



## PRESS RELEASE

The Petroleum Pricing Committee (PPC) met on Friday 13 April 2018 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), decided that the retail prices be maintained as follows as per Regulation 5(3):

Product	Retail Price Rs / Litre
<b>Mogas</b>	<b>47.30</b>
<b>Gasoil</b>	<b>38.10</b>

At the PPC meeting of 20 December 2017, the retail price of Mogas was fixed at Rs47.30 per litre and that of Gas Oil at Rs38.10 per litre. The Reference prices used at that time were US\$600.39 per M.Ton for Mogas and US\$72.22 per Barrel for Gas Oil. The Price Stabilisation Account (PSA) had a negative balance of Rs333 million as stated in the press release of 20 December 2017. Since then, the deficit in the balance of the PSA has been reduced to Rs180.2 million as at 13 April 2018.

The Reference prices used for the present exercise, that is, the actual price for January to March 2018 and the future prices for April to June 2018 are US\$664.41 per M.Ton for Mogas representing an increase of US\$64.02 per M.Ton (10.66%) and US\$78.81 per Barrel for Gas Oil representing an increase of US\$6.59 per Barrel (9.12%) compared to December 2017. The calculated retail prices of both Mogas and Gas Oil have increased. However, since the increases are below 4%, their retail prices are maintained at their current levels, as per Regulations. Based on the new Reference prices, the retail prices of Mogas and Gas are as shown below:

	<b>Mogas</b>	<b>Gas Oil</b>
Reference price - US\$ per metric ton	<b>664.41</b>	-
Reference price - US\$ per barrel	-	<b>78.8100</b>
CIF - US\$/litre	0.5336	0.5194
Exchange rate – Rs/US\$	34.2000	34.2000
	<b>Rupees per litre</b>	
CIF	18.2491	17.7635
Excise duty	14.8000	7.3000
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 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
Adjustment	(1.3927)	(1.1511)
<b>TRANSFER PRICE TO OIL COMPANIES</b>	<b>37.3664</b>	<b>29.5724</b>
Oil Companies' operational expenses and wholesale margin	1.9300	1.7600
VAT (15%)	6.1696	4.9696
<b>WHOLESALE PRICE</b>	<b>45.4660</b>	<b>36.3020</b>
Retail margin	1.8340	1.7980
<b>RETAIL PRICE (Price at petrol service station)</b>	<b>47.3000</b>	<b>38.1000</b>