

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1180
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25th NOVEMBER, 2019**

Beneficiaries of PMUY

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पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the details of State-wise amount spent by the Government especially in Maharashtra under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) since the launch of this scheme;
- (b) the district-wise number of LPG connections given under PMUY including Latur district in Maharashtra and Jalore and Sirohi districts in Rajasthan;
- (c) whether beneficiaries under the said scheme are unable to refill the cylinders as they belong to BPL category;
- (d) if so, whether the Government proposes to refill the 5 kg LPG cylinder either free or on instalments under the said scheme; and
- (e) the details of the steps taken by the Government to educate the LPG consumers for complying with safety norms?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री धर्मन्द्र प्रधान)

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) So far, the Government has reimbursed ₹ 10,675 crore to Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) in lieu of LPG connections released by them across the country including in the State of Maharashtra under PMUY. The total subsidy on domestic LPG including PMUY beneficiary provided by the Government in 2018-19 is ₹ 37,220 crore including the LPG customers of Maharashtra.
- (b) OMCs have released 8 crore LPG connections including 44.36 lakh in Maharashtra and 63.91 lakh in Rajasthan under PMUY. The district-wise details of LPG connections released under PMUY in Latur district of Maharashtra and in Jalore and Sirohi districts of Rajasthan are as under :

Latur district, Maharashtra	Jalore district, Rajasthan	Sirohi district, Rajasthan
1.29 lakh	1.89 lakh	1.17 lakh

(c) & (d) As on date, about 87 % of PMUY beneficiaries have returned for at least second refill. In order to improve the refill consumption, PMUY beneficiaries have been offered swap facility of 5 kg cylinder against 14.2 kg cylinder as per their requirement.

(e) OMCs undertake various awareness programmes to promote awareness on safe usage of LPG, viz. engaging mass communication channels such as audio visual and print media, banners/hoardings, leaflets, pamphlets, conducting LPG Panchayat/Safety Clinics, regular customer contact by OMCs/distributors, etc.
