

#### **Status of IPI pipeline**

2096. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the latest position of construction of gas pipeline from Iran and the amount of money spent on this project;
- (b) whether Pakistan is committed to allow laying of pipeline through its territory;
- (c) if not, what are the other alternatives available which are economically viable; and
- (d) what is the estimated cost related to security and maintenance of this project overseas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) to (c) India is pursuing the import of natural gas from Iran through Iran-Pakistan-India (IPI) Gas Pipeline Project. Various important issues, viz., pricing of gas, delivery point of gas, project structure, security of supplies, payment of transportation tariff & transit fees for passage of natural gas through Pakistan, etc., are under discussion amongst the participating countries. GAIL (India) Ltd. and Indian Oil Corporation Ltd., the PSUs involved with the IPI Project, have spent approximately Rs.5.57 crore in connection with pre project activities.

Apart from IPI gas pipeline project, import of natural gas is also being pursued from Turkmenistan through Turkmenistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan-India (TAPI) gas pipeline project. The option of bringing gas from Middle East countries to Indian market through a deep sea gas pipeline is also being explored. Further, Government of India has adopted a multi-pronged strategy to augment gas supplies, covering inter alia Intensification of domestic Exploration & Production activities, exploitation of unconventional sources like Coal Bed Methane & Underground Coal Gasification and import of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG).

(d) Such details regarding IPI gas pipeline project can be worked out only after firming up of the basic parameters of the Project.

#### **Hike in prices of petroleum products**

2097. SHRI MANGALA KISAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) how many times Government had hiked the price of petrol, diesel, kerosene and LPG during the financial years from 2004-05 to 2008-09;
- (b) how many times Government had revised the petrol, diesel, kerosene and LPG gas price during the financial years 1999 to 2004; and

(c) how many times Government had revised the petroleum products' rate when the international prices of petroleum products went down during 1999 to 2009?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI JITIN PRASADA): (a) The Government has not revised the Retail Selling Price (RSP) of PDS Kerosene since April, 2002. The RSPs of Petrol and Diesel were hiked eight times and the RSP of Domestic LPG was hiked three times during the financial years from 2004-05 to 2008-09.

(b) and (c) The details of revisions made in the RSPs of Petrol, Diesel, PDS Kerosene and Domestic LPG (at Delhi) during the financial years from 1999-2000 to 2009-10, (upto 15th March 2010), including those times when international oil price went down, are given in the Statement.

**Statement**

*Details of revisions in the Retail Selling Prices of Petrol, Diesel, PDS Kerosene and Domestic LPG (at Delhi) from 1999-2000 to 2009-10 (upto 15th March 2010) as given as under:*

	Petrol (Rs./litre)	Diesel (Rs./litre)	PDS Kerosene (Rs./litre)	Domestic LPG (Rs./Cylinder)
	1	2	3	4
As on 01.04.99	23.80	9.94	2.52	146.00
20.04.99		10.37		
06.10.99		13.91		
15.01.00 #	25.94	14.04		
23.03.00			5.55	196.55
03.04.00 *	26.07			
30.09.00	28.44	16.55	8.35	232.25
03.11.00 **	28.75			
22.11.00			7.35	222.25
03.03.01 ***		17.06		
12.01.02	27.54	17.09		
01.03.02	26.54	16.59	8.98	259.95
17.03.02				240.45
04.06.02	28.94	17.99		
16.06.02	29.18	18.23		
16.08.02	29.00	18.05		
01.09.02	29.20	18.34		

	1	2	3	4
16.09.02	29.66	18.68		
01.10.02	29.91	18.91		
17.10.02	30.24	19.23		
01.11.02	30.26	19.25		241.20
16.11.02	29.57	18.57		
01.12.02	28.91	18.06		
03.01.03	29.93	19.07		
16.01.03	30.33	19.47		
01.02.03	30.71	19.84		
01.03.03	32.10	21.21		
16.03.03	33.49	22.12		
16.04.03	32.49	21.12		
27.04.03	31.49	20.12		
01.05.03	31.50	20.13		
16.05.03	30.40	19.18		
01.06.03	30.30	19.08		
26.06.03			9.01	
01.09.03	32.40	20.33		
01.10.03				241.60
16.10.03	31.70	19.73		
16.12.03	32.70	20.73		
01.01.04	33.70	21.73		
16.06.04	35.71	22.74		261.60
01.08.04	36.81	24.16		
5.11.04	39.00	26.28		281.60
16.11.04	37.84			
01.04.05****	37.99	28.22	9.05	294.75
04.05.05		26.45		
21.06.05	40.49	28.45		294.75
25.07.05			9.08	
07.09.05	43.49	30.45		294.75
01.04.06****	43.51	30.47		294.75

	1	2	3	4
25.05.06			9.09	
06.06.06	47.51	32.47		
21.06.06 @	46.85	32.25		
30.11.2006	44.85	31.25		
16.02.2007	42.85	30.25		
06.06.07 @@	43.52	30.48		
08.02.08		30.76		
15.02.08	45.52	31.76		
24.05.08	45.56	31.80		
05.06.08	50.56	34.80		346.30 (effective 09.06.08Rs.304.70/ cyl)##
18.07.08*****	50.62	34.86		
12.09.08			9.22	
06.12.08	45.62	32.86		
29.01.09	40.62	30.86		279.70##
02.07.09	44.63	32.87		281.20## (effective 01.07.09)
08.09.09			9.23	
27.10.09###	44.72	32.92		
27.02.2010	47.43	35.47		

**Notes:**

There has been no price revision for PDS Kerosene since April 2002. Change in price is mainly due to revision in dealer commission.

# Sales tax revision in Delhi - Diesel from 11% to 12%.

\* Petrol with 0.05% sulphur introduced.

\*\* Petrol with 0.05% sulphur and 1% benzene introduced.

\*\*\* Diesel with 0.05% sulphur introduced in NCR.

\*\*\*\* Due to implementation of VAT in Delhi

\*\*\*\*\* & \*\*\*\*\* Due to increase in siding & Shunting Charges in Petrol and Diesel

@ Due to Tax Rebate in VAT on Petrol and Diesel.

@@ Tax Rebate on VAT for Petrol and Diesel withdrawn.

## After considering subsidy by Delhi State Govt. of Rs.40/- per cylinder

### Due to revision in Dealers commission