

**LOK SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO. 203**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 03 AUGUST, 2023**

**Price Hike of Cooking Gas**

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**पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री**

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

- (a) whether inflation has come down recently and if so, the reasons for the price hike of domestic gas cylinders and piped gas;
- (b) whether the prices of LPG commercial cylinders were reduced recently and if so, the reasons for not reducing the prices of domestic cylinders and piped gas;
- (c) the other measures taken by the Government to provide relief to domestic PNG and CNG customers; and
- (d) the details of number of times the prices of LPG commercial cylinders, domestic gas cylinders and piped gas increased during the last eight years?

**ANSWER**

**पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री**  
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**MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS**  
(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(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. 203 asked by Shri Shri Sanjay Jadhav and Shri Arvind Ganpat Sawant to be answered on 03 August 2023 regarding “Price Hike of Cooking Gas”.**

(a) to (d): India imports more than 60% of its domestic LPG consumption. Prices of LPG in the country are linked to its price in the international market. Prices of commercial LPG are set by LPG marketing companies independently. However, for domestic LPG, Government continues to modulate the effective price to consumer. In addition, 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 years 2022-23 and 2023-24.

Inflation based on Consumer Price Index-Combined has declined from 7.04% in May 2022 to 4.31% in May 2023.

While the Retail Selling Prices (RSP) of domestic LPG cylinder remained unchanged at Rs. 1103 per 14.2 Kg cylinder for the months of June and July 2023 for Delhi, the RSP of commercial LPG cylinder has increased by the Public Sector OMCs from Rs. 1773 in June 2023 to Rs. 1780 per 19 Kg cylinder in July 2023 for Delhi.

During the period 2020-21 to 2022-23, the average Saudi CP (international benchmark for LPG pricing) went up from \$415 per MT to \$712 per MT. However, the increase in international prices was not fully passed on in retail prices, due to which the Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) suffered under recoveries of approximately Rs. 28,000 crore on sale of domestic LPG. To compensate this, the Government paid a one-time compensation of Rs. 22,000 crore to Public Sector OMCs in FY 2022-23. During Covid pandemic, Government also provided about 14.17 crore free LPG refills to PMUY households under Pradhan Mantri Gareeb Kalyan Package during 2020.

The details of Retail Selling Prices (RSP) of Domestic (14.2 kg) and Commercial (19 kg) LPG cylinders at Delhi since April 2015 are given at Annexure-I and Annexure-II respectively.

Government of India allocates Administered Price Mechanism (APM) gas to various City Gas Distribution (CGD) entities for CNG (Transport) and PNG (Domestic) purpose. However, retail price of CNG/PNG is determined by CGD entities after considering cost of gas procured, taxes, tariff and other components.

The government has approved the revised domestic natural gas pricing guidelines vide gazette notification dated 07.04.2023 for APM gas produced from nomination fields of ONGC/OIL,

New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) blocks and pre-NELP blocks, where Production Sharing Contract (PSC) provides for Government's approval of prices. The price of such natural gas has been set as 10% of the monthly average of Indian Crude Basket, be notified on a monthly basis. For the gas produced by ONGC & OIL from their nomination blocks, the Administered Price Mechanism (APM) price is subject to a floor and a ceiling price. These reforms have led to significant decrease in prices of Piped Natural Gas (PNG) for household cooking and Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) for transport.

The details of Domestic Gas (PNG) since April 2015 as per Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL) at Delhi are given at Annexure-III.

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**Annexure-I**

Annexure referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 203 asked by Shri Shri Sanjay Jadhav and Shri Arvind Ganpat Sawant to be answered on 03.08.2023 regarding “Price Hike of Cooking Gas”

<b>Date Effective From</b>	<b>RSP of Domestic LPG at Delhi (Rs./14.2Kg cylinder)</b>
01-Apr-2015	621.00
01-May-2015	616.00
01-Jun-2015	626.50
01-Jul-2015	608.50
01-Aug-2015	585.00
01-Sep-2015	559.50
01-Oct-2015	517.50
01-Nov-2015	545.00
01-Dec-2015	606.50
09-Dec-2015	608.00
01-Jan-2016	657.50
01-Feb-2016	575.00
01-Mar-2016	513.50
01-Apr-2016	509.50
01-May-2016	527.50
01-Jun-2016	548.50
01-Jul-2016	537.50
01-Aug-2016	487.00
01-Sep-2016	466.50
01-Oct-2016	490.00
28-Oct-2016	492.00
01-Nov-2016	529.50
01-Dec-2016	584.00
01-Jan-2017	585.00
01-Feb-2017	651.50
01-Mar-2017	737.50
01-Apr-17	723.00
01-May-17	631.00
01-Jun-17	552.50
01-Jul-17	564.00
01-Aug-17	524.00

<b>Date Effective From</b>	<b>RSP of Domestic LPG at Delhi (Rs./14.2Kg cylinder)</b>
01-Sep-17	597.50
30-Sep-17	599.00
01-Oct-17	649.00
01-Nov-17	742.00
01-Dec-17	747.00
01-Jan-18	741.00
01-Feb-18	736.00
01-Mar-18	689.00
01-Apr-18	653.50
01-May-18	650.50
01-Jun-18	698.50
01-Jul-18	754.00
01-Aug-18	789.50
01-Sep-18	820.00
01-Oct-18	879.00
01-Nov-18	939.00
07-Nov-18	942.50
01-Dec-18	809.50
01-Jan-19	689.00
01-Feb-19	659.00
01-Mar-19	701.50
01-Apr-19	706.50
01-May-19	712.50
01-Jun-19	737.50
01-Jul-19	637.00
01-Aug-19	574.50
01-Sep-19	590.00
01-Oct-19	605.00
01-Nov-19	681.50
01-Dec-19	695.00
01-Jan-20	714.00
01-Feb-20	714.00
12-Feb-20	858.50
01-Mar-20	805.50
01-Apr-20	744.00

<b>Date Effective From</b>	<b>RSP of Domestic LPG at Delhi (Rs./14.2Kg cylinder)</b>
01-May-20	581.50
01-Jun-20	593.00
01-Jul-20	594.00
02-Dec-20	644.00
15-Dec-20	694.00
04-Feb-21	719.00
15-Feb-21	769.00
25-Feb-21	794.00
01-Mar-21	819.00
01-Apr-21	809.00
01-Jul-21	834.50
17-Aug-21	859.50
01-Sep-21	884.50
06-Oct-21	899.50
22-Mar-22	949.50
07-May-22	999.50
19-May-22	1003.00
06-Jul-22	1053.00
01-March-23	1103.00

Source: Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC)

Note: Retail Selling Price of Domestic LPG excluding targeted subsidy of Rs.200 for PMUY consumers w.e.f. 21 May, 2022.

**Annexure-II**

Annexure referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 203 asked by Shri Shri Sanjay Jadhav and Shri Arvind Ganpat Sawant to be answered on 03.08.2023 regarding “Price Hike of Cooking Gas”

<b>Date Effective From</b>	<b>RSP of Commercial LPG at Delhi (Rs./19Kg cylinder)</b>
01-Apr-15	1142.00
01-May-15	1134.00
01-Jun-15	1151.00
01-Jul-15	1084.50
01-Aug-15	1046.50
01-Sep-15	1005.50
01-Oct-15	963.00
01-Nov-15	1009.00
01-Dec-15	1108.00
01-Jan-16	1180.00
01-Feb-16	1031.00
01-Mar-16	932.00
01-Apr-16	926.50
09-Apr-16	926.50
01-May-16	945.50
17-May-16	945.50
01-Jun-16	979.00
01-Jul-16	963.00
01-Aug-16	963.00
16-Aug-16	871.00
01-Sep-16	871.00
17-Sep-16	838.00
01-Oct-16	895.00
01-Nov-16	968.00
01-Dec-16	1054.50
01-Jan-17	1054.50
01-Feb-17	1150.00
01-Mar-17	1287.00
01-Apr-17	1265.50
01-May-17	1121.00
01-Jun-17	996.00
01-Jul-17	1017.50
11-Jul-17	1017.50
01-Aug-17	966.00
01-Sep-17	1081.00
30-Sep-17	1081.00
01-Oct-17	1164.00

<b>Date Effective From</b>	<b>RSP of Commercial LPG at Delhi (Rs./19Kg cylinder)</b>
01-Nov-17	1310.50
15-Nov-17	1310.50
01-Dec-17	1318.50
01-Jan-18	1310.00
01-Feb-18	1305.50
02-Feb-18	1308.50
01-Mar-18	1230.00
01-Apr-18	1176.50
01-May-18	1167.50
01-Jun-18	1244.50
01-Jul-18	1328.00
01-Aug-18	1371.00
01-Sep-18	1418.00
01-Oct-18	1512.00
01-Nov-18	1606.50
07-Nov-18	1614.50
01-Dec-18	1404.50
01-Jan-19	1214.50
01-Feb-19	1170.50
01-Mar-19	1237.00
01-Apr-19	1305.50
01-May-19	1328.00
01-Jun-19	1328.00
01-Jul-19	1130.00
01-Aug-19	1004.00
01-Sep-19	1054.50
01-Oct-19	1085.00
01-Nov-19	1204.00
01-Dec-19	1211.50
01-Jan-20	1241.00
01-Feb-20	1466.00
01-Mar-20	1381.50
01-Apr-20	1285.50
01-May-20	1029.50
01-Jun-20	1139.50
01-Jul-20	1135.50
01-Aug-20	1135.50
01-Sep-20	1133.50
01-Oct-20	1166.00
01-Nov-20	1241.50
01-Dec-20	1296.00
15-Dec-20	1332.00



<b>Date Effective From</b>	<b>RSP of Commercial LPG at Delhi (Rs./19Kg cylinder)</b>
01-Jan-21	1349.00
01-Feb-21	1539.00
04-Feb-21	1533.00
15-Feb-21	1523.50
25-Feb-21	1519.00
01-Mar-21	1614.00
01-Apr-21	1641.00
01-May-21	1595.50
01-Jun-21	1473.50
01-Jul-21	1550.00
01-Aug-21	1623.00
17-Aug-21	1618.00
01-Sep-21	1693.00
01-Oct-21	1736.50
06-Oct-21	1734.00
01-Nov-21	2000.50
01-Dec-21	2101.00
01-Jan-22	1998.50
01-Feb-22	1907.00
01-Mar-22	2012.00
22-Mar-22	2003.50
01-Apr-22	2253.00
01-May-22	2355.50
07-May-22	2346.00
19-May-22	2354.00
01-Jun-22	2219.00
01-Jul-22	2021.00
06-Jul-22	2012.50
01-Aug-22	1976.50
01-Sep-22	1885.00
01-Oct-22	1859.50
01-Nov-22	1744.00
01-Dec-22	1744.00
01-Jan-23	1769.00
01-Feb-23	1769.00
01-Mar-23	2119.50
01-Apr-23	2028.00
01-May-23	1856.50
01-Jun-23	1773.00
04-Jul-23	1780.00

Source : IOCL

**Annexure-III**

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<b>Date effective from</b>	<b>Domestic Gas Price (PNG) at Delhi (Rs./Standard Cubic Metre)</b>
03.05.2014	25.50
01.04.2015	24.91
18.05.2015	25.35
02.10.2015	24.65
02.04.2016	24.00
03.10.2016	23.00
04.12.2016	24.05
17.05.2017	24.86
26.07.2017	25.19
03.10.2017	25.99
02.04.2018	27.14
02.09.2018	28.25
01.10.2018	29.55
16.11.2018	29.80
01.04.2019	30.50
01.07.2019	31.00
01.10.2019	30.10
01.04.2020	28.55
04.10.2020	27.50
02.03.2021	28.41
08.07.2021	29.66
29.08.2021	30.91
02.10.2021	33.01
13.10.2021	35.11
12.01.2022	35.61
24.03.2022	36.61
01.04.2022	41.61
14.04.2022	45.86
26.07.2022	47.96
05.08.2022	50.59
08.10.2022	53.59
09.04.2023	48.59

Source: Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL)