## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

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EXPENDITURE BY OMCS FOR LPG SUPPLY
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## Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) are incurring huge expenditure on procurement of new cylinders to meet supply of LPG for new customers;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the OMCs are demanding 100 per cent depreciation on LPG cylinders and regulators;
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the details of the new customers enrolled during 2009, 2010 and 2011 in each State?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) & (b): New LPG cylinders are procured by Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) to meet the requirement of new customers, Double Bottle Cylinder (DBC) connections, replacement of scrapped cylinders etc. During the year 2010-11 and the period April, 2011 to January 2012, OMCs have incurred an expenditure of `4525.55 crore for procuring 378.49 lakh LPG cylinders.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): Does not arise.
- (e): OMCs have enrolled 243.73 lakh new LPG customers in the country during the years 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11. The Statewise details are annexed.