

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

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FIBRE GLASS GAS CYLINDERS  
Gorakhnath Shri ;Naranbhai Shri Kachhadia

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce fibre glass LPG cylinders in the entire country including Uttar Pradesh as a pilot project ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ;
- (c) the expected cost difference between the proposed fibre glass LPG cylinders and the present LPG cylinders ; and
- (d) the consequential benefit therefrom to the Government and the common man ?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) : Government has advised Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) to call for a global expression of interest to set up facilities for manufacturing of composite cylinders domestically. The domestically produced composite cylinders may be introduced as an alternative to the standard steel cylinders for those willing to pay a higher initial security deposit with the LPG refills given at subsidized domestic LPG prices.

(c) & (d) : Only after finalization of the tender and placement of purchase order, the cost of the proposed translucent fiber glass cylinders will be known. The composite cylinders will be translucent and will show the level of LPG present in the cylinder. Handling of these cylinders would be easier as they will be lighter in weight than steel cylinders.