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## OGRA's direction to LPG Marketing Companies

Oil & Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA), has shown grave concern regarding LPG cylinder blast incidents reported in the print and electronic media causing casualties and loss of precious human lives and property.

All LPG Marketing Companies have been advised to strictly ensure the compliance of safety instructions at distributor premises in order to avoid any untoward incident in future and to conduct workshops/seminars for the awareness of distributors.

The companies have further been advised to ensure that their respective distributors themselves thoroughly check the LPG cylinder with respect to any physical damage, leakage etc. prior to handing over the same to the customer.

LPG Marketing Companies have also been advised to instruct their distributors to educate every customer through posters displayed at distributor's premises on safe use of LPG cylinders and also circulate the brochure/leaflets among the customers for the awareness of the safety measures.

In addition, the LPG Companies have also been advised to continue the awareness campaign in an effective manner for the general public on the safe use of LPG through media especially during the winter season.

### Additional Information:

LPG is highly inflammable and heavier than air settles along the ground; LPG is colour-less and odour-less, therefore an adequate amount of pungent odorizer is added for leakage detection;

Decanting of LPG from one cylinder to another cylinder is illegal and highly dangerous;

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Price of LPG cylinder is displayed at the outlet and the same can be verified from the website of the respective LPG Marketing Company. LPG cylinders must be in good condition;

It should be ensured that Cylinder and relief valves are not damaged, has not dent and is painted properly;

LPG Cylinders should be stored in well vented areas, away from sources of ignition;

LPG Cylinders should not be stored below the ground level or in a confined space;

LPG leakage can be hazardous. In case of smell or leaking from the LPG cylinder, immediately extinguish all inflammables, cigarettes, avoid usage of electrical switches as well as mobile phones. Evacuate the area immediately and report at an emergency number;

Burned LPG creates deadly carbon monoxide. Do not use LPG appliances indoors without proper ventilation.

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