

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

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR GAS AGENCIES IN RAJASTHAN
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of companies which have given advertisements for gas agencies in Rajasthan during the last two years alongwith the district-wise details thereof;
- (b) the number of gas agencies opened on the basis of the said advertisement in the State and the number of agencies for which applications are still pending, district-wise ; and
- (c) the time by which pending applications are likely to be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (c): During the last two years, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have advertised 87 locations for setting up of LPG distributor in the State of Rajasthan and the selection of the same is in progress as per policy.

In addition to this, notice inviting applications for selection of LPG distributors under the Rajiv Gandhi Gramin LPG Vitrak Yojana (RGGLVY) have been issued on 17-10-2009 by OMCs for establishing 192 new LPG distributors in the State of Rajasthan. Out of which Letter of Intent (LoI) for three locations have already been issued. The selection for the balance locations is in progress. The district-wise details are available with the Director (Marketing) of OMCs concerned.

The selection of LPG distributorships is made by OMCs themselves, in terms of laid down guidelines. The setting up of LPG distributors is a continuous process and involves identifying of a suitable location, arranging land for construction of godown/ showroom and obtaining statutory clearances. It is therefore, not possible to indicate any time frame for commissioning/ opening of LPG distributors, but every effort is made to do so as quickly as possible.