

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.- 292**  
ANSWERED ON 05/02/2024

**Security deposit under PMUY**

292 Shri Narayana Koragappa:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) beneficiaries are not required to pay security deposit or overhead costs while taking connection;
- (b) whether they also have an option to pay in installments for gas stove and first refill when they get first connection;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that this option is not applicable for 2<sup>nd</sup> and subsequent refills; and
- (d) whether Government would consider allowing PMUY beneficiaries to pay five refills on installments in a year to further increase reach of LPG?

**ANSWER**

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

(a): Yes. Under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) deposit free LPG connections are provided to adult women from poor households as per defined criteria. Government has been bearing the expenditure in respect of Security Deposit (SD) of Cylinder, Pressure Regulator, Suraksha Hose, DGCC booklet and installation charges for each PMUY connection.

(b): Under Ujjwala 2.0, which was launched in August 2021, in addition to deposit free LPG connection, first refill and a stove is provided free of cost to the PMUY beneficiaries.

(c): Free refill option is not applicable for 2<sup>nd</sup> and subsequent refills. However, Government is providing a targeted subsidy of ₹300/- per 14.2 kg cylinder for up to 12 refills per annum (and proportionately pro-rated for 5 Kg connections) to all the PMUY consumers.

(d): Presently, no such proposal is under consideration of the Government.

\*\*\*\*\*