

(c) As per an Approach Paper prepared by a working group set up by the Ministry, in India, there is 63 days of existing storage based on estimated commercial reserve of crude oil, petroleum products and gas. The total 5.33 MMT reserve of the SPR Programme is currently estimated to supply approximately 10.5 days of India's crude requirement according to the consumption during 2015-16.

(d) ISPRL constructed the three SPR facilities, including underground and above ground infrastructure. M/s. Engineers India Ltd (EIL) was the Project Monitoring and Consultant for the entire project.

Connections under PMUY in Jammu and Kashmir

1548. MIR MOHAMMAD FAYAZ: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of households given connection under Pradhan Mantri Ujjawala Yojana (PMUY) in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is a lack of gas agencies for implementing this scheme in Jammu and Kashmir, especially in Kashmir valley; and

(c) if so, what are the steps Government will take to allot more gas agencies in Jammu and Kashmir?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) As on 10.03.2017, 2,49,078 new LPG connections have been released to the BPL households in the State of Jammu and Kashmir under Pradhan Mantri Ujjawala Yojana (PMUY).

(b) and (c) As on 01.01.2017, there are 242 LPG distributorships in the State of Jammu and Kashmir. Appointment of LPG distributorships is a continuous process and locations for setting up of new LPG distributorships are identified based on available refill sale potential that makes them economically viable. Currently, 31 locations are at various stages of commissioning in the State of Jammu and Kashmir.

Performance of ONGC in KG Basin

1549. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) performance of ONGC in KG Basin in the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether it is a fact that ONGC's profits have come down by 50 per cent;