

Gas shortage

PAKISTAN is witnessing an acute shortage of natural gas, with the situation assuming alarming proportions with each passing day. Matters have come to such a sorry pass that there is no gas for homes.

The average monthly gas bill of a household is anywhere between Rs200 and Rs650 depending on consumption. On the other hand, a vehicle powered by CNG pays at least Rs 700 to fill a gas tank. Large commercial vehicles pay even more to fill a tank.

If the government stops the use of natural gas in vehicles allowing natural gas only to industries and households, the gas supply situation could improve dramatically.

There is already a government ban on using CNG in commercial vehicles, school vans, public transport and delivery vans but it is not being imposed strictly.

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