

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2426
TO BE ANSWERED ON 17th MARCH, 2021**

Beneficiaries and refills under PMUY

2426 SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:

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

- (a) the total number of beneficiaries under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) as on 31st December, 2020 including the number of Below Poverty Line (BPL) beneficiary families in the country;
- (b) the total number of free refills that each beneficiary can avail under the Garib Kalyan Yojana including the total number of free refills provided to PMUY beneficiaries during the last two years; and
- (c) whether the number of women, who were using traditional chulhas, has reduced with the launch of PMUY scheme, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (c) Oil Marketing Companies(OMCs) have released 8 crore LPG connections in the name of woman member of poor households under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY). This has reduced the dependency upon using of traditional chulhas.

During Covid-19 pandemic, a Scheme for providing upto 3 (three) free of cost LPG refills to Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) beneficiaries was started w.e.f. 01.04.2020 under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package (PMGKP). The validity of the scheme completed its term on 31.12.2020. PMUY beneficiaries have availed 1417.12 lakh free refills under the Scheme.
