**Increasing the price of petrol is the best way to solve growing traffic and pollution problems.**

**To what extent do you agree or disagree with the above statement?**

These days, traffic congestion and pollution troubles are increasing then the most efficient technique to tackle with these issues would be raising the cost of fuels. Although I agree that raising the cost of fuels could lead to depletion of traffic congestion and pollution in the short-term, I don’t think it can be effective in the long-term.

On the one hand, There are several reasons why increasing the price of fuels could solve increasing traffic and pollution problems. First and foremost, increasing petrol cost would lead to decrease the number of cars on the roads. As the number of cars decrease, the demand for fossil fuels decrease, which cause less pollution because exhaust fumes are a major contributor to air pollution. Also by raising the price of petrol, many people cannot afford their own private transport which makes public transport essential therefore it can helps reduce traffic congestion in city centers.

On the other hand, there is no best solution for solving traffic congestion and pollution problems in long-term as several methods should involve and work together to tackle with these problems. Firstly, the infrastructure of many major cities is inadequate to deal with the high volume of traffic so building overpasses and underpasses could handle it. Secondly, by improving the efficiency, reliability and comfort of public transport, people would be encouraged to use them and it can help to reduce air pollution. Finally, by increasing the awareness of community, people should actively reduce the amount of energy they use on a daily basis so it helps reduce gas emissions.

In conclusion, although raising the price of petrol would be effective in order to deal with heavy traffic and pollution problems in the short-term, other methods should also be considered to have long-term effects.