

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3425  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2026**

**Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana in Uttar Pradesh**

3425. Shri Jagdambika Pal:  
Shri Ujjwal Raman Singh:

**पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री**

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

- (a) the measures taken by the Government to maintain affordability of domestic LPG cylinders including for Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) beneficiaries;
- (b) the number of beneficiaries of PMUY in Uttar Pradesh, district-wise, especially in Allahabad Lok Sabha Constituency;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the price of a domestic LPG cylinders in the country is cheaper when compared to neighbouring countries, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to diversify its LPG sourcing strategy; and
- (e) whether the Government is compensating Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) for the losses incurred due to under recoveries in LPG, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

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

(a)to (c): 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. As on 01.03.2026, there were about 10.56 crore PMUY connections across the country including 5.91 lakh connections in Allahabad Parliamentary Constituency (covering Prayagraj district).

The district-wise details of number of PMUY connections in state of Uttar Pradesh are at **Annexure-A**.

India imports about 60% of its LPG requirement and accordingly prices of LPG in the country are linked to its prices in the international market. While the average Saudi CP (international benchmark for LPG pricing) rose by 41% (from US\$ 385/MT in July 2023 to

US\$ 542/MT in February 2026), the prices of domestic LPG were reduced by about 17% (from Rs. 1103 in August 2023 to Rs. 913 in March 2026). For PMUY consumers, effective price for domestic LPG has been reduced by about 32% (from Rs. 903 in August 2023 to Rs. 613 in March 2026).

To make LPG more affordable to PMUY consumers and ensure sustained usage of LPG by them, for FY 2025-26, Government is providing targeted subsidy of Rs.300/- per 14.2 kg cylinder for upto 9 refills of 14.2 Kg cylinder (and proportionately pro-rated for 5 Kg connections) to the PMUY consumers.

The retail selling price of a 14.2 Kg domestic LPG cylinder is currently Rs. 913 in Delhi. Further, the effective price of domestic LPG cylinder in neighbouring countries as on 01.03.2026 is as below:

<b>S.No</b>	<b>Neighbouring countries</b>	<b>Domestic LPG (Rs./14.2 kg Cyl.)</b>
1	India (Delhi)*	613.00
2	Pakistan	1046.34
3	Bangladesh	662.58
4	Sri Lanka	1241.67
5	Nepal (Kathmandu)	1207.81

Source: Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC)

\*Effective cost to PMUY beneficiaries in Delhi. The effective cost is Rs. 913 for non-PMUY consumers in Delhi

(d): Strategically, diversification of LPG imports is being pursued to ensure supply security and mitigate risks arising from regional disruptions or geopolitical events. As part of this strategy, PSU OMCs have recently concluded contracts for the import of ~2.2 Million Metric Ton (MMT) of US-origin LPG for calendar year 2026, covering nearly 10% of the country's total LPG import requirement. This marks a step forward in strengthening India's energy resilience by establishing a reliable alternate LPG supply source outside the traditional Arab Gulf region.

(e): Government has paid a compensation of Rs. 22,000 crore to OMCs in FY 2022-23 and has approved another compensation of Rs. 30,000 crore in FY 2025-26.

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Annexure referred to part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3425 to be answered on 12.03.2026 regarding “Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana in Uttar Pradesh”.

**District-wise, number of PMUY connections in Uttar Pradesh (As on 01.03.2026)**

<b>District</b>	<b>Number of PMUY connections</b>
Agra	3,47,289
Aligarh	3,24,696
Prayagraj	5,90,606
Ambedkar Nagar	1,81,651
Amethi	1,71,437
Auraiya	1,40,958
Azamgarh	3,04,421
Baghpat	74,064
Bahraich	4,54,989
Ballia	2,27,124
Balrampur	2,27,363
Banda	2,49,821
Bara Banki	3,27,978
Bareilly	4,33,781
Basti	2,10,045
Bijnor	3,37,895
Budaun	3,87,469
Bulandshahr	3,59,131
Chandauli	1,98,656
Chitrakoot	1,31,510
Deoria	2,00,374
Etah	1,74,065
Etawah	1,65,166
Ayodhya	2,31,176
Farrukhabad	1,67,413
Fatehpur	2,90,963
Firozabad	2,39,337
Gautam Buddha Nagar	94,174
Ghaziabad	1,12,040
Ghazipur	3,21,878
Gonda	3,45,912
Gorakhpur	2,97,558
Hamirpur	1,64,064
Hapur	77,297
Hardoi	5,15,207
Hathras	1,88,128
Jalaun	1,84,173
Jaunpur	4,09,671
Jhansi	2,20,897
Amroha	1,63,858

<b>District</b>	<b>Number of PMUY connections</b>
Kannauj	1,74,610
Kanpur Dehat	2,22,822
Kanpur Nagar	1,97,350
Kasganj	2,20,238
Kaushambi	1,84,707
Kushinagar	3,20,345
Kheri	5,32,772
Lalitpur	1,97,721
Lucknow	2,57,577
Mahoba	1,21,461
Mahrajganj	2,58,512
Mainpuri	1,75,598
Mathura	2,24,005
Mau	1,60,529
Meerut	2,06,110
Mirzapur	3,24,675
Moradabad	2,86,188
Muzaffarnagar	2,57,375
Pilibhit	2,33,324
Pratapgarh	2,78,321
Rae Bareli	2,83,634
Rampur	2,45,587
Saharanpur	2,61,500
Sambhal	2,20,062
Sant Kabir Nagar	1,40,056
Bhadohi	1,98,679
Shahjahanpur	3,68,176
Shamli	1,15,401
Shrawasti	1,59,489
Siddharthnagar	2,05,121
Sitapur	6,10,475
Sonbhadra	2,55,667
Sultanpur	2,34,574
Unnao	3,21,376
Varanasi	2,58,556

**Source: IOCL on behalf of PSU OMCs**