LOK SABHA **UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1131** TO BE ANSWERED ON 26th JULY, 2021

Extension to PMUY

1131. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA VISWANATH: SHRI KOMATI REDDY VENKAT REDDY: SHRI KOTHA PRABHAKAR REDDY: SHRI BANDI SANJAY KUMAR: SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:

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

- (a) whether the Pradhan Mantri Ujjawala Yojana(PMUY) scheme is applicable nationwide and State-wise also and requires extensive dissemination, and propose for a fresh target to add 10 million more PMUY beneficiaries to the existing 80 million, if so, the details thereof and progress made. State wise as on date and present status thereof:
- (b) whether the Government is committed to create smoke free environment in rural areas and if so, the number of Gas connections sanctioned and the number of beneficiaries under PMUY in the State of Telangana for the last three years, year-wise and district-wise;
- (c) whether the Scheme has reached its objectives particularly in tribal areas of Telangana and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the measures the Government is going to take to implement the scheme in tribal areas? **ANSWER**

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर तेली) MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) to (d) In order to provide clean and environment friendly cooking fuel to poor households, especially in rural areas, the Government had launched Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) in May 2016 across the country including the tribal areas of Telangana. The primary objective of the PMUY is to provide access to clean cooking fuel LPG to poor households thereby protecting their health by reducing the serious health hazards associated with use of conventional cooking fuel such as firewood, coal, cow dung etc. which causes severe indoor household air pollution. Use of LPG as cooking fuel frees women from the drudgery of collecting firewood, reduces time spent on cooking and prevents deforestation. The Government has achieved the target to distribute 8 crore connections under the Scheme in September, 2019. District-wise details of LPG connections released under PMUY in the Sate of Telangana during the last three years are given at Annexure.

Further, Hon'ble Finance Minister, during her budget speech on 1st February, 2021, made an announcement to provide 1 crore more LPG connections under PMUY in addition to 8 crore LPG connections already released. The modalities for releasing 1 crore LPG connections under PMUY have already been finalised and have been communicated to the Oil Marketing Companies.

Annexure

Annexure referred to part (a) to (d) of Unstarred Lok Sabha Parliament Question No. 1131 to be answered on 26.07.2021 asked by Shrimati Vanga Geetha Vishwanath and others regarding "Extension of PMUY"

District	LPG connections released		
	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
Adilabad	-	30,401	4,413
Bhadradri	_	64,154	896
Kothagudem	_		
Hyderabad	-	1,234	9
Jagitial	-	33,122	6,802
Jangaon	-	10,985	4,457
Jayashankar Bhupalpa	-	39,862	-6,217
Jogulamba Gadwal	-	27,059	4,663
Kamareddy	-	36,563	5,661
Karimnagar	-	16,846	4,086
Khammam	-	56,106	4,479
Komram Bheem	-	24,523	1,973
MahaBubabad	-	23,867	1,354
Mahbubnagar	-	52,218	4,595
Mancherial	-	23,338	4,927
Medak	-	25,922	4,151
Medhal Malkajgiri	-	2,585	1,429
MULUGU	-	-	12,324
Nagarkurnool	-	27,901	3,019
Nalgonda	-	63,370	6,775
NARAYANPET	-	-	15,484
Nirmal	-	28,785	5,160
Nizamabad	-	38,991	7,672
Peddapalli	-	17,446	7,108
Rajanna Sircilla	-	17,062	2,920
Rangareddy	-	19,972	1,834
Sangareddy	-	40,277	7,904
Siddipet	-	19,769	6,360
Suryapet	-	50,693	5,785
Tadadri Bhongiri	-	10,730	1,951
Vikarabad	-	46,091	5,355
Wanaparthy	-	15,343	4,690
Warangal	-	25,964	1,051
Warangal Pural	-	32,621	5,410