

Government of Pakistan
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

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

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during October, 2015 amounted to Rs.180,653 million (provisional) as against Rs. 180,491 million (provisional) in September, 2015 and Rs.200,456 million during October, 2014 showing an increase of 0.09% over September,2015 but a decrease of 9.88% over October, 2014.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in October, 2015 was \$ 1,729 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,732 million (provisional) in September, 2015 showing a decrease of 0.17% and by 11.38% as compared to \$ 1,951 million in October, 2014.

3. Exports during July - October, 2015 totalled Rs.709,900 million (provisional) as against Rs.803,177 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 11.61%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – October, 2015 totalled \$ 6,879 million (provisional) against \$ 7,951 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 13.48%.

5. Main commodities of exports during October, 2015 were Cotton cloth (Rs.20,944 million), Knitwear (Rs.19,734 million), Readymade garments (Rs.18,222 million), Bedwear (Rs.17,068 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.12,707 million), Rice others (Rs.12,666 million), Towels (Rs.6,167 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.6,034 million), Fish & fish preparations (Rs.3,728 million) and Surgical & medical instruments (Rs.3,648 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in October, 2015 over	
		September, 2015	October, 2014
1.	Cotton cloth	3.60	-0.14
2.	Knitwear	-6.55	-7.98
3.	Readymade garments	13.01	1.32
4.	Bedwear	-5.46	-7.39
5.	Cotton yarn	0.03	-27.58
6.	Rice others	40.76	26.43
7.	Towels	-15.40	-16.76
8.	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	0.23	4.67
9.	Fish & fish preparations	10.23	5.55
10.	Surgical & medical instruments	30.05	15.74

IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during October, 2015 amounted to Rs.410,184 million (provisional) as against Rs. 363,131 million (provisional) in September, 2015 and Rs.435,658 million during October, 2014 showing an increase of 12.96% over September, 2015 but a decrease of 5.85 over October, 2014.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in October, 2015 was \$ 3,926 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,485 million (provisional) in September, 2015 showing an increase of 12.65% but decreased by 7.41% as compared to \$ 4,240 million in October, 2014.

9. Imports during July - October, 2015 totalled Rs.1,502,920 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,689,742 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 11.06%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July - October, 2015 totalled \$ 14,560 million (provisional) as against \$ 16,714 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 12.89%.

11. Main commodities of imports during October, 2015 were Petroleum products (Rs.45,925 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.23,170 million), Plastic materials (Rs.18,133 million), Palm oil (Rs.16,836 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.14,517 million), Iron & steel (Rs.14,126 million), Fertilizer manufactured (Rs.13,605 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.12,382 million), Medicinal products (Rs.8,652 million) and Iron & steel scrap (Rs.8,503 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in October, 2015 over	
		September, 2015	October, 2014
1.	Petroleum products	0.55	-39.92
2.	Petroleum crude	21.77	-52.33
3.	Plastic materials	36.27	28.28
4.	Palm oil	0.12	2.22
5.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	52.67	16.42
6.	Iron & Steel	-2.41	0.23
7.	Fertilizer manufactured	12.17	35.97
8.	Power generating machinery	25.55	12.92
9.	Medicinal products	52.46	-45.64
10.	Iron & steel scrap	19.04	1.23

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in October, 2015 was (-) 229,531 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 2,197 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - October, 2015 were (-) 793,020 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 7,681 million in US dollars.

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