

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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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 total number of people applied for the LPG connections especially in Maharashtra, Gujarat, Bihar and Delhi during each of the last two years, State-wise and district-wise;
- (b) the details of LPG connections provided to each State during each of the last two years and the persons remaining in waiting list date-wise, State-wise, agency-wise and district-wise; and
- (c) the time by which the waiting list for LPG connections is likely to be cleared?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): The enrolment of new LPG customers and release of new LPG connections is a continuous process. New LPG connections are made available as soon as possible and in any case, within a period of sixty days. During the year 2007-08, 2008-09 and between April 2009 to February 2010, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have released 194.462 lakh LPG connections in the country including 5.523 lakh, 4.785 lakh, 8.200 lakh and 22.941 lakh LPG connections in the States of Bihar, Delhi, Gujarat and Maharashtra respectively. The State-wise, district-wise and agency-wise details are available with the Directors (Marketing) of OMCs concerned.

OMCs have reported that there was a waiting list of 1,99, 828 as on 01-03-2010. The State-wise details are at Annexure. The waiting list is expected to be liquidated within sixty days.