LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 811 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23rd JULY, 2018

PMUY

811. SHRI MD. BADARUDDOZA KHAN:

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पेट्रो लयम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the number of free of cost LPG connections provided to every BPL/poor household under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) since inception along with targets fixed and achieved in the country along with estimated employment and business opportunity generated on account of the said scheme, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of refills under PMUY done till date along with new connections applied and rejected and the reasons for rejection along with the remedial measures taken in this regard, case-wise;
- (c) the State/UT-wise number of LPG connections surrendered since 2014 and the subsidy saved by the Government along with the details of LPG connections before 2014 and post-PMUY till date:
- (d) the number of cases of irregularities in providing gas connection to other people in place of the intended beneficiaries under PMUY with the connivance of the officers of the oil companies/concerned distributors noticed by the Government/OMCs particularly in West Bengal till date along with the notice issued to LPG distributors and penalty imposed and action taken by the Government to resolve the cases, State/ UT/case-wise;
- (e) whether many households are still deprived of LPG and have to rely on firewood, coal, dung etc. and if so, the details thereof along with measures taken by the Government to make the facility of LPG available at the door steps of every villager and ensure 100 per cent LPG coverage in the country; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to mandatorily dispense with the LPG subsidy for those having a monthly income exceeding fifty thousand rupees and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) & (b) Year-wise targets fixed and connections released under Pradhan Mantri Ujiwala Yojana (PMUY) is as under :-

Year	Target	Connections released
2016-17	1.5 crore	2 crore
2017-18	1.5 crore	1.56 core
2018-19	2 crore	1.17 crore (up to 18.7.2018)

As per the refill consumption pattern of PMUY consumers who have completed one year from the date of release of connection, average per capita consumption is found to be more than 3.5 cylinders (of 14.2 kg). State-UT-wise details of KYC filled by the prospective PMUY customers, applications cleared and LPG connections released as on 18.07.2018 under the scheme are at Annexure.

(c) As on 18.07.2018, more than one crore LPG consumers have voluntarily surrendered their LPG subsidy under 'GiveItUp' campaign. Details of subsidy/under recovery on domestic LPG during the year 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 are under:-

Year	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Subsidy	40,569	16,056	14,566	20,880
(₹ in crore)				

As on 01.07.2018, there are 23.47 crore LPG consumers in the country and since 01.04.2014, more than 11 crore new LPG connections have been released.

(d) Since inception of the scheme, OMCs have reported 152 established cases of irregularities relating to PMUY and action has been taken against the concerned distributors under Marketing Discipline Guidelines. Further, OMC

employees are governed by the provisions of Conduct, Discipline and Appeal Rules and OMCs initiate action against the erring officials as per the same.

(e) In order to provide clean cooking fuel to every poor households especially in rural areas, the Government had launched PMUY to provide deposit-free LPG connections to 8 crore women belonging to the Below Poverty Line Households. OMCs have released more than 4.73 crore LPG connection under PMUY as on 18.07.2018 since launch of the Scheme.

Further, to strengthen the infrastructure, OMCs have advertised 6351 locations for selection of new LPG Distributorships in addition to 20,585 existing LPG distributorships.

(f) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government. However, the benefit of the LPG subsidy is not admissible for the LPG consumers, if the consumer or his/her spouse had taxable income of Rs. 10 lakh and above during the previous financial year computed as per the Income Tax Act 1961.

Annexure refered to in reply to part (a) & (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 811 asked by Shri Md. Badaruddoza Khan and others to be answered on 23rd July, 2018 regarding "PMUY"

State/UT wise connections released under PMUY as on 18.07.2018

S.No	State	KYC Filled	Cleared Applications	Connections released
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	14,100	9,057	5,041
2	Andhra Pradesh	1,84,569	1,49,336	1,36,662
3	Arunachal Pradesh	36,297	28,913	25,885
4	Assam	25,54,213	19,87,934	18,12,920
5	Bihar	100,15,351	61,58,072	57,85,674
6	Chandigarh	105	64	34
7	Chhattisgarh	29,60,242	25,14,187	23,75,739
8	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	14,454	12,950	12,753
9	Daman and Diu	490	384	381
10	Delhi	72,064	49,675	43,647
11	Goa	1,295	1,057	1,021
12	Gujarat	18,66,463	16,39,007	15,66,277
13	Haryana	6,39,488	4,83,010	4,63,987
14	Himachal Pradesh	85,447	70,048	63,471
15	Jammu and Kashmir	8,48,878	6,15,210	5,61,879
16	Jharkhand	27,57,295	21,96,703	17,02,814
17	Karnataka	18,70,320	14,63,722	13,19,454
18	Kerala	1,32,529	1,17,171	1,04,846
19	Lakshadweep	285	278	264
20	Madhya Pradesh	54,88,323	45,50,624	42,85,918
21	Maharashtra	35,57,462	27,08,749	24,41,152
22	Manipur	88,718	78,546	70,323
23	Meghalaya	1,12,319	1,06,750	96,937
24	Mizoram	24,209	21,953	20,396
25	Nagaland	,	34,275	,

		41,633		30,445
26	Odisha	38,32,694	32,51,688	29,23,256
27	Puducherry	12,710	10,438	9,850
28	Punjab	13,11,930	8,34,942	7,80,055
29	Rajasthan	49,69,490	39,04,854	35,41,456
30	Sikkim	3,773	3,288	3,022
31	Tamil Nadu	28,26,850	22,68,284	20,41,990
32	Telangana	4,69,770	3,97,837	3,47,390
33	Tripura	1,81,215	1,63,808	1,53,314
34	Uttar Pradesh	116,46,981	89,76,502	85,00,406
35	Uttarakhand	2,60,119	2,11,550	2,03,947
36	West Bengal	81,62,907	60,98,907	58,94,708
	Total	670,44,988	511,19,773	473,27,314