

Government of Pakistan
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

SUB:- ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2015.

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during April, 2015 amounted to Rs.202,874 million (provisional) as against Rs. 196,553 million (provisional) in March, 2015 and Rs.185,909 million during April, 2014 showing an increase of 3.22% over March,2015 and of 9.13% over April, 2014.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in April, 2015 was \$ 1,995 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,932 million (provisional) in March, 2015 showing an increase of 3.26% and by 4.61% as compared to \$ 1,907 million in April, 2014.

3. Exports during July - April, 2014 - 2015 totalled Rs.2,016,228 million (provisional) as against Rs.2,176,467 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 7.36%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – April, 2014 - 2015 totalled \$ 19,921 million (provisional) as against \$ 20,979 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 5.04%.

5. Main commodities of exports during April, 2015 were Cotton cloth (Rs.21,421 million), Knitwear (Rs.19,396 million), Bedwear (Rs.18,052 million), Readymade garments (Rs.17,723 million), Rice others (Rs.13,988 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.12,547 million), Towels (Rs.6,531 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.5,618 million), Sugar (Rs.4,431 million) and Rice basmati (Rs.4,321 million).

6. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during April, 2015 over March, 2015 and April, 2014 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in April, 2015 over	
		March, 2015	April, 2014
1.	Cotton cloth	-1.28	1.00
2.	Knitwear	11.87	14.94
3.	Bedwear	15.08	16.39
4.	Readymade garments	5.23	20.35
5.	Rice others	-17.42	28.93
6.	Cotton yarn	-5.56	-5.97
7.	Towels	5.27	11.15
8.	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	5.11	6.60
9.	Sugar	-0.83	322.40
10.	Rice basmati	-12.49	-38.46

IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during April, 2015 amounted to Rs.385,483 million (provisional) as against Rs. 354,923 million (provisional) in March, 2015 and Rs.395,105 million during April, 2014 showing an increase of 8.61% over March, 2015 but a decrease of 2.44 over April, 2014.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in April, 2015 was \$ 3,790 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,488 million (provisional) in March, 2015 showing an increase of 8.66 but decreased by 6.49% as compared to \$ 4,053 million in April, 2014.

9. Imports during July - April, 2014 - 2015 totalled Rs.3,823,436 million (provisional) as against Rs.3,843,475 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 0.52%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July - April, 2014 - 2015 totalled \$ 37,763 million (provisional) as against \$ 37,085 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 1.83%.

11. Main commodities of imports during April, 2015 were Petroleum products (Rs.58,839 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.39,260 million), Iron & steel (Rs.20,093 million), Plastic materials (Rs.16,978 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.16,526 million), Palm oil (Rs.11,895 million), Iron & steel scrap (Rs.9,702 million) Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.8,614 million), Medicinal products (Rs.6,720 million) and Synthetic & artificial silk yarn (Rs.6,134 million).

12. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities imported during April, 2015 over March, 2015 and April, 2014 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in April, 2015 over	
		March, 2015	April, 2014
1.	Petroleum products	17.40	-28.60
2.	Petroleum crude	82.56	-7.49
3.	Iron & Steel	41.98	54.26
4.	Plastic materials	6.01	15.67
5.	Power generating machinery	89.19	118.02
6.	Palm oil	-13.48	-24.37
7.	Iron & steel scrap	11.39	44.65
8.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	-13.70	-20.42
9.	Medicinal products	-24.82	-27.63
10.	Synthetic & artificial silk yarn	10.76	-0.86

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in April, 2015 was (-) 182,609 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 1,795 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - April, 2014 - 2015 were (-) 1,807,208 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 17,842 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of April, 2015 and July - April, 2014 - 2015 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period are enclosed.