# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3069 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04<sup>th</sup>AUGUST, 2022

### **Women Beneficiaries under PMUY**

3069. SHRI SAPTAGIRI SANKAR ULAKA:

## पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that under the Ujjwala Yojana most women cannot get a second gas connection due to lack of funds;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to fix this issue, Statewise; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to finance additional LPG connections to ensure that women beneficiaries would get continuous supply of gas and if so, the cost associated with the same?

#### **ANSWER**

## पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री (श्रीरामेश्वरतेली) MINISTER OFSTATE IN MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) to (c) Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) was launched in 2016 to provide deposit free LPG connections to women members of poor households and the target to provide 8 crore LPG connections under the Scheme was achieved in September, 2019, 7 months ahead of target date of completion of March, 2020. PMUY phase-2 (Ujjwala 2.0) was launched in August, 2021 and Oil Marketing Companies(OMCs) have released 1.34 crore LPG connections under Ujjwala 2.0 as on 01.07.2022.

Under PMUY, beneficiaries can choose the type of their connection from the options of Single Bottle Connection of 14.2 Kg cylinder, Single Bottle Connection of 5 Kg Cylinder, Double Bottler Connection (DBC) of 5 Kg Cylinder and swap their 14.2 Kg cylinder connection with 5 Kg connection and vice versa. Further, OMCs ensure that LPG distributors maintain adequate stock of LPG cylinders, so that the LPG refills are home delivered at the customer premises within 48 hrs of booking.

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