

[Translation]

**LPG Connections**

5279. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA :  
 SHRI NAND KUMAR SAI :  
 SHRI GIRDHARI YADAV :  
 SHRI NAWAL KISHORE RAI :  
 SHRI NITISH KUMAR :  
 DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY :  
 KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIYA :  
 PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA :  
 SHRI MOHAN RAWALE :  
 SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT :  
 SHRI PARASRAM BHARDWAJ :  
 SHRI ANAND RATNA MAURYA :  
 SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA :  
 SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT 'BACHDA' :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of applications for commercial and consumer liquified petroleum gas (LPG) connections in the waiting list in the country as on 31 March, 1996. State-wise details thereof;

(b) the number of new LPG connections planned to be released by the Government throughout the country during 1995-96;

(c) the number of new LPG connections actually released during the year 1995-96;

(d) the reasons for shortfall, if any; and

(e) the number of new LPG connections proposed to be released throughout the country, State-wise, during 1996-97 and 1997-98 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU):  
 (a) The number of applicants on LPG waiting lists registered with the distributors of Public Sector Oil Companies as on 31.3.1996 in the country was around 132.82 lakhs. A statement of State-wise waiting list is annexed.

Oil Companies do not keep applications from commercial customers on waiting list for new LPG connections. They are provided with LPG connections upon approach after assessment of requirement and observance of safety regulation.

(b) to (d) : The target for enrolment of new LPG customers for the country during 1995-96 was fixed at 15 lakhs. Against the target of 15 lakh LPG connections actual connections released during the year 1995-96 were about 20.5 lakhs.

(e) Allotment of new gas connections is not made on State-wise basis. New LPG connections are released depending on total new customer enrolment at country level, depending upon product availability, slack available with the distributors in the State and waiting lists. The target for release of new LPG connections in the country during 1996-97 has been fixed at 20 lakhs. The target for 1997-98 has not been fixed so far.

**STATEMENT**

State-wise Waiting List as on 31. 3. 96

States/UTs	Figure in Lakhs
Andhra Pradesh	10.14
Arunachal Pradesh	0.16
Assam	1.51
Bihar	3.72
Goa	0.61
Gujarat	7.95
Haryana	4.68
Himachal Pradesh	1.03
Jammu & Kashmir	1.36
Karnataka	6.55
Kerala	5.86
Madhya Pradesh	6.60
Maharashtra	17.81
Manipur	0.05
Meghalaya	0.07
Mizoram	0.05
Nagaland	0.04
Orissa	1.26
Punjab	7.02
Rajasthan	8.50
Sikkim	0.02
Tamilnadu	13.91
Tripura	0.32
Uttar Pradesh	14.87
West Bengal	9.35
<b>Union Territories</b>	
Andaman & Nicobar	0.12
Chandigarh	0.81
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.01
Delhi	7.95
Daman & Diu	0.02
Lakshadweep	00.00
Pondicherry	0.46

**Supply of Gas**

5280. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the quantum of gas sanctioned by Government to be supplied per year for industries in Gujarat during the Eighth Five Year Plan;