LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 406 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND JULY, 2019

Prices of Petrol/Diesel

†*406. SHRI JAI PRAKASH:

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री

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

(a) whether the Government sells petrol and diesel to other countries at less than half the prices at which it sells within the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(b) the names of the countries to which the Government sells petrol and diesel including the price thereof;

(c) whether it is true that the prices of petrol and diesel being sold in the country are the highest in the world and if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) if not, the countries where the prices of petrol and diesel are higher than India?

ANSWER

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री (श्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान) MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 406 asked by Shri Jai Prakash to be answered on 22^{nd} July, 2019 regarding "Prices of Petrol/Diesel".

(a) & (b) Diesel and petrol is sold to Nepal Oil Corporation (NOC) by Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) under Supply Agreement between IOCL and NOC. The basis of pricing of diesel and petrol is Landed Cost of Products (LCP) at notional pricing point at Haldia/ Mumbai. Freight is added to the LCP for arriving the Ex Depot/Terminal supply price. The current price of diesel and petrol ex Haldia and Mumbai (effective from 01.07.2019) is given as below:

Diesel	-	₹ 35,729.34/KL ₹ 34,994.85/KL
Petrol	-	₹ 31,742.59/KL ₹ 31,099.56/KL

Diesel and petrol is supplied to Bhutan by IOCL on Delivered Supply basis and is inclusive of delivery charges over and above Ex Supply location price. The current Ex Supply location price (effective from 01.07.2019) is given below:

Diesel	Ex-Siliguri Ex-Bongaigaon Ex-Betkuchi	: ₹ 48,683.70/KL : ₹ 46,060.63/KL : ₹ 46,060.63/KL
Petrol	Ex-Siliguri Ex-Bongaigaon Ex-Betkuchi	: ₹ 49,399.70/KL : ₹ 45,836.63/KL : ₹ 45,836.63/KL

Further, petrol & diesel are being supplied (effective from 01.07.2019) at ex Siliguri price of \gtrless 48,913.48/KL and \gtrless 48,162.81/KL to Bhutan by Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited.

The details of export prices of petrol & diesel by Oil PSUs to other countries during April-June, 2019 are given below:

Petrol:

Country	USD/KL	₹/KL*	
MAURITIUS	625.20	43488.91	

*Average exchange rate @ ₹ 69.56/ USD from April-June, 2019

Diesel:

Product	Country	USD/KL	₹/KL*
HF- High Speed Diesel		502.33	34942.07
BS IV- High Speed Diesel		503.26	35006.77
Raw Diesel (HSD blend	MALAYSIA		32931.10
component)		473.42	
High Sulphur Raw Diesel	UAE	460.27	32016.38
High Sulphur Raw Diesel	SINGAPORE	489.87	34075.36
High Speed Diesel	MAURITIUS	513.06	35688.45
High Speed Diesel	TOGO	516.80	35948.61
High Speed Diesel	MOZAMBIQUE	462.11	32144.37
High Speed Diesel	BANGLADESH	479.35	33343.59

*Average exchange rate @ ₹ 69.56/ USD from April-June, 2019

The exports are based on finalized contract and price is based on International price of diesel and petrol effective on dates of individual parcels. The export realization is in US Dollar. There is no tax levied on export of diesel and petrol.

(c) & (d) Prices of petrol and diesel have been made market-determined by the Government with effect from 26.06.2010 and 19.10.2014 respectively. Since then, the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) take appropriate decision on pricing of petrol and diesel in line with international product prices and other market conditions.

The prices of petrol and diesel in the country are benchmarked to their international product prices. Generally, the prices of sensitive petroleum products in the country are higher/lower than other countries due to various factors, including prevailing tax regime and subsidy compensations by the respective Governments, the details of which are not maintained by the Government.

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