Government of Pakistan Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

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

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during December, 2014 amounted to Rs.217,338 million (provisional) as against Rs. 200,075 million (provisional) in November, 2014 and Rs.241,843 million during December, 2013 showing an increase of 8.63% over November, 2014 but a decrease of 10.13% over December, 2013.

- 2. In terms of US dollars the exports in December, 2014 was \$ 2,156 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,966 million (provisional) in November, 2014 showing an increase of 9.66% but decreased by 4.64% as compared to \$ 2,261 million in December, 2013.
- 3. Exports during July December, 2014 totalled Rs.1,220,590 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,323,000 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 7.74%.
- 4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July December 2014 totalled \$ 12,073 million (provisional) as against \$ 12,617 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 4.31%.
- 5. Main commodities of exports during December, 2014 were Cotton cloth (Rs.21,320 million), Knitwear (Rs.21,209 million), Rice others (Rs.19,506 million), Readymade garments (Rs.19,271 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.16,885 million), Bedwear (Rs.16,715 million), Fruits (Rs.7,679 million), Towels (Rs.6,472 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.6,017 million) and Leather tanned (Rs. 4,604 million).
- 6. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during December, 2014 over November, 2014 and December, 2013 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in December, 2014 over	
		November, 2014	December, 2013
1.	Cotton cloth	7.75	-18.58
2.	Knitwear	12.62	-2.64
3.	Rice others	9.53	-9.23
4.	Readymade garments	11.98	4.10
5.	Cotton yarn	-8.71	-15.72
6.	Bedwear	-3.66	-16.62
7.	Fruits	175.83	13.14
8.	Towels	7.19	-16.49
9.	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	7.54	-15.22
10.	Leather tanned	12.21	-8.16

IMPORTS

- 7. Imports into Pakistan during December, 2014 amounted to Rs.389,105 million (provisional) as against Rs. 369,467 million (provisional) in November, 2014 and Rs.380,944 million during December, 2013 showing an increase of 5.32% over November, 2014 and of 2.14 over December, 2013.
- 8. In terms of US dollars the imports in December, 2014 was \$ 3,859 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,630 million (provisional) in November, 2014 showing an increase of 6.31 and of 8.37% as compared to \$ 3,561 million in December, 2013.
- 9. Imports during July December, 2014 totalled Rs.2,448,314 million (provisional) as against Rs.2,271,857 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 7.77%.
- 10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July December, 2014 totalled \$ 24,203 million (provisional) as against \$ 21,671 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 11.68%.
- 11. Main commodities of imports during December, 2014 were Petroleum products (Rs.44,836 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.39,110 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.16,464 million), Iron & steel (Rs.16,031 million), Palm oil (Rs.15,732 million), Plastic materials (Rs.14,285 million), Fertilizer manufactured (Rs.10,818 million), Iron & steel scrap (Rs.9,261 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.9,228 million) and Medicinal products (Rs.8,311 million).

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

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in December, 2014 over	
	_	November, 2014	December, 2013
1.	Petroleum products	-34.31	-37.16
2.	Petroleum crude	28.51	-10.51
3.	Power generating machinery	47.07	33.59
4.	Iron & Steel	7.76	49.71
5.	Palm oil	-0.50	17.27
6.	Plastic materials	-2.42	-2.40
7.	Fertilizer manufactured	108.88	17.29
8.	Iron & steel scrap	19.54	54.07
9.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	9.18	-24.98
10.	Medicinal products	-4.96	-5.87

BALANCE OF TRADE:

- 13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in December, 2014 was (-) 171,767 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 1,703 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July December, 2014 were (-) 1,227,724 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 12,130 million in US dollars.
- 14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of December, 2014 and July December, 2014 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period are enclosed.