

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 822

TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST NOVEMBER 2016

PMUY

822. SHRI PONGULETI SRINIVASA REDDY:
SHRI OM BIRLA:
SHRI M.B. RAJESH:
SHRI B. SENGUTTUVAN:

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the number of gas connections distributed to the families under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) along with funds spent and number of districts covered so far including steps taken to provide gas connection to every poor household in a time-bound manner, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has complied with required safety parameters for installing an LPG connection to the economically backward households under PMUY;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the measures taken by the Government to strictly comply with the safety parameters;
- (d) the steps taken/being taken to ensure safety and non-violation of marketing discipline guidelines of Oil Marketing Companies and Essential Commodities Act including safety awareness campaign amongst the targeted BPL beneficiaries across the country; and
- (e) whether the Government has conducted any survey to ascertain the level of carbon emission and its impact on the health of human beings and if so, the details and the findings thereof?

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) In order to provide clean fuel to every poor household in the country, the Government has launched Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY). Under the Scheme, 5 crore new LPG connections will be released to the women belonging to the Below Poverty Line (BPL) families over a period of three years starting from Financial Year 2016-17. As on 15.11.2016, Public

Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have released 1,05,66,868 new LPG connections to women of BPL families under PMUY Scheme. The Government has settled claim of more than ₹1054 crore incurred towards release of new LPG connections under PMUY Scheme upto September, 2016. So far, 643 districts are covered under PMUY. States/UTs-wise details of LPG connections released under PMUY Scheme as on 15.11.2016 since inception are at **Annexure**.

(b) to (d) OMCs have reported that the following measures are adopted for ensuring safety and for educating the LPG customers who have been released LPG connections under PMUY Scheme: -

- (i) Proper education is given on safety aspects of LPG usage to the PMUY beneficiaries through safety clinics during the LPG connection distribution Melas by way of how to use LPG by demonstration and screening film on safety.
- (ii) While issuing LPG connections under PMUY scheme, safety instructions card is given to the beneficiaries.
- (iii) All LPG distributors are under strict instructions to install connections at the premises of the PMUY beneficiaries and ensure that the Hotplate is kept at safe location and customer is advised the safe way to use LPG.
- (iv) OMCs' Officers carry out regular customer contacts and distributorship inspections to monitor the above steps. During inspections, wherever, it is found that the distributors are not adhering to the given instructions or non-compliance of given instructions, suitable action under MDG is taken against such defaulting distributors.

(e) Government with an objective to address adverse impact on health of human beings using conventional sources of cooking fuels such as fire wood, cow dung etc. has been promoting use of LPG as a cooking fuel. LPG being clean cooking fuel will lead to reduce emission of smoke and does not cause harmful effects on health of the users.

Annexure

Annexure to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Parliament Question No.822 to be answered on 21.11.2016 asked by Shri Ponguleti Srinivasa Reddy and others.

State/UT-Wise LPG connection released under PMUY Scheme as on 15th November 2016 since inception

S.No	State/UT	Connectons released
		OMC
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	126
2	Andhra pradesh	7,420
3	Assam	2
4	Bihar	10,89,083
5	Chhattisgarh	3,32,547
6	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	555
7	Daman and Diu	38
8	Delhi	261
9	Goa	782
10	Gujarat	5,30,762
11	Haryana	2,10,964
12	Himachal Pradesh	1,084
13	Jammu and Kashmir	1,14,102
14	Jharkhand	73,610
15	Karnataka	15,814
16	Kerala	4,763
17	Madhya Pradesh	13,95,364
18	Maharashtra	3,05,884
19	Manipur	21
20	Odisha	5,16,402
21	Puducherry	358
22	Punjab	48,745
23	Rajasthan	13,14,819
24	Tamil Nadu	1,54,824
25	Telangana	5
26	Uttar Pradesh	35,70,592
27	Uttarakhand	59,644
28	West Bengal	8,18,297
Total		105,66,868