



**MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM**  
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PRESS RELEASE

**Government distributes more LPG Cylinders and cook stoves in 10 districts across 3 regions**

The Ministry of Petroleum this week continued its flagship programme for the year, the Rural LPG Promotion Programme in Volta, Upper East and Northern Region. This is part of Government's plans to ensure that 50% of Ghanaians use LPG by 2020. The distribution was carried out in Nkwanta South and North, Krachi West, Nanumba South, Bolgatanga Municipality, Bongo, Nabdam, Binduri, Bole and Gonja West. Beneficiary districts received 2000 cylinders each, making a total of 20,000 pieces.

Deputy Minister for Petroleum, Hon Benjamin Dagadu, launched the distribution in the Volta region on behalf of the Petroleum Minister, Hon Emmanuel Armah-Kofi Buah. Speaking at the launch in Kete Krachi, Hon Dagadu highlighted on Government's efforts to increase Ghana's domestic LPG supply. "Our new Gas Processing Plant at Atuabo, in the Western Region, would produce enough LPG to meet our consumption demand in Ghana" he said. Hon Dagadu went on to further disclose that, all these efforts are also towards creating wealth and employment opportunities for Ghanaians. "This will ensure that domestic LPG produced at our Gas Processing plant at Atuabo benefits all Ghanaians", he added.

The Chief Director of the Petroleum Ministry, Prof Thomas Mba Akabzaa also launched the programme in Sumbrungu and Bole in the Upper East and Northern region respectively. The launch in Sumbrungu took place on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2015 while that of Bole took place the next day. Prof Akabzaa who launched both programmes on behalf of the Petroleum Minister highlighted on Government's effort to increase Ghana's domestic supply of LPG through the Atuabo Gas Plant. "Our Gas Processing Plant is currently producing 500 tons of LPG a day for the domestic market and at the same time delivering over 100mmscf of lean gas per day for thermal plants to generate power. "The plant

