### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 777 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21st JULY, 2022

#### **LPG Consumers**

### 777. SHRI NATARAJAN P.R.:

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

- (a) whether the total number of Liquified Petroleum Gas (LPG) consumer is in increasing trend;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during the last four years and the current year including the total number of consumers, year and oil company-wise;
- (c) the details of number of free connections issued to the women beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Ujiwala Yojana (PMUY); and
- (d) the details of income from such free connections by replacing/purchasing cylinder since the inception of the yojana?

#### **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) & (b) Yes, Sir. Oil Marketing Companies(OMCs)-wise details of domestic LPG consumers in the country during the last four years and current year are as under:-

Domestic LPG consumers in crore				
As on 1 <sup>st</sup> April	IOCL	BPCL	HPCL	Total
of Year				
2018	10.57	5.75	6.10	22.43
2019	12.40	6.81	7.32	26.54
2020	13.11	7.09	7.67	27.87
2021	13.58	7.44	7.92	28.95
2022	14.24	7.87	8.42	30.53
01.07.2022	14.43	7.99	8.53	30.95

(c) & (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 2019. Further, under Phase-II of PMUY (Ujjwala 2.0), in addition to deposit free LPG connections, all PMUY beneficiaries are provided free first refill and stove as well. As on 01.07.2022, OMCs have released 1.35 crore LPG connections under Ujjwala 2.0. Further, Government has announced subsidy of Rs. 200/- per 14.2 Kg refill upto 12 refills/year to PMUY beneficiaries for year 2022-2023. OMCs have delivered 116.9 crore refills (other than installation refill) to PMUY beneficiaries till 30.06.2022 since inception of the PMUY Scheme.

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