LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3159 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21 DECEMBER, 2023

LPG Connections provided under PMUY

3159. SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the number of LPG connections provided under Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) since the inception of the scheme till November, 2023, State/UT-wise, especially in the Thane district of Maharashtra, classified as active and inactive;
- (b) the number of refillings done under PMUY during the last two years in Thane district of Maharashtra:
- (c) whether the Government proposes to run any campaign to increase this number and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of refillings done under the said scheme during the last one year in Maharashtra categorized as one refill, two refills, three refills and four or more refills?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री(श्री रामेश्वर तेली)

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

- (a): Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) was started in May, 2016 with an objective to provide access of clean cooking fuel to poor households across the country. Under PMUY, deposit free LPG connections are provided to adult women from poor households as per defined criteria. As of 30.09.2023, 9.59 Crore PMUY connections have been released in the country including 0.48 lakh in Thane district of Maharashtra. All PMUY connections are kept active. State/UT-wise details of active LPG connections released under PMUY are at **Annexure**.
- (b): PMUY consumers in Thane district of Maharashtra took 2.42 lakh refills in FY 2021-22 & 2.47 lakh refills in 2022-23.
- (c): To improve LPG usage amongst PMUY beneficiaries, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have organized LPG panchayats, social media campaigns, public events for the distribution of connections and public awareness campaigns etc. across the country. Government has taken several steps to encourage consumption of LPG, which include targeted subsidy of Rs.200/- per 14.2 Kg refill upto 12 refills/year for PMUY beneficiaries for years 2022-23 and 2023-24, increase in targeted subsidy to □ 300 per 14.2 kg cylinder for up to 12 refills per annum since October 2023, option of 5 Kg Double Bottle Connection (DBC), swap option from 14.2 kg to 5 Kg, upto 3 free refills to PMUY beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package from April 2020 to December 2020 etc. For

ease of refill booking various methods have been provided viz. Interactive Voice Response System(IVRS), Short Message Service(SMS), Whatsapp, calling directly on the phone of distributor, e-commerce platforms, OMC mobile applications, OMCs web-portals etc.

(d): The number of PMUY beneficiaries who took 1 refill, 2 refills, 3 refills and 4 or more refills including installation refill during last financial year in Maharashtra is as below:

(in lakh)

State	One refill	Two refills	Three refills	Four & more refills
Maharashtra	5.29	6.77	7.65	26.43

Source: Indian Oil Corporation Limited on industry basis

Annexure referred in part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3159 to be answered on 21.12.2023 regarding "LPG Connections provided under PMUY"

State/UT Andaman and Nicobar Islands Andhra Pradesh Arunachal Pradesh Assam Bihar Chandigarh Chhattisgarh	As on 30.09.2023 13,444 5,12,433 49,245 44,14,012 1,07,35,289 659 34,92,160	
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Goa	1,265	
Gujarat	38,42,970	
Haryana	7,67,162	
Himachal Pradesh	1,40,776	
UT of Jammu and Kashmir	12,45,232	
Jharkhand	36,46,176	
Karnataka	37,57,307	
Kerala	3,41,210	
UT of Ladakh	11,094	
Lakshadweep	309	
Madhya Pradesh	82,27,217	
Maharashtra	48,89,709	
Manipur	2,02,029	
Meghalaya	2,14,851	
Mizoram	33,595	
Nagaland	91,806	
Odisha	53,20,752	
Puducherry	14,835	
Punjab	12,83,827	
Rajasthan	69,26,442	
Sikkim	13,795	
Tamil Nadu	37,03,824	
Telangana	11,52,806	
Tripura	2,83,503	
Uttar Pradesh	1,75,00,658	
Uttarakhand	4,96,431	
West Bengal	1,23,70,935	

Source: Indian Oil Corporation Limited on industry basis