

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

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NEW LPG CONNECTIONS

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

- (a) the number of cooking gas dealers of various companies in Dehradun, Rishikesh and Hardwar in Uttarakhand;
- (b) the total number of cylinders issued to the said dealers by various companies between January 1,2007 and March 31,2008, month-wise;
- (c) the number of connections released by each agency during the said period, month-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that because of undeclared ban by the companies new connections are not being released to the consumers;
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the guidelines being issued to the companies by the Government for making gas connections available to the consumers on demand; and
- (f) the time by which supply of gas is likely to be ensured on demand?

Answer

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

(a): Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported that as on 1.4.2008 there are 28, 6 and 12 LPG distributorships in Dehradun, Rishikesh and Hardwar respectively.

(b) & (c): OMCs have reported that the distributors have uplifted a total number of 2410717, 456987 and 1001101 LPG cylinders in Dehradun, Rishikesh and Haridwar respectively during the period 1.1.2007 to 31.3.2008 and have enrolled 15216, 4727 and 7078 new domestic LPG customers in Dehradun, Rishikesh and Haridwar respectively during the same period. Month-wise details are available with the Directors (Marketing) of concerned OMCs.

(d) to (f): Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported that at present, there is no overall shortage of LPG in the country and LPG supplies to distributors are being made by the OMCs through indigenous production and imports in accordance with the genuine demand of customers registered with the LPG distributors.

At present, new LPG connections are available across the counter for genuine domestic customers and supply of LPG connection is regulated under the provisions of the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (Regulation of Supply and Distribution) Order,2000 (Control Order).