

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:59  
ANSWERED ON:28.02.2000  
HIKE IN PRICES OF PETROL AND LPG  
RAGHUNANDAN LAL BHATIA;SUDARSANA E.M. NATCHIAPPAN

**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the price of petrol and LPG has been increased recently;
- (b) if so, the extent thereof indicating the effective increase in different States;
- (c) the extent to which it has resulted in pushing up the transport cost of goods and passengers;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to minimise the hardships of the consumers especially the farmers and other weaker sections; and
- (d) the impact of the price hike on the economy of the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

( SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR )

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.59 28.02.2000.

(a) & (b): The ex-storage point prices of petrol and LPG (Domestic) have not been revised after 01.03.1999 by the Government of India. The retail selling prices of the two products have, however, been revised in some States due to the revision in the rates of sales tax by the State Government. The chart indicating increase in sales tax rates and corresponding increase in retail selling prices is attached.

(c) & (d): Public vehicles used for transportation of goods do not use petrol or LPG. Only a small percentage of passenger vehicles use petrol. The variation in the prices of petrol and LPG on account of adjustments made in sales tax rates by the States has been only marginal. It has not created hardship to the consumers, specially the farmers and the weaker sections.

Chart referred to in reply to parts (a) & (b) of the Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of the Lok Sabha Starred Question No.59 for 28.01.2000 regarding hike in prices of petrol and LPG.

STATEMENT SHOWING INCREASE IN RETAIL SELLING PRICES AND INCREASE IN SALES TAX RATES.

PRODUCTS:MS-87 (PETROL)

RETAIL PRICE (Rs.LTR.)    SATES TAX (%)

Location	State	PRE. Revised	PRE. Revised	PRE. Revised	PRE. Revised
DELHI	DELHI	2400	25.94	11.00	20.00
CALCUTTA	W.BENGAL	24.56.	26.98	11.91	23.00
GUWAHATI	ASSAM	25.38	26.33	17.60	22.00
SHILLONG	MEGHALAYA	23.77	25.96	10.20	20.40
MUMBAI	MAHARASHTRA	28.25	28.47	27.00	28.00

DELHI	DELHI	146.15	151.60	4.00	8.00
JAIPUR	RAJASTHAN	159.35	159.85	13.44	13.80
JALLAN-	PUNJAB	157.35	160.45	8.80	11.00

DHAR

IMPHAL MANIPUR	155.40	156.85	7.00	8.00
MUMBAI MAHARASHTRA	149.60	153.20	5.40	8.00

NOTE: PRE-REVISED DATA IS AS ON 1.11.1999 AND REVISED DATA IS AS ON 1.2.2000.