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PRESS RELEASE ON CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) INFLATION
FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2023

Indicators	Base Year 2015-16 (%)
Inflation Rate, February, 2023 over January, 2023 (Month on Month)	4.32
Inflation Rate, February 2023 over February, 2022 (Year on Year)	31.55
Average Inflation Rate, Jul-Feb, 2022-23 over Jul-Feb, 2021-22	26.19

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 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 [February, 2023 over January, 2023]

2. CPI National for the month of Feb, 2023 increased to **4.32%** over Jan, 2023. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **4.54%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **4.01%**.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change
		Feb, 2023	Jan, 2023			Feb, 2023	Jan, 2023			Feb, 2023	Jan, 2023	
General	100.0	211.28	202.53	4.32	100.00	204.87	195.97	4.54	100.00	220.95	212.43	4.01
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	241.28	231.89	4.05	30.42	234.18	224.73	4.21	40.87	249.25	239.93	3.88
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	29.60	242.96	233.53	4.03	25.97	235.81	225.83	4.42	35.08	250.94	242.14	3.63
<i>Perishable food items</i>	4.99	231.30	222.14	4.13	4.46	224.68	218.36	2.89	5.79	239.00	226.53	5.50
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	219.42	199.97	9.73	0.85	240.99	213.22	13.02	1.28	197.68	186.61	5.93
Clothing and footwear	8.60	186.65	184.51	1.16	8.01	183.44	181.13	1.28	9.48	190.75	188.83	1.02
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	176.83	170.53	3.70	27.03	171.88	164.86	4.26	18.49	187.75	183.03	2.58
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	209.51	199.56	4.98	4.09	206.59	196.16	5.32	4.10	213.91	204.69	4.50
Health	2.79	197.25	193.13	2.14	2.31	196.23	190.17	3.19	3.51	198.27	196.06	1.13
Transport	5.91	271.24	242.15	12.01	6.14	271.89	242.19	12.26	5.56	270.16	242.09	11.59
Communication	2.21	114.36	112.00	2.10	2.35	117.76	114.53	2.82	1.99	108.30	107.50	0.74
Recreation and culture	1.59	199.72	193.40	3.27	1.73	194.76	188.05	3.57	1.38	209.12	203.54	2.74
Education	3.79	164.80	164.05	0.46	4.88	166.56	166.36	0.12	2.13	158.74	156.09	1.70
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	215.81	205.28	5.13	7.41	216.08	207.39	4.19	6.19	215.32	201.46	6.88
Misc. goods and services	4.87	221.35	211.48	4.67	4.77	219.30	209.39	4.73	5.02	224.30	214.48	4.58

3. **Top few commodities which varied from previous month i.e. Jan, 2023 are given below:**

URBAN:

FOOD

Increased: Chicken (19.89%), Cooking Oil (17.21%), Vegetable Ghee (16.59%), Cigarettes (15.64%), Fresh Fruits (15.13%), Fresh Vegetables (13.97%), Gram Whole (11.35%), Pulse Gram (11.03%), Besan (10.98%), Mustard Oil (10.4%), Pulse Mash (10.35%), Rice (9.54%), Beans (8.32%), Pulse Moong (6.35%), Pulse Masoor (5.89%), Potatoes (4.13%), Fish (2.64%), Milk Fresh (2.25%), Meat (1.93%) and Sugar (0.11%).

Decreased: Onions (17.12%), Tomatoes (11.09%), Wheat Flour (3.69%), Wheat (3.28%), Eggs (3.28%) and Honey (0.01%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Gas Charges (62.82%), Liquefied Hydrocarbons (35.55%), Motor Fuel (16.53%), Communication Apparatus (12.2%), Motor Vehicles (10.32%), Motor Vehicle Accessories (7.70%), Marriage Hall Charges (5.61%), Construction Input Items (5.51%), Washing Soap/Detergents/Match Box (5.43%), Medical Tests (5.18%), Transport Services (5.12%), Cleaning and Laundry (4.32%), Tailoring (4.19%), Recreation and Culture (1.59%), Mechanical Services (1.36%) and Dental Services (1.25%),

Decreased: Electricity Charges (1.60%)

RURAL:
FOOD

Increased: Fresh Fruits (21.19%), Chicken (15.25%), Fresh Vegetables (14.30%), Cooking Oil (12.94%), Vegetable Ghee (12.35%), Condiments and Spices (10.91%), Mustard Oil (10.09%), Beans (9.47%), Gram Whole (9.23%), Rice (9.09%), Pulse Gram (8.85%), Pulse Masoor (8.69%), Pulse Moong (8.20%), Pulse Mash (7.87%), Sweetmeat (6.38%), Nimco (5.26%), Milk Fresh (4.63%), Bakery and Confectionary (4.17%), Readymade Food (4.15%), Butter (3.93%), Dry Fruits (3.84%), Tea (2.79%), Fish (2.18%), Beverages (2.14%), Gur (1.50%), Meat (1.06%), Potatoes (1.04%) and Sugar (0.51%).

Decreased: Tomatoes (15.05%), Onions (7.50%), Wheat (6.26%), Wheat Flour (2.78%), Eggs (2.09%) and Honey (0.05%).

Non-Food:

Increased: Liquified Hydrocarbons (23.64%), Motor Fuels (17.99%), Marriage Hall Charges (13.38%), Motor Vehicles (7.76%), Cleaning and Laundering (7.41%), Motor Vehicles Accessories (6.13%), Dental Services (5.55%), Washing Soaps, Detergents and Match Box (5.35%), Furniture and Furnishing (5.27%), Appliances/Articles/Products for Personal Care (4.80%), Doctor Clinic Fee (3.00%), Recreation and Culture (2.73%), Transport Services (2.23%), Stationery (2.11%), Construction Input Items (2.07%) and Medical Tests (1.40%),

Decreased: Electricity Charges (1.60%) and Drugs & Medicines (0.45%)

YEARLY ANALYSIS [February, 2023 over February, 2022]

4. CPI National for the month of February, 2023 increased to **31.55%** over February, 2022. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **28.82%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **35.56%**.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight (%)	INDICES		%	Weight (%)	INDICES		%	Weight (%)	INDICES		%
		Feb, 2023	Feb, 2022			Feb, 2023	Feb, 2022			Feb, 2023	Feb, 2022	
General	100.00	211.28	160.61	31.55	100.00	204.87	159.03	28.82	100.00	220.95	162.99	35.56
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	241.28	166.31	45.07	30.42	234.18	164.76	42.13	40.87	249.25	168.06	48.31
Non-perishable food items	29.60	242.96	167.93	44.68	25.97	235.81	166.05	42.01	35.08	250.94	170.03	47.59
Perishable food items	4.99	231.30	156.72	47.59	4.46	224.68	157.22	42.91	5.79	239.00	156.14	53.07
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	219.42	147.07	49.20	0.85	240.99	155.56	54.92	1.28	197.68	138.51	42.72
Clothing and footwear	8.60	186.65	159.56	16.98	8.01	183.44	157.08	16.78	9.48	190.75	162.73	17.22
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	176.83	155.68	13.58	27.03	171.88	154.52	11.23	18.49	187.75	158.25	18.64
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	209.51	156.31	34.04	4.09	206.59	154.01	34.14	4.10	213.91	159.76	33.89
Health	2.79	197.25	166.06	18.78	2.31	196.23	165.61	18.49	3.51	198.27	166.51	19.07
Transport	5.91	271.24	180.29	50.45	6.14	271.89	181.41	49.88	5.56	270.16	178.43	51.41
Communication	2.21	114.36	110.29	3.69	2.35	117.76	112.56	4.62	1.99	108.30	106.24	1.94
Recreation and culture	1.59	199.72	134.90	48.05	1.73	194.76	131.23	48.41	1.38	209.12	141.86	47.41
Education	3.79	164.80	148.76	10.79	4.88	166.56	150.87	10.40	2.13	158.74	141.47	12.21
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	215.81	160.41	34.54	7.41	216.08	159.82	35.20	6.19	215.32	161.47	33.35
Misc. goods and services	4.87	221.35	166.07	33.29	4.77	219.30	164.52	33.30	5.02	224.30	168.29	33.28

5. Top few commodities which varied from corresponding month of previous year i.e. February, 2022 are given below:

URBAN:
FOOD

Increased: Onions (416.74%), Chicken (96.86%), Eggs (78.73%), Rice (77.81%), Gram Whole (64.93%), Cigarettes (59.20%), Pulse Moong (56.43%), Pulse Gram (55.99%), Wheat Flour (55.92%), Pulse Mash (50.77%), Cooking Oil (50.66%), Mustard Oil (48.11%), Dry Fruits (47.88%), Vegetable Ghee (45.89%), Fresh Fruits (45.17%), Beans (37.18%), Milk Fresh (31.99%), Pulse Masoor (27.76%), Beverages (24.02%), Potatoes (22.42%), Fish (21.49%), Meat (20.82%) and Fresh Vegetables (11.60%).

Decreased: Tomatoes (62.68%) and Gur (1.87%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Text Books (74.13%), Motor Fuel (63.2%), Gas Charges (62.82%), Stationery (61.37%), Washing Soap/Detergents/Match Box (51.63%), Liquified Hydrocarbons (48.37%), Motor Vehicles (38.77%), Construction Input Items (38.51%), Motor Vehicle Accessories (37.04%), Transport Services (33.13%), Marriage Hall Charges (25.50%), Major Tools & Equipments (24.63%), Tailoring (23.59%), Mechanical Services (20.51%), Woolen Cloth (19.83%), Cotton Cloth (18.82%), Medical Tests (17.90%) and Household Servant (17.25%).

RURAL:

FOOD

Increased: Onions (517.77%), Chicken (100.14%), Wheat (82.33%), Rice (74.98%), Gram Whole (65.01%), Pulse Moong (64.18%), Besan (59.32%), Pulse Gram (57.44%), Nimco (55.52%), Fresh Fruits (53.33%), Pulse Mash (53.29%), Mustard Oil (50.01%), Wheat Flour (48.91%), Cooking Oil (46.20%), Cigarettes (43.21%), Vegetable Ghee (42.10%), Beans (39.95%), Milk Fresh (36.06%), Pulse Masoor (35.08%), Readymade Food (34.78%), Meat (18.65%), Beverages (16.42%), Potatoes (16.42%), Fresh Vegetables (14.05%) and Sugar (5.94%).

Decreased: Tomatoes (58.65%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Text Books (71.05%), Motor Fuels (66.73%), Liquified Hydrocarbons (53.67%), Detergents and Match Box (45.36%), Transport Services (42.20%), Construction Input Items (37.16%), Solid Fuel (36.32%), Motor Vehicles Accessories (34.86%), Marriage Hall Charges (31.56%), Dental Services (26.37%), Motor Vehicles (23.91%) and Mechanical Services (14.65%),

PERIOD - AVERAGE INFLATION RATE [Jul-Feb, 2022-23 over Jul-Feb, 2021-22]

6. CPI National for the period **Jul-Feb (2022-23)** increased to **26.19%** over **Jul-Feb (2021-22)**. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **24.00%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **29.46%**.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)
		Jul-Feb 2022-23	Jul-Feb 2021-22			Jul-Feb 2022-23	Jul-Feb 2021-22			Jul-Feb 2022-23	Jul-Feb 2021-22	
General	100.00	194.73	154.30	26.19	100.00	190.22	153.40	24.00	100.00	201.53	155.67	29.46
Food and non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	217.30	159.98	35.83	30.42	213.27	160.05	33.25	40.87	221.83	161.41	37.44
Non-perishable food items	29.60	215.58	161.15	33.77	25.97	211.56	161.41	31.07	35.08	220.06	162.79	35.19
Perishable food items	4.99	227.57	153.02	48.72	4.46	223.28	152.11	46.79	5.79	232.55	153.04	51.96
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	195.68	147.52	32.65	0.85	209.61	154.72	35.48	1.28	181.63	136.86	32.71
Clothing and footwear	8.60	179.99	153.70	17.10	8.01	177.32	150.55	17.78	9.48	183.39	157.43	16.49
Housing, water, Elec., Gas and other fuels	23.63	169.33	150.88	12.23	27.03	165.44	150.26	10.10	18.49	177.91	150.28	18.39
Furnishing and household equipment maintenance	4.10	189.01	149.15	26.73	4.09	186.31	146.97	26.77	4.10	193.07	151.07	27.80
Health	2.79	183.91	158.26	16.21	2.31	181.72	159.47	13.95	3.51	186.08	158.41	17.46
Transport	5.91	248.39	160.98	54.30	6.14	248.77	165.11	50.67	5.56	247.77	160.67	54.21
Communication	2.21	112.00	116.38	-3.77	2.35	114.55	112.41	1.90	1.99	107.45	105.96	1.41
Recreation and culture	1.59	171.78	135.20	27.06	1.73	165.98	128.87	28.79	1.38	182.79	137.89	32.56
Education	3.79	162.65	148.68	9.40	4.88	165.06	149.31	10.55	2.13	154.34	139.88	10.33
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	195.14	151.21	29.05	7.41	195.46	150.43	29.93	6.19	194.56	152.57	27.52
Misc. goods and services	4.87	198.80	159.33	24.78	4.77	197.76	158.80	24.53	5.02	200.30	161.74	23.84

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