

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 87
ANSWERED ON 08.12.2025

LPG PRICES AND BENEFICIARIES IN THE COUNTRY

*87 SHRI MOHAMMED NADIMUL HAQUE:

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

- (a) the annual increase in LPG prices since 2022;
- (b) the annual change in LPG refill costs, both subsidised and non-subsidised, during the same period;
- (c) the total number of beneficiaries enrolled under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana(PMUY); and
- (d) the number of beneficiaries who have taken more than two LPG refills per year in each of the last three years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

- (a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 87 FOR REPLY ON 08.12.2025 REGARDING LPG PRICES AND BENEFICIARIES IN THE COUNTRY ASKED BY SHRI MOHAMMED NADIMUL HAQUE:

(a) & (b) India imports about 60% of its LPG requirement and accordingly prices of LPG in the country are linked to its prices in the international market. While the average Saudi CP (international benchmark for LPG pricing) rose by 21% (from US\$ 385/MT in July 2023 to US\$ 466/MT in November 2025), the prices of domestic LPG were reduced by about 22% (from Rs. 1103 in August 2023 to Rs. 853 in November 2025). For PMUY consumers, effective price for domestic LPG has been reduced by about 39% (from Rs. 903 in August 2023 to Rs. 553 in November 2025). The details of Retail Selling Prices of domestic LPG and effective cost for PMUY consumers (at Delhi) since 2022 are given below:

(Rs./14.2 Kg cylinder)		
As on	RSP of Domestic LPG	Effective Cost for PMUY consumers
01-Apr-22	949.50	949.50
01-Apr-23	1103.00	903.00
01-Apr-24	803.00	503.00
01-Apr-25	803.00	503.00
01-Dec-25	853.00	553.00

Source: Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC)

During the period 2020-21 to 2022-23, as the increase in international LPG prices was not fully passed on in retail prices, the Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) suffered significant losses on domestic LPG. To compensate the OMCs for these losses, Government paid a one-time compensation of Rs. 22,000 crore to OMCs in January 2023.

The international prices of LPG again went up during 2024-25 and continue to remain high. However, to insulate consumers from fluctuations in international LPG prices, the increase in cost was not passed on to consumers of domestic LPG which led to significant losses for the three OMCs. To compensate the OMCs for these losses, Government has recently approved a compensation of Rs. 30,000 crore to the OMCs.

(c) & (d) 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. As on 01.11.2025, there were 10.33 crore PMUY connections across the country, state-wise details of which are given at Annexure.

Government has recently approved the release of 25 lakh additional LPG connections under PMUY during Financial Year 2025-26 to clear pending applications and achieve saturation of LPG access in the country.

To make LPG more affordable to PMUY consumers and ensure sustained usage of LPG by them, in May 2022 Government started a targeted subsidy of Rs.200/- per 14.2 kg cylinder (and proportionately pro-rated for 5 Kg connections) to the PMUY consumers. Currently, the targeted subsidy for PMUY consumers is Rs. 300 per 14.2 Kg cylinder w.e.f. October 2023.

The details of number of PMUY consumers who have taken more than 2 refills in terms of 14.2 Kg domestic LPG cylinder per year since 2022-23 are given below:

FY	No. of PMUY consumers at the end of previous Financial Year	No. of PMUY consumers taken more than 2 refills during the year
2022-23	8.99 crore	5.36 crore
2023-24	9.58 crore	5.86 crore
2024-25	10.32 crore	6.45 crore

Source: IOCL on behalf of PSU OMCs

Annexure referred to in reply to Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 87 asked by Shri Mohammed Nadimul Haque to be answered on 08.12.2025 regarding “LPG Prices and Beneficiaries in the country”.

State/UT-wise number of connections under PMUY Scheme as on 01.11.2025

State/UT	Number of PMUY Connections
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	13,800
Andhra Pradesh	9,71,393
Arunachal Pradesh	53,686
Assam	50,93,571
Bihar	1,16,23,438
Chandigarh	2,026
Chhattisgarh	38,00,776
Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	17,742
Delhi	2,58,871
Goa	1,949
Gujarat	43,05,835
Haryana	11,13,259
Himachal Pradesh	1,50,510
Jammu and Kashmir	12,69,209
Jharkhand	38,92,786
Karnataka	41,41,742
Kerala	3,87,443
Ladakh	11,080
Lakshadweep	370
Madhya Pradesh	88,44,057
Maharashtra	52,12,371
Manipur	2,24,877
Meghalaya	3,16,944
Mizoram	35,985
Nagaland	1,22,043
Odisha	55,47,279
Puducherry	19,414
Punjab	13,57,410
Rajasthan	73,76,362
Sikkim	19,867
Tamil Nadu	40,96,697
Telangana	11,82,747
Tripura	3,16,367
Uttar Pradesh	1,85,80,609
Uttarakhand	5,29,403
West Bengal	1,23,71,193
TOTAL	10,32,63,111

Source: IOCL on behalf of PSU OMCs