

Government of Pakistan
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

SUB: - ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2018.

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during November, 2018 amounted to Rs. 246,015 million (provisional) as against Rs. 248,128 million (provisional) in October, 2018 and Rs. 207,301 million during November, 2017 showing a decrease of 0.85% over October, 2018 but an increase of 18.68% over November, 2017.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in November, 2018 was \$1,843 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,903 million (provisional) in October, 2018 showing a decrease of 3.15% and by 6.35% as compared to \$1,968 million in November, 2017.

3. Exports during July-November, 2018 totaled Rs.1,160,806 million (provisional) as against Rs.948,607 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 22.37%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July–November, 2018 totaled \$ 9,120 million (provisional) against \$ 9,004 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 1.29%.

5. Main commodities of exports during November, 2018 were Knitwear (Rs.33,589 million), Readymade garments (Rs. 28,420 million), Bedwear (Rs.25,990 million), Cotton cloth (Rs.22,293 million), Rice others (Rs.18,126 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.10,607 million), Towels (Rs.8,638 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.8,184 million), Rice Basmati (Rs.5,019 million) and Fish & fish preparations (Rs.4,675 million).

6. The increase (+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during November, 2018 over October, 2018 and November, 2017 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in November, 2018 over	
		October, 2018	November, 2017
1.	Knitwear	-1.50	40.89
2.	Readymade garments	3.36	25.52
3.	Bedwear	6.38	28.41
4.	Cotton cloth	-7.18	22.48
5.	Rice others	53.10	8.64
6.	Cotton yarn	2.92	-9.66
7.	Towels	1.23	18.52
8.	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	-1.38	29.72
9.	Rice Basmati	1.62	38.19
10.	Fish & Fish preparations	-15.60	0.32

IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during November, 2018 amounted to Rs.617,646 million (provisional) as against Rs. 631,246 million (provisional) in October, 2018 and Rs. 501,305 million during November, 2017 showing a decrease of 2.15% over October, 2018 but an increase of 23.21% over November, 2017.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in November, 2018 was \$ 4,626 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 4,841 million (provisional) in October, 2018 showing a decrease of 4.44% and by 2.77% as compared to \$ 4,758 million in November, 2017.

9. Imports during July-November, 2018 totaled Rs.3,006,341 million (provisional) as against Rs.2,509,220 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 19.81%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July - November, 2018 totaled \$ 23,633 million (provisional) as against \$ 23,818 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 0.78%.

11. Main commodities of imports during November, 2018 were Petroleum products (Rs.93,071 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.50,860 million), Natural Gas Liquefied (Rs. 35,161 million), Plastic materials (Rs. 24,494 million), Palm oil (Rs. 21,903 million), Iron & steel (Rs.18,678 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs. 17,700 million), Fertilizer manufactured (Rs.17,395 million), Iron & steel scrap (Rs.15,673 million) and power generating machinery (Rs.12,824 million).

12. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities imported during November, 2018 over October, 2018 and November, 2017 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in November, 2018 over	
		October, 2018	November, 2017
1	Petroleum products	12.74	41.29
2	Petroleum crude	-19.10	61.01
3	Natural gas, liquefied	5.94	100.51
4	Plastic Materials	1.87	44.64
5	Palm Oil	22.71	17.59
6	Iron & Steel	-43.77	9.16
7	Electrical machinery & apparatus	-8.01	1.07
8	Fertilizers manufactured	54.85	28.42
9	Iron and steel scrap	14.47	23.36
10	Power generating machinery	17.84	-33.86

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in November, 2018 was (-)371,631 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 2,783 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July-November, 2018 were (-) 1,845,535 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 14,513 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of November, 2018 and July - November, 2018 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period of last year are enclosed.