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**Pakistan Bureau of Statistics**

**SUB:- ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2012.**

**EXPORTS:**

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during April, 2012 amounted to Rs. 203,053 million (provisional) as against Rs. 181,507 million (provisional) in March, 2012 and Rs. 200,164 million during April, 2011 showing an increase of 11.87% over March,2012 and of 1.44% over April, 2011.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in April, 2012 was \$ 2,240 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 2,001 million (provisional) in March, 2012 showing an increase of 11.97% but a decrease of exports by 5.29% as compared to \$ 2,365 million in April, 2011.

3. Exports during July-April, 2011-2012 totalled Rs.1,716,163 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,717,380 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 0.07%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July - April, 2011-2012 totalled \$ 19,369 million (provisional) as against \$ 20,092 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 3.60%.

5. Main commodities of exports during April, 2012 were Cotton cloth (Rs.20,298 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.16,457 million), Knitwear (Rs.14,137 million), Rice others (Rs.12,976 million), Bedwear (Rs.12,891 million), Readymade garments (Rs.11,576 million), Rice basmati (Rs.7,576 million), Petroleum top naphta (Rs.7,189 million), Jewellery (Rs.6,411 million) and Raw cotton (Rs.6,400 million).

6. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during April, 2012 over March, 2012 and April, 2011 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in April, 2012 over	
		March, 2012	April, 2011
1.	Cotton cloth	6.80	-2.28
2.	Cotton yarn	3.90	6.77
3.	Knitwear	14.12	-12.94
4.	Rice others	12.90	31.84
5.	Bedwear	14.96	-17.01
6.	Readymade garments	1.82	-18.79
7.	Rice basmati	38.30	12.50
8.	Petroleum top naphta	38.28	77.77
9.	Jewellery	-2.76	105.55
10.	Raw cotton	3.19	49.39

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## **IMPORTS**

7. Imports into Pakistan during April, 2012 amounted to Rs.340,480 million (provisional) as against Rs. 317,229 million (provisional) in March, 2012 and Rs.274,757 million during April, 2011 showing an increase of 7.33% over March, 2012 and of 23.92% over April, 2011.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in April, 2012 was \$ 3,757 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,497 million (provisional) in March, 2012 showing an increase of 7.43% and by 15.71% as compared to \$ 3,247 million in April, 2011.

9. Imports during July -April, 2011-2012 totalled Rs.3,279,525 million (provisional) as against Rs.2,758,526 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 18.89%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July -April, 2011-2012 totalled \$ 37,042 million (provisional) as against \$ 32,263 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 14.81%.

11. Main commodities of imports during April, 2012 were Petroleum products (Rs.85,779 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.45,191 million), Palm oil (Rs.15,705 million), Plastic materials (Rs.12,245 million), Iron & steel (Rs.12,048 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.5,196 million), Mobile phones (Rs.4,945 million), Medicinal products (Rs.4,753 million), Other apparatus (Telecom) (Rs.4,644 million) and Power generating machinery (Rs.4,585 million).

12. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities imported during April, 2012 over March, 2012 and April, 2011 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in April, 2012 over	
		March, 2012	April, 2011
1.	Petroleum products	4.67	337.98
2.	Petroleum crude	67.49	19.42
3.	Palm oil	62.86	-16.10
4.	Plastic materials	9.11	-2.25
5.	Iron & Steel	28.94	31.87
6.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	25.93	-12.55
7.	Mobile phones	-12.63	32.04
8.	Medicinal products	2.06	-13.57
9.	Other apparatus (Telecom)	-16.28	-5.72
10.	Power generating machinery	-43.61	-38.03

## **BALANCE OF TRADE:**

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in April, 2012 was (-) 137,427 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 1,517 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - April, 2011-2012 were (-)1,563,362 million in terms of Rupees and (-)17,673 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of April, 2012 and July-April, 2011-2012 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period are enclosed.