

② Do you think that the govt of India needs to revisit the gas pricing formula?

Introduction -

Recent gas prices touched its peak & further raising due to severe geopolitical scenarios in turn affected the poor households across India.

Gas supply disruption -

① Gas prices remains elevated due to driving factors like RUSS-UKR war & disruption of gas supply across many countries.

② India is the third largest gas consuming country in the world with the consumption of 175 MMSCMD

93 through domestic production
82 through LNG imports

③ The third largest gas consuming country seen to be declining in its consumption as the gas price in international market ruling at \$45 an MMBtu.

Impact of recent Gas price -

① The gas prices in India are determined by half year basis considers the market prices & international value.

② Experts argued that recent price method of India - 2014 should be done away as it don't benefit either producer nor consumer.

③ Even the price rise in LNG impacted Ujjwala beneficiaries as it pushes them again to use cook, coal for their household needs. Thus it harms the India's aim of achieving its net zero commitment.

Way Forward

① The formula should be measured ⁱⁿ ~~with~~ the context of India-specific requirements.

② Economic transformation should be done with govt proactive & sustained policy support.

③ Put efforts to plan to increase the domestic gas production through advance technological methods.

④ though gas is a vital for India, simultaneously govt should (T) its renewable energy resources. [1]

⑤ Gujarat has shown country its expansion to gas economy. Thus it must be followed by every state.

⑥ gas penetration in energy mix accants for 5%. should be steadily (T) to 15% by 2030. as govt planned.

Conclusion -

As per experts guidelines, govt should take immediate steps to revisit its gas pricing formula thereby it could address the entire - ecosystem.