LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2386 TO BE ANSWERED ON 13th March, 2025

PNG, LPG and CNG under PMUY in Mohanlalganj

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पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the criteria by which the Government have benefitted the households in Mohanlalganj under the PM Ujjwala Yojana and the steps being taken to ensure 100% coverage in this parliamentary constituency;
- (b) whether the Government has any plans to set up CNG stations in Mohanlalganj to promote cleaner fuel for vehicles and reduce pollution, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the criteria by which the Government have provided access to the households in Mohanlalganj to Piped Natural Gas (PNG) and the timeline for expanding PNG infrastructure inthe constituency;
- (d) whether any initiatives have been taken by the Government to promote biofuels or Compressed Bio Gas in Mohanlalganj to support rural employment and reduce dependency on fossil fuels and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has any plan to set up oil and gas-related projects or facilities in Mohanlalganj to generate local employment opportunities and if so, the details there of along with the future plans for Mohanlalganj in terms of expanding fuel accessibility, reducing pollution and promoting clean energy?

ANSWER

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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) to (e): Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) was launched in May, 2016 with an objective to provide deposit free LPG connection to adult women from poor households across the country. LPG connection under PMUY is released in the name of adult women of the poor households, provided no LPG connection exists in the name of any family member of the household and fulfilling other terms and conditions. Households belonging to Socio Economic Caste Census (SECC) list or from seven other categories such as Scheduled Caste(SC) Households, Scheduled Tribe(ST) Households, Most Backward Classes (MBC), Beneficiaries of

PM Awas Yojana (Gramin), Beneficiaries of Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY), Forest Dwellers, Resident of islands/ river islands, Tea garden / ex-tea garden workers or poor households not covered under the above categories by submitting 14 point declaration are eligible for a PMUY connection. Under Ujjwala 2.0, a special provision has been made for migrant families who can use a self-declaration instead of Proof of Address and Ration Card to apply for a PMUY connection.

As on 01.03.2025, there are 10.33 crore PMUY connections across the country. Details of LPG connections, as on 01.03.2025, released under PMUY Scheme in Lucknow and Sitapur districts (which covers Mohanlalganj Parliamentary constituency) are at **Annexure**.

Establishment of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) stations and providing Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connections is part of development of City Gas Distribution (CGD) Network and the same is being carried out by the entities authorized by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB). After completion of 12/12A CGD bidding round, authorization for CGD has been issued for Lucknow Geographical Area which comprises of Mohanlalganj tehsil.

As per the Minimum Work Programme (MWP), the authorized entity has to provide 4.94 lakh PNG connections in Lucknow Geographical Area. As on 31.12.2024, 1,32,464 PNG connections and 46 CNG Stations have been provided in this GA by the CGD entity.

To promote compressed biogas (CBG), Government has initiated various schemes like Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT), financial assistance for procurement of Biomass Aggregation Machinery (BAM) and scheme for Development of Pipeline Infrastructure (DPI) for transportation of CBG into the City Gas Distribution (CGD) network. With these initiatives, 94 CBG plants with production capacity of about 650 TPD (tonnes per day) have already been commissioned and another 75 CBG plants with production capacity of about 550 TPD are at different stages of construction. At present, there is no plan to setup oil and gas related projects in Mohanlalganj.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in part (a) to (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2386 to be answered on 13.03.2025 regarding "PNG, LPG and CNG under PMUY in Mohanlalganj" asked by Shri R K Chaudhary.

District	Number of PMUY Connections	Number of Domestic connections
Lucknow	2.54 lakh	14.94 lakh
Sitapur	6.01 lakh	10.16 lakh

Source: IOCL on industry basis