

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

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

- (a) whether Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) cylinders are being utilized in cars due to insufficient number of 'auto gas pumps' in several States ;
- (b) if so, whether the government has issued LPG auto gas licenses for opening of more auto gas pumps in the country to meet the requirements ; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof ; State-wise ?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) : There are reports that vehicles are using domestic LPG cylinders as auto fuel in various cities which is not only illegal but also hazardous. Such illegal usage is mainly on account of the substantial price difference between domestic LPG and auto LPG.

(b) & (c) : The Government have permitted the sale of auto LPG for vehicles outfitted for the purpose. Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have set up, and are setting up, Auto LPG Dispensing Stations (ALDS) based on their commercial considerations and depending upon the availability of suitable sites in various cities. At present, OMCs are operating 119 ALDS in different cities in the country. The details are at Annex.

ANNEX

STATE-WISE DETAILS OF ALDS OPERATING BY PUBLIC SECTOR OIL MARKETING COMPANIES.

STATES /Uts CITIES NUMBER OF ALDS

Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad	10
Andhra Pradesh	Tirupati	1
Andhra Pradesh	Visakh	1
Chandigarh	Chandigarh	2
Delhi	Delhi	16
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	8
Karnataka	Bangalore	17
Kerala	Trivandrum	1
Madhya Pradesh	Indore	1
Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	1
Maharashtra	Mumbai	21
Maharashtra	Pune	6
Maharashtra	Nasik	1
Rajasthan	Jaipur	2
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	16
Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow	1
Uttar Pradesh	Agra	2
West Bengal	Kolkata	11
Kerala	Ernakulam	1
TOTAL		119