

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:613
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SHORTAGE OF LPG IN RURAL AREAS .
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is demand and acute shortage of LPG in the rural areas of the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh;
- (b) if so, whether the Government propose to supply LPG as per the demand; (
- (c) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)
(a) to (d) The demand of LPG customers registered with the Public Sector Oil Companies in the country including the State of Uttar Pradesh has been, by and large, met. Presently, no shortage in supply of LPG has been reported except for the States of Tamil Nadu and Kerala. However, whenever LPG backlog develops, PSU Oil Companies takes various measures including maximising imports, operating the bottling plants on extended hours, on Sundays and Holidays etc., to meet the demand in the affected areas.