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## Press Release

Litro Gas Company is confirming the continuous supply of LP gas to all parts of the island. Accordingly, the amount of gas cylinders supplied daily, which was 75,000 on a normal day, has been increased to 91,000 as of today, and steps have been taken to overcome the shortages that existed in previous days. However, due to delivery route blockages in 48 local areas across the Badulla, Kandy, Colombo, and Kegalle Districts, gas distribution is planned to be expedited as soon as these access blockages are restored.

Five water supply schemes in the Badulla and Kandy Districts that were difficult for the Water Supply Board (NWSDB) to restore have been taken up for restoration with the assistance of the Road Development Authority (RDA).

Out of a total number of 2,947,833 domestic water supply connections across the island, 387,964 connections that were disrupted still to be restored. The districts that are most affected by loss of water connections that have yet to be restored are, Kandy District: 66.8% , Kegalle District: 75.09% ,Kurunegala District: 41.34% , and Puttalam District: 52.82%

A damage assessment of the island's telephone communication lines identified a 20% disruption in telephone communication, with the highest proportion being in the Puttalam District and Ampara District. Steps will be taken to return these areas to normal as soon as electricity connections are restored. Furthermore, it has been recognized that relevant technical alternatives should be introduced immediately to ensure that communication transmission is not hindered by power outages in the future. This matter has been brought to the attention of the Telecommunications Regulatory Commission of Sri Lanka (TRCSL) for action.

As of today, 231 of the 256 roads that were previously restricted for transport have been restored to normal condition. Necessary steps are being taken to restore the remaining roads promptly.

In addition, arrangements have been made to provide food and water to those affected by utilizing the assistance of the Sri Lanka Air Force to reach difficult locations where land access for supplying provisions is still blocked.

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