RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1087 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH JULY, 2021

LPG subsidy to eligible consumers

1087 Shri Sanjay Raut:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that nearly more than 26 crore LPG consumers who were eligible to get the subsidy relief under the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) scheme are currently not getting subsidy despite unemployment crisis and COVID-19 pandemic situation in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the reasons for such decision to not provide LPG subsidy to the needy consumers in the country; and
- (c) by when the LPG consumers, who are eligible to get the subsidy, will get their due payment to survive from pandemic situation?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) to (c): 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 Subsidized Domestic LPG. The subsidy on the product increases/ decreases with the increase/ decrease in the product price in international market and decision of Government on subsidy. Government provided upto 3 free of cost LPG cylinder refills to PMUY consumers in the year 2020 to provide support during COVID pandemic.

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