Government of Pakistan Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

SUB:- <u>ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER</u>, 2016.

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during September, 2016 amounted to Rs.161,293 million (provisional) as against Rs. 173,496 million (provisional) in August, 2016 and Rs.179,817 million during September, 2015 showing a decrease of 7.03% over August,2016 and of 10.30% over September, 2015.

- 2. In terms of US dollars the exports in September, 2016 was \$ 1,543 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,658 million (provisional) in August, 2016 showing a decrease of 6.94% and by 10.60% as compared to \$ 1,726 million in September, 2015.
- 3. Exports during July September, 2016 totalled Rs.489,252 million (provisional) as against Rs.528,573 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 7.44%.
- 4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July September, 2016 totalled \$ 4,676 million (provisional) against \$ 5,143 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 9.08%.
- 5. Main commodities of exports during September, 2016 were Knitwear (Rs.19,898 million), Bedwear (Rs.17,901 million), Cotton cloth (Rs.17,655 million), Readymade garments (Rs.16,783 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.9,044 million), Towels (Rs.6,326 million), Rice others (Rs.6,267 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.4,916 million), Fish & fish preparations (Rs.3,602 million) and Fruits (Rs.3,134 million).
- 6. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during September, 2016 over August, 2016 and September, 2015 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in September, 2016 over	
		August, 2016	September, 2015
1.	Knitwear	-9.47	-5.28
2.	Bedwear	-9.05	-2.62
3.	Cotton cloth	-14.16	-12.50
4.	Readymade garments	-13.08	3.75
5.	Cotton yarn	-24.65	-29.04
6.	Towels	3.48	-19.69
7.	Rice others	19.55	-23.26
8.	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	-14.07	-15.89
9.	Fish & fish preparations	86.34	6.51
10.	Fruits	-22.19	71.07

IMPORTS

- 7. Imports into Pakistan during September, 2016 amounted to Rs.403,262 million (provisional) as against Rs. 453,135 million (provisional) in August, 2016 and Rs.360,661 million during September, 2015 showing a decrease of 11.01% over August, 2016 but an increase of 11.81% over September, 2015.
- 8. In terms of US dollars the imports in September, 2016 was \$ 3,858 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 4,331 million (provisional) in August, 2016 showing a decrease of 10.92% but increased by 11.47% as compared to imports of \$ 3,461 million in September, 2015.
- 9. Imports during July September, 2016 totalled Rs.1,226,766 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,090,266 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 12.52%.
- 10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July September, 2016 totalled \$ 11,725 million (provisional) as against \$ 10,611 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 10.50%.
- 11. Main commodities of imports during September, 2016 were Petroleum products (Rs.51,866 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.25,780 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.23,217 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.17,388 million), Plastic materials (Rs.14,243 million), Palm oil (Rs.13,029 million), Iron & steel (Rs.12,997 million), Natural gas (Liquefied) (Rs.8,911 Million), Medicinal products (Rs.8,313 million) and Fertilizer manufactured (Rs.7,922 million).

12. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities imported during September, 2016 over August, 2016 and September, 2015 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in September, 2016 over	
		August, 2016	September, 2015
1.	Petroleum products	-3.16	13.56
2.	Petroleum crude	102.00	0.96
3.	Power generating machinery	-43.60	138.78
4.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	5.60	82.51
5.	Plastic materials	-21.92	7.04
6.	Palm oil	-10.39	-22.52
7.	Iron & Steel	-33.26	-10.20
8.	Natural gas (Liquefied)	0.11	68.39
9.	Medicinal products	0.12	46.48
10.	Fertilizer manufactured	117.45	-34.69

BALANCE OF TRADE:

- 13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in September, 2016 was (-) 241,969 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 2,315 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July September, 2016 were (-) 737,514 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 7,049 million in US dollars.
- 14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of September, 2016 and July September, 2016 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period of last year are enclosed.