

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

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INSTALLATION OF RADIO TAG ON LPG CYLINDERS

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to install radio tags on LPG cylinders being supplied by the State owned marketing oil companies in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the likely expenditure incurred thereon ;
- (c) the extent to which misuse of subsidized cooking gas in commercial establishment is likely to be curtailed as a result thereof ; and
- (d) the time by which all the domestic cylinders will be equipped with radio tag in the country ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) to (d) : At present, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) is running a pilot project in their Nasik LPG plant by putting RFID tags on the LPG cylinders.

RFID tags on LPG cylinders will help in identifying cylinders quickly and effectively but these tags alone can not prevent misuse of subsidized cooking gas in commercial use.However, use of these tags on LPG cylinders will streamline operations in the LPG bottling plant.

As at present,there is no specific proposal for use of RFID tags on all the LPG cylinders being marketed by the OMCs.