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पेट्रोल 59, डीजल 58
पैसे प्रति लीटर महंगा



पेट्रोल	डीजल
₹ 75.16	₹ 73.39

नई दिल्ली। पेट्रोल-डीजल की कीमतों में लगातार सातवें दिन शनिवार को भी बढ़ोतरी हुई। पिछले एक हफ्ते में पेट्रोल 3.90 रुपये और डीजल 4 रुपये प्रति लीटर महंगा हो चुका है।

पुणे में खुला आत्मनिर्भर पेट्रोल पंप, ग्राहक खुद भरेंगे पेट्रोल-डीजल



पुणे | पेट्रोल पंप कर्मियों और ग्राहकों को सीधे संपर्क से बचाने के लिए पुणे के पेट्रोल पंप ने आत्मनिर्भर तरीका अपनाया है। पेट्रोल पंप पर ग्राहक को खुद अपनी गाड़ी में पेट्रोल या डीजल भरना होगा। तेल भरने से पहले हाथों को सैनेटाइज भी करना होगा। इस दौरान पंप कर्मी वहां मौजूद रहेंगे और ग्राहक को निर्देशित करते रहेंगे।

Petrol & diesel prices rise for 7th day in row

State-run fuel retailers raised petrol and diesel prices for the seventh time in a row on Saturday as the Centre's hefty excise duty hikes has left them no margin to cushion consumers from the recent rebound in global oil prices.

Petrol price has risen by Rs 3.9 per litre and diesel by Rs 4 in the last seven days after the retailers resumed the daily price revision since June 7 after a gap of 82 days. In the seventh hike on Saturday, petrol price was raised by 59 paise per litre and diesel by 58 paise. As a result, petrol price rose to Rs 75.16 per litre from Rs 74.57, while diesel rate rose to Rs 73.39 from Rs 72.81 in Delhi. The increase varies from state to state due to the difference in VAT.

Hike in VAT by states passed on to consumers

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The retailers had held price line for petrol and diesel since March 16, a day after the Centre raised excise duty on fuels by Rs 3 per litre. On May 6, Central levies were raised by Rs 10 per litre on petrol and Rs 13 per litre on diesel. The same day, the Delhi government raised VAT by Rs 7 per litre to mop up funds for Corona measures.

On both occasions, state-run oil marketing firms offset the higher central taxes against their margins that

had widened to double digits as global crude prices collapsed. But increases in VAT effected by many state governments was passed on to consumers by way of higher pump prices. On May 5, the Delhi government raised VAT, which made petrol costlier by Rs 1.67 a litre and diesel by Rs 7.10. The state-run retailers continued to revise jet fuel prices to extend the "benefit" of sliding oil prices to airlines, though only a few flights carrying medical equipment took to the sky.

Full report on www.toi.in

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OIL flies in three more experts to control fire

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
GUWAHATI

Oil India Limited (OIL) flew in three more disaster-control experts from the U.S. and Canada late on Friday night to help control the Baghjan natural gas-producing well that burst into flames almost two weeks after a blowout.

The exploration major had flown in three oil well disaster specialists from Singapore on June 8, a day before the Baghjan well in eastern Assam's Tinsukia district caught fire.

"Preliminary work of arranging facilities for the well control operation began today [on Saturday] after the six foreign experts carried out a joint survey of the site, along with our officials and specialists from

Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited," a spokesperson said from the OIL headquarters at Duliajan in the adjoining Dibrugarh district.

While equipment and material from ONGC's facility in eastern Assam's Sivasagar were being unloaded at the site, more equipment sent by road from ONGC's operations in Andhra Pradesh were yet to arrive.

The intensity of the protests at OIL installations across eastern Assam lessened on Saturday.

"The production loss on Saturday was 500 metric tonnes of crude oil and 0.46 million metric standard cubic meter per day of natural gas due to the protests," the spokesperson said.

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has gone up by Rs 3.9 per litre and diesel by Rs 4.

The freeze in rates was imposed in mid-March soon after the government hiked excise duty on petrol and diesel to shore up additional finances.

Oil PSUs Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL), instead of passing on the excise duty hikes to customers, adjusted them against the fall in the retail rates that was warranted because of a decline in international oil prices.

WITH AGENCY INPUTS

OIL loses 638 MT crude oil due to blockades at Assam fire site	Millennium Post	8	Bureau	Negative
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GUWAHATI: The state-owned Oil India Ltd (OIL) lost 638 MT of crude oil production from 66 producing wells and 0.46 MMSCMD of natural gas from three gas wells due to blockades by the local people and various students organisations in two districts of Assam, an OIL official said.

A senior OIL official said that as the fire fighters, the NDRF and engineers intensified their efforts to douse the oil well fire in Assam's Tinsukia district on the fifth day on Saturday, various students organisations and other associations forced OIL to stop its operations in many drilling locations and nine work-over locations in Tinsukia and Dibrugarh districts.

Security forces in large numbers have been deployed at the agitation sites by the district administrations.

The organisations — All Assam Students' Union, All Moran Students' Union and All Adivasi Students' Association of Assam — have been protesting against the incident and demanding more compensation to the affected people.

The state-owned OIL has given financial aid of Rs 30,000



NDRF personnel search for the missing fire-fighters at a pond near an oil well as Baghjan oil field continues to burn, in Tinsukia district of Assam PTI

to each of the affected families.

"If the protests of the local organisations continued, the loss of crude oil, which is 638 MT from 66 producing wells and 0.46 MMSCMD of natural gas till Friday, would further increase and hamper the efforts to control the oil well fire," the OIL official said.

He said that a detailed draft plan for the well control opera-

tion drawn up by the team of experts from Singapore based M/s Alert, along with ONGC (Oil and Natural Gas Corporation) and OIL team has been submitted to the union Petroleum and Natural Gas Ministry.

To control the inferno and gas leakage accompanied by oil condensate, equipment is being brought from different parts of the country including

from Rajahmundry (Andhra Pradesh).

The gas and oil condensate leakage continued for the 18th day on Saturday while the fire broke out on Tuesday.

At least two fire fighters of OIL were killed and four others including one from ONGC were injured near the oil well blowout site on Wednesday.

The inferno could be seen

from as far as 10 km away.

Around 7,000 people have been evacuated and sheltered in 14 relief camps while the inferno completely and partially burnt more than 35 houses.

The Singapore-based emergency management firm has been trying to plug the leakage of gas and oil condensate since it arrived on June 8. The state government has also sought the Indian Air Force's help.

An OIL spokesman said that the fire has been controlled in a 1.5 km radius area but it is still raging as the "uncontrollable" natural gas is being fed by the well's oil.

Local people said that the inferno has left a trail of devastation in the adjoining areas, including a famous lake. Farmlands with standing crops, as well as ponds and wetlands in the adjoining villages have also been badly affected and the threat is growing with every passing day.

Experts, environmentalists and wildlife activists are worried as the Dibru-Saikhowa National Park, known for its feral horses, is less than 2 km away from the OIL's well site. IANS

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PRESSTRUST OF INDIA

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