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**Government of India
Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas**

ORDER

Kartavya Bhawan-03, New Delhi

Dated 05th March 2026

Whereas the Central Government, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), issued the Petroleum Products (Maintenance of Production, Storage and Supply) Order, 1999 to regulate the production, storage, supply of petroleum products in the interest of sustaining public life, economy and protecting consumers interest;

And whereas Clause 3 of the said Order empowers the Central Government, if it is satisfied that it is necessary in the public interest so to do, to direct any oil refining company to maintain or cause to be maintained a level of the production of such product or mix subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified.

And whereas Clause 5 of the said Order empowers the Central Government, to require any oil marketing company to supply or cause to be supplied one or more petroleum products from the stocks held by it at any place in India to installations or depots of any oil marketing companies in such quantities and in such manner as may be specified therein and for this purpose may, by the same or a different order, require any oil refining company to make available to the oil marketing company such petroleum product or products for a period specified in the order.

And whereas Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) is an essential domestic fuel used by households for cooking across the country and uninterrupted supply thereof is necessary in the public interest;

And whereas, more than 99 % of domestic LPG consumed in the country is supplied/marketed to households/consumers of domestic LPG by the three Public sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) viz. IOCL, BPCL, HPCL;


And whereas the Central Government, having regard to the need to ensure adequate availability of domestic LPG, considers it necessary in the public interest to prioritize the utilization of Propane and Butane streams for LPG production;

And whereas the oil refining companies have been given a reasonable opportunity of being heard and their submissions have been duly considered by the Government;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Clause 3 and Clause 5 of the Petroleum Products (Maintenance of Production, Storage and Supply) Order, 1999, read with Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, the Central Government hereby directs as follows:

1. All oil refining companies operating in India shall maximize and ensure that Propane and Butane streams produced, recovered, fractionated or otherwise available with them are utilized for production of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) and make it available to the three Public sector OMCs viz. IOCL, HPCL and BPCL only.

2. All oil refining companies shall not divert, utilize, process, crack, convert or otherwise employ Propane or Butane streams for manufacture of petrochemical products or other such downstream derivatives.
3. All Public sector OMCs shall ensure that LPG so procured is supplied/marketed solely to consumers of domestic LPG only.
4. Any contravention of this Order shall attract action under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and the Petroleum Products (Maintenance of Production, Storage and Supply) Order, 1999, and any other applicable law for the time being in force.
5. This Order shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain in force until further orders of the Central Government.


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To:

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