LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 218 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03 AUGUST, 2023

Increase in Price of LPG

*218. Shri A. Ganeshamurthi:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the reasons for increasing the retail price of LPG periodically despite decline in crude oil prices;
- (b) whether the subsidy component is likely to be increased under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) keeping in view the periodical rise in the price of LPG and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of LPG connections provided deposit free during the last five years in the country, State-wise; and
- (d) the total number of LPG connections issued under PMUY Phase-2 in the country till now, State-wise?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री हरदीप सिंह पुरी)

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

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

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 218 asked by Shri A. Ganeshamurthi to be answered on 03 August 2023 regarding "Increase in Price of LPG".

(a) to (d): India imports more than 60% of its domestic LPG consumption. Prices of LPG in the country are based on Saudi Contract Price (CP), the benchmark for international prices of LPG. During the period 2020-21 to 2022-23, the average Saudi CP went up from \$415 per MT to \$712 per MT. However, the increase in international prices was not fully passed on in retail prices, due to which the Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) suffered under recoveries of approximately Rs. 28,000 crore on sale of domestic LPG. To compensate this, the Government approved a one-time compensation of Rs. 22,000 crore to OMCs in FY 2022-23. During Covid pandemic, Government also provided about 14.17 Crore free LPG refills to PMUY households under Pradhan Mantri Gareeb Kalyan Package during 2020.

Price of domestic LPG (at Delhi) was Rs. 1053 w.e.f. 6th July 2022 and is Rs. 1103 in July 2023. For PMUY consumers effective price is Rs. 903 after a targeted subsidy of Rs. 200 per cylinder.

Under the Direct Benefit Transfer for LPG (DBTL) scheme, the subsidy, as admissible, is credited to the bank accounts of eligible beneficiaries. In addition, w.e.f. 21st May, 2022, Government has started a targeted subsidy of Rs. 200 per 14.2 Kg cylinder for Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) beneficiaries for upto 12 refills a year for years 2022-23 and 2023-24.

The details of number of connections given under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) state-wise during the last five years are given at Annexure-I

State/UT-wise details of LPG connections released under PMUY phase-2 (Ujjwala 2.0) are at Annexure-II.

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The details of number of connections given under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) state-wise during the last five years.

| State/UT | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| Andaman and Nicobar | | | | | |
| Islands | 6,178 | 4,547 | - | 811 | 46 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 2,62,554 | 49,262 | - | 25,222 | 95,643 |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 32,953 | 5,384 | - | 3,457 | 1,435 |
| Assam | 17,07,801 | 6,48,961 | - | 5,11,073 | 4,36,663 |
| Bihar | 29,81,636 | 6,43,107 | - | 16,13,210 | 6,44,405 |
| Chandigarh | 88 | | - | 5 | 567 |
| Chhattisgarh | 7,40,584 | 2,96,736 | - | 3,73,735 | 1,41,558 |
| Dadra and Nagar Haveli | 2,671 | 639 | - | 39 | 14 |
| Daman and Diu | 219 | 5 | - | | |
| Delhi | 73,120 | 3,058 | - | 22,638 | 43,423 |
| Goa | 88 | 10 | - | | 184 |
| Gujarat | 12,52,052 | 3,79,993 | - | 5,40,537 | 4,06,249 |
| Haryana | 3,23,344 | 50,472 | - | 13,675 | 29,077 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 83,177 | 23,048 | - | 2,058 | 2,520 |
| Jammu and Kashmir | 6,72,453 | 1,88,317 | - | 9,415 | 7,219 |
| Jharkhand | 17,01,032 | 3,56,981 | - | 2,19,486 | 1,72,600 |
| Karnataka | 19,13,808 | 3,23,478 | - | 3,28,275 | 2,92,063 |
| Kerala | 1,71,530 | 46,379 | - | 44,456 | 40,751 |
| Ladakh | 7,645 | 745 | | 28 | - |
| Lakshadweep | 156 | - | - | 10 | 7 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 31,30,613 | 7,08,815 | _ | 7,95,859 | 2,91,219 |
| Maharashtra | 21,86,426 | 3,64,878 | _ | 2,81,997 | 1,94,182 |
| Manipur | 97,760 | 26,221 | _ | 22,025 | 23,639 |
| Meghalaya | 1,03,467 | 10,433 | - | 22,628 | 41,787 |
| Mizoram | 24,879 | 2,337 | - | 1,523 | 3,950 |
| Nagaland | 40,177 | 5,738 | _ | 21,977 | 14,697 |
| Odisha | 19,25,954 | 5,14,096 | _ | 4,55,549 | 1,33,672 |
| Puducherry | 11,568 | 203 | _ | 655 | 615 |
| Punjab | 8,26,611 | 15,256 | _ | 17,132 | 48,451 |
| Rajasthan | 30,69,891 | 6,73,000 | _ | 2,64,503 | 3,09,651 |
| Sikkim | 7,111 | 954 | _ | 3,707 | 1,338 |
| Tamil Nadu | 21,22,977 | 1,00,374 | _ | 2,14,225 | 2,54,811 |
| Telangana | 9,23,800 | 1,48,480 | _ | 40,198 | 41,757 |
| Tripura | 1,92,014 | 33,495 | _ | 5,827 | 11,599 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 64,76,981 | • | - | 20,00,914 | • |
| Uttarakhand | | 17,93,397 | - | | 7,95,230 |
| | 2,15,481 | 51,645 | - | 46,778 | 46,795 |
| West Bengal | 30,05,534 | 7,94,376 | - | 20,96,373 | 14,66,521 |

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State/UT-wise details of LPG connections released under PMUY phase-2 (Ujjwala 2.0)

| State/UT | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | |
|--|---------|---------|--|
| Andaman and Nicobar | 011 | 16 | |
| Islands | 811 | 46 | |
| Andhra Pradesh | 25222 | 95672 | |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 3457 | 1514 | |
| Assam | 511073 | 424243 | |
| Bihar | 1613210 | 639296 | |
| Chandigarh | 5 | 569 | |
| Chhattisgarh | 373735 | 144003 | |
| Dadra &Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu | 39 | 14 | |
| Delhi | 22638 | 43594 | |
| Goa | 0 | 141 | |
| Gujarat | 540537 | 406881 | |
| Haryana | 13675 | 29097 | |
| Himachal Pradesh | 2058 | 2525 | |
| Jammu and Kashmir (Incl Ladakh) | 9443 | 7111 | |
| Jharkhand | 219486 | 174072 | |
| Karnataka | 328275 | 293751 | |
| Kerala | 44456 | 40802 | |
| Lakshadweep | 10 | 14 | |
| Madhya Pradesh | 795859 | 292462 | |
| Maharashtra | 281997 | 194467 | |
| Manipur | 22025 | 23691 | |
| Meghalaya | 22628 | 41847 | |
| Mizoram | 1523 | 3962 | |
| Nagaland | 21977 | 14956 | |
| Odisha | 455549 | 137729 | |
| Puducherry | 655 | 616 | |
| Punjab | 17132 | 48514 | |
| Rajasthan | 264503 | 310247 | |
| Sikkim | 3707 | 1341 | |
| Tamil Nadu | 214225 | 257068 | |
| Telangana | 40198 | 41845 | |
| Tripura | 5827 | 11673 | |
| Uttar Pradesh | 2000914 | 798372 | |
| Uttarakhand | 46778 | 48157 | |
| West Bengal | 2096373 | 1469708 | |

Source: IOCL