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**PRESS RELEASE ON CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) INFLATION  
FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2020**

Indicators	Base Year 2015-16
Inflation Rate, September, 2020 over August, 2020 (Month on Month)	1.54
Inflation Rate, September, 2020 over September, 2019 (Year on Year)	9.04
Average Inflation Rate July- Sep (2020-21) over July- Sep (2019-20)	8.85

**Analysis of Consumer Price Index (CPI) Base Year (2015-16)**

1. The CPI on new base (2015-16) comprises of urban CPI and Rural CPI. The Urban CPI covers 35 cities and 356 consumer items. The Rural CPI covers 27 Rural Centers and 244 consumer items. In the new base year (2015-16) National CPI for 12 major groups is also computed by taking weighted average of Urban CPI and Rural CPI.

**MONTHLY ANALYSIS [September, 2020 over August, 2020]**

2. CPI National for the month of September, 2020 increased by 1.54% over August 2020. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of 1.26% while Rural CPI recorded an increase of 1.95%.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight %	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		Weight %	INDICES		Sep, 2020	Aug, 2020
		Sep, 2020	Aug, 2020			Sep, 2020	Aug, 2020		Sep, 2020	Aug, 2020		
<b>General</b>	100.0	138.32	135.38	1.54	100.00	137.53	135.82	1.26	100.00	139.51	136.84	1.95
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	144.14	136.23	3.79	30.42	142.73	137.90	3.50	40.87	145.72	139.97	4.11
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	29.60	140.76	138.87	1.61	25.97	138.80	136.93	1.37	35.08	142.96	140.32	1.88
<i>Perishable food items</i>	4.99	164.19	138.53	16.51	4.46	165.67	143.57	15.39	5.79	162.48	137.85	17.87
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	142.40	140.92	0.50	0.85	150.34	149.80	0.36	1.28	134.39	133.51	0.66
Clothing and footwear	8.60	137.52	141.69	0.37	8.01	133.75	133.20	0.41	9.48	142.32	141.86	0.32
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	132.43	137.01	-0.03	27.03	134.02	134.06	-0.03	18.49	128.93	128.98	-0.04
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	132.74	132.48	1.11	4.09	131.57	130.64	0.71	4.10	134.49	132.25	1.69
Health	2.79	144.46	131.28	0.97	2.31	144.31	142.89	0.99	3.51	144.60	143.24	0.95
Transport	5.91	139.27	143.07	0.38	6.14	140.06	139.08	0.70	5.56	137.96	138.18	-0.16
Communication	2.21	107.01	138.74	0.03	2.35	108.23	108.22	0.01	1.99	104.84	104.76	0.08
Recreation and culture	1.59	122.32	106.98	0.76	1.73	120.03	119.36	0.56	1.38	126.67	125.26	1.13
Education	3.79	142.93	121.40	0.32	4.88	145.49	145.07	0.29	2.13	134.08	133.48	0.45
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	135.42	142.47	0.72	7.41	134.14	133.37	0.58	6.19	137.74	136.41	0.98
Misc. goods and services	4.87	146.06	134.45	-0.04	4.77	144.68	145.22	-0.37	5.02	148.03	147.38	0.44

3. Top few commodities which varied from previous month i.e. August, 2020 are given below:

**URBAN:**

**Increased:** Tomatoes (44.07%), Vegetables (30.33%), Chicken (18.31%), Onions (14.51%), Potatoes (6.18%), Eggs (5.2%), Pulse Gram (4.51%), Pulse Moong (3.46%), Spices (3%), Pulse Mash (2.76%), Construction input items (2.36%), Transport services (1.87%), Pulse Masoor (1.59%), Medical tests (1.55%) Milk Fresh (1.16%) and Plastic products (0.78%).

**Decreased:** Fresh fruits (6.19%), Sugar (1.82%), Liquefied Hydrocarbons (1.51%), Gram Whole (0.48%) and Electricity charges (0.62%).

**RURAL:**

**Increased:** Vegetables (45.18%), Tomatoes (30.33%), Onions (15.17%), Chicken (9.47%), Pulse Moong (7.79%), Spices (5.63%), Wheat (5.03%), Pulse Gram (4.64%), Gur (4.57%), Pulse Mash (3.96%), Potatoes (3.36%), Wheat Flour (3.14%), Eggs (5.2%), Plastic Products (2.43%), Rice (2.2%), Stationery (2%), Hosiery (1.95%), Furniture and Furnishing (1.5%), Milk fresh (1.16%) Motor Vehicles Accessories (1.14%), Hospitals Services (1.09%), Medical Tests (1.07%) and Construction Input Items (1.03%).

**Decreased:** Fruits (10.44%), Sugar (0.63%), Transport Services (0.72%), Electricity Charges (0.62%), Liquefied Hydrocarbons (0.35%), Vegetable ghee (0.35%) and Pulse Masoor (0.22%).

### **YEARLY ANALYSIS (Y.o.Y) September, 2020 over September, 2019**

4. CPI National for the month of September, 2020 increased by **9.04%** over September, 2019. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of 7.68% while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **11.12%**.

Group	NATIONAL			URBAN			RURAL					
	Weight %	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		Weight %	INDICES			
		Sep, 2020	Sep, 2019			Sep, 2020	Sep, 2019		Sep, 2020	Sep, 2019	% Change	
<b>General</b>	100.00	138.32	126.86	9.04	100.00	137.53	127.2	7.68	100.00	139.51	124.56	11.12
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	144.14	125.63	14.74	30.42	142.73	125.7	13.30	40.87	145.72	122.83	16.35
Non-perishable food items	29.60	140.76	122.76	14.67	25.97	138.80	122.8	13.23	35.08	142.96	121.16	16.27
Perishable food items	4.99	164.19	142.62	15.13	4.46	165.67	145.2	13.69	5.79	162.48	132.99	16.88
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	142.40	134.51	5.86	0.85	150.34	142.4	5.69	1.28	134.39	125.83	6.05
Clothing and footwear	8.60	137.52	126.01	9.13	8.01	133.75	123.6	7.98	9.48	142.32	128.27	10.53
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	132.43	124.82	6.10	27.03	134.02	126.8	5.54	18.49	128.93	120.36	7.39
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	132.74	123.03	7.89	4.09	131.57	123.8	6.29	4.10	134.49	120.77	10.32
Health	2.79	144.46	133.45	8.25	2.31	144.31	134.8	7.23	3.51	144.60	131.74	9.27
Transport	5.91	139.27	141.44	-1.53	6.14	140.06	142.2	-1.59	5.56	137.96	142.48	-1.44
Communication	2.21	107.01	106.70	0.29	2.35	108.23	107.8	0.32	1.99	104.84	104.60	0.23
Recreation and culture	1.59	122.32	117.69	3.93	1.73	120.03	116.3	2.92	1.38	126.67	119.33	5.81
Education	3.79	142.93	141.54	0.98	4.88	145.49	144.6	0.92	2.13	134.08	132.50	1.19
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	135.42	125.10	8.25	7.41	134.14	124.1	8.17	6.19	137.74	126.91	8.41
Misc. goods and services	4.87	146.06	130.22	12.16	4.77	144.68	130.0	10.53	5.02	148.03	128.13	14.54

### **5. Top few commodities which varied from previous year i.e. September, 2019 are given below:**

#### **URBAN:**

**Increased:** Potatoes (67.2%), Tomatoes (51.86%), Wheat (42.13%), Spices (40.91%), Beans (40.27%), Pulse moong (39.31%), Eggs (38.61%), Pulse mash (34.55%), Sugar (25.4%), Butter (23.43%), Wheat flour (20.18%), Pulse masoor (20.11%), Vegetable ghee (15.82%), Gur (15.22%) Bakery and confectionary (15.21%), vegetables (14.14%), Woollen cloth (13.96%), Milk fresh (13%), Meat (11.97%), Electricity charges (11.8%), Cooking oil (11.14%), Dry Fruits (10.99%), Pulse Gram (10.16), Furniture and furnishing (9.43%), Tailoring (9%), Cotton cloth (8.92%), Motor vehicle accessories (8.1%), Drugs and medicines (8.06%), Medical tests (7.45%), Construction wage rates (6.86%), Construction input items(6.53%), Footwear (6.32%), Hosiery (5.41%), stationery (4.64%), Transport services (5.09%) and House rent(4.29%).

**Decreased:** Onions (30.82%), Chicken (23.6%), Fish (7.55%), Motor fuel (7.1%) and Fresh fruits (1.94%).

#### **RURAL:**

**Increased:** Potatoes (71.28%), Spices (57.81%), Tomatoes (57.12%), Wheat (45.12%), Pulse Moong (44.4%), Water Supply (38.75%), Beans (36.02%), Pulse Mash (35.89%), Eggs (33.22%), Pulse Masoor (27.26%), Wheat Flour(26.74%), Sugar (25.28%), Vegetables (18.87%), Rice (17.51%), Vegetable ghee (17.37%), Hosiery (17.34%), Bakery and Confectionary (15.08%), Cotton Cloth (14.82%), Cooking oil (13.54%), Furniture and Furnishing (13.17%), Readymade Food (13.05%), Plastic Products (12.93%), Gur (12.9%), Dry fruits (12.83%), Electricity Charges (11.8%), Medical Tests (9.81%), Besan (9.43%), Meat (9.4%), Household Equipment (9.4%), Pulse Gram (9.27%), Construction Wage Rates (8.93%), Woolen Readymade Garments (8.84%), Drugs and Medicines 8.83%), Footwear (8.81%), Construction Input Items (7.73%), Milk fresh (7.39%), Stationery (7.08%), Readymade Garments (7%), Motor Vehicles Accessories (6.88%), Beverages (6.3%), Tailoring (6.06%), Cigarettes(5.6%), Hospitals Services (5.23%), Transport Services (4.98%), House Rent(4.94%) and Motor Vehicles (2.26%).

**Decreased:** Onions (36.25%), Chicken (19.37%), Fresh fruits (3.85%), Gram Whole (1.26%), Motor Fuels (7.21%), Liquefied Hydrocarbons (3.96%) and Fish (1.78%).

## AVERAGE INFLATION RATE

6. CPI National for the period July-Sep (2020-21) increased by **8.85%** over July- Sep (2019-20). The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **7.79%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **10.46%**.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)
		Jul-Sep, 2020-21	Jul- Sep, 2019-20			Jul- Sep , 2020-21	Jul- Sep, 2019-20			Jul- Sep , 2020-21	Jul- Sep, 2019-20	
General	100.00	136.64	125.54	8.85	100.00	136.03	126.19	7.79	100.00	137.57	124.55	10.46
Food and non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	141.04	122.53	15.11	30.42	139.84	122.53	14.13	40.87	142.39	122.54	16.21
Non-perishable food items	29.60	138.89	120.39	15.37	25.97	137.18	120.07	14.25	35.08	140.81	120.75	16.62
Perishable food items	4.99	153.80	135.25	13.72	4.46	155.35	136.96	13.43	5.79	151.99	133.26	14.06
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	141.46	134.00	5.56	0.85	149.50	139.37	7.27	1.28	133.35	128.59	3.70
Clothing and footwear	8.60	137.06	125.13	9.53	8.01	133.31	123.66	7.80	9.48	141.85	127.01	11.68
Housing, water, Elec., Gas and other fuels	23.63	131.68	124.94	5.40	27.03	133.28	126.39	5.45	18.49	128.16	121.72	5.29
Furnishing and household equipment maintenance	4.10	131.49	122.06	7.72	4.09	130.74	122.79	6.48	4.10	132.61	120.96	9.62
Health	2.79	143.20	132.70	7.92	2.31	142.92	133.68	6.91	3.51	143.49	131.72	8.93
Transport	5.91	137.59	142.04	-3.14	6.14	138.01	142.51	-3.16	5.56	136.89	141.27	-3.10
Communication	2.21	106.98	106.65	0.31	2.35	108.22	107.45	0.72	1.99	104.77	105.24	-0.45
Recreation and culture	1.59	121.58	117.18	3.75	1.73	119.42	116.41	2.58	1.38	125.67	118.65	5.92
Education	3.79	142.60	141.18	1.00	4.88	145.18	142.88	1.61	2.13	133.68	135.32	-1.21
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	134.16	124.31	7.92	7.41	132.81	123.66	7.40	6.19	136.59	125.49	8.84
Misc. goods and services	4.87	144.40	128.36	12.50	4.77	143.43	128.81	11.36	5.02	145.80	127.71	14.16

7. Top few commodities which varied from previous period average i.e. Jul-Sep, 2019-20 are given below:

### URBAN:

**Increased:** Potatoes (75.91%), Ginger (54.45%), Tomatoes (48.03%), Pulse Moong (41.47%), Peach (39.29%), Gold Tezabi (37.01%), Eggs (36.06%), Beans (35.69%), Wheat (34.38%), Pulse Mash (32.95%), Silver Tezabi (30.72%) and Wheat Flour (30.42%).

**Decreased:** Onions (30.49%), Hi-Speed Diesel (18.64%), Air Fare Economy Class Per Kilometer (16.29%), Petrol Super (10.38%), Chicken (10.09%), Garlic (9.01%), and Cement (4.70%).

### RURAL:

**Increased:** Potatoes (73.32%), Tomatoes (62%), Radish (59.72%), Ginger (53.54%), Pulse Moong (47.18%), Beans (40.29%), Wheat (38.88%), Gold Tezabi 24 Carett (37.57%), Pulse Mash (35.97%), Eggs Farm (31.41%), Wheat Flour (Average Quality) (29.57%), Pulse Masoor (28.25%), and Sugar Refined (22.58%).

**Decreased:** Onions (30.45%), Hi-Speed Diesel (18.64%), Air Fare Economy Class Per Kilometer (16.30%), Kerosene Oil (13.01%), Guava (12.65%), Petrol Super (10.38%), Apple (8.17%) and Cement (4.93%).