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Title: Need to continue with the existing scheme of subsidized LPG cylinders.

SHRI P.T. THOMAS (IDUKKI): I request the Government to reject the proposal to limit the number of subsidized LPG cylinders at four cylinders a year. The proposed price of Rs. 800 per cylinder cannot be afforded by the people. The official estimate that an LPG Cylinder is sufficient to meet the cooking requirements of a domestic kitchen for 40 days is not true. Normally an LPG cylinder does not last beyond 30 days even if judicious use of the gas is made. The complaints about the shortage in the net weight of the gas per cylinder are also common. So each family would need 12 cylinders a year. I request that the government shouldn't go ahead with this proposal and continue the subsidy as of now.