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PRICES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN VARIOUS STATES

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

- (a) whether the prices of petroleum products are not uniform/similar amongst the various States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the production/raw material cost and rates of petroleum products such as petrol, diesel, CNG, PNG, LPG, kerosene and ATF along with taxes/duties imposed by the Government, product/State-wise including metropolitan cities;
- (c) whether the production cost of various petroleum products is more in public sector refineries as compared to private sector refineries and if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to reduce the production cost;
- (d) whether the duties/taxes make major portion of the pump-head price of petrol/diesel and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the name of the States where people are facing huge shortage of petroleum products such as petrol, Diesel and kerosene due to natural calamities along with steps taken by the Government to augment the supply of the said products, State/UT-wise particularly in remote and hilly areas of the country; and
- (f) the percentage of crude oil imported by India in the total import of crude oil made in the world?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) & (b): The basic price and excise duty levied by the Central Government on various petroleum products are uniform across the country. However, the final prices of these products vary from market to market mainly due to variation in State VAT/ Sales tax and local freight/ delivery charges/ levies, etc.

As regards the production/ refining cost of petroleum products, the refining of crude oil is a process industry, where crude oil constitutes around 90% of the total cost. Crude oil is processed through several processing units. Each of these units produces intermediate products streams, which require further reprocessing and blending. As such, it is difficult to apportion the total cost amongst individual refined products. Hence, cost of production for different POL product-wise costs are identified separately.

The current Retail Selling Price (RSP) of Petrol and Diesel [as per Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL)] and Domestic LPG in cities of States/UTs are given in Annexure. The current RSP of PDS Kerosene and selling prices of ATF (for domestic airline) at metropolitan cities, as per IOCL, are as under:

Current RSP of PDS Kerosene and Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) at Metropolitan Cities

City PDS Kerosene (Rs. per Litre) ATF (Rs. per KL)

Delhi	14.96#	49338.00
Kolkata	16.00	58614.00
Mumbai	15.14	50713.00
Chennai	13.70	54457.00

#currently allocation of PDS kerosene in Delhi is NIL.

As regards CNG/PNG, prices are not regulated by the Government. Under the PNGRB Act, 2006 CNG and PNG prices are to be fixed by the concerned City Gas Distribution (CGD) entities.

The details of taxes levied by the Central Government on major petroleum products are under:

Customs and Excise duty Levied on Major Petroleum Products

Product Customs Duty Excise Duty

Petrol	2.5%	Rs. 17.46/Litre
Diesel	2.5%	Rs. 10.26/Litre

PDS Kerosene Nil Nil
Domestic LPG Nil Nil

(c): As mentioned above, product-wise costs of individual refined products are not identified separately.

(d): The details of taxes included in the Retail Selling Price (RSP) of Petrol and Diesel, at Delhi, as per IOCL effective 16th April 2015 is given below:

(Rs./Litre)
Petrol Diesel

Price excluding tax	31.32	30.89
Central Taxes:		
Customs duty	0.55	0.56
Excise duty	17.46	10.26
Total Central Taxes	18.01	10.82
State Tax (at Delhi) VAT/ air ambience charges on Diesel	9.87	5.49
Total Tax	27.88	16.31
RSP	59.20	47.20
Tax as % to RSP	47%	35%

(e): In the recent past, natural calamities affected various States including Jammu & Kashmir, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. However, no shortage of petroleum products was reported.

(f): The details of crude oil imported in India during the last 3 years and the current year are given below:

[in Million Metric Tonne (MMT)]
Year 2011-12 2012-13 2013-14 April, 2014 February, 2015
Quantity 171.73 184.80 189.24 172.79

As per the British Petroleum (BP) Statistical Review of World Energy 2014, crude oil import by India during calendar year 2013 was 190.5 MMT, which is 10.14% of the total world import of 1878.3 MMT.