

Title: Need to set up LPG bottling plant at Thiruvannamalai in Tamil Nadu.

SHRID. VENUGOPAL (TIRUPPATTUR): * Though economic liberalisation process is on, the responsibility to develop infrastructure to meet basic needs still vests with the Government. Without having to hesitate about capital and investment, Government can set up industrial units that can never be unwieldy. Government must accord top priority to set up gainful infrastructure development units in industrially backward areas. At a time when Government are keen to make LPG available to all places in the country, LPG bottling plants can be set up in industrially backward areas to help promote more job opportunities. Now that there are Bharat Petroleum, Hindustan Petroleum apart from Indane any one of these companies can set up a mini-bottling plant in the district headquarters of Thiruvannamalai in my Thiruppathur constituency. This would benefit Chengam, Thandarampattu, Thirukkavilur, Vettavalam, Kalasapakkam, Kalampur, all within a radius of 40 kms. from Thiruvannamalai which is connected by railways. This would be better than Vellore which has highways connecting Chennai and Bangalore and can get LPG easily. Bottling plants are no-loss units creating job opportunities and this would also enable Chengam and Thandarampattu to get more gas connections and also gas agencies which are not there now.

* Translation of the speech originally delivered in Tamil.