

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

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ALLOTMENT OF LPG DEALERSHIP IN WEST BENGAL
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of applications received by the Union Government from West Bengal for allotment of LPG dealership during each of the last three years;
- (b) the number of persons allotted LPG dealership during the said period;
- (c) the number of applications pending at present; and
- (d) the time by which the pending applications are likely to be cleared?

Answer

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

(a) : Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have released advertisement for 83 locations during the last three years in West Bengal. The details are as under:-

Year	Number of locations advertised.
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2006-07	00
2007-08	83
2008-09	00

(b) to (d) : Out of the 83 locations indicated above, 41 locations are pending for allotment. The selection of LPG distributorships is made by OMCs themselves, in terms of laid down guidelines. The setting up of LPG distributorships is a continuous process and involves identifying of a suitable location, arranging land for setting up of godown and other statutory clearances. It is not possible to indicate any time frame for setting up of LPG distributorships, but every effort is made to do so as quickly as possible.