

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2367**  
ANSWERED ON 16/12/2024

**INCREASE IN PRICE OF CNG BARRING DELHI**

2367.SHRI RAMJI LAL SUMAN:  
SHRI JAVED ALI KHAN:

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

- (a) whether Government has increased the price of CNG in the country except in the UT of Delhi on 25th November, 2024;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the reasons rate of CNG has not been increased in Delhi;
- (d) whether Government is increasing rate of petroleum products as per the schedule of assembly and Lok Sabha elections; and
- (e) if so, the reasons therefor and if not, dates on which rates of petroleum products have been increased during the last two years?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
(SHRI SURESH GOPI)

(a) to (c) The price of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) in any location is fixed by the City Gas Distribution (CGD) entity authorized by Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) after considering cost of gas procured, state taxes, tariff and other components. Price of CNG along with date of price revision for Delhi since April 2022 is at **Annexure-I**.

(d) & (e) Prices of petrol and diesel are market determined and Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) take appropriate decision on pricing of petrol and diesel. Domestically, Petrol and Diesel prices have come down to Rs.94.77 and Rs.87.67 per litre respectively (Delhi prices) as a result of various steps taken by Government and PSU OMCs, including reduction of Central Excise duty by the Central Government by a total of Rs.13/litre and Rs.16/litre on petrol and diesel respectively in two tranches in November 2021 and May 2022, which was fully passed on to consumers. Some State Governments also reduced state VAT rates to provide relief to citizens. In March, 2024, OMCs also reduced the retail prices of petrol and diesel by Rs.2 per litre each, across the country.

Government also took several other steps to insulate common citizens from high international prices, which included diversifying the crude import basket, invoking the provisions of Universal Service Obligation to ensure availability of petrol & diesel in domestic market, increasing the blending of ethanol in petrol, etc.

Recently Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) OMCs have carried out intra-state freight rationalisation. This has benefitted consumers located at remote areas, far from Petroleum Oil

& Lubricants (POL) Depots infrom of reduced Petrol and Diesel prices in remote parts within the states. This initiative has also reduced the difference between the maximum and minimum retail prices of Petrol or Diesel within a state.

India imports about 60% of the domestic LPG consumed. Price of LPG in the country is linked to its price in the international market. Government continues to modulate the effective price to consumer for domestic LPG. Average Saudi CP (international benchmark for LPG pricing) rose by 64% (from US\$ 385/MT in July 2023 to US\$ 632 [MT in November 2024) while on the other hand effective price for Pradhan Mantri UjjawalaYojana (PMUY) consumers for domestic LPG reduced in India by 44% (from Rs.903 in August 2023 to Rs.503 in November 2024).

The retail selling price of a 14.2 Kg domestic LPG cylinder is currently Rs.803 in Delhi. After a targeted subsidy of Rs.300/cylinder to PMUY consumers, Government of India is providing 14.2 Kg LPG cylinders at an effective price of Rs.503 per cylinder (in Delhi). This is available to more than 10.33 crore Ujjwala beneficiaries, across the country. A few State Governments are providing some additional subsidy on LPG refills and bear the additional cost from their respective budgets.

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**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2367 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2024 REGARDING INCREASE IN PRICE OF CNG BARRING DELHI.**

**Prices of CNG at Delhi market since April 2022**

<b>Date of Price Revision</b>	<b>CNG (Price in ₹/ KG) in Delhi</b>
01.04.2022	60.81
02.04.2022	61.61
04.04.2022	64.11
06.04.2022	66.61
07.04.2022	69.11
14.04.2022	71.61
15.05.2022	73.61
21.05.2022	75.61
08.10.2022	78.61
17.12.2022	79.56
09.04.2023	73.59
23.08.2023	74.59
14.12.2023	76.59
07.03.2024	74.09
22.06.2024	75.09

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Source: PPAC