperatives

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah on Sunday hailed the ethanol blending programme as a transformative initiative for India's sugar cooperatives, crediting it with improving financial health and promoting rural prosperity.

He assured Maharashtra of prompt Central support for farmers affected by the recent floods.

Addressing a farmers' rally in Ahilyanagar district after inaugurating the expanded capacity of the Dr. Vitthalrao Vikhe Patil Cooperative Sugar Factory, he said, "Since Modi ji became Prime Minister, our cooperatives have grown stronger, more resilient, and more prosperous. The balance sheets of sugar cooperatives have changed dramatically, and this is largely due to the ethanol



Union Home Minister Amit Shah speaks during the inauguration of a cooperative compressed biogas plant in Kopergaon on Sunday. ANI

blending programme."

He added, "Padma Shri Vitthalrao Vikhe Patil ji pioneered the world's first cooperative sugar factory, a visionary step that brought prosperity not just to farmers in Maharashtra but also in States such as Gujarat, Karnataka, and Uttar Pradesh."

Mr. Shah urged sugar cooperatives to adopt multi-feed ethanol production during the non-crushing

season, using vegetable waste, corn, and rice. "This will ensure year-round productivity and contribute to our national energy goals. The National Cooperative Development Corporation is ready to finance these conversions, and cooperatives will be prioritised over private entities for ethanol procurement."

He also said that India's large market of 140 crore

people could be leveraged only when citizens actively promoted indigenous and locally produced products.

Under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, Mr. Shah said, the number of sugar mills had increased by 67, sugar production had risen by 10 lakh tonnes, distilleries had doubled, and ethanol blending in petrol had reached 20%. He also praised the establishment of the Ministry of Cooperation, calling it a historic step that empowered sugar mills through schemes under the National Cooperative Development Corporation.

Remarks on flood

On the recent heavy rain, he said standing crops and agricultural land across more than 60 lakh hectares in Maharashtra had been damaged. "I had a detailed meeting with Chief Minister Devendra Fadna-

vis and Deputy Chief Ministers Eknath Shinde and Ajit Pawar. On behalf of Modi ji, I assured them that once a detailed report is submitted, the Centre will act without delay," he said.

He added that the Centre had already released ₹3,132 crore in relief last year, including ₹1,631 crore in April, while the Maharashtra government had provided ₹2,215 crore, benefiting over 31 lakh farmers.

Immediate relief measures included ₹10,000 cash assistance, 35 kg of food grains per family, suspension of loan recovery, relaxed e-KYC norms, and waivers on land tax and school fees.

Mr. Shah also acknowledged that all National Democratic Alliance MLAs had contributed one month's salary to the relief fund, demonstrating solidarity with the farming community.

'Russia to Remain India's No 1 Crude Supplier'

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One bullish factor for India's Russian crude imports is the anticipated resumption of northern Iraqi crude exports via Turkey's Ceyhan port. If Turkey reduces Russian crude intake - estimated at 3,50,000 bpd in Q3 2025 - as EU sanctions tighten further from January 2026, those displaced barrels are likely to flow to Asia, with India and China as major destinations.

OPEC+ Eyes November Production Hike

Saudi Arabia, Russia reach tentative deal to boost output as oil weakens

Riyadh: OPEC+ is close to an agreement in principle for another modest supply increase in November, overcoming differences between group leaders Saudi Arabia and Russia, according to delegates.

Key members of the alliance expect to approve the restart of 137,000 barrels a day, matching the volume scheduled for October, the delegates said ahead of a video conference on Sunday. They asked not to be identified as the discussions are private.

Russia — which had previously urged caution on supply hikes — favoured a smaller adjustment to support prices, while Saudi Arabia, more focused on regaining market share, pushed for a larger addition, one delegate said.

Oil prices traded near a four-month low on Friday, underscoring the delicate balancing act facing the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries and its allies as they bring supply back into an oversupplied market. The group is restoring another tranche of previo-



usly halted output — about 1.65 million barrels a day in total — after reviving an even bigger share earlier this year.

While prices have so far absorbed the additional barrels, signs of softness are emerging. Unsold Middle Eastern cargoes are building up, and the forward futures curve is tilting toward near-term weakness. The International Energy Agency expects inventories to rise quickly this quarter and forecasts a record surplus in 2026 as global demand cools and supply from the Americas continues to expand.

On Friday, Bloomberg reported that options under discussion included an increase of 137,000 barrels a day, or possibly two to three times that amount.

Saudi Arabia — which bore the largest share of production cuts now being reversed — has led the shift toward boosting output to regain market share, Bloomberg reported previously. Sunday's decision also comes ahead of Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman's planned trip to Washington next month for talks with President Donald Trump, who has repeatedly called for lower oil prices.

Saudi and Russian officials didn't immediately respond to requests for comment.

The recent series of production hikes has also highlighted limits to the group's spare capacity. The eight key OPEC+ members restored only about 60% of the 2.2 million barrels-a-day tranche scheduled between May and September, partly due to compensation for past overproduction — but also reflecting that some producers may already be near maximum output. **Bloomberg**



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रूस भारत का शीर्ष कच्चा तेल आपूर्तिकर्ता बना रहेगा

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रिटोलिया ने कहा, गिरावट के बावजूद, रूसी कच्चा तेल भारतीय रिफाइनरों के लिए सबसे किफायती विकल्पों में से एक बना हुआ है। इराक भारत का दूसरा सबसे बड़ा कच्चा तेल आपूर्तिकर्ता था, उसके बाद सऊदी अरब और संयुक्त अरब अमीरात का स्थान रहा।

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पीएनजी लाइन का काम तेज करने की मांग

गुरुग्राम। द्वारका एक्सप्रेसवे के पास नई गुरुग्राम की सोसाइटियों के निवासियों ने पीएनजी (पाइपड नेचुरल गैस) लाइन बिछाने के काम में देरी पर चिंता जताई है। अधिकांश सोसाइटियों में अभी भी घरेलू गैस के लिए सिलेंडर का इस्तेमाल हो रहा है।

निवासियों का कहना है कि शहर में पीएनजी लाइन बिछाने का जिम्मा हरियाणा सिटी गैस को दिया गया है, लेकिन कंपनी का काम बहुत धीमा है। निवासियों ने सरकार से मांग की है कि या तो कंपनी को काम तेज करने के लिए कहा जाए या इस क्षेत्र में किसी और कंपनी को मौका दिया जाए।

द्वारका एक्सप्रेसवे गुड़गांव डेवलपमेंट एसोसिएशन के सह-संयोजक सुनील सरीन ने बताया कि सेक्टर 99, 100, 101 और 102 जैसे क्षेत्रों में केवल हरियाणा सिटी गैस ही पीएनजी सप्लाई के लिए अधिकृत है, और कंपनी इस एकाधिकार का फायदा उठा रही है। उन्होंने कहा कि पीएनजी लाइन बिछाने का काम बहुत धीमा है। बीपीटीपी एम्स्टोरिया के आरडब्ल्यू अध्यक्ष सुमेर सिंह और अन्य आरडब्ल्यू अध्यक्षों ने भी समस्या पर ध्यान देकर जल्द समाधान की मांग की है। संवाद

एक्सप्रेसवे से सटी सोसायटियों में पीएनजी की सप्लाई अधर में रेजिडेंट्स ने कंपनी की लापरवाही पर जताई कड़ी नाराजगी

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द्वारका एक्सप्रेसवे से सटी नई सोसायटियों में पाइप नैचुरल गैस (पीएनजी) की सप्लाई का इंतजार बढ़ता ही जा रहा है। एक साल से अधिक समय बीतने के बाद भी कई सोसायटियों में गैस कनेक्शन शुरू नहीं हो सके हैं। इसी को लेकर द्वारका एक्सप्रेसवे ग्रुप हाउसिंग असोसिएशन (DXP-GDA) ने हरियाणा सिटी गैस (HCG) के खिलाफ पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस नियामक बोर्ड (PNGRB) को पत्र लिखा है। संस्था ने कंपनी की धीमी गति, अधूरे काम और जवाबदेही की कमी पर गंभीर सवाल उठाए हैं।

DXP-GDA के मुताबिक सेक्टर 99, 100, 101, 102 और 103 जैसे इलाकों में HCG को एकमात्र सप्लाई का अधिकार है, लेकिन कंपनी काम में सुस्ती बरत रही है। निवासियों का कहना है कि शुरुआत में कंपनी ने तीन महीने में सेवा शुरू करने का भरोसा दिया था, पर अब तक पाइपलाइन बिछाने और राइजर इंस्टॉलेशन का काम भी पूरा नहीं हुआ। कई सोसायटियों में तो भुगतान लेने के बाद महीनों से कोई तकनीकी टीम तक नहीं आई।

इन सोसायटियों में परेशानियां: इस क्षेत्र में केवल कुछ सोसायटियों जैसे द्रायफ (सेक्टर 104), कुकून (सेक्टर 109) और इंडिया बुल्स सेंट्रल पार्क (सेक्टर 103) में ही गैस सप्लाई चालू हो सकी है। इम्पीरियल गार्डन, सत्या द हर्मिटज, अडानी ऑफिसटर, एमस्टोरिया, सनसिटी एवेन्यू, हीरो होम्स, आरओएफ आलयास, जॉयविल, इमार गुडगांव ग्रीन्स और जारा रोसा जैसी सोसायटियों में काम महीनों से अधूरा पड़ा है।



पाइपलाइन बिछाने और राइजर इंस्टॉलेशन का काम अब तक नहीं हुआ पूरा



मुंह चिढ़ा रहे पीएनजी के इस्तेमाल को लेकर सोसायटियों में लगे बोर्ड

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इन सोसायटीवासियों का कहना है कि अधूरे काम के कारण सोसायटी की सड़कों और दीवारों को नुकसान हुआ है। कंपनी न तो समय सीमा बताती है और न ही शिकायतों का जवाब देती है। लोगों ने PNGRB से अपील की है कि इस क्षेत्र में अन्य गैस कंपनियों को भी अनुमति दी जाए या फिर HCG की कार्यप्रणाली की सरख निगरानी हो, ताकि गुडगांव की इन सोसायटियों में जल्द से जल्द पीएनजी सेवा शुरू हो सके।

कब मिलेगी सुविधा?

“पीएनजी को लेकर अभी काम अधूरा है, राइजर इंस्टॉलेशन महीनों से रुका हुआ है। बार-बार लिखने पर भी कंपनी कोई ठोस जवाब नहीं दे रही है।

— सुनील सरीन, इम्पीरियल गार्डन, सेक्टर-102

“पीएनजी कनेक्शन के लिए पैसे जमा कराए महीनों हो गए, लेकिन साइट पर कोई गतिविधि नहीं। कई बार शिकायत भेजी, पर कार्रवाई नहीं हुई।

— कमल मल्होत्रा, अडानी ऑफिसटर, सेक्टर-102

“एचसीजी की टीम बिना सूचना दिए आती है और काम अधूरा छोड़कर चली जाती है। इससे सोसायटी का स्ट्रक्चरल ढांचा बिगड़ रहा है। इस सबंध में ध्यान दे।

— राजेश वर्मा, ROF सोसायटी, सेक्टर-102

“कंपनी लंबे समय से अपनी मनमानी कर रही है। जब तक इस मामले में प्रशासन सरख रुख नहीं अपनाएगा, काम समय पर पूरा होना मुश्किल है।

— पराग आनंद, जॉयविल सोसायटी सेक्टर-102

रूस भारत का शीर्ष कच्चा तेल आपूर्तिकर्ता बना रहेगा: विश्लेषक

नई दिल्ली, 5 अक्टूबर (प.स.): रूस से भारत के कच्चे तेल के आयात में सितंबर में मामूली गिरावट देखी गई, लेकिन इसका देश की कुल तेल खरीद में एक-तिहाई से अधिक हिस्सा बना रहा।

गौरतलब है कि रूस से तेल खरीदने के कारण अमेरिका ने भारत पर दंडात्मक शुल्क लगाया है। सितंबर में भारत का कच्चा तेल आयात लगभग 47 लाख बैरल प्रतिदिन था, जो मासिक आधार पर 2.2 लाख बैरल प्रतिदिन अधिक था और सालाना आधार पर स्थिर रहा। रूसी कच्चे तेल ने भारत के सबसे बड़े एकल आपूर्तिकर्ता के रूप में अपनी स्थिति बनाए रखी।



भारत के कुल तेल आयात में इसकी हिस्सेदारी लगभग 16 लाख बैरल प्रतिदिन या 34 प्रतिशत रही। वैश्विक व्यापार विश्लेषण फर्म के प्लर के प्रारंभिक आंकड़ों से पता चला कि यह 2025 के पहले आठ महीनों के दौरान आयातित औसत रूसी तेल से लगभग 1.6 लाख बैरल प्रतिदिन कम था। के प्लर के प्रमुख शोध विश्लेषक

(रिफाइनिंग एवं मॉडलिंग) सुमित रिटोलिया ने कहा, "गिरावट के बावजूद, रूसी कच्चा तेल भारतीय रिफाइनरों के लिए सबसे किफायती विकल्पों में से एक बना हुआ है।" इराक भारत का दूसरा सबसे बड़ा कच्चा तेल आपूर्तिकर्ता था, उसके बाद सऊदी अरब और संयुक्त अरब अमीरात का स्थान रहा। अमेरिका 2.06 लाख बैरल प्रतिदिन के साथ भारत का पांचवां सबसे बड़ा आपूर्तिकर्ता था। रिटोलिया ने कहा कि रिफाइनरी स्पष्ट रूप से पश्चिम एशिया, अमेरिका और अफ्रीका में विविधीकरण पर जोर दे रही हैं, लेकिन रूस भारत का शीर्ष तेल आपूर्तिकर्ता बना रहेगा।