

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2704

TO BE ANSWERED ON 14th MARCH 2016

LEAKAGE IN CYLINDERS

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पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the fact that LPG gas supplier companies are supplying gas cylinders to consumers in which leakage starts after setting regulator;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to issue guidelines to gas supply companies to ensure the test of vashers before supplying the cylinder to consumers so as to avoid accidents?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान)

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) & (b) Strict instructions have been issued to all distributors to carry out pre-delivery inspection at customers premise at the time of refill delivery. However, in case any subsequent leakage emergency, a multi-lingual emergency helpline 1906 has been publicized on which the customer can contact in emergency.

(c) In order to ensure the quality of LPG cylinders, the following quality checks are carried out :-

- (i) LPG cylinders bottled at Plants are checked and only sound cylinders are sent for filling. After filling, the cylinders are despatched to the distributors after passing for quality checks for leaks.
- (ii) Statistical quality checks are conducted for the cylinders at bottling plants before despatch to distributors.

(iii) LPG cylinders are periodically tested for safety as per norms of the Chief controller of Explosives, PESO.
