

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:864
ANSWERED ON:23.11.2000
WAITING LIST FOR LPG CONNECTIONS
GOWDAR MALLIKARJUNAPPA;MUDRAGADA PADMANABHAM

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

- (a) whether the entire waiting list as on December 1, 1999 for LPG connections all over the country has been wiped out;
- (b) if so, whether LPG Connection is readily available on demand in each State /UT;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the applications disposed of and pending as on date, State-wise;
- (e) the time by which all these pending applications are likely to be cleared ;
- (f) whether the Government propose to provide LPG connections at the village level; and
- (g) if so, the total number of villages covered so far for LPG supplies?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (g): The waiting list pending with LPG distributors of Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies for release of LPG connections all over the country was liquidated on 1.10.2000. Presently, LPG connections are available on demand throughout the country from PSU distributors. To increase supply of LPG in rural areas, Government have permitted opening of extension counters upto 30 KM in plain areas and upto 75 KM in hill areas from existing LPG distributorships.