

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 25
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5th FEBRUARY, 2018

LPG CONNECTION ON INSTALMENTS

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पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to provide new LPG connection on instalments; and
(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री धर्मन्द्र प्रधान)

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) & (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 25 BY SHRI RAJAN VICHARE TO BE ANSWERED ON 5th FEBRUARY, 2018 REGARDING “LPG CONNECTION ON INSTALMENTS”.

(a) & (b) In order to provide clean cooking fuel to Below Poverty Line (BPL) households in the country, the Government has launched Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) to provide 5 crore deposit free new LPG connections to the women belonging to the Below Poverty Line (BPL) families identified through Socio Economic Caste Census (SECC- 2011), over a period of three years starting from Financial Year 2016-17, subject to the condition that no LPG connection already exists in the name of any family member of the household. Hon'ble Prime Minister had launched the Scheme on 1st May, 2016 at Balia, Uttar Pradesh. Eligible BPL family under the Scheme is given cash assistance upto Rs. 1600/- towards connection charges and cost of stove and first refill is borne by the beneficiary. Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) provide interest free loan to the beneficiaries who opt for the loan and same is recovered through the subsidy received upon purchase of refill(s) by the beneficiary. OMCs have released more than 3.3 crore connections under the Scheme.