GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3636 ANSWERED ON:30.07.2009 SHORTAGE OF LPG Verma Smt. Usha

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

(a) whether there is an acute shortage of LPG in Uttar Pradesh including Lucknow, Hardoi district;

(b) if so, whether the lack of LPG distributors is the main cause of irregular supply of LPG;

(c) whether the Government has prepared any action plan to streamline its supply; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) : Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have reported that at present, there is no overall shortage of LPG in the State of Uttar Pradesh. However at times it is possible that temporary shortages may arise in local areas including Lucknow and Hardoi Districts which are promptly taken care of by OMC's. 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.

(b) to (d) : OMCs have finalized a common industry marketing plan covering 144 locations in the State of Uttar Pradesh including 4 in Lucknow district and 1 location in Hardoi district for setting up of new LPG distributorships, mainly in rural and urban-rural (semi-urban) locations. The advertisements for all the locations have been released and selection for the same is in progress as per policy.