LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3021 TO BE ANSWERED ON 07th August, 2025

Ujjwala Yojana

3021. Shri Eswarasamy K:

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that maximum percentage of the total households have been provided with gas cylinders;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the percentage in rural and urban households separately in Tamil Nadu; and
- (c) the definition of a household, rural and urban under the Ujjwala Yojana?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री

(श्री स्रेश गोपी)

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

(a) and (b): Yes. As a result of various steps taken by Government, LPG coverage in the country has improved from 62% in April 2016 to near saturation now. As of 01.07.2025, the total number of active domestic LPG consumers in India stands at 33.05 crore, which includes 2.38 crore connections in state of Tamil Nadu. This represents a significant increase from 14.51 crore domestic LPG consumers as of 01.04.2014, reflecting the Government's successful efforts to expand access to clean cooking fuel.

Number of connections and LPG Coverage in the State of Tamil Nadu are at **Annexure-A.** Since the launch of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY), OMCs have commissioned 7997 distributorships during 01.04.2016 to 30.06.2025 across the country, out of which 7403 are catering to rural areas. Rural households comprise over 80% of PMUY consumers.

(c): Households are defined in LPG Control Order as a family consisting of husband, wife, unmarried children and dependent parents living together in a dwelling unit having common kitchen provided that a Liquefied Petroleum Gas connection shall be issued only in the name of any adult member of the household by a Government oil company under the public distribution system.

For domestic LPG connections, including under PMUY, households are categorised as urban or rural, based on classification of areas done under Census- 2011.

Annexure referred to in part (a) and (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3021 to be answered on 07.08.2025 regarding "Ujjwala Yojana" asked by Shri Eswarasamy K:

Number of connections and LPG Coverage in the State of Tamil Nadu, as on 01.07.2025:

State/UT	Domestic LPG customers of OMCs (in lakhs)	Estimated LPG Coverage	PMUY Connections (in lakh)	Non-PMUY Connections (in lakh)
Tamil Nadu	238.35	Saturation	40.98	197.36
All India	3305.24	Saturation	1032.92	2272.32

Source: Petroleum Production and Analysis Cell