GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:679 ANSWERED ON:23.02.2006 COMPLAINT AGAINST LPG DISTRIBUTORS

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

- (a) the number of complaints received by the Government against the LPG distributors regarding alleged irregularities during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) the action taken by the Government against the distributors found indulged in such irregularities;
- (c) whether the Government has cancelled distributorships on the basis of these complaints during the said period; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

- (a) & (b): Since 1.4.2003 and up to January 2006, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have received 3509 complaints against their LPG distributors across the country. The State-wise details are at Annex-I. Action against erring distributors has been taken by OMCs in terms of Marketing Discipline Guidelines (MDG) / Distributorship Agreement.
- (c) & (d): During the period from 1.4.2003 to January 2006, OMCs have terminated 24 LPG distributors based on the complaints received against them. The State-wise details are at Annex-II.

ANNEX-I

THE DETAILS OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED BY OMCs AGAINST LPG DISTRIBUTORS DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS.

States / UTs Number of complaints

Arunachal Pradesh 1 Assam 4 Bihar 21 Chhattisgarh 19 Delhi 315 Goa 5 Gujarat 230 Haryana 88 Himachal Pradesh 5 Jammu & Kashmir 20 Jharkhand 9 Karnataka 44 Kerala 243 Madhya Pradesh 112 Maharashtra 209 Manipur -Meghalaya 1 Mizoram Nagaland -Orissa 36 Punjab 116 Rajasthan 98 Sikkim Tamil Nadu 1011 Tripura Uttar Pradesh 365 Uttaranchal 54 West Bengal 131 Andaman & Nicobar -Chandigarh 8 Dadra & Nagar Haveli -

Andhra Pradesh 364

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Daman Diu -
Lakshadweep -
Pondicherry -
TOTAL 3509
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ANNEX-II

THE DETAILS OF LPG DISTRIBUTORSHIPS TERMINATED BY OMCs DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS.

States / UTs Number of complaints

Andhra Pradesh 3 Arunachal Pradesh -Assam 1 Bihar 1 Chhattisgarh 1 Delhi 2 Goa -Gujarat 3 Haryana Himachal Pradesh -Jammu & Kashmir -Jharkhand 1 Karnataka 1 Kerala 1 Madhya Pradesh -Maharashtra 5 Manipur -Meghalaya -Mizoram -Nagaland -Orissa -Punjab 1 Rajasthan -Sikkim -Tamil Nadu -Tripura -Uttar Pradesh 2 Uttaranchal 1 West Bengal -Andaman & Nicobar -Chandigarh 1 Dadra & Nagar Haveli -Daman Diu -Lakshadweep -Pondicherry -TOTAL 24