GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.- 2541

ANSWERED ON- 11/08/2025

PM UJJWALA YOJANA IN NER

2541 SHRI MAHARAJA SANAJAOBA LEISHEMBA:

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

- (a) the number of connections approved in the North-East Region under PM Ujjwala Yojana till June 2025;
- (b) the number of connection released for the State of Manipur till June, 2025;
- (c) the number of distribution networks operating across valley and hill areas of the State of Manipur till June 2025;
- (d) whether there is any possibility to enhance the number of Gas connection under Ujjwala scheme for rural poor and hill dwellers of the State of Manipur who are still using firewood for cooking; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) and (b): Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) was launched in May, 2016 with an objective to provide deposit free LPG connection to adult women from poor households across the country including North-Eastern region. The target to release 8 crore connections under PMUY was achieved in September 2019. To cover the remaining poor households, Ujjwala 2.0 was launched in August 2021 with a target to release 1 crore additional PMUY connections, which was achieved in January 2022. Subsequently, the Government decided to release 60 lakh more LPG connections under Ujjwala 2.0 and the target of 1.60 crore Ujjwala 2.0 connections was also achieved during December 2022. Further, Government approved release of additional 75 lakh connections under PMUY scheme which was also achieved by July 2024. As on

01.07.2025, there are 10.33 crore PMUY connections across the country, including 61.85 lakh connections in North-East region.

Number of connections released under PMUY Scheme in North-East states including Manipur are at **Annexure-A**.

(c) As of July 01, 2025, there are a total of 25,573 LPG distributorships across the country, out of which 103 are in the state of Manipur. In order to improve access of LPG in rural and remote areas, OMCs have commissioned 7997 distributorships, during 01.04.2016 to 30.06.2025 across the country, out of which 7403 (i.e. 93%) are catering to rural areas.

Details of category-wise distributorships operating in the state of Manipur are at Annexure-B.

(d) and (e): LPG access in Manipur has reached near saturation. Further, Government remains committed to ensure universal access to clean cooking fuels in the country. LPG connections under PMUY are released to eligible households from time to time in accordance with scheme guidelines.

Annexure referred to in part (a) and (b) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2541 to be answered on 11.08.2025 regarding "PM Ujjwala Yojana in NER" asked by Shri Maharaja Sanajaoba Leishemba:

Details of connections under PMUY Scheme in North-East states including Manipur – As on 01.07.2025

State	Number of Connections		
Arunachal Pradesh	53,694		
Assam	50,95,317		
Manipur	2,24,881		
Meghalaya	3,16,976		
Mizoram	35,988		
Nagaland	1,22,054		
Sikkim	19,872		
Tripura	3,16,367		

Source: IOCL on behalf of PSU OMCs

Annexure referred to in part (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2541 to be answered on 11.08.2025 regarding "PM Ujjwala Yojana in NER" asked by Shri Maharaja Sanajaoba Leishemba:

Number of distributorships operating in the state of Manipur – As on 01.07.2025

State	Sheheri Vitrak	Shehri Gramin Vitrak	Gramin Vitrak	Durgam Kshetriya Vitrak	TOTAL
Manipur	15	13	36	39	103

Source: IOCL on behalf of PSU OMCs