

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 922**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 25 July, 2022

Rising price of LPG cylinders

922 **Shri A. A. Rahim:**

Will the Minister of *Petroleum and Natural Gas* be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of times, when and by how much the price of an LPG cylinder has been hiked since 2019;
- (b) the international price of LPG at the time of each of these hikes;
- (c) the rates of LPG cylinders in the same period, State-wise, and how much of it was subsidised;
- (d) the reasons for increasing frequency of price hikes and such high prices; and
- (e) whether Government has taken measures to control the rise in prices, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)

(a) to (e): The prices of petroleum products in the country are linked to the price of respective products in the international market. LPG prices are based on Saudi Contract Prices (CP) and Saudi CP has risen from 236 \$/MT in April 2020 to 750 \$/MT in June 2022, a rise of 218%. However, the Government continues to modulate the effective price to consumer for domestic LPG. The subsidy, as admissible, is credited to the bank account of eligible beneficiaries. In addition, the Government has started a targeted subsidy of Rs. 200 per 14.2 Kg cylinder for Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) beneficiaries for upto 12 refills a year for year 2022-23.

The details of prices of domestic LPG at Delhi along with international prices (Saudi Contract Price) since April 2019 are given as Annexure-I.

The details of current Retail Selling Price (RSP) of domestic LPG, state-wise are given at Annexure-II.

The details of subsidy on LPG given by Government during each of the last three years are given below:

| Particulars | (Rs. /Crores) | | |
|---|----------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22(P) |
| Direct Benefit Transfer for LPG (DBTL) subsidy (A) | 22726 | 3658 | 242 |
| Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) subsidy (B) | 1446 | 76 | - |
| Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package (PMGKP) subsidy (C) | | 8162 | |
| Total Subsidy on LPG (A+B+C) | 24172 | 11896 | 242 |

Source: Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC)

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Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 922 asked by Shri A. A. Rahim to be answered on 25 July, 2022 regarding “Rising price of LPG cylinders”

| Month | Saudi CP of Previous month (\$/MT) | Retail Selling Price (Rs./14.2 Kg cylinder) |
|-------------------|---|--|
| 01 April 2019 | 508 | 706.50 |
| 01 May 2019 | 527 | 712.50 |
| 01 June 2019 | 528 | 737.50 |
| 01 July 2019 | 421 | 637.00 |
| 01 August 2019 | 363 | 574.50 |
| 01 September 2019 | 364 | 590.00 |
| 01 October 2019 | 356 | 605.00 |
| 01 November 2019 | 429 | 681.50 |
| 01 December 2019 | 439 | 695.00 |
| 01 January 2020 | 449 | 714.00 |
| 01 February 2020 | 580 | 714.00 |
| 12 February 2020 | 580 | 858.50 |
| 01 March 2020 | 529 | 805.50 |
| 01 April 2020 | 460 | 744.00 |
| 01 May 2020 | 236 | 581.50 |
| 01 June 2020 | 340 | 593.00 |
| 01 July 2020 | 338 | 594.00 |
| 01 August 2020 | 348 | 594.00 |
| 01 September 2020 | 353 | 594.00 |
| 01 October 2020 | 359 | 594.00 |
| 01 November 2020 | 378 | 594.00 |
| 01 December 2020 | 436 | 594.00 |
| 02 December 2020 | 436 | 644.00 |
| 15 December 2020 | 436 | 694.00 |
| 01 January 2021 | 456 | 694.00 |
| 01 February 2021 | 538 | 694.00 |
| 04 February 2021 | 538 | 719.00 |
| 15 February 2021 | 538 | 769.00 |
| 25 February 2021 | 538 | 794.00 |
| 01 March 2021 | 593 | 819.00 |
| 01 April 2021 | 607 | 809.00 |
| 01 May 2021 | 542 | 809.00 |
| 01 June 2021 | 483 | 809.00 |

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|-------------------|-----|---------|
| 01 July 2021 | 527 | 834.50 |
| 01 August 2021 | 620 | 834.50 |
| 17 August 2021 | 620 | 859.50 |
| 01 September 2021 | 657 | 884.50 |
| 01 October 2021 | 665 | 884.50 |
| 06 October 2021 | 665 | 899.50 |
| 01 November 2021 | 797 | 899.50 |
| 01 December 2021 | 846 | 899.50 |
| 01 January 2022 | 768 | 899.50 |
| 01 February 2022 | 722 | 899.50 |
| 01 March 2022 | 775 | 899.50 |
| 22 March 2022 | 775 | 949.50 |
| 01 April 2022 | 910 | 949.50 |
| 01 May 2022 | 952 | 949.50 |
| 07 May 2022 | 952 | 999.50 |
| 19 May 2022 | 952 | 1003.00 |
| 01 June 2022 | 856 | 1003.00 |
| 01 July 2022 | 750 | 1003.00 |
| 06 July 2022 | 750 | 1053.00 |

Source: IOCL

Annexure-II

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 922 asked by Shri A. A. Rahim to be answered on 25 July, 2022 regarding “Rising price of LPG cylinders”

| S.No. | STATE/UT | REFERENCE MARKET | RSP of Domestic LPG (Rs./14.2 KG Cylinder) * |
|--------------|--|-------------------------|---|
| 1 | DELHI | NEW DELHI | 1053.00 |
| 2 | WEST BENGAL | KOLKATA | 1059.43 |
| 3 | MAHARASHTRA | MUMBAI | 1052.50 |
| 4 | TAMIL NADU | CHENNAI | 1043.55 |
| 5 | TRIPURA | AGARTALA | 1063.02 |
| 6 | MIZORAM | AIZWAL | 1060.36 |
| 7 | HARYANA | AMBALA | 1063.00 |
| 8 | KARNATAKA | BANGALORE | 1055.50 |
| 9 | MADHYA PRADESH | BHOPAL | 1058.50 |
| 10 | ORISSA | BHUBANESWAR | 1065.05 |
| 11 | CHANDIGARH | CHANDIGARH | 1053.71 |
| 12 | UTTARANCHAL | DEHRADUN | 1055.43 |
| 13 | GUJARAT | GANDHINAGAR | 1071.43 |
| 14 | SIKKIM | GANGTOK | 1062.05 |
| 15 | ASSAM | GUWAHATI | 1049.43 |
| 16 | TELANGANA | HYDERABAD | 1064.29 |
| 17 | MANIPUR | IMPHAL | 1071.76 |
| 18 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | ITANAGAR | 1064.95 |
| 19 | RAJASTHAN | JAIPUR | 1056.50 |
| 20 | JAMMU AND KASHMIR | JAMMU | 1065.95 |
| 21 | PUNJAB | JALANDHAR | 1058.29 |
| 22 | NAGALAND | KOHIMA | 1065.71 |
| 23 | UTTAR PRADESH | LUCKNOW | 1055.33 |
| 24 | GOA | PANJIM | 1067.00 |
| 25 | BIHAR | PATNA | 1071.74 |
| 26 | PONDICHERY | PONDICHERY | 1035.76 |
| 27 | ANDAMAN & NICOBAR | PORT BLAIR | 1065.07 |
| 28 | CHHATISGARH | RAIPUR | 1062.76 |
| 29 | JHARKHAND | RANCHI | 1072.74 |
| 30 | MEGHALAYA | SHILLONG | 1066.45 |
| 31 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | SHIMLA | 1065.67 |
| 32 | KERALA | TRIVANDRUM | 1062.00 |
| 33 | DADRA & NAGAR HEVELI AND DAMAN AND DIU | SILVASSA | 1067.50 |
| 34 | ANDHRA PRADESH | VISAKHAPATNAM | 1057.05 |
| 35 | LADAKH | LEH | 1082.86 |

Source: Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC)