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## PRADHAN MANTRI UJJWALA YOJANA (PMUY)

LPG coverage improves to 104.1% in 2022 as compared to 62% in 2016

Over 9 crore deposit-free LPG connections distributed under PMUY in last 6 years

35.1 % PMUY beneficiaries are from SC/ST categories

Over 14 crore free LPG refills provided Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package

(Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas)

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<u>Launch</u>: PMUY was launched on May 01, 2016. Ujjwala 2.0 was launched on August 10, 2021.

<u>Aim</u>: To safeguard the health of women and children by providing them with clean cooking fuel, so that they don't have to compromise their health in smoky kitchens.

<u>Scheme</u>: Deposit-free LPG connection is given to the eligible household with financial assistance of **Rs 1,600 per connection**. Free of cost first LPG refill and gas stove is **provided** for the first time by public sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs).

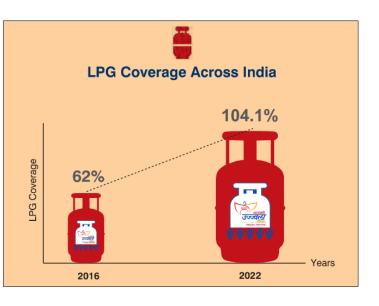
<u>**Target</u>**: The initial target was to provide LPG connections to Five crore women members of BPL households. Subsequently, the scheme was expanded and the target was revised to **Eight crore LPG connections**.</u>

To cover remaining households under PMUY, **Ujjwala 2.0** was started on August 10, 2021 on pan India basis **to provide additional one crore LPG connections.** As on January 31, 2022, the government has achieved the target of providing One crore LPG connections under Ujjwala 2.0.

Based on a large number of applications, Government has further extended the scheme with **60 lakh** more connections under Ujjwala 2.0.

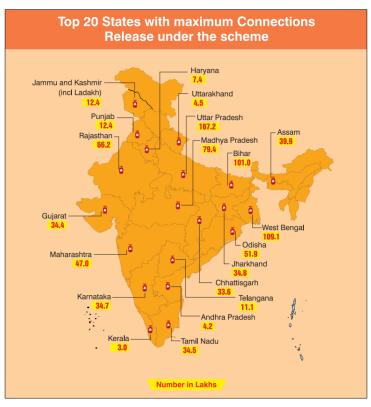
## Achievements:

- The target to provide Eight crore deposit free LPG connections was achieved in September, 2019, <u>seven</u> <u>months ahead of scheduled</u> <u>date</u>.
- The 8<sup>th</sup> crore PMUY connection was handed over by PM Narendra Modi on September 07, 2019.
- The target of releasing another One Crore LPG connections under



<u>Ujjwala2.0</u><sup>1</sup> was achieved on January 31, 2022.

- LPG coverage in India has improved to 104.1% as on January 01, 2022, as compared to 62% as on May 01, 2016.
- **Per capita consumption** of PMUY beneficiaries has increased from 3.01 refills in 2019-20 to **3.66 refills** in Financial Year 2021-22 (till Feb 2022).
- With the implementation of PMUY, approx. <u>One lakh people have got employment</u> through the LPG distribution system.
- As part of **Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package**, <u>more than 14 crore free LPG</u> <u>refills</u> were provided to the PMUY beneficiaries during COVID-19.
- Under the **Give-It-Up initiative**, more than <u>One crore people themselves gave up</u> <u>the subsidy on LPG</u>, which benefited the needy people.
- All <u>LPG connection are released in the name of adult woman</u> of the poor family.
- <u>35.1 % PMUY beneficiaries are from SC/ST categories</u> (as on December 01, 2021)
- Women in the states of Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan have been the biggest beneficiaries of PMUY.
- International Energy Agency said it is a "major achievement" in improving the environment and health of women.
- WHO report (2018) said that Ujjwala Yojana has provided 37 million women, living below the poverty line, with free LPG connections to support them to switch to clean household energy use.



Details of Cash Assistance provided per connection released under the scheme		
ltem	14.2 kg Cylinder (Rs.)	5 kg Cylinder (Rs.)
Security Deposit of Cylinder	1,250.00	800.00
Security Deposit of PR (Pressure Regulator)	150.00	150.00
LPG Hose	100.00	100.00
Domestic Gas Consumer Card (DGCC)	25.00	25.00
Installation Charges	75.00	75.00
TOTAL	1,600.00	1,150.00

For all major achievements of PMUY,  $\frac{\text{click here}^2}{\text{clickhere}^3}$ . For complete data of state wise beneficiaries,  $\frac{\text{clickhere}^3}{\text{clickhere}^3}$ 

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<sup>1</sup><u>https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1743813</u>

<sup>2</sup><u>https://static.pib.gov.in/WriteReadData/specificdocs/documents/2022/mar/doc202232832001.pdf</u> <sup>3</sup>https://www.pmuy.gov.in/login.aspx