## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1431 TO BE ANSWERED ON 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

## LPG TO RURAL AREAS

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## पेट्रो लयम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

(a) whether the Government has formulated any action plan/scheme to ensure LPG facility in rural areas especially in Uttar Pradesh in view of the fact that rural people are using traditional resources for preparing food due to lack of LPG supply to every rural household and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and

(b) the time by which the said scheme is likely to be implemented across each district of the country, State/UT-wise?

## ANSWER

पेट्रो लयम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान)

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) & (b) The Government had launched "Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana" on 01.05.2016 to provide deposit free LPG connections to 5 crore women belonging to the Below Poverty Line (BPL) identified through the Socio-Economic Caste Census(SECC) 2011 data and the target has now been enhanced to 8 crore. The Scheme is under implementation in all States including State of Uttar Pradesh. Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have released more than 3.42 crore LPG connections so far in the country including more than 65 lakh in the State of Uttar Pradesh.