

**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 there is denial on the part of distributing agents for registration of new consumers for LPG connection;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): No, Sir. The enrolment of new LPG customers and release of new LPG connections is a continuous process. Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported that at present, new LPG connections are available across the counter for genuine domestic customers on verification of documents as per laid down procedure. OMCs have further reported that they have released 50.6 lakhs new LPG connections during the period April, 2007-January, 2008 in the country.