

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2689
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22nd DECEMBER, 2022

Benefits to Families under PMUY

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पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the number of families deprived of the benefits under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) across the country, especially in rural areas of West Bengal;
- (b) whether any survey has been conducted recently in this regard and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to cover the deprived families under the said scheme so as to provide benefit of the scheme to them; and
- (d) if so, the number of families receiving benefits under the scheme in West Bengal?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर तेली)

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) to (d) Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) was launched in 2016 to provide deposit free LPG connections to women members of poor households and the target to provide 8 crore LPG connections under the Scheme was achieved in September, 2019, 7 months ahead of target date of completion of March, 2020. Under PMUY Phase-I, 88.08 lakh LPG connections were released in the State of West Bengal.

Adult women from poor households, who do not have existing LPG connections, can get deposit free LPG connections under PMUY subject to fulfilment of eligibility criteria.

To cover the left out poor households, PMUY phase-2 (Ujjwala 2.0) was launched in August, 2021. As on 01.12.2022 Oil Marketing Companies(OMCs) have released 1.58 crore LPG connections across the country under Ujjwala 2.0 including 35.38 lakh LPG connections in the State of West Bengal. Under Ujjwala 2.0, all PMUY beneficiaries are provided free first refill and stove as well, in addition to deposit free LPG connections.
