

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2085
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1st JANUARY 2018
LPG SUPPLY

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SHRI RAJU SHETTY:
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पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the number of villages in Maharashtra where the supply of LPG is yet to be provided along with reasons for non-provision of LPG supply in the said areas and the time by which LPG supply is likely to be provided in a time bound manner;
- (b) whether the number of LPG distributors in Maharashtra is relatively less compared to other States if so, the details thereof along with the norms for selecting LPG distributors in the country and the number of LPG distributors in Maharashtra;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to select/appoint more distributors to meet the demand of the people in Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof
- (d) whether the Government has recently inaugurated the Pradhan Mantri LPG Panchayat in Gandhinagar and if so, the details along with its salient features thereof; and
- (e) whether the LPG Panchayat has been inaugurated in others States also and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान)

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) & (b) As on 01.12.2017, LPG coverage of Maharashtra is 89.3 % as compared to national average of 78.7 %. There are 1773 LPG distributors in the State of Maharashtra catering to 2.35 crore LPG consumers. Maharashtra is having highest number of LPG distributors in the country after Uttar Pradesh.
- (c) Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have recently advertised 452 locations in the State of Maharashtra for setting up of new LPG distributorships. So far, OMCs have initiated selection process in 374 locations.
- (d) & (e) Yes, Madam. The Pradhan Mantri LPG Panchayat has been launched on 23.09.2017 at Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

Pradhan Mantri LPG Panchayat is an interactive communication platform of rural LPG users which encompasses safe usages of LPG, its benefit to environment, women empowerment and women health, and motivate rural mass to use LPG as fuel.
