

ISI marking over any other supplier supplying to IS specification since railway's policy is generally to procure as per IS specification/railway drawings.

**Petrol/Diesel Pumps and LPG Agencies in Uttar Pradesh**

8712. SHRISARJU PRASAD SAROJ:  
SHRI SHEO SHARAN VERMA:  
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of LPG agencies and petrol/diesel pumps in Uttar Pradesh with their locations,

(b) whether LPG agencies and petrol/diesel pumps in U.P. are adequate to meet the demands of the people;

(c) if not, whether Government propose to open new gas agencies and petrol/diesel pumps in the current financial year;

(d) if so, the district-wise details thereof;

(e) the number of consumers awaiting gas connections in each of the existing LPG agencies in U.P. as on date; and

(f) the steps taken to expedite to allot gas connections to them?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M.S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) As on 1.1. 1990, there were 400 LPG distributorships and 1798 Retail Outlets (Petrol/Diesel) in Uttar Pradesh.

(b) Periodic surveys are conducted to identify potential location for establishment of LPG distributorships/Retail outlet dealer-ships. Locations satisfying the laid down volume/distance norms are included in the

Marketing Plans, subject to overall product availability.

(c) and (d). 103 LPG distributorships and 219 Retail Outlet Dealer-ships (Petrol/Diesel) are planned for Uttar Pradesh.

(e) and (f). As on February 1, 1990, there were approximately 8.38 lakh persons in the waiting list for new LPG connections in Uttar Pradesh. New connections are released by the Oil Industry all over the country, in a phased manner, under the annual programme for the enrollment of customers, subject to availability of LPG. The availability of LPG is augmented through increased production and import.

The efforts involved in providing the data (a) location wise, (d) districtwise and (e) distributorship wise, may not be commensurate with the purpose sought to be achieved.

**Flights Between Gulf and Trivandrum by Air India**

8714. SHRI T. BASHEER: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any study survey had been conducted in the past on passenger traffic potentialities between Gulf and Trivandrum by Air India;

(b) if so, the findings/recommendations thereof;

(c) the action taken by Government on these findings/recommendations;

(d) whether there is any proposal to increase the number of flights between Gulf and Trivandrum;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?