

## Bangladeshi Bexicom Petroleum to roll out 500 autogas filling stations

Beximco Petroleum's plan to roll out 500 autogas filling stations in Bangladesh has secured government approval, reports Dhaka Tribune.

Autogas or liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) appears to be the country's answer to decreasing supply of compressed natural gas (CNG). A mixture of propane and butane, autogas is considered eco-friendly and much cheaper than other fossil fuels.

The approval, however, comes with conditions which include constructing LPG plants away from residential area, at least two-kilometre distance between gas stations, and financial solvency.

The company will also have to sign an agreement with Bangladesh Petroleum Corporation following clearance from the Department of Environment, Department of Explosives, Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Commission, Bangladesh Standards and Testing Institution, and Fire Service and Civil Defence to establish and run LPG operators.

Beximco Petroleum, an energy subsidiary of Dhaka-based industrial conglomerate Beximco Group, has invested in fully-integrated operations infrastructure that will provide LPG for the Bangladeshi consumers.