GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

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RECOMMENDATION BY MPS FOR LPG CONNECTION
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the requests received by the various Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) from Members of Parliament (MPs) for issue of new LPG connections during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of LPG connections issued by the OMCs during the said period, State/UT-wise and OMC-wise;
- (c) the status of waiting list for LPG connections in the country, OMC-wise and the time by which the said waiting list is likely to be cleared: and
- (d) the target set for issue of new LPG connections in the country during the next three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SMT PANABAAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b): The details of request for release of new LPG connections for each of the last three years and the current year received by public sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) namely, Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOC), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL), Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) from Hon'ble Member of Parliament are as under:-

OMC 2009-10 2010-11 2011-12 Apr-Oct'12

IOC 271 1868 9135 9234

BPCL 565 7290 7607 917

HPCL 3726 7991 29195 38960

All the requests have been referred to respective State Offices for release of new connections as per the policy in voque.

Priority letters for release of new LPG connections are being issued by OMC's area office to prospective customer as per recommendation of Hon'ble MPs. Prospective customers are advised to approach the concerned distributor for completing the necessary documentation for release of new connection as per the policy.

The distributor releases new LPG connections to the prospective customers after completion of formalities required from time to time.

The number of LPG connections issued during the last three years and the current year are as under:- Figs. in Lakhs

OMC 2009-10 2010-11 2011-12 Apr-Oct'12

HPCL 25.29 28.97 33.64 16.74

(c) & (d): As on 01.11.2012, waiting list for new LPG connection is as under :-

IOC 2,01,643

BPCL 51,522

HPCL 98,454

The new connections are being processed as per the policy in vogue and released as per demand.

As per the Vision – 2015 of the Government, it is expected to raise the LPG population coverage from 50% to 75% by 2015.