

Zonal Master Plan

Bhagirathi Eco-sensitive Zone

Department of Food and Civil Supplies

Uttarkashi

DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES

Role of Department of Food and Civil Supplies in conservation of Eco-Sensitive Zone has been mentioned in the Gazette of India Extraordinary dated 18th December, 2012 related to eco-sensitive zone. Part II-Sec 3(ii) of the notification says in Clause 3 (a) (vi) that within eco-sensitive zone commercial use of firewood shall be prohibited.

In this regard departmental efforts consist of emphasise on encouraging and providing LPG and kerosene as alternative to fuelwood to the families residing in eco-sensitive zone and also to create awareness among people about the ecological balance.

➤ **There are 88 villages falling within eco-sensitive zone. Total number of schematic ration cards in Bhatwari Block which falls in eco-sensitive zone are as follows:**

• APL	-	16809
• AAY	-	1390
• BPL	-	2192
Total number of ration cards	-	20391

➤ **Status of LPG connections in Bhatwari Block which falls in eco-sensitive zone are as follows:**

• LPG	-	12795
• Without LPG	-	7596
Total	-	20391

Note: 7596 families are to be provided with new LPG connection including DBC @ Rs. 6355/- connection of total estimate cost Rs. 4,82,72,580.00

➤ **Status of Domestic Gas and kerosene with transportation cost in eco-sensitive zone is presented below:**

Card Type	Total Family	Families having SBC	Families with DBC	Families without LPG	Allotment of kerosene oil		Total Transportation Cost of kerosene Oil
					SBC @ 3 Ltr.	No LPG @ 7 Ltr.	
APL	16809	9662	150	6997	28986	48979	
BPL	2192	1797	30	365	5391	2555	
AAY	1390	1135	21	234	3405	1638	
TOTAL	20391	12594	201	7596	37782	53172	74912

➤ **Requirement and allotment of kerosene in eco-sensitive zone:**

- To the families having single LPG connection 3 Ltr. is allotted per ration card
- Families having single gas connection are 12594 and require $12594 \times 3 = 37782$ Ltr.
- Families totally dependent on kerosene i.e., without LPG connection, 7 Ltr. is allotted per ration card
- Families not having LPG and totally dependent on kerosene are 7596 and require $7596 \times 7 = 53172$ Ltr.

Conclusion:

The department of food and civil supplies is working at its extreme to conserve eco-sensitive zone by providing alternate fuel inspite of felling trees for firewood .