

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:8

ANSWERED ON:02.07.2009

PRICES OF CNG

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

- (a) whether the price of crude oil came down in the international market in recent months;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the consumer price of CNG underwent any change in the country during the corresponding period; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS(SHRI MURLI DEORA)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 8 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.07.2009 BY SHRI NAMA NAGESWARA RAO AND SHRI JAGDISH SHARMA, MP REGARDING PRICES OF CNG.

(a) & (b): International oil prices have been volatile in the recent past. The Indian basket of crude oil had gone up to an unprecedented level of 142.04 US\$/bbl on 3.7.2008 before declining sharply to 35.83 US\$/bbl on 24.12.2008. However, during the recent months, the price of the Indian Basket of crude oil has shown an upward trend and has increased from 40.61 US \$/bbl in December 2008 to 69.03 US \$/bbl in June 2009 (up to 26.6.2009).

(c) & (d): As informed by City Gas Distribution (CGD) Companies, prices of CNG have been increased in the last twelve months as follows:

Name of the entity	Name of cities	Price of CNG (prior to revision) (per kg)	Price of CNG (after revision) (per kg)	Increase to	Year/month of revision
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Indraprastha Gas limited	NCT of Delhi	Rs.18.90	Rs.21	11%	June 2009
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(IGL)

Central UP Gas Lts. and	Kanpur	Rs.27	Rs.29	7.4%	January 2009
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(CUGL) Bareilly

Green gas Ltd. (GGL)	Lucknow	Rs.27	Rs.29	7.4%	January 2009
	Agra	Rs.28	Rs.33	17.8%	December 2008

Bhagyanagar Vijaywada Rs.24 Rs.25 4.2% January
Gas Ltd. 2009

(BGL) Hyderabad Rs.33 Rs.35 6% January
2009

CGD companies have informed that the increase has been necessitated on account of sourcing of non-APM gas and increase in operating expenses.

Prices of CNG have not been increased in the last twelve months in Mumbai (and suburbs), cities/towns in Gujarat, NOIDA, Pune, Indore and Ujjain.