

at affordable prices and also conform to non exploitative practices. The implementation of the policy is expected to accelerate the construction of houses in the country.

(d) The policy also envisages encouragement to housing schemes in major cities to channel investment of Non-Resident Indians in convertible foreign exchange in residential property and would extend appropriate incentives including speedy clearance by Central, State and local Govts. to stimulate a sustained and larger inflow of such investment.

(e) Implementation of the policy is to be done at State level. State Govts./UTs. have been requested to initiate necessary action in this regard.

LPG Agencies in Uttar Pradesh

2445. SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state the number of LPG agencies sanctioned in Uttar Pradesh during 1992 so far and the locations thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND):

Ten LPG distributorships have been commissioned in U.P. during 1992 at the following locations:-

<i>Location</i>	<i>Nos.</i>
Meerut	1
Ghaziabad	1
Bareilly	3
Sandila	1
Saharanpur	1
Lucknow	1

<i>Location-</i>	<i>Nos.</i>
Bansi	1
Mau	1
Total	10

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Demand and Supply of LPG

2448. SHRI ANANTRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the total demand and supply of LPG in the country at present; and

(b) the steps being taken to augment the production of LPG so as to meet the demand consumers in the country?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) While the production of LPG in the country during 1992-93 is expected to be around 2278 TMT, its demand has always been considerably higher.

(b) Plans have been drawn to increase LPG availability in the country by commissioning new sources, and though imports.

Release of Funds Allotted Under Nehru Rozgar Yojana

2449. SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the funds allocated under the Nehru Rozgar Yojana are not being released regularly;

(b) whether monitoring of the scheme is