

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 228
TO BE ANSWERED ON 4th FEBRUARY, 2019**

Setting up of LPG Dealership/Petrol Pump

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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 LPG dealership/petrol pumps allotments to divyangs in rural areas to empower them ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to double the number of divyang dealers in the rural areas during the next financial year; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the action taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (d) Under Unified Guidelines for Selection of LPG distributorships, a provision of 3% reservation for Divyang/Physically Handicapped persons across all the categories i.e. SC/ST/OBCs/General has been made. Further, a provision of 3% reservation across all the categories i.e. SC/ST/OBCs/General for Physically Handicapped/Divyang persons have been made in the Guidelines for Selection of Retail Outlet Dealerships. As on 01.01.2019, 798 LPG distributorships and 1305 Retail Outlets are being operated by Divyang persons.