

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS**

**RAJYA SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 239**

**TO BE ANSWERED ON 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2021**

**Measures taken to control price of LPG**

**239 Shri Bikash Ranjan:**

Will the Minister of *Petroleum and Natural Gas* be pleased to state:

- (a) the basis on which Government had hiked the price of the LPG gas by almost ₹200 during the last three months when there is an economic crisis due to the pandemic COVID-19 all over India;
- (b) whether any measures have been taken by Government to control or reduce the hiked LPG Price; and
- (c) if so, the measures undertaken and by when will they be executed?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

- (a) to (c):      A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 239 asked by Shri Bikash Ranjan to be answered on 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 regarding “Measures taken to control price of LPG”.**

(a): The prices of petroleum products in the country are linked to the price of respective products in the international market. However, the Government continues to modulate the effective price to consumer for Domestic LPG. The price of domestic LPG is increased/ decreased based on the product price in international market. There has been a consistent increase in the FOB price of LPG since April 2020. The average monthly FOB price of LPG has risen from \$ 436/MT in November 2020 to \$593/MT in February 2021.

(b) & (c): To mitigate the hardship faced by the poor due to economic disruption caused by Covid-19 Pandemic, the PMUY beneficiaries were given financial assistance to avail 3 free LPG cylinders under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojna (PMGKY) with estimated expenditure of Rs. 9670.41 crore.

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