

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

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PRODUCTION OF LPG IN FIELDS OF ASSAM  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total quantity of LPG produced from various fields of Assam during the last three years;
- (b) the average cost of production of LPG per Cylinder;
- (c) the price at which LPG Cylinders are being supplied to consumers at present;
- (d) whether any amount of subsidy is involved therein; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) LPG is produced through refineries/fractionators. The total quantity of LPG produced in State of Assam during the last three years is as under:-

Figs. in Thousand Metric Tonne (TMT)

| Year    | LPG production<br>(TMT) |
|---------|-------------------------|
| 1996-97 | 83                      |
| 1997-98 | 89                      |
| 1998-99 | 92                      |

(b) The cost of production of LPG per cylinder varies from Company to Company and refinery to refinery depending upon the cost of the crude oil and production, expenses on repairs & maintenance, manpower deployed, depreciation on assets etc.

(c) The retail selling prices of LPG (Packed Domestic) sold by PSU oil marketing companies in the four metropolitan cities, as on 1.2.2000, was as under:

| Rs./Cylinder |        |
|--------------|--------|
| Delhi        | 151.60 |
| Calcutta     | 170.20 |
| Mumbai       | 153.20 |
| Chennai      | 155.35 |

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The estimated subsidy on LPG (domestic) for 1999-2000 works out to be about Rs. 4730 crores based on tariff adjusted import parity refinery gate prices for April 1999 to February, 2000 (and February, 2000 prices till March, 2000).