



Joint Statement on Petroleum Fuel Quality Assurance

Nairobi, Kenya 6th February 2025 – In response to recent concerns about the quality of petroleum fuels available in the country, we, the Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) and the Energy & Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) are releasing this statement to assure consumers and the general public of our commitment to transparency.

It is important to highlight that all petroleum fuels imported into the country undergo testing and certification before being released into the market as part of our quality assurance measures. In light of the recent reports and videos circulating on social media, we have conducted extensive confirmatory tests on fuel samples from various petroleum retail stations, including those specifically mentioned in the reports. We are pleased to report that the results of these tests confirm that the fuel at all sampled stations meet the recommended Research Octane Number (RON) ratings as stipulated by Kenyan Standards.

Furthermore, in instances where Super Petrol is marketed as a premium fuel with higher RON ratings, our tests consistently affirm compliance with these higher standards. Consequently, we urge consumers to continue to have confidence in the quality of petroleum fuels available, as there is no cause for alarm.

Sample No.	Recommended	Actual	Tested	RON	on	Remarks
	RON	04.02.2025				
1	95	96.1		Differentiated fuel		
2	95	95.9		Differentiated fuel		
3	95	96.0		Differentiated Fuel		
4	95		95.9			Differentiated Fuel

The test laboratory results are outlined hereunder:

Super Petrol is categorised based on its RON rating, which determines its suitability for different engine configurations. It is important to note that these ratings can only be accurately conducted in a controlled laboratory setting, where all variables can be monitored and measured effectively.





We would like to caution consumers and the general public that there are gadgets in the market that can provide a qualitative indication of the RON rating but the results from these gadgets cannot be guaranteed unless confirmed through laboratory tests that follow the required standard procedures of sampling, equipment calibration, and testing.

The Kenya Bureau of Standards and the Energy & Petroleum Regulatory Authority are committed to upholding transparency and accuracy in our findings, and we remain dedicated to ensuring that the fuel available to consumers meets the highest standards. We understand the importance of this issue to the public and continue to prioritize their safety and satisfaction.

We appreciate the continued trust and support of the public as we work to ensure the highest quality standards in fuel distribution.

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About EPRA: The Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) is established as the successor to the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) under the Energy Act, 2019 with the responsibility for economic and technical regulation of electricity, renewable energy, petroleum, and coal.

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