

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

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ALLOCATION OF PDS KEROSENE

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

- (a) whether the Government devised a policy for allocation of PDS Superior Kerosene Oil (SKO) to States;
- (b) if so, allocation of kerosene during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise along with reasons therefor;
- (c) if so, whether the policy is based on LPG coverage and population of the States/UTs and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has conducted an independent survey to estimate LPG/PNG coverage in the States/UTs, if so, the details of households having multiple LPG/PNG connections;and
- (e) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a) to (c) Yes, Madam. The Quota of PDS Kerosene is rationalised based on factors, such as increase in Domestic LPG connections, lapse of PDS Kerosene quota in earlier years and cap on the PDS Kerosene allocation for non-LPG and non-PNG population.

State/UT-wise details of the PDS Kerosene quota during the last three years and current year i.e. 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 is given in Annexure.

(d) By using a software based de-duplication process, efforts are being made by the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) for identifying multiple connections (LPG/PNG) in the same name/or same address. Appropriate action is then taken, if they are found bogus/benami/ duplicate after due verification. This is an ongoing process.

(e) In order to check multiple connections leading to diversion of the highly subsidized domestic LPG, Government has amended the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (Regulation of Supply and Distribution) Order, 2000, vide Notification dated 10.09.2009 which, inter-alia, provides for only one LPG connection per household.

On establishing multiple connections within the same household, all connections except one are blocked and subsequently terminated.