

Price difference between ATF and petrol and diesel

268. SHRI ARVIND KUMAR SINGH:

SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:

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

(a) whether Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) is higher/superior quality fuel than petrol and diesel;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the price of ATF in India is cheaper than petrol and diesel even after the rate cut in February, 2014; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN): (a) and (b) Petrol and diesel are primarily automotive fuels used in vehicles while Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) is used in aircraft turbines. The applications of automotive fuels and aircraft fuel are totally different and hence, comparison with respect to superiority of these fuels over one another cannot be made. The comparison, if any, can only be made for fuels having the same application and governed by the same specification.

(c) and (d) The basic selling price of ATF, petrol and diesel are governed by the prices of the respective product prevailing in the international oil market.

As on 01.02.2015, Retail Selling Price (RSP) of ATF is cheaper than petrol and diesel primarily due to higher excise duty levied by the Central Government on petrol and diesel in comparison to ATF.

Revamping gas allocation prioritization

269. KUMARI SELJA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has taken a decision to revamp the system of prioritization in the allocation of gas to States; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?