

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 02.03.2010
ANSWERED ON

NON PUBLICATION OF ADVERTISEMENT IN VERNACULAR NEWSPAPERS .

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Will the Minister of COAL, HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE, INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING, PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether Government is aware that an advertisement issued recently inviting applications for LPG agency in Darjeeling district of West Bengal was not published in local language newspapers ;
- (b) if so, whether it was not felt necessary that advertisement should given in local language newspapers also ; and
- (c) whether Government would consider re-publishing the advertisement inviting applications for the LPG agency ?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS

(SHRI MURLI DEORA)

(a) : Bengali being the vernacular language of West Bengal, as per policy, advertisements were published in the Bengali newspapers, 'Ananda Bazar Patrika' and 'Uttar Banga Sambad' on 17.10.2009 inviting applications for selection of LPG distributors by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) namely Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOC), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) for establishing new LPG distributors in the State of West Bengal under the scheme Rajiv Gandhi Gramin LPG Vitruk Yojana (RGGLVY).

(b) & (c) : Does not arise in view of (a) above.