Government of Pakistan Ministry of Statistics Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

PRESS RELEASE ON INFLATION RATE

FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 2018 [Base 2007-08=100]

1. SUMMARY OF INFLATION RATES

CPI

Change

Inflation Rate, July, 2018 over June, 2018 (Previous month)

0.94 %

Inflation Rate, July, 2018 over July, 2017 (Corresponding month)

5.83 %

2. Detail Description

Pakistan Bureau of Statistics collects the retail and the wholesale prices and computes the Consumer Price Index (CPI), Wholesale Price Index (WPI) on monthly basis and Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI) on weekly basis. In July, 2018 the CPI increased by 0.94%, WPI increased by 2.41% while SPI increased by 1.17% respectively.

Consumer Price Index by Group of Commodities and Services (Base 2007-08)

Major Commodity Group	Group Weight (%)	INDICES			% Change in July, 2018 over	
		July, 2018	June, 2018	July, 2017	June, 2018	July, 2017
General	100.00	228.80	226.68	216.19	0.94	5.83
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	34.83	238.08	236.58	229.99	0.63	3.52
Non-perishable food items	29.84	235.36	234.57	226.63	0.34	3.85
Perishable food items	4.99	254.31	248.59	250.05	2.30	1.70
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	313.65	314.62	306.67	-0.31	2.28
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	254.13	253.49	238.66	0.25	6.48
Housing Water, Elec, Gas& Other Fuels	29.41	210.71	207.63	198.88	1.48	5.95
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance	4.21	241.18	240.51	227.74	0.28	5.90
Health	2.19	224.67	224.36	212.91	0.14	5.52
Transport	7.20	202.71	194.64	175.18	4.15	15.72
Communication	3.22	133.63	133.61	132.88	0.01	0.56
Recreation & Culture	2.02	208.71	208.37	196.09	0.16	6.44
Education	3.94	281.89	281.89	249.54	0.00	12.96
Restaurant & hotel	1.23	293.25	292.90	278.44	0.12	5.32
Miscellaneous goods & services	2.76	265.48	264.25	247.19	0.47	7.40

Main contributors to month-on-month and year-on-year changes are given below:

Month-on-month: Top few items which varied from previous month i.e. June, 2018 are given below:-

Increased: Tomatoes (15.63%), Air fare (11.97%), Bus Fare (11.82%), Potatoes (9.40%), CNG

(7.89%), Diesel (7.25%), Onion (6.50%), Ginger (6.43%), Petrol (3.57%), Sugar

(3.24%), Wheat Flour Bag (2.40%) and House Rent (2.00%).

Decreased: Bananas (27.15%), Chicken (16.91%), Mango Kalmi (14.05%), Apple (7.76%), Garlic

(1.64%), Gram Whole Yellow (1.42%), Pulse Mash (0.53) and LPG Cylinder (0.25%).

Top few items which varied from previous year i.e. July 2017 are given below:-Year-on-Year:

Bus Fare (48.19%), Diesel (41.35%), Tomatoes (38.39%), Kerosene Oil (36.92%), Increased:

Petrol (33.58%), Iron Bar (25.94%), Cylinder (25.65%), Newspapers (17.65%), Gold

Tezabi (15.86%) and Car Honda Civic (15.07%).

Garlic (35.24%), Pulse Mash (26.18%), Potatoes (21.98%), Pulse Masoor (12.57%), Decreased:

Pulse Moong (10.48%), Pulse Masoor Whole (9.73%), Pulse Gram (8.71%), Gram

Whole Black (7.01%) and Sugar (1.37%).