

Now, ceramic hub at Ghiloth set to get gas from RSGL

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Jaipur: In a significant step towards making Rajasthan a ceramic hub, Rajasthan State Gas Ltd (RSGL) on Wednesday signed the first gas sales agreement with Global Ceramics Pvt Ltd to supply gas for the company's Rs 116 crore plant to be set up in the ceramic zone at Ghiloth, near Neemrana.

"Even though Rajasthan has most of the raw materials required for ceramic industry, the state was not able to attract investments in the absence of natural gas supply, which is major requirement for the industry. With the facility now ready at Neemrana, gas will be available for all the industrial units in the zone," said Deepak Upreti,

principal secretary, mines and petroleum, and chairman of RSGL. The development of ceramic zone is at the last stages of completion and there are already some companies which have expressed

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interest to put up factories in the 750 acre zone.

"The business and project execution plan is in place to construct an additional compression facility at Neemrana via Jaipur-Delhi for meeting the increased demand from Ghiloth. A dedicated pipeline from Neemrana to Ghiloth is also planned to distribute gas through the facility being set-up at Ghiloth," added Ravi

Agarwal, managing director, RSGL. Niraj Kumar Gupta, director, Global Ceramics Pvt Ltd, said Rajasthan is rich in raw materials used for ceramic products and the availability of gas was a major concern which has been addressed by RSGL. "The plant where we will make sanitary ware, will require investments of Rs 116 crore," added Gupta.

In the last budget, the state government had announced to set up a mega CNG station at Neemrana and a daughter facility at Kukas. Agarwal said that both the projects are almost ready for commissioning. The stations will also be used to provide gas to the vehicles plying between Delhi-Jaipur whenever the government takes a decision on this, added Agarwal.