## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3210 TO BE ANSWERED ON 4<sup>th</sup>AUGUST, 2022

### **Consumers deprived of PMUY**

#### †3210. SHRI SUNIL KUMAR PINTU:

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

- (a) the number of families which are deprived of the benefits under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjawala Yojana across the country especially in rural areas of Bihar;
- (b) whether any survey has been conducted recently in this regard and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to cover the deprived families under the said scheme so as to provide benefit of the scheme to them; and
- (d) if so, the number of families which are receiving benefits under the scheme in Bihar especially in Sitamarhi at present?

#### **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) 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. Under PMUY Phase-I, 84.79 lakh LPG connections were released in the State of Bihar.

To cover the left out poor households, 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 including 19.60 lakh LPG connections in the State of Bihar as on 01.07.2022. Under Ujjwala 2.0, all PMUY beneficiaries are provided free first refill and stove as well in addition to deposit free LPG connections. All left out poor households are provided LPG connections under Ujjwala 2.0 subject to fulfilment of eligibility condition. As on 01.07.2022, OMCs have released 3.69 lakh LPG connections under PMUY including Ujjwala 2.0 in Sitamarhi District of Bihar.

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