QR code tagging of LPG cylinders

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<u>In news</u>— A pilot study for QR code tagging of cylinders has been undertaken by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. (IOCL) at Madanpur Khadar Bottling Plant, Delhi.

Key updates-

- Petroleum and Explosives Safety Organisation (PESO) has accorded approval for a period of 3 months w.e.f. 01.09.2022 for filling of QR coded LPG cylinders at Madanpur Khadar Bottling plant and dispatch to only two distributors of Delhi Market.
- Subsequently PESO has extended the permission further for 3 more months i.e. till 28.02.2023.
- This initiative has potential to resolve issues of pilferage, tracking and tracing and better inventory management of gas cylinders.

About Petroleum and Explosives Safety Organisation-

- The PESO, formerly known as Department of Explosives, since its inception in 1898, has been serving the nation as a nodal agency for regulating safety of hazardous substances such as explosives, compressed gas and petroleum.
- Apart from the normal functions of enforcement of statutory safety regulations to safeguard public safety, life, property and environment, the organization has rendered meritorious voluntary services in examination and disposal of explosives, improvised explosives devices till late eighties of the last century, some of which were of national importance encountered during freedom struggle of the country, terrorist activities in different regions in the country.

■ PESO's major work is to administer the responsibilities delegated under the Explosives Act 1884 and Petroleum Act 1934 and the Rules made thereunder related to manufacture, import, export, transport, possession, sale and use of Explosives, Petroleum products and Compressed gases.