

Chief Secretary chairs meeting to Streamline Distribution of Commercial LPG Under Allocated Quota

The Administration remains committed to ensuring transparent and efficient LPG distribution in Ladakh:
Ashish Kundra

Leh, March 26, 2026: Chief Secretary of the Union Territory of Ladakh, Shri Ashish Kundra, chaired a meeting today to review and streamline the distribution of commercial LPG under the allocated quota across the region, with a special focus on ensuring transparency, equitable allocation, and uninterrupted supply for essential sectors.

During the meeting, detailed discussions were held on strengthening the monitoring mechanism for commercial LPG distribution through a centralized Google Sheet/Excel-based digital system linked directly to consumer IDs and supply details. The Chief Secretary reviewed the status of the existing data management system, including dispatch records, auto-populated distribution entries, and district-wise supply details, particularly for Leh and Kargil districts.

Emphasizing the need for proper documentation and real-time monitoring, the Chief Secretary directed that daily dispatch and distribution data, especially for the hotel sector, be maintained systematically. He instructed the concerned departments to ensure that lifting data, market-wise supply, and daily allocation records are updated regularly in the digital database for better oversight and transparency.

During the review, it was decided that 70 percent of the available commercial LPG quota shall be reserved for hotels, while the remaining 30 percent shall be allocated to other commercial consumers, keeping in view the current demand pattern and sectoral requirements.

The Chief Secretary further instructed the Secretary, Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs (FCS&CA) to issue necessary orders based on the consolidated average daily distribution data from April to June of the previous year, so that future allocations can be made on a rational and need-based basis.

In order to regulate supply and avoid undue pressure on the existing quota, the Chief Secretary also directed that new commercial LPG registrations/connections for hotels shall remain temporarily closed until further review. He also took stock of LPG reservation and supply requirements for key public service sectors such as hospitals and educational institutions.

Mr. Himanshu Sharma, State Level Coordinator (SLC), Oil Industry, J&K and Ladakh, joined the meeting virtually and assured the administration that the oil industry would work closely with the UT Administration to address all supply and distribution-related concerns in a timely manner.

Representatives from IOCL, BPCL, and HPCL, along with other stakeholders from the oil and LPG sector, raised several operational concerns during the meeting.

These included issues related to criteria for supply to hotels, required documentation, consumption assessment, OTP-based delivery challenges in remote areas, and concerns regarding black marketing and misuse.

The Chief Secretary assured all stakeholders that these issues would be taken up with the concerned authorities and resolved through appropriate administrative intervention and policy support.

The meeting was attended by Secretary, Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs, Rahul Sharma; Deputy Commissioner Leh, Romil Singh Donk; Additional Deputy Commissioner Leh, Mukul Beniwal; Assistant Director, FCS&CA Leh; representatives from HPCL, IOCL, BPCL; and officers from the concerned departments.



