

Government of Pakistan
Statistics Division
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

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

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during February, 2012 amounted to Rs. 184,343 million (provisional) as against Rs. 175,998 million (provisional) in January, 2012 and Rs. 182,693 million during February, 2011 showing an increase of 4.74% over January, 2012 and 0.90% over February, 2011.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in February, 2012 was \$ 2,034 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,953 million (provisional) in January, 2012 showing an increase of 4.15% but a decrease of exports by 5.00% as compared to \$ 2,141 million in February, 2011.

3. Exports during July-February, 2011-2012 totalled Rs.1,337,085 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,307,008 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 2.30%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July - February, 2011-2012 totalled \$ 15,189 million (provisional) as against \$ 15,263 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 0.48%.

5. Main commodities of exports during February, 2012 were Cotton cloth (Rs.18,754 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.13,692 million), Jewellery (Rs.13,652 million), Rice others (Rs.13,423 million), Knitwear (Rs.12,518 million), Readymade garments (Rs.12,359 million), Bedwear (Rs.11,318 million), Raw cotton (Rs.7,736 million), Towels (Rs.5,146 million) and Rice basmati (Rs.5,118 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in February, 2012 over	
		January, 2012	February, 2011
1.	Cotton cloth	16.57	-0.85
2.	Cotton yarn	-1.11	-36.69
3.	Jewellery	78.41	1925.52
4.	Rice others	14.59	47.94
5.	Knitwear	-7.14	-21.73
6.	Readymade garments	-8.45	15.02
7.	Bedwear	1.32	-14.67
8.	Raw cotton	83.10	94.42
9.	Towels	3.23	6.65
10.	Rice basmiti	34.15	-23.46

IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during February, 2012 amounted to Rs.313,708 million (provisional) as against Rs. 328,907 million (provisional) in January, 2012 and Rs.260,500 million during February, 2011 showing a decrease of 4.62% over January, 2012 but an increase of 20.43% over February, 2011.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in February, 2012 was \$ 3,462 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,649 million (provisional) in January, 2012 showing a decrease of 5.12% but an increase of imports by 13.40% as compared to \$ 3,053 million in February, 2011.

9. Imports during July -February, 2011-2012 totalled Rs.2,621,817 million (provisional) as against Rs.2,192,189 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 19.60%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July -February, 2011-2012 totalled \$ 29,788 million (provisional) as against \$ 25,600 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 16.36%.

11. Main commodities of imports during February, 2012 were Petroleum products (Rs.58,156 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.48,018 million), Palm oil (Rs.15,266 million), Plastic materials (Rs.10,935 million), Iron & steel (Rs.9,341 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.7,752 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.5,843 million), Mobile phones (Rs.5,379 million), Medicinal products (Rs.4,443 million) and Raw cotton (Rs.4,210 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in February, 2012 over	
		January, 2012	February, 2011
1.	Petroleum products	-9.80	88.51
2.	Petroleum crude	21.49	42.86
3.	Palm oil	-5.93	9.58
4.	Plastic materials	-4.48	-3.02
5.	Iron & Steel	-17.20	5.68
6.	Power generating machinery	35.24	25.97
7.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	-26.78	14.64
8.	Mobile phones	-0.20	22.89
9.	Medicinal products	-14.89	13.89
10.	Raw cotton	-11.80	-74.76

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in February, 2012 was (-) 129,365 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 1,428 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - February, 2011-2012 were (-)1,284,732 million in terms of Rupees and (-)14,599 million in US dollars.

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