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</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">Lahore The All Pakistan CNG Association (APCNGA) on Tuesday rejected the plan of petroleum ministry to suspend gas supply to CNG outlets for six days. ♦

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♦The decision to bar CNG outlets from business from May 21 to May 27 will take toll on masses and businesses therefore this decision cannot be accepted,♦

said Ghiyas Abdullah Paracha, chairman of the APCNGA. He added that the decision of the caretaker minister petroleum was based on enmity with masses and corruption. Why the maintenance wasn't carried out during normal weather and initiated now when people were dying of heat, he questioned.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">
He said that closing

supply from the gasfield would result in a shortfall of 400 mmcf/d which should have been distributed on merit among the gas consuming sectors but CNG and power sectors had been chosen while the influential sectors including captive power plants had been spared.</p> <p

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He said that CNG sector which was already facing wrath of the policy makers would be unable to bear the brunt of decision as it has no other alternative like other sectors.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">
He said that caretaker government would

be responsible for loss to masses and business community as it is behind the controversial decision.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">
The leader of the CNG sector said that

petroleum ministry had been trespassing on the authority of Ogra which should be noticed by the incoming government.</p> <p style="text-align: justify;">
He said that license issued to CNG operators clearly indicate that any decision regarding gas supply would be taken with

consensus but ministry has been taking unilateral decisions.</p> <p style="text-align:

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Ghiyas Paracha said that amendment in the priority list of gas consuming sectors by ECC in March was illegal which must be undone by the incoming government.

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