

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:219
ANSWERED ON:08.12.2011
RGGLVY
Yadav Shri Arun Subhashchandra

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

- (a) the number of beneficiaries under the Rajiv Gandhi Gramin LPG Vitaran Yojana (RGGLVY) since 2009, State-wise and year-wise ;
- (b) the extent to which the scheme has been helpful in reducing the consumption of kerosene in rural areas;
- (c) the details of reduction in the kerosene quota of the States as a result thereof ; and
- (d) the time frame fixed by the Government to provide LPG connection to each rural household in the country ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI R. P. N. SINGH)

(a)to(d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 219 BY SHRI ARUN YADAV TO BE ANSWERED ON 8.12.2011 REGARDING RGGLVY.

(a): As on 01.10.2011, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) were operating 709 Rajiv Gandhi Gramin LPG Vitaran (RGGLV) distributorships in the country. Through these distributorships, OMCs are serving about 5,28,232 domestic LPG customers in the country. The State-wise/year-wise details of LPG connections released through RGGLV distributorships are at Annexure-I.

(b)&(c): During the year 2011-12, PDS Kerosene quota for the States/UTs was rationalized on account of (i) increase in domestic LPG coverage (during the period January to December 2010) in respect of all the States/UTs barring States in the North East, Island territories and J&K and States having coverage of domestic LPG below national average;(ii) PDS Kerosene quota lapsed (during first three quarters of 2010-11) on account of non-liftment by States/UTs; (iii) adjustments in the quota keeping in view higher per capita allocation of PDS Kerosene to certain States/UTs during the previous year. The State-wise reduction in PDS Kerosene quota during the year 2011-12 over previous year's allocation are at Annexure-II.

(d): In accordance with "Vision 2015",it is proposed to raise the country's LPG population coverage from 50% to 75% by releasing 5.5 crore new LPG connections between 2009 and 2015, especially in rural areas and uncovered areas.