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Consumption of LPG

3901. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT: SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV : SHRI JAYSINH CHAUHAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

- (a) the estimated demand and actual domestic consumption of LPG in each State during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether several States have demanded the additional allotment of LPG during the current year;
 - (c) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (d) the decision of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (d). The estimated demand and actual consumption of LPG in the country during the last three years are as under :

(Fig. in TMT)

Year	Estimated demand	Actual consumption
1993-94	2931	3113
1994-95	3271	3434
1995-96	3625	3849 (Prov.)

LPG is not allocated on State-wise basis. New LPG connections are released in a phased manner against waiting list throughout the country depending upon the LPG availability, slack available with the distributors and their viability. However, Government is according priority for release of LPG connections in the following areas :

- 1. Hilly areas
- 2. Taj Trapezium
- 3. Under Tatkal Scheme
- 4. MP/MOP priorities
- 5. New distributorship commissioning
- 6. Priorities of PSUs of MOP and NG.
- 7. Unviable distributors.

More LPG distributorships are being opened in all the States to meet the demands of customers on waiting lists.

Power Sub-Station at Ghatampur

3902. SHRIMATI KAMAL RANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether a power sub-station of 33 KW is being set up at Ghatampur;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds allocated for this sub-station; and

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(d) the number of villages likely to be benefited from this sub-station?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

[English]

Steering Committee

3903. SHRIMATI BHAVNA BEN: DEVRAJ BHAI CHIKHALIA: SHRI RATILAL KALIDAS VERMA:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government have set up any Steering Committee for planning and executing the infrastructure sector investment proposals;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOĞINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) to (c). The Planning Commission has not set up any specific Steering Committee for planning and executing the infrastructure sector investment proposals. Planning Commission has, however, set up a number of Steering Committees and Working Groups to deal with all related aspects in various sectors including infrastructural sectors as part of the exercises for the formulation of the Ninth Five Year Plan.

[Translation]

Backward Classes Candidates

3904. SHRI RAMENDRA KUMAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

- (a) the number of persons belonging to backward classes employed in various Government departments/ services since the implementation of recommendations of Mandal Commission;
- (b) the State-wise and Department-wise details thereof:
- (c) whether the said recommendations have been implemented/proposed to be implemented in Medical, Scientific Research and Sensitive Services like Defence;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof?