

Press Release - 6 July 2012

The Petroleum Pricing Committee met on Friday 6 July 2012.

After verifying the computation of retail prices of Mogas (Super Unleaded Gasoline) and Gas Oil (Diesel 50S), as provided for under Section 8 of the Consumer Protection (Control of Price of Petroleum Products) Regulations 2011, it approved that the retail prices be maintained at their current levels as below:

Product	Retail Price (Rs/Litre)
Mogas	49.30
Gas Oil	41.20

According to the Regulations the Reference Prices utilized in fixing the Retail prices of Mogas and Gas Oil are based on the average monthly Platts prices covering the previous 6 months and the forward prices for the ensuing 6 months plus a margin as provided in the Regulations.

Mogas (Super Unleaded Ron 95)

The percentage increase of Mogas amounts to 4.5%, i.e. below the 5 % ceiling. Since the percentage increase in the retail price of Mogas is below 5%, the PPC has approved the recommendation of STC to maintain the retail price of Mogas at Rs 49.30 per litre in compliance with Section 5(1) (b) of the Regulations.

Gas Oil (Diesel)

The percentage increase in the retail price of Gas Oil works out to 6.2%, i.e. more than the 5% ceiling. The PPC has approved the recommendation of STC to maintain the retail price of Gas oil at Rs 41.20 per litre, by using funds in the Price Stabilisation Account (PSA).

NOTE:

The declining trend in price of Oil referred to in the last release of [8 June 2012](#) is currently reversing upwards, nullifying prospects of a retail price decrease as would have been expected had it continued to decline.

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