

Launch of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana

373. SHRIMATI SAROJINI HEMBRAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has launched the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana in all the States of the country;
- (b) if so, the details of launch, datewise and State-wise;
- (c) how many BPL families have been benefited from this Yojana so far; and
- (d) whether Government has marked any eligibility criteria for the beneficiaries of this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (c) The Government has launched "Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana" (PMUY) for providing LPG connections to 5 crore women belonging to the Below Poverty Line (BPL) families over a period of 3 years starting from FY 2016-17. Hon'ble Prime Minister of India has formally launched the scheme on 01.05.2016 at Balia in Uttar Pradesh. As on 14.07.2016, 14.13 lakh new LPG connections have been issued under PMUY in the States of Bihar, Goa, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and West Bengal.

(d) A woman of the BPL household, who does not have access to LPG is required to apply for a new LPG connection in the prescribed format to the LPG distributor alongwith certain details like address proof, bank details and Aadhar number. The LPG Field officials match the application against Socio Economic Caste Census (SECC) 2011 database to ascertain the BPL status. OMCs undertake the de-duplication exercise electronically alongwith other measures for due diligence before release of new LPG connection.

Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana

†374. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which the number of LPG connections provided in each State under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana has been fixed and the State-wise details thereof;
- (b) the criteria being adopted for determining the persons living below poverty line under this scheme;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) the number of connections provided till now in each State under the Ujjwala Yojana and the name of oil companies through which these connections have been distributed; and

(d) the State-wise details of number of gas agencies being established by various oil companies in the whole country in view of expansion of Ujjwala Yojana?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) and (b) The Government has launched "Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana" through which deposit free LPG connections to 5 crore women belonging to the Below Poverty Line (BPL) families over a period of 3 years starting from FY 2016-17 will be given. Eligible families are identified through the Socio-Economic Caste Census 2011 data. Under this Scheme, LPG connection will be given to the BPL households across the country. Under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana priority is given to such States/UTs having LPG coverage less than the national average as on 01.01.2016.

(c) As on 14.07.2016, 14.13 lakh new LPG connections have been released under PMUY across the country. State/OMCs-wise details of new LPG connections released to BPL families are given in the Statement (*See below*).

(d) Appointment of distributorships is a continuous process. Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) aim to increase the National LPG coverage to 75 % with minimum 60 % coverage at State level and at least one distributor in each block by 2019. Currently, as a part of the process of opening 10,000 new distributorships, the process for setting up of more than 2000 new LPG distributorships is at different stages of selection across the country.

Statement

State/OMC-wise details of new LPG connections released to BPL families

Ujjwala Dashboard Report as on date-14.07.2016

Sl. No.	State	BPC	HPC	IOC	OMC
		SV Issued	SV Issued	SV Issued	SV Issued
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Bihar	14473	19433	14277	48183
2.	Goa	6	67	0	73

1	2	3	4	5	6
3.	Gujarat	16434	22859	38559	77852
4.	Jharkhand	0	0	14	14
5.	Madhya Pradesh	39354	45211	56117	140682
6.	Maharashtra	0	6	0	6
7.	Odisha	5062	4478	8898	18438
8.	Rajasthan	69164	73181	172129	314474
9.	Uttar Pradesh	210574	246424	348335	805333
10.	Uttarakhand	1736	2350	3918	8004
11.	West Bengal	0	0	1	1
TOTAL		356803	414009	642248	1413060

Underperformance of hydrocarbon sector

375. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- whether it is a fact that hydrocarbons sector of the country is underperforming;
- if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- the measures taken up by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) to (c) In spite of natural decline from existing ageing mature fields, oil & gas companies have been able to maintain the level of Production as can be seen from the oil & gas Production details given below:

Crude Oil Production (in MMT)

Year	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
ONGC	23.71	22.56	22.24	22.26	22.37
OIL	3.85	3.66	3.466	3.41	3.22
Pvt/JVs	10.53	11.64	12.08	11.78	11.36
TOTAL	38.09	37.86	37.79	37.46	36.95