Government of Pakistan Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

SUB:- <u>ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE</u> <u>MONTH OF AUGUST, 2014.</u>

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during August, 2014 amounted to Rs.191,264 million (provisional) as against Rs. 190,356 million (provisional) in July, 2014 and Rs.204,137 million during August, 2013 showing an increase of 0.48% over July,2014 but a decrease of 6.31% over August, 2013.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in August, 2014 was \$ 1,911 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,930 million (provisional) in July, 2014 showing a decrease of 0.98% and of 3.63% as compared to \$ 1,983 million in August, 2013.

3. Exports during July-August, 2014 totalled Rs.381,620 million (provisional) as against Rs.414,602 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 7.96%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July - August2014 totalled \$ 3,840 million (provisional) as against \$ 4,078 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 5.84%.

5. Main commodities of exports during August, 2014 were Cotton cloth (Rs.19,018 million), Knitwear (Rs.17,551 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.15,761 million), Bedwear (Rs.15,175 million), Readymade garments (Rs.13,763 million), Petroleum top naphta (Rs.11,630 million), Rice others (Rs.6,793 million), Cement (Rs. 5,770 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.5,058 million) and Towels (Rs.4,938 million).

6. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during August, 2014 over July, 2014 and August, 2013 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in August, 2014 over	
		July, 2014	August, 2013
1.	Cotton cloth	-8.89	-21.53
2.	Knitwear	-25.48	-6.72
3.	Cotton yarn	21.68	-20.52
4.	Bedwear	-21.47	-0.09
5.	Readymade garments	-25.09	-4.39
6.	Petroleum top naphta	1119.08	-7.09
7.	Rice others	-10.32	-11.87
8.	Cement	79.42	25.19
9.	Petroleum crude	1505.71	100.00
10.	Towels	-21.89	-6.19

IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during August, 2014 amounted to Rs.472,228 million (provisional) as against Rs. 331,961 million (provisional) in July, 2014 and Rs.367,645 million during August, 2013 showing an increase of 42.25% over July, 2014 and of 28.45% over August, 2013.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in August, 2014 was \$ 4,718 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,364 million (provisional) in July, 2014 showing an increase of 40.25 and by 32.08% as compared to \$ 3,572 million in August, 2013.

9. Imports during July - August, 2014 totalled Rs.804,189 million (provisional) as against Rs.750,890 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 7.10%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July - August, 2014 totalled \$ 8,083 million (provisional) as against \$ 7,386 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 9.44%.

11. Main commodities of imports during August, 2014 were Petroleum products (Rs.95,417 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.55,967 million), Plastic materials (Rs.18,296 million), Palm oil (Rs.16,810 million), Iron & steel (Rs.14,458 million), Aircrafts, ships & boats (Rs.10,820 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.10,711 million),) Iron and Steel scrap (Rs.9,055 million), Medicinal products (Rs.8,996 million) and Power generating machinery (Rs.8,821 million).

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in August, 2014 over	
		July, 2014	August, 2013
1.	Petroleum products	41.98	9.42
2.	Petroleum crude	146.68	9.33
3.	Plastic materials	24.82	58.92
4.	Palm oil	29.27	11.43
5.	Iron & Steel	30.21	92.70
6.	Aircrafts, ships & boats	3073.44	27.19
7.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	24.52	29.50
8.	Iron & steel scrap	29.47	23.15
9.	Medicinal products	80.32	25.12
10.	Power generating machinery	26.69	10.44

12. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities imported during August, 2014 over July, 2014 and August, 2013 is given below:-

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in August, 2014 was (-) 280,964 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 2,807 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - August, 2014 were (-) 422,569 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 4,243 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of August, 2014 and July - August, 2014 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period are enclosed.