

Press Release (PPS) - 14 February 2017

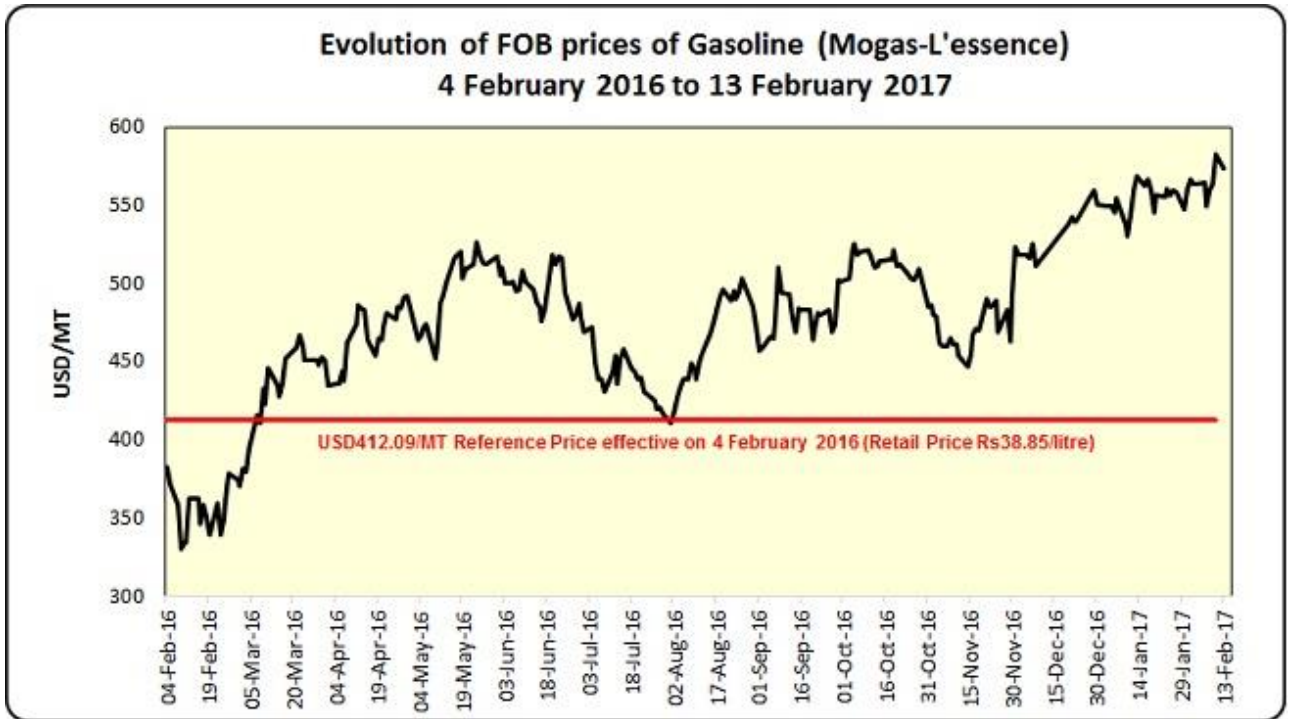
The Petroleum Pricing Committee (PPC) met on Tuesday 14 February 2017 and, after verification of the computation of the retail prices of Mogas and Gas Oil, as provided for under Regulation 8 of the Consumer Protection (Control of Price of Petroleum Products) Regulations 2011 (as amended), approved that the retail prices be increased as per Regulation 5(3):

Product	Retail Price (Rs/Litre)
Mogas	42.70
Gas Oil	32.45

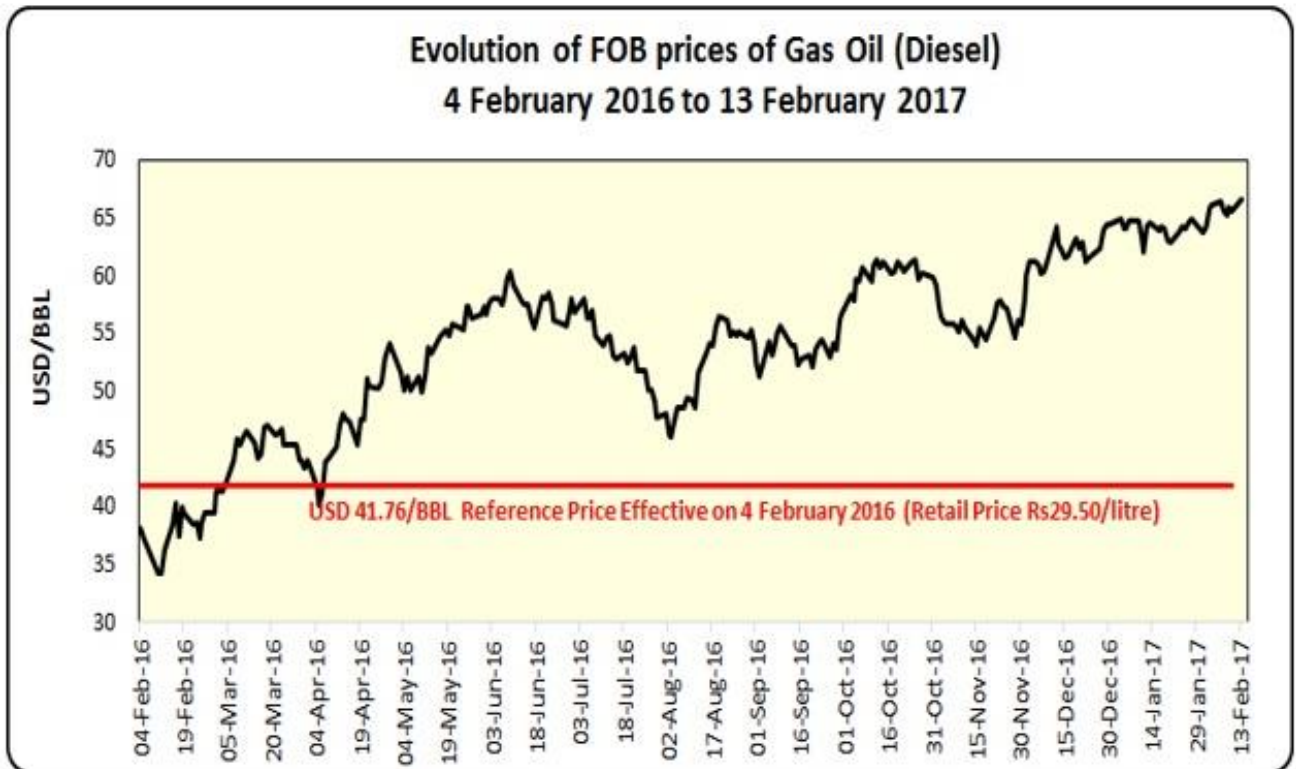
The last revision in prices of Mogas and Gas Oil was on 4 February 2016 when the retail prices of Mogas and Gas Oil were fixed at Rs38.85 and Rs29.50 per litre respectively. The reference prices used at that time were US\$412.09 per M. Ton for Mogas and US\$41.76 per USBBL for Gas Oil. Since then, there has been an upward trend in the FOB prices on the world market. To maintain these retail prices unchanged, funds from the Price Stabilisation Accounts (PSAs) were used. However, as the balance in the PSA has been depleted, there is no other option than to increase the prices. Therefore, the retail prices of Mogas has been increased by Rs 3.85 or 9.91% and that of Gas Oil has been increased by Rs 2.95 or 10 %. The new retail prices are effective as from 00.00 hr on Wednesday 15 February 2017.

The evolution of the FOB prices of Mogas and Gas Oil are shown below:

Graph 1 – Mogas



Graph 2 – Gas Oil



Based on the new Reference Prices, the retail prices of Mogas and Gas Oil should have been increased by Rs 7.9471 or 20.46% and Rs 7.3818 or 25.02% respectively. However, the increases have been restricted to 10% in accordance with the regulations, as shown below:

	Mogas	Gas Oil
Reference Price - US\$ per metric ton	553.4200	-
Reference Price - US\$ per barrel	-	63.9700
CIF - US\$/litre	0.4534	0.4294
Exchange rate - Rs/ US\$	36.5000	36.5000
	Rupees per litre	
CIF	16.5491	15.6731
Excise duty	10.8000	3.3000
Maurice Ile Durable levy	0.3000	0.3000
Contribution to Road Development Authority	1.8500	1.7500
Contribution to Rodrigues transportation and storage	0.4100	0.4100
Contribution to the Build Mauritius Fund	4.0000	4.0000
Contribution to the construction of Storage facilities for petroleum products	0.1000	0.1000
Contribution to subsidy on LPG, Flour and Rice	2.7000	2.7000
STC's operational expenses	0.3500	0.4000
Fund from Price Stabilisation Account	(3.5627)	(3.8537)
TRANSFER PRICE TO OIL COMPANIES	33.4964	24.7794
Oil Companies' operational expenses and wholesale margin	1.8200	1.6600
VAT (15%)	5.5696	4.2326
WHOLESALE PRICE	40.8860	30.6720
Retail margin (Filling station's margin)	1.8140	1.7780
RETAIL PRICE (Price at Petrol Service Station)	42.7000	32.4500

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