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West Bengal to get Rs 3000 crore investments: Dharmendra Pradhan

KOLKATA: With the launch of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana in West Bengal, targetted to benefit 1.96 crore BPL households in next three years, the state is going to witness an approximate investment of Rs 3,000 crore creating 10,000 new jobs, Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan said today.

He said more than 60 lakh LPG connections would be given under the programme in the state over the next two years.

"For which, there is a need for additional bottling capacity, new distributors and pipelines", the Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister said.

He said that HPCL would be coming up with the largest bottling plant at Panagarh in the state, while other oil marketing companies IOC and BPCL were also doing the same.

"Plans are there to have an LPG import terminal at Haldia and trunk pipelines for transportation", he said.

"All these would entail an investment of roughly Rs 3000 crore", he said.