

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

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

- (a) whether severe shortage of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) has been reported from several States including Southern States resulting in non-supply of LPG to consumers ;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor ; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Central Government to make available LPG and help in normalisation of situation?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (c) : Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have not reported any shortage of LPG and they are meeting the demand of their consumers in all parts of the country, including the Southern States. Any specific matter, if brought to the attention of the Government or the Oil Marketing Companies, on any deliberate creation of artificial scarcity, will be investigated and acted upon in accordance with extant Marketing Discipline Guidelines.