## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1584 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2022

## LPG Connections 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 details of LPG connections provided so far under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) since its inception;
- (b) the targets fixed under PMUY, year and Statewise particularly in Aurangabad district of Bihar;
- (c) the amount of subsidy being provided to the consumers;
- (d) the details of decrease in number of kerosene oil consumers after providing LPG to households under the said scheme, State/UT-wise particularly in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to provide LPG connection to households in the country, Statewise particularly in Bihar?

## **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) As on 01.02.2022, Oil Marketing Companies(OMCs) have released 8.99 crore LPG connections under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana(PMUY) which includes PMUY Phase-I and Ujjwala 2.0.
- (b) No State/UT wise target was fixed under PMUY Scheme. As on 01.02.2022, OMCs have released 2.03 lakh LPG connections under PMUY in Aurangabad District of Bihar.
- (c) All the domestic consumers including consumers enrolled under PMUY get refills at non-subsidised rate and the applicable subsidy is directly transferred into their registered bank accounts. The Government has released Rs. 11,895 crore in the Financial Year 2020-21 as subsidy for various schemes related to domestic LPG.
- (d) Distribution of PDS Kerosene within the States/Union Territories(UTs) under Public Distribution System(PDS) network to various categories of ration card holders/consumers is the responsibility of the concerned States/UTs. Scale and criteria of distribution are also decided by respective State/UT. However, along with other factors, increased penetration of LPG has contributed to 11 States/UTs becoming PDS Kerosene free.

(e) Release of LPG connections is a continuous process and LPG distributors are under instructions to immediately register any request for new LPG connection all over the country, including in the State of Bihar. Further, Government have taken several steps to ensure that all households in the country have LPG connections, which include, deposit free LPG connection under PMUY, hassle free connections, 5 kg cylinders, secondary connections for an existing LPG connection holder, option to apply online for new connection including PMUY and release of e-subscription vouchers, organizing LPG panchayats and public awareness campaigns involving State/UT Governments etc.

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