Government of Pakistan Statistics Division Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

PRESS RELEASE ON INFLATION RATE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2016 WITH BASE 2007-08=100

CPI

1. SUMMARY OF INFLATION RATES

	<u>Change</u>
Inflation Rate September, 2016 over August, 2016 (Previous month)	0.20%
Inflation Rate September, 2016 over September, 2015 (Corresponding month)	3.88%
Average Inflation Rate July-September (2016-17) over July-August (2015-16)	3.86%

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 September, 2016 the CPI increased by 0.20% and WPI decreased by 0.53% while SPI increased by 0.11% respectively.

% Change in September, Group Indices **Major Commodity Group** Weight 2016 over Sep, 2016 Aug, 2016 Sep, 2015 (%) Sep, 2015 Aug, 2016 General 100.00 209.88 209.46 202.04 0.20 3.88 34.83 Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages. 226.30 225.91 0.17 219.41 3.14 29.84 Non-perishable food items 222.87 -0.15 2.86 223.21 216.68 Perishable food items 4.99 1.97 246.80 242.04 235.70 4.71 Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco 1.41 364.13 309.97 -0.35 17.47 365 41 Clothing & Footwear 7.57 230.47 230.14 220.68 0.14 4.44 Housing Water, Elec, Gas& Other 29.41 Fuels 188.90 188.91 181.10 -0.01 4.31 Furnishing & Household 4.21 **Equipment Maintenance** -0.02 222.27 222.31 214.88 3.44 2.19 Health 192.00 189.42 179.51 1.36 6.96 Transport 7.20 170.31 170.10 175.60 0.12 -3.01 Communication 3.22 130.88 130.90 130.36 -0.02 0.40 **Recreation & Culture** 2.02 195.77 0.19 1.42 196.15 193.41 3.94 230.54 209.22 2.38 10.19 Education 225.17 Restaurant & hotel 1.23 0.13 266.11 265.77 251.29 5.90 Miscellaneous goods & services 2.76 236.99 237.38 224.64 -0.16 5.50

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

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

<u>Month-on-month</u> Top few commodities which varied from previous month i.e. August, 2016 are given below:-

Increased: Lemon (35.52%), Mango Kalmi (26.01%), Ginger (20.65%), Entox Tablet (16.80%), Cucumber (14.72%), Dettol (Medium) (14.46%), Lederplex Syrup (14.42%), Onion (12.74%), Garlic (9.50%), Gas Cylinder Standard size (9.36%), Chillies Green (6.07%), Guava (5.96%), Cinamon loose (5.83%).

Decreased: Pomegranate (18.92%), Bottlegourd (12.49%), Lady finger (12.21%), Pumpkin (9.80%), Brinjal (9.02%), Turai (8.85%), Bananas (5.87%), and Tomatoes (4.91%).

<u>Year-on-Year:</u> Top few commodities which varied from previous year i.e. September 2015 are given below:-

Increased: Garlic (80.01%), Gram Whole Yellow (56.52%), Pulse Gram (37.24%), Pulse Mash (34.58%), Gram whole Black (33.02%), Besan (31.54%), Entox Tablet (30%), Potatoes (29.80%), Cinema A/C High Class (26.73%), Postal Registration Charges (25.93%), Tablet Disprin (25.10%), Guava (23.22%), Tablet Panadol plain/Extra (22%), Tinda (21.36%) and Dettol Medium (19.62%).

Decreased: Onions (38.47%), Ginger (15.96%), Mango (15.14%), Petrol (12.53%), Bus Fare (12.29%), Diesel (11.09%), Rice Basmati (10.60%), Iron Bar (8.62%), Tyre Motor Cycle (8.42%), Tea ((8.13%), Bus Fare (7.78%) and Kerosene Oil (6.06%).

Average Inflation Rate

The Consumer Price Index of July-September, 2016-17 has increased by 3.84% over July-September, 2015-16 as per details given below:-

Groups	Group	Indices		% Change
	Weight	Jul-Sep 2016-17	Jul-Sep 2015-16	%Change
General	100.00	209.81	202.02	3.86
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	34.83	226.86	219.89	3.17
Non-perishable food items	29.84	223.06	217.66	2.48
Perishable food items	4.99	249.56	233.22	7.01
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	364.78	309.90	17.71
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	230.11	220.20	4.50
Housing, Water, Elec, Gas Fuels	29.41	188.90	180.39	4.71
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance.	4.21	222.09	214.21	3.68
Health	2.19	189.76	179.14	5.93
Transport	7.20	170.06	177.41	-4.14
Communication	3.22	130.88	130.35	0.41
Recreation & Culture	2.02	195.86	193.17	1.39
Education	3.94	226.60	209.21	8.32
Restaurant & Hotels	1.23	265.42	250.42	5.99
Miscellaneous	2.76	236.74	223.88	5.74

Top few commodities which varied from previous year average i.e. July-September, 2015-16 are given below:-

Increased: Gram Whole (47.57%), Pulse Mash (42.43%), Pulse Gram (41.04%), Besan (37.25%), Potatoes (31.56%), Tomatoes (21.08%), Fresh Vegetables (19.54%), Cigarettes (17.76%), Betel Leaves and Nuts (13.43%), Water Supply (8.94%), Pulse Masoor (8.70%), Personal equipment (8.60%), Education (8.31%), Tailoring (7.59%), Doctor (MBBS) Clinic Fee (7.54%) and Sugar (7.10%).

Decreased: Onion (31.65%), Chicken (14.21%), Motor Fuel (10.43%), Kerosene Oil (9.76%), Rice (7.78%), Motor Vehicle Accessories (5.69%) and Cooking Oil (4.89%).

3. Core inflation of CPI

i. Trimmed Core Inflation

During the month of September, 2016 over September, 2015, the trimmed core inflation has been observed as 3.7% while it was 2.8% during September, 2015 over September, 2014.

ii. Non-Food & Non-Energy Core Inflation

During the month of September, 2016 over September, 2015, the Non-food & Non-energy core inflation has been observed as 4.8% while it was 3.4% during september, 2015 over September, 2014.