

- (vii) ATS Surveillance System at Delhi has been upgraded with latest automation capabilities thereby providing ATCOs with better tools to manage the traffic.
- (viii) At Delhi, the number of non-schedule flights has been restricted to 04 movements per hour and at Mumbai, non-schedule flights are not accepted for two hours each in the morning and evening peak hours.

Variations in consumer sale prices of petroleum products

†*116. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there have been variations in consumer sale prices of petroleum products during the last six months in the country;
- (b) if so, the names of the petroleum products, sale prices of which have declined during this period;
- (c) the names of the petroleum products, the consumer sale prices of which have increased; and
- (d) the reasons for such volatility in the sale prices of petroleum products?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MURLI DEORA): (a) to (c) The Government had constituted an Expert Group under the Chairmanship of Dr. Kirit S. Parikh to advise on a viable and sustainable system of pricing of petroleum products. In the light of the recommendations made by the Expert Group the Government has decided that the prices of Petrol and Diesel, both at the Refinery Gate and at the retail level, be made market-determined. As a result, the price of Petrol went up by Rs. 3.50 per litre. Now, the OMCs have the freedom to price Petrol based on market conditions and commercial considerations. In the case of Diesel, however, it was decided that initially, the price would be increased by only per litre. To reduce the under-recovery burden of the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) the Government decided to increase the retail price of PDS Kerosene by only Rs. 3 per litre and that of Domestic LPG by only Rs. 35 per cylinder (at Delhi), with corresponding increases in the rest of the country.

The details of revision in the Retail Selling Prices (RSPs) of the four sensitive petroleum products namely; Petrol, Diesel, PDS Kerosene and Domestic LPG (at Delhi) during the last six months are given below :

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Date of Revision	Petrol (Rs per litre)	Diesel (Rs per litre)	PDS Kerosene	Domestic LPG (Rs. per cylinder)	Reasons for Increase/Decrease
Price as on 01.04.2010	47.93	38.10	9.32	310.35	
26.06.2010	51.43	40.10	12.32	345.35	Implementation of the Kirit Parikh Committee recommendations.
01.07.2010	51.45	40.12	-	-	Increase due to change in railway freight "siding shunting charges".
20.07.2010	-	37.62	-	-	Decrease in VAT at Delhi from 20% to 12.5%.
08.09.2010	51.56	37.71	-	-	Increase in dealer commission.
21.09.2010	51.83	-	-	-	Increase by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.
17.10.2010	52.55	-	-	-	Increase by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.
02.11.2010	52.59	37.75		-	Increase due to change in railway freight "siding shunting charges".
09.11.2010	52.91	-	-	-	Increase by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd.

(d) About 80% of India's crude oil requirement is imported, hence, any volatility in international oil prices has an impact on domestic retail prices. However, Government is modulating the prices of Diesel, PDS Kerosene and Domestic LPG to protect the common man from the inflationary impact of international oil prices.

Review of working of MFIs

†*117. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

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