## LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 187 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER, 2018

Linkage of Aadhaar of LPG Consumers

\*187. SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR:

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has achieved the linkage of Aadhaar and Bank Account with LPG consumers in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of reported cases of lesser quantity of gas in LPG cylinders delivered to consumers at doorsteps in the country; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to consider a leak proof weighing system at the time of door delivery and if so, the details thereof?

## **ANSWER**

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री) श्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान( MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House

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## STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 187 BY SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR TO BE ANSWERED ON 24th DECEMBER, 2018 REGARDING 'LINKAGE OF AADHAAR OF LPG CONSUMERS'.

- (a) The LPG consumers are required to link their Aadhaar number to LPG data base. The subsidy to LPG consumers, registered under PAHAL is transferred directly into the bank account of the consumers. The subsidy is transferred either through Aadhaar Transfer Compliant (ATC) or Bank Transfer Compliant (BTC) mode on the basis of seeding of Aadhaar number in bank account. As on 17.12.2018, out of 25.11 crore LPG consumers, 23.16 crore consumers have joined the PAHAL Scheme and are getting subsidy in their registered bank accounts.
- (b) Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported 13 established cases of supplying under-weight cylinders/pilfering from cylinders during the current year(April-Sept. 2018).
- (c) Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have introduced Tamper Evident Seals on pan India basis from 01.04.2016 to prevent pilferage/supply of underweight cylinders. Further, Government has already instructed OMCs to direct their LPG distributors to check the weight of LPG cylinders at their godowns. OMCs have issued instructions to the distributors to provide portable weighing scales to all their delivery boys so that weight of the cylinder can be checked before delivery to the customers. In case any underweight cylinder is detected during delivery, the same is replaced by the distributor.