LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2002

TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th NOVEMBER 2016

LPG SUBSIDY

2002. SHRI R. PARTHIPAN:

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

(a) the increase in the number of domestic LPG connections and quantum of subsidy outlay as a result thereof during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) whether the rising subsidy burden and high import dependency for LPG are posing challenges to current account deficit and national security;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto alongwith the steps taken to overcome the situation; and

(d) whether the Government has organised international conference on cooking gas recently and if so, the details thereof indicating the number of participants and issues discussed in the said conference?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान)

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have released 5.27 crore LPG connections during 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16. Further, OMCs have released 1.40 crore LPG connections during the current Financial Year upto 30.09.2016. State/UTs-wise details of LPG connections released during 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 and 2016-17 (upto 30.09.2016) are at **Annexure**.

(b) & (c) The total subsidy/under recovery on domestic LPG since 2013-14 is as under :-

(Rs. Crore)

2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	H1 2016-17
52247	40569	16074	4557

Details of imports during the last three years are as under :-

(Quantity in TMT)

2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17 (till Sept. 16)
6094	8195	8722	4664

(d) OMCs had sponsored the international conference on LPG : Catalyst of Social Change held on 1st-2nd September, 2016. Participants of the Conference included officials of Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, State governments and Oil Marketing Companies, Foreign delegates, distributors and beneficiaries of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana Scheme. A gist of the issues discussed in the Conference is as under :-

(i) Need of LPG as a cooking fuel,

(ii) PAHAL – Success of the largest Direct Bank Transfer Scheme to curb pilferage.

(iii) Give it up – A Silent Revolution

(iv) Ujjwala - A vehicle of women empowerment & overall socio economic growth of poor

(v) Ujjwala – The road map ahead

(vi) Reaching out unreached – Sharing administrative issues from states.

(vii) Sharing of Global experience in expanding access to clean cooking fuel

STATEWISE NEW ENROLMENT (in Lakhs)

2016-17 (Apr'16 - Sep'16) 2015-16 2014-15 2013						
STATE/UT	OMCs	OMCs	OMCs	OMCs		
CHANDIGARH	0.076	0.162	0.169	0.242		
DELHI	0.828	2.360	2.951	4.700		
HARYANA	3.065	4.923	4.251	3.971		
HIMACHAL PRADESH	0.361	0.997	1.044	1.023		
JAMMU & KASHMIR	0.374	1.588	1.557	1.785		
PUNJAB	2.788	5.834	5.714	6.335		
RAJASTHAN	13.754	11.519	9.878	9.380		
UTTAR PRADESH	37.258	34.206	26.462	26.125		
UTTRANCHAL	1.154	1.959	1.440	1.703		
SUB TOTAL NORTH	59.66	63.55	53.47	55.26		
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	0.038	0.080	0.046	0.065		
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0.094	0.214	0.230	0.234		
ASSAM	2.117	4.495	3.774	3.680		
BIHAR	11.973	12.021	9.149	8.605		
JHARKHAND	0.959	3.043	2.140	2.132		
MANIPUR	0.153	0.302	0.329	0.414		
MEGHALAYA	0.069	0.120	0.120	0.142		
MIZORAM	0.034	0.152	0.186	0.190		
NAGALAND	0.073	0.145	0.140	0.193		
ODISHA	4.633	8.052	4.750	3.425		
SIKKIM	0.048	0.116	0.094	0.094		
TRIPURA	0.230	0.628	0.567	0.519		
WEST BENGAL	11.534	17.467	11.898	11.725		
SUB TOTAL EAST	31.95	46.84	33.42	31.42		
CHATTISGARH	2.249	3.674	2.828	1.978		
DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	0.021	0.047	0.087	0.061		
DAMAN & DIU	0.019	0.041	0.054	0.049		
GOA	0.102	0.142	0.171	0.239		
GUJARAT	5.747	5.150	4.955	4.860		
MADHYA PRADESH	10.923	8.741	7.816	8.287		
MAHARASHTRA	8.848	17.850	16.591	17.011		
SUB TOTAL WEST	27.91	35.64	32.50	32.48		
ANDHRA PRADESH	4.934	16.448	9.867	17.098		
KARNATAKA	4.601	13.212	11.223	8.483		
KERALA	1.734	3.406	3.763	4.160		
LAKSHADWEEP	0.001	0.003	0.001	0.002		
PUDUCHERRY	0.060	0.141	0.171	0.141		
TAMILNADU	5.967	13.064	10.064	10.076		
TELANGANA	3.367	12.241	8.959	0.000		
SUB TOTAL SOUTH	20.66	58.51	44.05	39.96		
ALL INDIA	<u>140.19</u>	<u>204.54</u>	<u>163.44</u>	<u>159.13</u>		