LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 325 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23rd MARCH, 2023

EXTENSION OF BENEFITS OF PMUY

*325. SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT: SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to extend benefits of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) to non-Ujjwala subscribers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the decision is likely to be taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether people have benefited under PMUY in the country during the last three years and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise, especially in Maharashtra;
- (d) the number of beneficiaries as on date during the said period, year-wise; and
- (e) the number of beneficiaries discontinued their supply under PMUY in Maharashtra so far?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी) MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 325 BY SHRI GIRISH BHALCHANDRA BAPAT AND SHRI RAHUL RAMESH SHEWALE TO BE ANSWERED ON 23rd MARCH, 2023 REGARDING 'EXTENSION OF BENEFITS OF PMUY'

(a) & (b) No Sir. No such proposal is currently under consideration of Government.

Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) was launched on 01.05.2016 to release deposit free LPG connection in the name of adult woman member of poor households across the country. The target to release 8 crore connections was achieved in September, 2019. To cover the remaining poor households, PMUY phase-2 (Ujjwala 2.0) was launched in August 2021 with a target to release 1 crore additional PMUY connections, which was achieved in January 2022. Subsequently, the Government decided to release 60 lakh more LPG connections under Ujjwala 2.0 and as on 01.01.2023, the target of 1.60 crore Ujjwala 2.0 connections has already been achieved.

LPG connection under PMUY is released in the name of adult women of the poor households, provided no LPG connection exists in the name of any family member of the household and fulfilling other terms and conditions. Households belonging to Socio Economic Caste Census (SECC) list or from seven other categories such as Scheduled Caste(SC) Households, Scheduled Tribe(ST) Households, Most Backward Classes (MBC), Beneficiaries of PM Awas Yojana (Gramin), Beneficiaries of Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY), Forest Dwellers, Resident of islands/ river islands, Tea garden / ex-tea garden workers or poor households not covered under the above categories by submitting 14 point declaration are eligible for a PMUY connection. Under Ujjwala 2.0, a special provision has been made for migrant families who can use a self-declaration instead of Proof of Address and Ration Card to apply for a PMUY connection.

Under PMUY, Government bears an expenditure of upto Rs 1600 per connection for Security Deposit (SD) of Cylinder, Pressure Regulator, Suraksha Hose, DGCC booklet and installation charges.

(c) & (d) State/UT-wise details of LPG connections released under PMUY during the last three years and current year are at are at **Annexure.**

During Financial Year 2020-21, the Government had provided upto 3 (three) free of cost LPG refills to PMUY beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package (PMGKP). Under this Scheme, 14.17 crore free refills (14.2 Kg) were provided to the PMUY beneficiaries across the country including 76.29 lakh refills (14.2 Kg) in the State of Maharashtra. The Government has started a targeted subsidy of Rs. 200 per 14.2 Kg cylinder for PMUY beneficiaries for upto 12 refills for year 2022-23.

(e) Out of 46.98 lakh PMUY connections released upto 31.03.2022 in the State of Maharashtra, more than 46.67 lakh (99.34 %) PMUY beneficiaries have taken refills upto February, 2023.

Annexure referred in part (c) & (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 325 to be answered on 23.03.2023 asked by Shri Girish Bhalchandra Bapat and Shri Rahul Ramesh Shewale regarding "Extension of Benefits of PMUY"

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State/UT	2019-20	2021-22	2022-23 (Apr- Feb.)
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	4,547	811	46
Andhra Pradesh	49,262	25,222	95,672
Arunachal Pradesh	5,384	3,457	1,514
Assam	6,48,961	5,11,073	4,24,243
Bihar	6,43,107	16,13,210	6,39,296
Chandigarh	-	5	569
Chhattisgarh	2,96,736	3,73,735	1,44,003
Dadra &Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	644	39	14
Delhi	3,058	22,638	43,594
Goa	10	-	141
Gujarat	3,79,993	5,40,537	4,06,881
Haryana	50,472	13,675	29,097
Himachal Pradesh	23,048	2,058	2,525
Jammu and Kashmir (Incl Ladakh)	1,89,062	9443	7111
Jharkhand	3,56,981	2,19,486	1,74,072
Karnataka	3,23,478	3,28,275	2,93,751
Kerala	46,379	44,456	40,802
Lakshadweep	•	10	14
Madhya Pradesh	7,08,815	7,95,859	2,92,462
Maharashtra	3,64,878	2,81,997	1,94,467
Manipur	26,221	22,025	23,691
Meghalaya	10,433	22,628	41,847
Mizoram	2,337	1,523	3,962
Nagaland	5,738	21,977	14,956
Odisha	5,14,096	4,55,549	1,37,729
Puducherry	203	655	616
Punjab	15,256	17,132	48,514
Rajasthan	6,73,000	2,64,503	3,10,247
Sikkim	954	3,707	1,341
Tamil Nadu	1,00,374	2,14,225	2,57,068
Telangana	1,48,480	40,198	41,845
Tripura	33,495	5,827	11,673
Uttar Pradesh	17,93,397	20,00,914	7,98,372
Uttarakhand	51,645	46,778	48,157
West Bengal	7,94,376	20,96,373	14,69,708

Note-no connection was issued in 2020-21 under PMUY.

Source: Indian Oil Corporation Ltd on behalf of Oil Marketing Companies.