

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3205
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06th August, 2026

LPG Supply under PMUY in Uttar Pradesh

†3205. Shri Ramashankar Vidharthi Rajbhar:

पेट्रोलियम एवं प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

- (a) the details of the number of families provided with Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) connections under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) across the country and in Uttar Pradesh and the number of beneficiaries currently using LPG cylinders regularly;
- (b) whether the Government has assessed that poor families are reverting to traditional fuels due to the rising prices of gas cylinders, if so, the details thereof along with the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) the details of the number of LPG distribution centres in the Purvanchal region, including Deoria and Ballia districts, along with the steps taken to ensure timely supply to rural consumers; and
- (d) whether the Government is considering establishing a permanent mechanism to provide regular supply of LPG at affordable prices to the beneficiaries of Ujjwala Yojana, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
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(a) to (d): Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) was launched in May, 2016 with an objective to provide deposit free LPG connection to adult women from poor households across the country. As on 01.07.2026, there were about 10.58 crore PMUY connections. India imports majority of its LPG requirement & LPG prices in the country are based on Saudi CP.

The average Saudi CP (the international benchmark for LPG pricing) rose upto US\$ 780/MT in April and May 2026. In June 2026, as the Saudi CP rose further to US\$ 796/MT (excluding premium), the Market Determined Price (MDP) of a 14.2 kg domestic LPG cylinder went upto Rs. 1,695 per 14.2 Kg cylinder.

The Retail Selling Price of domestic LPG is being maintained at Rs. 942 per 14.2 Kg cylinder since June 2026, which carried an implicit subsidy (under-recovery) of more than Rs 700 per 14.2 Kg cylinder in June 2026 and Rs 500 per cylinder during July 2026. Even for the month of August 2026, the RSP carries an implicit subsidy of Rs. 188 per cylinder. For more than 10.5 crore PMUY consumers, the effective price is only Rs. 642 per cylinder (Delhi), after a targeted subsidy of Rs. 300 per cylinder.

Government have been ensuring availability of domestic LPG at affordable prices to households in the country for which Government have paid to the OMCs compensation of Rs. 22,000 crore in FY 2022-23 and paying Rs. 30,000 crore during FY 2025-26 and FY 2026-27. Even after the payment of this compensation, accumulated under-recoveries of the PSU OMCs on domestic LPG were more than Rs 51,000 crores as of 30th June 2026 itself.

To further improve availability through last-mile delivery in remote & rural habitations, several measures have been taken, including commissioning of rural and remote-area distributorships, appointment of Common Service Center - Village Level Entrepreneur (CSC VLEs), availability of various electronic options for booking and tracking.

Purvanchal region of Uttar Pradesh covers the districts of Varanasi, Ghazipur, Chandauli, Jaunpur, Bhadohi, Mirzapur, Sonbhadra, Mau, Azamgarh, Ballia, Deoria, Kushi Nagar, Gorakhpur, Maharajganj, Sant Kabir Nagar, Basti, Siddharth Nagar, Prayagraj, Pratapgarh, Fatehpur and Kaushambi. The district-wise total number of LPG distributors and number of distributors catering to rural areas in Purvanchal region including Ballia and Deoria is as at **Annexure-A.**

Annexure-A

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3205 to be answered on 06.08.2026 regarding “LPG Supply under PMUY in Uttar Pradesh” asked by Shri Ramashankar Vidharthi Rajbhar:

District-wise Number of distributors in Purvanchal Region of Uttar Pradesh

S. No.	District	Total no. of Distributors	No. of Distributors catering in Rural Areas
1	Azamgarh	84	74
2	Ballia	56	51
3	Basti	42	35
4	Bhadohi	42	39
5	Chandauli	42	40
6	Deoria	79	70
7	Ghazipur	63	59
8	Gorakhpur	77	56
9	Jaunpur	77	68
10	Kaushambi	44	40
11	Kushinagar	67	63
12	Maharajganj	34	32
13	Mau	22	17
14	Mirzapur	51	42
15	Pratapgarh	72	67
16	Prayagraj	125	86
17	Sant Kabir Nagar	27	26
18	Siddharthnagar	35	32
19	Sonbhadra	58	37
20	Varanasi	86	43
21	Fatehpur	50	38

Source: IOCL on behalf of PSU OMCs