

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

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DEMAND AND SUPPLY OF LPG  
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the assessment made about the monthly requirement of LPG in different States at present, State-wise;
- (b) the supply status alongwith the steps taken by the Government to fulfill the requirement of LPG in the country;
- (c) whether rural areas are being neglected with regard to LPG supply;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the corrective measures proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have assessed the average monthly requirement/demand of LPG for the country as 1.15 Million Metric Tonne (MMT). The State-wise details are at Annexure.

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.

For the current calendar year 2010 against the projected demand of about 13.8 MMT, indigenous LPG availability is only 9.8 MMT. Balance requirement of about 4 MMT will be met through imports.

(c) to (e): As per the "Vision 2015" adopted in 2009 for LPG sector, a target has been given to the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) to raise the over-all LPG population coverage to 75% in the country by releasing 5.5 crore new LPG connections by 2015 especially in rural areas and undercovered areas. To ensure that growth of LPG usage is evenly spread, OMCs are assessing/identifying locations in a phased manner under "Rajiv Gandhi Gramin LPG Vitrak Yojana" (RGGLVY).

RGGLVY scheme primarily aims at providing LPG to the rural house-holds, including BPL families.OMCs have undertaken to set up 1266 distributors in the 1st phase and 763 in the 2nd phase of its implementation. The setting up of LPG distributors in the rural / under-served areas under this scheme will now be a continuous process till all parts of the country deficient in LPG are covered by LPG network.