

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3298**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 20th March, 2025**

**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) whether any measures have been taken by the Government to ensure that all eligible beneficiaries under the Socio-Economic, Caste Census list and specified categories become aware of the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY), if so the details thereof;
- (b) the mechanism available to ensure sustained use of LPG by the beneficiaries instead of reverting to conventional fuels;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to expand PMUY to include additional subsidy for refill cost to ensure sustainability in use of LPG by poor households, if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Chhattisgarh;
- (d) the number of applications received and pending along with the number of beneficiaries under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) during the last five years and the current year in Maharashtra, especially in Nandurbar Parliamentary constituency;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to identify the BPL families through Socio Economic Caste based Census data under the said scheme, if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor, along with the data used for identification of BPL families in Rajasthan?

**ANSWER**

**पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री**  
**(श्री सुरेश गोपी)**

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

(a) to (f): 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 including 88.47 lakh beneficiaries in state of Maharashtra.

In order to improve awareness about PMUY and usage of LPG across the country, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have taken various steps including organizing campaigns for improving awareness about PMUY, organizing melas/camps to enroll and distribute connections, promotion through Out of Home (OOH) hoardings, radio jingles, Information, Education and Communication (IEC) Vans etc., spreading awareness about advantages of using LPG over other conventional fuels and safe usage of LPG through LPG Panchayats, enrolment/awareness camps under Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, facilitation of consumers and their families for Aadhar enrolment and opening of bank accounts for getting PMUY connections, simplification of process of getting LPG connection, online application for PMUY connection at [www.pmuy.gov.in](http://www.pmuy.gov.in), nearest LPG distributors, Common Service Centres (CSC) etc., option of 5 Kg Double Bottle Connection (DBC), swap option from 14.2 Kg to 5 Kg, provision for Migrant Families to avail new connection on Self-Declaration instead of Proof of Address and Ration Card. Further, OMCs are continuously commissioning new LPG Distributorships, especially in rural areas. Since the launch of PMUY scheme, OMCs have commissioned 7959 Distributorships (commissioned during 01.04.2016 to 31.12.2024) across the country, out of which 7373 (i.e. 93 %) are catering to rural areas.

During last five financial years and current financial year (Apr'19 – Feb'25), OMCs have released 11.73 lakh LPG Connections under PMUY scheme in the state of Maharashtra, which includes 0.64 lakh connections in the Nandurbar District and 0.46 lakh connections in the Dhule district ( which comprise Nandurbar Parliamentary constituency) . As on 01.03.2025, OMCs have 0.66 lakh pending applications in the state of Maharashtra, which includes 3,229

applications in the Nandurbar district and 2,722 applications in the Dhule district. No timeline has been set for clearing pending applications under PMUY.

Since the launch of PMUY till financial year 2022-23, Government has been bearing an expenditure of up to Rs. 1,600 per PMUY connection for Security Deposit (SD) of Cylinder, Pressure Regulator, Suraksha Hose, DGCC booklet and installation charges. From financial year 2023-24, this expenditure has been increased to Rs. 2,200 per connection for 14.2 Kg Single Bottle Connection/ 5 Kg Double Bottle Connection & Rs. 1,300 per connection for 5 Kg Single Bottle Connection.

To make LPG more affordable to PMUY consumers and ensure sustained usage of LPG by them, Government started a targeted subsidy of Rs.200/- per 14.2 kg cylinder for up to 12 refills per annum (and proportionately pro-rated for 5 Kg connections) to the PMUY consumers in May, 2022. In October, 2023, Government increased the targeted subsidy to Rs.300 per 14.2 kg cylinder for up to 12 refills per annum (and proportionately pro-rated for 5 Kg connections). After a targeted subsidy of Rs. 300/cylinder to PMUY consumers, Government of India is providing 14.2 Kg LPG cylinders at an effective price of Rs.503 per cylinder (in Delhi). This is available to more than 10.33 crore Ujjwala beneficiaries, across the country.

No proposal to provide additional subsidy on PMUY refills is currently under consideration of Government.

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