

Government of Pakistan
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

SUB:- ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2016.

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during January, 2016 amounted to Rs.185,754 million (provisional) as against Rs. 187,086 million (provisional) in December, 2015 and Rs.207,163 million during January, 2015 showing a decrease of 0.71% over December,2015 and of 10.33% over January, 2015.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in January, 2016 was \$ 1,772 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,788 million (provisional) in December, 2015 showing a decrease of 0.89 and by 13.90 as compared to \$ 2,058 million in January, 2015.

3. Exports during July - January, 2015 - 2016 totalled Rs.1,256,122 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,426,271 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 11.93%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – January, 2015 - 2016 totalled \$ 12,083 million (provisional) against \$ 14,115 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 14.40%.

5. Main commodities of exports during January, 2016 were Readymade garments (Rs.21,957 million), Knitwear (Rs.21,920 million), Cotton cloth (Rs.20,167 million), Bedwear (Rs.17,836 million), Rice others (Rs.13,095 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.9,266 million), Fruits (Rs.8,071 million), Towels (Rs.6,751 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.6,334 million) and Rice basmati (Rs.3,455 million).

6. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during January, 2016 over December, 2015 and January, 2015 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in January, 2016 over	
		December, 2015	January, 2015
1.	Readymade garments	6.62	8.29
2.	Knitwear	5.70	7.14
3.	Cotton cloth	3.20	-3.02
4.	Bedwear	12.00	-2.43
5.	Rice others	-14.81	-19.40
6.	Cotton yarn	-18.20	-45.66
7.	Fruits	11.90	1.59
8.	Towels	6.48	-13.64
9.	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	9.02	0.54
10.	Rice basmati	-3.03	-20.65

IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during January, 2016 amounted to Rs.365,247 million (provisional) as against Rs. 402,237 million (provisional) in December, 2015 and Rs.306,223 million during January, 2015 showing a decrease of 9.20% over December, 2015 but an increase of 19.27% over January, 2015.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in January, 2016 was \$ 3,484 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,843 million (provisional) in December, 2015 showing a decrease of 9.34% but increased by 14.57% as compared to \$ 3,041 million in January, 2015.

9. Imports during July - January, 2015 - 2016 totalled Rs.2,669,238 million (provisional) as against Rs.2,748,694 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 2.89%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July - January, 2015 - 2016 totalled \$ 25,672 million (provisional) as against \$ 27,187 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 5.57%.

11. Main commodities of imports during January, 2016 were Petroleum products (Rs.39,525 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.24,312 million), Iron & steel (Rs.17,898 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.17,278 million), Palm oil (Rs.12,719 million), Plastic materials (Rs.12,495 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.11,057 million), Raw cotton (Rs.10,677 million), Iron & steel scrap (Rs.10,487 million) and Pulses (Leguminous vegetables) (Rs.8,493 million).

12. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities imported during January, 2016 over December, 2015 and January, 2015 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in January, 2016 over	
		December, 2015	January, 2015
1.	Petroleum products	4.62	3.20
2.	Power generating machinery	27.16	108.15
3.	Iron & Steel	5.04	19.66
4.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	-21.55	89.35
5.	Palm oil	10.96	5.21
6.	Plastic materials	-11.83	6.20
7.	Petroleum crude	-52.35	-39.87
8.	Raw cotton	-29.88	268.43
9.	Iron & steel scrap	-2.27	26.02
10.	Pulses (Leguminous vegetables)	60.76	127.82

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in January, 2016 was (-) 179,493 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 1,712 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - January, 2015 - 2016 were (-) 1,413,116 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 13,589 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of January, 2016 and July - January, 2015 - 2016 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period of last year are enclosed.