Government of Pakistan Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

SUB: - ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNALTRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2020.

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during December, 2020 amounted to Rs. 378,792 million (provisional) as against Rs. 345,640 million in November, 2020 and Rs. 308,032 million during December, 2019 showing an increase of 9.59% over November, 2020 and of 22.97% over December, 2019.

- 2. In terms of US dollars the exports in December, 2020 were \$ 2,366 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 2,171 million in November, 2020 showing an increase of 8.98% and by 19.01% as compared to \$ 1,988 million in December 2019.
- 3. Exports during July December, 2020 totaled Rs. 1,978,764 million (provisional) as against Rs. 1,803,776 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 9.70%.
- 4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July December, 2020 totaled \$ 12,110 million (provisional) against \$ 11,524 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 5.09%.
- 5. Main commodities of exports during December, 2020 were Knitwear (Rs. 54,761 million), Readymade garments (Rs. 45,609 million), Bed wear (Rs. 40,981 million), Rice others (Rs. 26,658 million), Cotton cloth (Rs. 25,907 million), Cotton Yarn (Rs. 15,396 million), Fruits (Rs. 13,504 million), Towels (Rs.13,288 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.11,547 million) and Basmati rice (Rs. 10,596 million).

6. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities exported during December, 2020 over November, 2020 and December, 2019 is given below: -

		%Change for value in million Rupees in December, 2020 over	
S.No.	COMMODITIES	November, 2020	December, 2019
1	Knitwear	5.86	32.77
2	Readymade garments	10.86	14.74
3	Bed wear	7.87	43.55
4	Rice others	-14.74	30.71
5	Cotton cloth	9.73	0.61
6	Cotton yarn	30.29	70.95
7	Fruits	308.59	33.08
8	Towels	5.05	38.49
9	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	9.36	30.70
10	Basmati Rice	90.82	4.35

IMPORTS

- 7. Imports into Pakistan during December, 2020 amounted to Rs. 801,162 million (provisional) as against Rs. 683,354 million in November, 2020 and Rs. 622,709 million during December 2019 showing an increase of 17.24% over November, 2020 and of 28.66% over December 2019.
- 8. In terms of US dollars the imports in December, 2020 were \$ 5,005 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 4,292 million in November, 2020 showing an increase of 16.61% and by 24.50% as compared to \$ 4,020 million in December 2019.
- 9. Imports during July December, 2020 totaled Rs. 3,999,061 million (provisional) as against Rs. 3,630,229 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 10.16%.
- 10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July December, 2020 totaled \$ 24,473 million (provisional) as against \$ 23,195 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 5.51%.
- 11. Main commodities of imports during December, 2020 were Petroleum products (Rs. 56,500 million), Wheat unmillied (Rs.40,598 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.38,052 million), Palm Oil (Rs. 37,754 million), Plastic Materials (Rs. 35,421 million), Mobile phone (Rs.34,378 million), Natural gas, liquefied (Rs. 29,019 million), Iron and Steel scrap (Rs. 26,812 million), Raw cotton (Rs.24,831 million) and Power generating machinery (Rs.24,427 million).

12. The increase (+) / decrease (-) recorded in main commodities imported during December, 2020 over November, 2020 and December, 2019 is given below: -

		%Change for value in million Rupees in December, 2020 over	
S.No.	COMMODITIES	November, 2020	December, 2019
1	Petroleum products	15.13	-12.41
2	Wheat unmilled	33.25	100.00
3	Petroleum crude	16.31	-13.67
4	Palm oil	11.30	47.30
5	Plastic Materials	15.34	44.92
6	Mobile phone	29.98	88.57
7	Natural gas, liquefied	-19.03	-35.98
8	Iron and steel scrap	24.34	19.12
9	Raw cotton	83.28	570.56
10	Power generating machinery	-11.63	53.98

BALANCE OF TRADE:

- 13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in December, 2020 was (-)422,370 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 2,639 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July December, 2020 were (-) 2,020,297 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 12,363 million in US dollars.
- 14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of December, 2020 and July December, 2020 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period of last year are enclosed.