LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1057 TO BE ANSWERED ON 17th DECEMBER, 2018

LPG Connections under PMUY

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

- (a) the State/UT-wise number of free LPG gas connection provided to every BPL/poor household under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) since its inception along with targets fixed and achieved in the country including connection released in Ranchi district of Jharkhand along with funds allocated/utilised in the country so far, year-wise;
- (b) the State/UT-wise number of LPG connections provided in far flung/difficult/ hilly/remote areas of the country including Tumkur district of Karnataka and Junagarh district of Gujarat as per the criteria fixed for the purpose;
- (c) the State/UT-wise PMUY beneficiaries who have purchased a refill more than twice in a single financial year from 2016 to 2018;
- (d) whether the Government has followed the necessary security measures to provide LPG connections to economically backward families and if so, the details thereof:
- (e) whether the Government proposes to extend the benefit to other poor people apart from the BPL card holders in the country, if so, the details thereof along with name of districts and number of people which have not been covered so far under PMUY, State/UT-wise including Maharashtra, West Bengal, Karnataka, Rajasthan and Gujarat; and
- (f) the number of complaints/cases of irregularities/misuse of scheme in providing gas connection to BPL families under PMUY received by the Government/ OMCs till date along with the remedial action taken/being taken to resolve the cases/complaints, State/UT/case-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) As on 13.12.2018, Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have released more than 5.85 crore LPG connections under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY). State/UT-wise details of number of LPG connections released under PMUY across the country including far flung/difficult/hilly/remote areas of the country are at Annexure-I. Numbers of connections released in Ranchi District of Jharkhand are 1,30,510, Tumkur District of Karnataka are 1,23,230 and Junagarh District of Gujarat are 44,361, since launch of the Scheme. Details of year-wise funds allocation and utilisation are as under –

Year	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Fund allocation	₹ 2500 crore	₹ 2251 crore	₹ 3200 crore
Fund utilisation	₹ 2500 crore	₹ 2251 crore	₹ 2929 crore (till 1 st November).

- (c) State/UT-wise details of refill purchased by PMUY beneficiaries during 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 (upto 30.11.2018) are at Annexure-II.
- (d) OMCs have given instructions to their LPG distributors to release LPG connections after satisfying and meeting all the safety norms for installation of LPG connections. Further, OMCs have reported that following measures are adopted for ensuring safety and for educating the prospective LPG customers under PMUY Scheme: -
- (i) Proper education is given on safety aspects of LPG usage to the PMUY beneficiaries through safety clinics during the LPG connection distribution melas by way of how to use LPG by demonstration and screening film on safety.
- (ii) While issuing LPG connections under PMUY scheme, safety instructions card is given to the beneficiaries.

- (iii) All LPG distributors are under strict instructions to install connections at the premises of the PMUY beneficiaries and ensure that the Hotplate is kept at safe location and customer is advised about the safe way to use LPG.
- (iv) OMCs' Officers carry out regular customer contacts and distributorship inspections to monitor the above steps. During inspections, wherever it is found that the distributors are not adhering to the given instructions or noncompliance of given instructions, suitable action under MDG is taken against such defaulting distributors.
- (v) Government has launched intensive 'Safety Campaign' through print and electronic media highlighting safety norms in usage of LPG.
- (vi) LPG Panchayats are also organised to educate the LPG consumers about safety & sustained use of LPG.
- (e) Presently, beneficiaries under PMUY are identified from Socio- Economic Caste Census(SECC) list or from seven categories viz. SC/ST households, Beneficiaries of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana(Gramin), Beneficiaries of Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY), Forest dwellers, Most Backward Classes, people residing in islands / river islands and Tea and Ex-Tea Garden Tribes. State/UT-wise details of connections released under PMUY are at Annexure-I.
- (f) OMCs have reported very minuscule number of cases of established irregularities in providing gas connections to BPL households under PMUY since launch of the Scheme. OMCs have taken punitive action as per the extant Marketing Discipline Guidelines (MDG) and the Distributorship Agreement against LPG distributors in all the established cases of irregularities.

Annexure - I

Annexure referred to in Part (a) & (b) of the reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1057 for 17.12.2018 regarding 'LPG Connections under PMUY' by Shri Mohd. Salim and others

S.No State/UT connections released 1 Andaman and Nicobar Islands 7,3	
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	240
2 Andhra Pradesh 1,89,9	935
3 Arunachal Pradesh 36,3	128
4 Assam 23,54,7	742
5 Bihar 69,66,	002
6 Chandigarh	46
7 Chhattisgarh 26,50,3	873
8 Dadra and Nagar Haveli 13,0	063
9 Daman and Diu	410
10 Delhi 62,5	984
11 Goa 1,1	052
12 Gujarat 18,88,5	542
13 Haryana 6,08,3	360
14 Himachal Pradesh 87,	506
15 Jammu and Kashmir 8,11,	340
16 Jharkhand 25,56,7	282
17 Karnataka 18,13,	665
18 Kerala 1,52,7	725
19 Lakshadweep	286
20 Madhya Pradesh 52,36,	880
21 Maharashtra 34,14,1	177
22 Manipur 99,	055
23 Meghalaya 1,32,	009
24 Mizoram 25,	069
25 Nagaland 45,	675
26 Odisha 35,22,	285
27 Puducherry 12,	740
28 Punjab 11,35,	764
29 Rajasthan 43,15,4	581
30 Sikkim 5,1	198
31 Tamil Nadu 27,53,9	967
32 Telangana 5,14,	
33 Tripura 1,88,	
34 Uttar Pradesh 98,62,4	562
35 Uttarakhand 2,66,	
36 West Bengal 67,95,	443
Total 585,26,	626

	Annexure-II
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Annexure referred to part (c) of the reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1057 for 17.12.2018 regarding 'LPG Connections under PMUY' asked by Shri Mohd. Salim and others.

Year and State/UT-wise details of LPG refills bought by PMUY beneficiaries since launch of the scheme

	Scheme		
State/UT	PMUY refill 2016-17	PMUY refill 2017- 18	PMUY refill 2018-19(upto 30.11.18)
ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR	1,324	3,640	18,445
ANDHRA PRADESH	80,200	2,48,306	3,29,612
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	-	13,861	71,391
ASSAM	3	16,18,168	32,47,569
BIHAR	51,26,452	145,92,618	126,01,095
CHANDIGARH	-	-	118
CHHATISGARH	12,96,943	25,71,720	21,26,067
DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI	3,875	24,558	18,479
DAMAN AND DIU	101	829	994
DELHI	1,550	3,913	2,32,074
GOA	1,919	3,296	2,652
GUJARAT	18,49,405	43,39,529	39,93,112
HARYANA	8,42,541	17,87,831	16,98,962
HIMACHAL PRADESH	3,068	74,997	1,90,402
JAMMU AND KASHMIR	4,18,248	9,55,437	11,45,327
JHARKHAND	5,84,827	23,62,525	30,39,691
KARNATAKA	13,702	19,94,642	32,83,984
KERALA	17,772	92,827	2,83,914
MADHYA PRADESH	36,11,733	65,34,060	67,41,759
MAHARASHTRA	10,80,596	46,87,569	55,96,182

UTTARAKHAND	2,68,166	5,96,401	6,44,382
TRIPURA UTTAR PRADESH	128,34,143	67,021 213,12,057	2,62,924 190,24,270
TELANGANA	73	159	7,58,333
TAMILNADU	3,77,491	23,90,226	49,05,400
SIKKIM	-	1,793	9,629
RAJASTHAN	39,13,160	75,39,707	74,79,579
PUNJAB	4,20,682	14,19,885	23,45,215
PUDUCHERRY	1,478	7,429	33,413
ODISHA	18,57,228	52,29,252	48,94,701
NAGALAND	-	22,091	85,903
MIZORAM	-	1,474	56,821
MEGHALAYA	-	64,059	1,97,882
MANIPUR	45	81,606	2,08,490