#### Government of Pakistan Ministry of Planning, Development and Reform <u>PAKISTAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS</u>

## PRESS RELEASE ON CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) INFLATION

## FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 2019 [Base 2015-16=100]

Indicators		Year
Indicators	2015-16	2007-08
Inflation Rate, October, 2019 over September, 2019 (Previous month)	1.82	1.00
Inflation Rate, October, 2019 over October, 2018 (Corresponding month)	11.04	11.08
Average Inflation Rate July- October (2019-20) over July- October (2018-19)	10.32	11.40

## Analysis of Consumer Price Index (CPI) Base Year (2015-16)

2. The CPI on new base (2015-16) comprises of urban CPI and Rural CPI. The Urban CPI covers 35 cities and 356 consumer items. The Rural CPI covers 27 Rural Centers and 244 consumer items. In the new base year (2015-16) National CPI for 12 major groups is also computed by taking weighted average of Urban CPI and Rural CPI.

#### MONTHLY ANALYSIS (M.o.M)

#### October, 2019 over September, 2019

CPI National with base year (2015-16) for the month of October, 2019 increased by 1.82% over September, 2019. The Urban CPI with base year (2015-16) recorded an increase of 1.59% while Rural CPI with base year (2015-16) recorded an increase of 2.17%. (Details are in the Monthly Review). CPI with old base year (2007-08) recorded an increase of 1.00%.

	NA	TIONAL (B	ase 2015-16	6)	Base 2007-08				
Group	Weight (%)	INDICES		%	Weight	IND	%		
		Oct, 2019	Sep, 2019	<b>.</b>		Oct, 2019	Sep, 2019	Change	
General	100.00	129.16	126.86	1.82	100.00	260.46	257.88	1.00	
Food and non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	128.46	125.63	2.26	34.83	272.00	268.40	1.34	
Non-perishable food items	29.60	122.77	122.76	0.01	29.84	263.47	262.18	0.49	
Perishable food items	4.99	162.24	142.62	13.76	4.99	322.98	305.58	5.69	
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	134.97	134.51	0.34	1.41	430.58	430.39	0.04	
Clothing and footwear	8.60	126.72	126.01	0.56	7.57	279.60	277.52	0.75	
Housing, water, Elec., Gas and other fuels	23.63	129.38	124.82	3.65	29.41	240.35	237.71	1.11	
Furnishing and household equipment maintenance	4.10	123.99	123.03	0.78	4.21	275.32	270.93	1.62	
Health	2.79	134.87	133.45	1.07	2.19	253.00	249.98	1.21	
Transport	5.91	141.90	141.44	0.33	7.20	234.95	234.20	0.32	
Communication	2.21	106.73	106.70	0.02	3.22	145.78	145.78	0.00	
Recreation and culture	1.59	118.45	117.69	0.64	2.02	229.56	227.37	0.96	
Education	3.79	141.75	141.54	0.15	3.94	302.57	302.39	0.06	
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	125.44	125.10	0.27	1.23	324.08	323.51	0.18	
Misc. goods and services	4.87	131.01	130.22	0.61	2.76	307.57	306.41	0.38	

# 3. Top few commodities which varied from previous month i.e. September, 2019 are given below:

#### URBAN:

*Increased*: Fresh vegetables(15.78%), Onions(10.86%), Tea(8.15%), Milk products(4.74%), Wheat flour (3.22%), Potatoes(3.16%), Milk fresh (2.83%), Wheat(1.92%), Doctor (MBBS) clinic fee(1.79%), Pulse gram(1.41%), Vegetable ghee(1.3%), Gur(1.16%) and Pulse masoor(1.11%).

**Decreased:** Tomatoes(5.84%), Fresh fruits(5.6%), Chicken (4.42%), Motor fuel(3.23%), Eggs (2.36%) and Liquefied Hydrocarbons(0.76%).

### RURAL:

*Increased*: Fresh Vegetables(16.29%), Onions(10.77%), Tea(6.4%), Gur(2.83%), Wheat Flour(2.72%), Wheat(2.15%), Milk fresh(1.9%), Vegetable ghee(1.88%), Mustard oil(1.77%), Pulse Gram(1.28%) and Meat(1.13%).

**Decreased**: Fresh fruits(8.92%), Tomatoes(7.2%), Motor Fuels (3.56%), Pulse Mash(2.21%), Liquefied Hydrocarbons (1.92%) and Eggs(1.23%).

## YEARLY ANALYSIS (Y.o.Y)

#### October, 2019 over October, 2018

CPI National with base year (2015-16) for the month of October, 2019 increased by **11.04%** over October, 2018. The Urban CPI with base year (2015-16) recorded an increase of 10.86% while Rural CPI with base year (2015-16) recorded an increase of 11.33%. (Details are in the Monthly Review). CPI with old base year (2007-08) recorded an increase of 11.08%.

	N	ATIONAL (	Base 2015-1	Base 2007-08				
Group	Weight	IND	ICES	Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change
	(%)	Oct, 2019	Oct, 2018	(%)		Oct, 2019	Oct, 2018	(0()
General	100.00	129.16	116.32	11.04	100.00	260.46	234.49	11.08
Food and non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	128.46	111.68	15.03	34.83	272.00	240.50	13.10
Non-perishable food items	29.60	122.77	110.27	11.34	29.84	263.47	238.09	10.66
Perishable food items	4.99	162.24	120.03	35.17	4.99	322.98	254.86	26.73
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	134.97	112.16	20.34	1.41	430.58	344.03	25.16
Clothing and footwear	8.60	126.72	115.92	9.32	7.57	279.60	256.09	9.18
Housing, water, Elec., Gas and other fuels	23.63	129.38	120.72	7.18	29.41	240.35	219.07	9.71
Furnishing and household equipment maintenance	4.10	123.99	111.42	11.28	4.21	275.32	245.51	12.14
Health	2.79	134.87	120.26	12.15	2.19	253.00	234.02	8.11
Transport	5.91	141.90	121.85	16.45	7.20	234.95	210.00	11.88
Communication	2.21	106.73	102.61	4.01	3.22	145.78	143.45	1.62
Recreation and culture	1.59	118.45	110.24	7.44	2.02	229.56	213.73	7.41
Education	3.79	141.75	133.70	6.02	3.94	302.57	288.62	4.83
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	125.44	118.32	6.01	1.23	324.08	297.40	8.97
Misc. goods and services	4.87	131.01	116.47	12.49	2.76	307.57	271.43	13.31

## 6. Top few commodities which varied from previous year i.e. October, 2018 are given below:

## URBAN:

Increased: Onions(131.08%), Gas charges(54.84%),Pulse moong (45.47%),vegetables(39.44%), Sugar(34.64%), Potatoes(45%), Fresh Pulse mash(31.03%). Gur(27.46%), Cigarettes (24.55%), Motor fuel(20.7%), Motor vehicles(18.61%), Cooking oil(18.4%), Vegetable ghee(17.76%), Construction input items(17.4%)Tea(17.38%), Doctor (MBBS) clinic fee(15.26%), Pulse masoor (14.47%), Meat(13.54%), Fish(13.21%), Milk powder (12.21%), Wheat flour (11.49%), Pulse gram(10.82%), Beans(10.72%), Construction wage rates(10.48%), and Electricity charges(10.44%),

Decreased: Liquefied Hydrocarbons (5.58%), and Chicken (2.02%).

#### RURAL:

*Increased*: Onions(122.47%), Pulse Moong(48.26%), Gur(43.32%), Potatoes(42.2%), Sugar(36.16%), Fresh Vegetables(34.67%), Pulse Mash(29.85%), Cigarettes(23.22%), Motor Fuels(20.97%),Cooking oil(20.83%), Fish(19.41%), Doctor Clinic Fee(19.33%), Vegetable ghee(17.1%), Milk powder(16.4%), Tea(15.89%), Wheat Flour(12.93%), Pulse Masoor(12.54%), Pulse Gram(12.35%), Meat(11.81%) and Condiments and Spices(11.06%) and Electricity Charges(10.44%).

Decreased: Tomatoes (6.93%), and Liquefied Hydrocarbons (3.63%).

## **AVERAGE INFLATION RATE**

**7.** CPI National with base year (2015-16) for the period July-October (2019-20) increased by **10.32%** over July-October (2018-19). The Urban CPI with base year (2015-16) recorded an increase of 10.45% while Rural CPI with base year (2015-16) recorded an increase of 10.14%. (Details are in the Monthly Review). CPI with old base year (2007-08) recorded an increase of 11.40%.

	١	ATIONAL (B	ase 2015-16)	Base 2007-08				
Group	Weight (%)	INDI	Change	Weight	INDI	Change		
		Jul-Oct, 2019	Jul-Oct, 2018		(%)	Jul-Oct, 2019		
General	100.00	126.44	114.61	10.32	100.00	256.69	230.42	11.40
Food and non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	124.01	109.81	12.93	34.83	265.33	238.49	11.25
Non-perishable food items	29.60	120.99	108.60	11.41	29.84	259.63	235.61	10.19
Perishable food items	4.99	142.00	117.02	21.34	4.99	299.36	255.63	17.11
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	134.24	105.54	27.20	1.41	428.91	321.39	33.45
Clothing and footwear	8.60	125.53	115.51	8.67	7.57	276.6	255.07	8.44
Housing, water, Elec., Gas and other fuels	23.63	126.05	118.09	6.74	29.41	238.3	212.85	11.96
Furnishing and household equipment maintenance	4.10	122.54	110.01	11.39	4.21	270	243.06	11.08
Health	2.79	133.24	119.14	11.84	2.19	248.25	227.67	9.04
Transport	5.91	142.01	120.98	17.38	7.20	234.4	205.6	14.01
Communication	2.21	106.67	102.33	4.24	3.22	145.68	136.16	6.99
Recreation and culture	1.59	117.50	109.31	7.49	2.02	227.15	210.61	7.85
Education	3.79	141.32	132.80	6.42	3.94	302.02	284.95	5.99
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	124.60	117.52	6.02	1.23	320.88	295.38	8.63
Misc. goods and services	4.87	129.02	114.14	12.46	2.76	303.19	267.17	13.48

## 8. Top few commodities which varied from previous year average i.e. Jul- Oct, 2018-19 are given below:

#### <u>URBAN:</u>

*Increased*: Gas charges (95.74%), Onions (88.36%), Pulse Moong (46.01%), Cigarettes (34.32%), Sugar (34.30%), potatoes (30.92%), Gur (30.78) and chicken (30.48%).

**Decreased**: Tomatoes (13.38%), Liquid Hydrocarbons (LPG) (9.79%), Eggs (1.98%), and Electricity Charges (0.31%).

#### RURAL:

*Increased*: Onions (88.50%), Pulse Moong (48.49%), Gur (40.34%), Sugar (35.83%) and Chicken (24.87%).

*Decreased*: Tomatoes (17.23%), Liquid Hydrocarbons (LPG) (5.65%), Eggs (3.25%) and Electricity Charges (0.31%).

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