

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

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

- (a) whether the general marketing scheme for setting up of LPG distributorship at various places in rural and urban areas has not been finalized ;
- (b) if so, the reasons for delay ; and
- (c) the number of places identified under this scheme so far ?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) : No, Madam. Identification of location for setting up of LPG distributorships is a continuous process and the locations, if found feasible, are advertised for appointing regular LPG distributorship/Rajiv Gandhi Gramin LPG Vitaran (RGGLV) distributorships, based on the sales potential. The potential of refill sale is assessed by considering the population within 15 kms of the location and if available refill sale potential is more than 2500 per month in the rural area, regular LPG distributorship is planned. Wherever villages have potential of more than 600 refill sale, LPG distributorship under RGGLVY is planned. Additional LPG distributorships are planned in existing markets in case average sale of distributors have reached the market refill sale ceiling for that town and available refill sale potential is more than 50% of the market ceiling.

OMCs have advertised 1,095 locations for regular LPG distributorships and 4319 for RGGLV distributorships in the country, during the last three years and the period April 2011 to January 2012.