GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1338 ANSWERED ON:08.03.2007 ALLOTMENT OF LPG AGENCIES PETROL PUMPS AND KEROSENE DEPOTS Mahato Shri Narahari

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

(a) the number of LPG Agencies, Petrol Pumps and Kerosene Depots allotted in West Bengal and North East States during each of the last three years, State-wise/ company-wise ;

(b) whether the Government has advertised for allotment of LPG Agencies/Petrol Pumps/ Kerosene Depots in North East States and West Bengal during the last three years ; (

(c) if so, whether allotments have been made for all the locations ;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

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

(a) The details of allotment of LPG distributorships, Retail Outlets (ROs) and SKO-LDO dealerships made by Public Sector Oil Companies in the North-Eastern States during the last three years and up to January, 2007 are as under :-

Public Sector Number of allotments made Oil Companies during the last three years and up to January, 2007

LPG RO SKO-LDO

Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) 22 159 -Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) - 39 -Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) 1 47 -IBP Co. Limited (IBP) - 52 -Numaligarh Refinery Limited (NRL) - 123 -

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Similarly, the details of allotment of LPG distributorships, ROs and SKO-LDO dealerships made by Public Sector Oil Companies in the State of West Bengal during the last three years and up to January, 2007 are as under :-

Public Sector Number of allotments made Oil Companies during the last three years and up to January, 2007 IOCL 30 161 -BPCL 8 111 1 HPCL 15 94 -IBP - 162 -NRL - 25 -

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The State-wise details of above allotments are available with the Director (Marketing) of the Public Sector Oil Companies concerned.

(b)to(e): Yes, Sir. Public Sector Oil Companies have advertised for allotment of 3 LPG distributorships and 717 ROs in the North Eastern States during the last three years and up to January, 2007.Similarly, 13 LPG distributorship and 1189 ROs have been advertised in the State of West Bengal. The Public Sector Oil Companies have not advertised any SKO/LDO dealership in North East States and West Bengal during the last three years and up to January, 2007.

Out of the above, Public Sector Oil Companies have allotted 309 ROs in the North Eastern States.However, no LPG distributorship was allotted during the last three years and up to January, 2007.Similarly,3 LPG distributorship and 370 ROs have been allotted in the State of West Bengal during the same period.

The rest of the locations for setting up of LPG distributorships and ROs are pending for allotment due to various reasons such as non-availability of suitable candidate, non-appearance of candidates for interview, non-availability of land, construction of godown, court cases/complaints, statutory clearances from various authorities, etc.