

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3653
ANSWERED ON 3rd APRIL, 2023

PRATYAKSH HANSTANTRIT LABH (PAHAL) SCHEME

3653 SHRI ABIR RANJAN BISWAS:
DR. SANTANU SEN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of amount of funds allocated and utilized under Pratyaksh Hanstantrit Labh (PaHaL) Scheme in last five years, year-wise, State-wise, district-wise for West Bengal;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries especially women and Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) individuals of the Pratyaksh Hanstantrit Labh (PaHaL) Scheme in last five years, year-wise, State-wise, district-wise for West Bengal;
- (c) whether Government has conducted any socio-economic impact evaluation of the scheme in last five years, if so, details of the report, year-wise, State-wise; and
- (d) if not, whether Government is planning to do so, if so, details thereof with timeline?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) & (b) Funds under the union budget for Direct Benefit Transfer for LPG (DBTL)- PAHAL scheme are not allocated State/district-wise. The details of funds allocated towards LPG Subsidy during the last five years are given below:

(Rs. in Crore)

Particulars	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Direct Benefit Transfer for LPG (DBTL) subsidy	13,122	16,570	29,719	25,620	3,347
Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) subsidy	2,252	3,200	3,724	9,690	1,618
Total	15,374	19,770	33,443	35,310	4,965

The details of subsidy on domestic LPG given by Government during each of the last five years are given below:

(Rs. in Crore)

Particulars	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Direct Benefit Transfer for LPG (DBTL)subsidy (A)	20905	31539	22726	3658	242
Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) subsidy (B)	2559	5670	1446	76	1569
Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package (PMGKP) subsidy (C)				8162	
Total Subsidy on LPG (A+B+C)	23464	37209	24172	11896	1811*

Source: Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC)

* In addition, a one-time compensation of Rs. 22000 crore was paid to OMCs in lieu of under-recoveries on sale of domestic LPG. Further, Government has started a targeted subsidy of Rs. 200 per 14.2 Kg cylinder for Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) beneficiaries for upto 12 refills for year 2022-23 and 2023-24.

Under PAHAL Scheme, which was introduced as a universal scheme, the applicable subsidy to LPG consumers is transferred directly into the bank account of the consumers. The segregation of LPG consumers in terms of Schedule Caste/Schedule Tribe and gender is not maintained under PAHAL Scheme.

The details of number of beneficiaries under DBTL (PAHAL) Scheme, 2014 for last five year, across the country, are as follows:

As on Date	No. of beneficiaries
As on 01.04.2018	20,21,20,070
As on 01.04.2019	24,67,63,542
As on 01.04.2020	26,29,12,547
As on 01.04.2021	27,16,18,904
As on 01.04.2022	28,36,77,886

Source: Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) on behalf of OMCs

(c) & (d) Yes Sir. An impact evaluation study of PAHAL was carried out by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies through Research and Development Initiative in 2021.