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**PRESS RELEASE ON CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) INFLATION
FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2021**

Indicators	Base Year 2015-16
Inflation Rate, April, 2021 over March, 2021 (Month on Month)	1.03
Inflation Rate, April, 2021 over April, 2020 (Year on Year)	11.10
Average Inflation Rate July- Apr (2020-21) over July- Apr (2019-20)	8.62

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 [April, 2021 over March, 2021]

2. **CPI National** for the month of **April, 2021** increased by **1.03%** over March, 2021. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **1.34%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **0.57%**.

Group	NATIONAL			URBAN			RURAL					
	Weight %	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		Weight %	INDICES			
		Apr, 2021	Mar, 2021			Apr, 2021	Mar, 2021	% Change	Apr, 2021	Mar, 2021	% Change	
General	100.0	145.09	143.61	1.03	100.00	144.91	142.99	1.34	100.00	145.37	144.55	0.57
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	150.70	147.49	2.18	30.42	151.24	146.51	3.23	40.87	150.10	148.60	1.01
Non-perishable food items	29.60	151.63	152.12	-0.32	25.97	151.54	150.79	0.50	35.08	151.74	153.61	-1.22
Perishable food items	4.99	145.16	120.02	20.95	4.46	149.48	121.56	22.97	5.79	140.14	118.23	18.53
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	144.28	144.48	-0.14	0.85	153.57	153.44	0.08	1.28	134.91	135.45	-0.40
Clothing and footwear	8.60	148.48	146.94	1.05	8.01	146.21	144.65	1.08	9.48	151.38	149.87	1.01
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	141.20	140.48	0.51	27.03	142.12	141.07	0.74	18.49	139.18	139.19	-0.01
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	140.39	139.20	0.85	4.09	139.46	138.33	0.82	4.10	141.78	140.50	0.91
Health	2.79	152.61	151.85	0.50	2.31	152.72	151.94	0.51	3.51	152.51	151.76	0.49
Transport	5.91	141.52	143.25	-1.21	6.14	142.56	144.34	-1.23	5.56	139.78	141.43	-1.17
Communication	2.21	108.61	107.57	0.97	2.35	110.33	108.95	1.27	1.99	105.56	105.11	0.43
Recreation and culture	1.59	125.17	125.06	0.10	1.73	121.91	121.89	0.02	1.38	131.36	131.08	0.24
Education	3.79	144.61	143.83	0.54	4.88	146.71	146.26	0.31	2.13	137.36	135.46	1.40
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	141.55	141.25	0.21	7.41	140.81	140.53	0.20	6.19	142.88	142.56	0.22
Misc. goods and services	4.87	150.83	150.17	0.44	4.77	150.56	149.64	0.61	5.02	151.22	150.92	0.20

3. Top few commodities which varied from previous month i.e. March, 2021 are given below:

URBAN:

FOOD

Increased: Tomatoes (67.70%), Vegetables (29.55%), Fruits (22.32%), Potatoes (15.81%), Chicken (7.31%), Cooking oil (2.99%), Vegetable ghee (2.01%), Meat (1.64%), Condiments and Spices(1.54%), and Gram whole (1.25%).

Decreased: Wheat (9.14%), Onions (8.33%), Wheat flour (1.94%), Sugar (1.83%) and Pulse moong (1.59%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Tailoring (4.50%), Household equipment (1.79%), House rent (1.64%), Hosiery (1.46%) and Construction input items (1.42%).

Decreased: Liquefied Hydrocarbons (3.80%), Electricity charges (1.89%), Motor fuel (1.52%) and Solid Fuel (0.37%)

RURAL:

FOOD

Increased: Tomatoes (55.54%), Fruits (25.20%), Vegetables (21.71%), Potatoes (12.15%), Cooking oil (2.25%), Vegetable ghee (1.83%), Meat (1.59%) and Mustard oil (1.15%).

Decreased: Onions (14.47%), Wheat (10.23%), Sugar (3.13%), Pulse Masoor (2.57%), Besan (2.24%), Pulse Moong (1.68%), Wheat Flour (1.56%) and Chicken (1.12%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Tailoring (2.03%), Readymade Garments (1.94%), Household Equipment (1.49%), Cotton Cloth (1.41%), House Rent (1.16%) and Clinic Fee (1.12%).

Decreased: Liquefied Hydrocarbons (3.74%), Electricity Charges (1.89%) and Motor Fuels (1.84%).

YEARLY ANALYSIS (Y.o.Y) April, 2021 over April, 2020

4. CPI National for the month of April, 2021 increased by 11.10% over April, 2020. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of 10.96% while Rural CPI recorded an increase of 11.33%.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight %	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES			Weight %	INDICES		% Change
		Apr, 2021	Apr, 2020			Apr, 2021	Apr, 2020	% Change		Apr, 2021	Apr, 2020	
General	100.00	145.09	130.59	11.10	100.00	144.91	130.60	10.96	100.00	145.37	130.58	11.33
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	150.70	130.01	15.91	30.42	151.24	129.25	17.01	40.87	150.10	130.87	14.69
Non-perishable food items	29.60	151.63	128.11	18.36	25.97	151.54	126.92	19.40	35.08	151.74	129.45	17.22
Perishable food items	4.99	145.16	141.28	2.74	4.46	149.48	142.86	4.63	5.79	140.14	139.45	0.49
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	144.28	137.52	4.92	0.85	153.57	144.82	6.04	1.28	134.91	130.15	3.66
Clothing and footwear	8.60	148.48	132.72	11.87	8.01	146.21	129.69	12.74	9.48	151.38	136.59	10.83
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	141.20	128.74	9.68	27.03	142.12	130.08	9.26	18.49	139.18	125.77	10.66
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	140.39	128.27	9.45	4.09	139.46	128.45	8.57	4.10	141.78	127.99	10.77
Health	2.79	152.61	140.05	8.97	2.31	152.72	139.60	9.40	3.51	152.51	140.49	8.56
Transport	5.91	141.52	132.85	6.53	6.14	142.56	133.49	6.79	5.56	139.78	131.78	6.07
Communication	2.21	108.61	106.96	1.55	2.35	110.33	108.22	1.95	1.99	105.56	104.72	0.80
Recreation and culture	1.59	125.17	119.70	4.57	1.73	121.91	118.08	3.24	1.38	131.36	122.78	6.99
Education	3.79	144.61	142.40	1.55	4.88	146.71	144.98	1.19	2.13	137.36	133.48	2.91
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	141.55	130.82	8.20	7.41	140.81	129.74	8.53	6.19	142.88	132.76	7.62
Misc. goods and services	4.87	150.83	137.07	10.04	4.77	150.56	137.08	9.83	5.02	151.22	137.06	10.33

5. Top few commodities which varied from previous year i.e. April, 2020 are given below:

URBAN:
FOOD

Increased: Chicken (93.14%), Tomatoes (81.49%), Eggs (42.41%), Condiments and Spices (31.62%), Wheat (26.99%), Mustard oil (24.44%), Vegetable ghee (21.05%), Milk (20.37%), Cooking oil (19.23%), Sugar (18.2%), Wheat flour (16.92%) and Fresh vegetables (11.45%).

Decreased: Onions (39.57%), Pulse moong (16.57%), Pulse masoor (10.2%), Pulse gram (7.13%), Besan (5.61%) and Gram whole (3.00%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Electricity charges (29.06%), Cotton cloth (16.56%), Footwear (16.24%), Major tools & equipment (15.06%), Cleaning and laundering (13.37%), Clinic fee (12.81%), Hosiery (12.55%) and Woollen readymade garments (12.08%).

RURAL:
FOOD

Increased: Chicken (85.15%), Tomatoes (60.03%), Eggs (46.14%), Wheat (24.48%), Mustard oil (23.71%), Cooking oil (23.29%), Vegetable ghee (21.38%), Wheat Flour (19.33%), Sugar (16.51%), Condiments and Spices (13.72%), Milk (13.48%) and Rice (13.02%).

Decreased: Onions (43.53%), Pulse Moong (14.66%), Besan (4.7%), Pulse Gram (3.15%), Pulse Masoor (2.34%), Fruits (1.30%) and Gram Whole (1.14%)

NON-FOOD

Increased: Electricity Charges (29.06%), Hosiry (16.47%), Clinic Fee (16.41%), Plastic Products (14.24%), Cotton Cloth (13.41%), Woolen Cloth (13.27%), Household Equipments (12.64%), Tailoring (12.06%) and Stationery (11.12%).

AVERAGE INFLATION RATE

6. CPI National for the period **July-Apr (2020-21)** increased by 8.62% over July- Apr (2019-20). The Urban CPI recorded an increase of 7.72% while Rural CPI recorded an increase of 9.98%.

Group	NATIONAL			URBAN			RURAL					
	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)
	Jul-Apr, 2020-21	Jul- Apr, 2019-20		Jul- Apr , 2020-21	Jul- Apr, 2019-20		Jul- Apr , 2020-21	Jul- Apr, 2019-20		Jul- Apr , 2020-21	Jul- Apr, 2019-20	
General	100.00	140.56	129.41	8.62	100.00	139.71	129.70	7.72	100.00	141.85	128.97	9.98
Food and non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	146.02	128.81	13.36	30.42	144.59	128.00	12.97	40.87	147.61	129.72	13.79
Non-perishable food items	29.60	145.30	125.23	16.03	25.97	143.67	125.06	14.88	35.08	147.13	125.33	17.39
Perishable food items	4.99	150.24	150.08	0.11	4.46	149.99	150.28	-0.20	5.79	150.55	149.48	0.71
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	143.10	135.40	5.69	0.85	151.57	142.88	6.08	1.28	134.56	127.86	5.24
Clothing and footwear	8.60	141.33	128.45	10.03	8.01	138.03	125.86	9.67	9.48	145.54	131.76	10.46
Housing, water, Elec., Gas and other fuels	23.63	135.66	128.29	5.74	27.03	136.78	130.00	5.21	18.49	133.19	124.52	6.96
Furnishing and household equipment maintenance	4.10	135.16	125.04	8.10	4.09	134.30	125.71	6.83	4.10	136.46	124.02	10.03
Health	2.79	147.33	136.06	8.28	2.31	147.06	136.67	7.60	3.51	147.60	135.47	8.96
Transport	5.91	139.86	141.73	-1.32	6.14	140.61	142.62	-1.41	5.56	138.61	140.26	-1.17
Communication	2.21	107.41	106.82	0.55	2.35	108.76	108.05	0.66	1.99	105.02	104.63	0.37
Recreation and culture	1.59	123.48	118.46	4.24	1.73	120.70	117.01	3.15	1.38	128.77	121.20	6.24
Education	3.79	143.50	141.80	1.20	4.88	145.95	144.44	1.05	2.13	135.05	132.71	1.76
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	137.84	127.04	8.50	7.41	136.64	125.98	8.47	6.19	140.00	128.96	8.57
Misc. goods and services	4.87	147.48	132.01	11.72	4.77	146.44	132.35	10.65	5.02	148.98	131.53	13.27

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

URBAN:

FOOD:

Increased: Chillies Powder (86.29%), Egg (44.35%), Cardamom Small (41.07%), Ginger (39.30%), Potatoes (35.78%), Wheat (32.22%), Beans (24.55%), Sugar (23.44%), Pulse Mash (23.01%), Vegetable Ghee (19.79%) Pulse moong (19.78%) and Wheat Flour Bag (15.24%).

Decreased: Onions (29.10%), Cauliflower (26.22%), Turnip (22.70%), Garlic (22.17%), Peas (9.57%), Apples (9.29%), Reddish (8.59%) and Gram Whole (4.72%).

NON-FOOD:

Increased: Shoes (34.58%), Silver (28.71%) and Gold (26.61%).

Decreased: Diesel (13.18%), Petrol (6.46%), CNG (6.42%) and LPG (3.56%).

RURAL:

FOOD:

Increased: Chillies Powder (74.44%), Eggs (42.11%), Ginger (39.58%), Potatoes (33.77%), Wheat (31.17%), Beans (26.11), Sugar (23.26%), Pulse Mash (23.07%), Pulse Moong (23.05%), Chicken (22.98%), Wheat Flour Bag (22.82%), Vegetable Ghee (20.72%) and Pulse Masoor (19.68%).

Decreased: Onions (30.03%), Cauliflower (24.06%), Turnip (22.33%), Garlic (19.30%), Apple (12.21%), Peas (8.76%), Gram Whole Yellow (4.18%) and Fish (1.69%).

NON-FOOD:

Increased: Gold (26.64%) and Clinic Fee (17.82%).

Decreased: Diesel (13.18%), Kerosene Oil (9.17%), Petrol (6.46%), LPG (3.57%) and CNG (3.54%).