

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON
PROVISION OF COOKING GAS CONNECTION TO RURAL HOUSEHOLD .

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

(a) whether the Ministry is planning to provide 55 million new cooking gas connections by 2015, mostly to rural household and in other agency areas; and

(b) if so, the details worked out so far and implementation status in the backward regions, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS

(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) & (b) : The "Vision 2015" adopted for LPG sector inter-alia focuses on raising the population coverage of LPG with the focus on rural areas and areas where LPG coverage is low. The Vision-2015 envisages to achieve 75% population coverage in the country by releasing 55 million new LPG connections by 2015 especially in rural areas and under-covered areas. To ensure that growth of LPG usage is evenly spread, Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) are assessing/identifying locations in a phased manner under Rajiv Gandhi Gramin LPG Vitaran Yojana (RGGLVY).

RGGLVY scheme which primarily aims at providing LPG to the rural house-holds, including BPL families has been launched on 16.10.2009 and subsequently advertisements inviting applications for distributors under the scheme have been released in 20 States covering 2116 locations. The State-wise details are at Annex.

The setting up of LPG distributors under this scheme will now be a continuous process till all parts of the country deficient in LPG are covered by LPG network.