Government of Pakistan Statistics Division Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

PRESS RELEASE ON INFLATION RATE FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 2015 WITH BASE 2007-08=100

1. SUMMARY OF INFLATION RATES

C P I Change

Inflation Rate July, 2015 over June, 2015 (Previous month)
Inflation Rate July, 2015 over July, 2014 (Corresponding month)

0.36% 1.80%

2. Detail Description:

Pakistan Bureau of Statistics collects the retail and the wholesale prices and computes the Consumer Price Index (CPI), Wholesale Price Index (WPI) on monthly basis and Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI) on weekly basis. In July, 2015 the CPI & SPI are increased by 0.36% and 0.34% respectively, while WPI is decreased by 0.38%.

Consumer Price Index by Group of Commodities and Services (Base 2007-08)

Major Commodity Group	Group Weight (%)	Indices			% Change in July, 2015 over	
		July, 2015	June, 2015	July, 2014	June, 2015	July, 2014
General	100.00	201.62	200.89	198.05	0.36	1.80
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages.	34.83	219.76	219.66	220.48	0.05	-0.33
Non-perishable food items	29.84	218.41	217.77	213.61	0.29	2.25
Perishable food items	4.99	227.80	230.97	261.59	-1.37	-12.92
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	309.83	304.76	265.82	1.66	16.56
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	219.65	218.56	209.51	0.50	4.84
Housing Water, Elec, Gas& Other Fuels	29.41	179.29	177.76	171.62	0.86	4.47
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance	4.21	213.53	211.59	204.42	0.92	4.46
Health	2.19	178.91	178.55	173.40	0.20	3.18
Transport	7.20	178.62	178.59	198.38	0.02	-9.96
Communication	3.22	130.35	130.30	129.85	0.04	0.39
Recreation & Culture	2.02	193.01	192.98	188.76	0.02	2.25
Education	3.94	209.17	209.17	191.33	0.00	9.32
Restaurant & hotel	1.23	249.70	249.24	239.23	0.18	4.38
Miscellaneous goods & services	2.76	223.13	223.37	216.98	-0.11	2.83

Main contributors to month-on-month and year-on-year are given below:

i) <u>Month-on-month</u> Top few commodities which varied from previous month i.e. June, 2015 are given below:-

Food Items Increased: Pulse Gram (8.26%), Fresh Fruits (7.20%), Potatoes (6.81%), Besan (5.63%), Sugar (5.37%), Gram Whole (3.06%), Gur (2.55%), Cigarettes (1.70%), Tea (1.33%), Eggs (1.26%), Meat (1.14%) and Beverages (1.10%).

<u>Decreased:</u> Tomatoes (29.06%), Onions (8.83%), Chicken (5.30%), Fresh Vegetables (3.74%), Pulse Moong (1.73%), Beans (1.63%), Betel Leaves & Nuts (1.36%) and Fish (1.03%).

Non-food Items Increased: Kerosene Oil (5.53%), Motor Fuel (2.71%), Tailoring (1.74%) and Furniture (1.10%).

<u>Decreased:</u> Firewood Whole (0.59%).

ii) Year-on-Year: Top few commodities which varied from previous year i.e. July, 2014 are given below:-

Food Items Increased: Tomatoes (79.61%), Onions (43.46%), Pulse Gram (26.08%), Besan (23.42%), Pulse Mash (21.31%), Chicken (20.33%), Cigarettes (17.68%), Sugar (12.99%), Tea (11.67%) and Fresh Vegetables (10.31%).

<u>Decreased:</u> Potatoes (59.12%), Cooking Oil (11.47%), Vegetable Ghee (11.27%) and Rice (9.76%).

<u>Non-food Items Increased:</u> Motor Vehicle Tax (36.71%), Tailoring (11.35%), Woolen Readymade Garments (10.31%) and Sewing Needles & Dry Cells (10.12%).

<u>Decreased:</u> Kerosene Oil (19.83%), Motor Fuel (17.25%) and Transport Services (6.18%).

3. Core inflation of CPI

i. Trimmed Core Inflation

During the month of July, 2015 over July, 2014, the trimmed core inflation has been observed as 2.8% while it was 7.6% during July, 2014 over July, 2013.

ii. Non-Food & Non-Energy Core Inflation

During the month of July, 2015 over July, 2014, the Non-food &Non-energy core inflation has been observed as 4.1% while it was 8.3% during July, 2014 over July, 2013.