



## GOVERNMENT OF NIUE

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### **FUEL PRICE ADJUSTMENTS – UPDATE AND STAGED APPROACH CONFIRMED**

**Alofi, Niue – 30 April 2026** – The Government of Niue advises the public that it has confirmed a staged approach to fuel price adjustments, following continued increases in global fuel prices and freight costs.

Over the past six months, Government has held fuel prices steady and absorbed rising costs in order to protect households, businesses, and essential services. Recent international market conditions have resulted in a sharp increase in the cost of fuel supplied to Niue. Holding prices unchanged for an extended period is no longer financially sustainable and poses risks to fuel supply security. Fuel price adjustments are therefore being made gradually and predictably, rather than through sudden large increases.

#### **Fuel Cost Situation – Niue Update**

Global fuel pressures continue, with small island economies such as Niue particularly affected by rising fuel prices and shipping costs.

Niue's typical monthly fuel procurement costs and forecast costs indicate:

- April – 30% increase
- May – 50% increase
- June (potential) – 150% increase

At present:

- Fuel supplies remain sufficient
- There is no rationing
- Fuel is available as normal

Government will continue to monitor global fuel markets closely and will keep the public informed of any further developments.

#### **What Government Is Doing Now**

- Implementing staged fuel price adjustments to manage rising costs responsibly
- Carefully managing fuel usage across Government operations
- Setting aside a dedicated diesel supply for Government heavy machinery, distributed by Niue Bulk Fuel at the Bulk Fuel premises (Airport) using approved equipment
- Ensuring fuel availability for essential services, including power, health, water, aviation, and emergency services
- Monitoring fuel supply and usage through established bulk fuel management processes
- Continuing longer-term work to reduce fuel dependence through renewable energy initiatives, noting that the Renewable Energy Project at Hikufenoga is scheduled for commissioning in July 2026

All other Government diesel vehicles will continue to purchase fuel through Central Services under existing arrangements.

### **Essential Departments and Service Continuity**

The Government has confirmed that essential departments and critical services will continue to operate without disruption. These include, but are not limited to:

- Power, Water and Communications Services
- Health Services
- Emergency and Disaster Response
- Aviation and Port Operations
- Public Works and Infrastructure

Fuel supplies for these services are being prioritised and managed to ensure continuity of operations and public safety.

### **What This Means for the Public**

- Fuel remains available as normal
- There is no fuel rationing
- There is no need to panic buy or stockpile fuel
- Price adjustments are being managed in stages to reduce sudden impacts

### **How the Public Can Help (Voluntary)**

- Use fuel wisely
- Combine trips and reduce non-essential driving
- Carpool or share rides where practical
- Conserve power usage at home and at work

“Using fuel wisely today helps keep Niue running tomorrow.”

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