#### Government of Pakistan Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

#### SUB:- <u>ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE</u> <u>MONTH OF JANUARY, 2017.</u>

# **EXPORTS:**

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during January, 2017 amounted to Rs.186,384 million (provisional) as against Rs. 180,899 million (provisional) in December, 2016 and Rs.185,298 million during January, 2016 showing an increase of 3.03% over December,2016 and of 0.59% over January, 2016.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in January, 2017 was \$ 1,780 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,727 million (provisional) in December, 2016 showing an increase of 3.07% and by 0.74% as compared to \$ 1,767 million in January, 2016.

3. Exports during July - January, 2016 - 2017 totalled Rs.1,223,061 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,255,067 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 2.55%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – January, 2016 - 2017 totalled \$ 11,685 million (provisional) against \$ 12,073 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 3.21%.

5. Main commodities of exports during January, 2017 were Readymade garments (Rs.21,156 million), Knitwear (Rs.20,908 million), Cotton cloth (Rs.19,454 million), Bedwear (Rs.18,141 million), Rice others (Rs.13,446 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.9,709 million), Towels (Rs.6,652 million), Fruits (Rs.6,383 million) Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.5,739 million) and Rice basmati (Rs.3,721 million).

6. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during January, 2017 over December, 2016 and January, 2016 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in January, 2017 over	
		December, 2016	January, 2016
1.	Readymade garments	-4.32	-3.71
2.	Knitwear	-2.02	-3.54
3.	Cotton cloth	22.12	-3.20
4.	Bedwear	3.02	2.06
5.	Rice others	1.99	2.90
6.	Cotton yarn	-11.35	4.26
7.	Towels	2.13	-1.47
8.	Fruits	20.96	-21.50
9.	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	-6.44	-13.45
10.	Rice basmati	20.11	6.86

## **IMPORTS**

7. Imports into Pakistan during January, 2017 amounted to Rs.494,721 million (provisional) as against Rs. 470,038 million (provisional) in December, 2016 and Rs.362,229 million during January, 2016 showing an increase of 5.25% over December, 2016 and of 36.58% over January, 2016.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in January, 2017 was \$ 4,724 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 4,488 million (provisional) in December, 2016 showing an increase of 5.26% and by 36.73% as compared to \$ 3,455 million in January, 2016.

9. Imports during July - January, 2016 - 2017 totalled Rs.3,045,842 million (provisional) as against Rs.2,663,494 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 14.36%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July - January, 2016 - 2017 totalled \$ 29,101 million (provisional) as against \$ 25,617 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 13.60%.

11. Main commodities of imports during January, 2017 were Petroleum products (Rs.54,335 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.29,026 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.27,887 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.19,963 million), Iron & steel (Rs.19,011 million), Palm oil (Rs.18,009 million), Plastic materials (Rs.17,122 million), Pulses (Leguminous vegetables) Rs.12,544 million), Iron & steel scrap (Rs.11,764 million) and Aircrafts, ships & boats (Rs.10,330 million).

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in January, 2017 over	
		December, 2016	January, 2016
1.	Petroleum products	-13.89	37.47
2.	Power generating machinery	23.02	19.54
3.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	19.44	61.80
4.	Petroleum crude	-1.00	80.55
5.	Iron & Steel	14.48	6.22
6.	Palm oil	-1.01	41.59
7.	Plastic materials	3.14	37.04
8.	Pulses (Leguminous vegetables)	44.93	47.70
9.	Iron & steel scrap	11.59	12.18
10.	Aircrafts, ships & boats	143.29	171.99

12. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities imported during January, 2017 over December, 2016 and January, 2016 is given below:-

### **BALANCE OF TRADE:**

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in January, 2017 was (-) 308,337 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 2,944 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - January, 2016 - 2017 were (-) 1,822,781 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 17,416 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of January, 2017 and July - January, 2016 - 2017 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period of last year are enclosed.