GOVERNMENT OF INDIA PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3320 ANSWERED ON:30.08.2013 LPG CONNECTION Danve Shri Raosaheb Patil

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

- (a) whether the Government provides one-time financial assistance to Below Poverty Line (BPL) households for acquiring new Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) connections;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, and
- (c) the financial implication and the total budgetary support for the implementation of the scheme for the year 2013-14?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): A scheme for providing one time grant to BPL families in the rural areas for release of new domestic LPG connection under Rajiv Gandhi Gramin LPG Vitaran Yojana (RGGLVY) is in operation. As per the scheme, the security deposit for the domestic LPG cylinder and pressure regulator funded through the contributions from the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds of ONGC, OlL, GAIL, BPCL, HPCL and IOC.

Under the scheme, the BPL card holders register with the distributor for a new LPG connection (s). The same is sent by distributor to local administration for authentication. Intimation letters are sent to the BPL card holders after receipt of authenticated list.

Apart from the above scheme, Delhi Government announced a scheme, "Kerosene Free Dilli" to make NCT of Delhi kerosene free. Under which domestic LPG connections are issued free of cost to the BPL/AAY & JRC (Jhuggi Resettlement Colonies) card holders of Delhi getting kerosene supply. 50% of security deposit of LPG cylinder & pressure regulator is borne by Delhi Government and the remaining 50% by the OMCs through the common CSR fund mentioned above for BPL/AAY.