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PRESS RELEASE ON CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) INFLATION
FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2024

| Indicators | Base Year 2015-16 (%) |
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| Inflation Rate, Apr 2024 over March, 2024 (Month on Month) | -0.43 |
| Inflation Rate, April, 2024 over April, 2023 (Year on Year) | 17.34 |
| Average Inflation Rate, Jul-Apr, 2023-24 over Jul-Apr, 2022-23 | 25.97 |

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 [April, 2024 over March, 2024]

2. CPI National for the month of April, 2024 decreased by **0.43%** over March, 2024. The Urban CPI recorded a decrease of **0.09%** while Rural CPI recorded a decrease of **0.93%**.

| Group | NATIONAL | | | | URBAN | | | | RURAL | | | |
|--|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| | Weight (%) | INDICES | | % Change | Weight (%) | INDICES | | % Change | Weight (%) | INDICES | | % Change |
| | | Apr, 2024 | Mar, 2024 | | | Apr, 2024 | Mar, 2024 | | | Apr, 2024 | Mar, 2024 | |
| General | 100.00 | 263.32 | 264.46 | -0.43 | 100.00 | 259.24 | 259.47 | -0.09 | 100.00 | 269.48 | 272.00 | -0.93 |
| Food & non-alcoholic Beverages | 34.58 | 286.43 | 293.36 | -2.36 | 30.42 | 281.53 | 286.46 | -1.72 | 40.87 | 291.94 | 301.11 | -3.05 |
| Non-perishable food items | 29.60 | 282.07 | 286.00 | -1.38 | 25.97 | 278.17 | 279.63 | -0.52 | 35.08 | 286.42 | 293.12 | -2.29 |
| Perishable food items | 4.99 | 312.36 | 337.05 | -7.33 | 4.46 | 301.13 | 326.28 | -7.71 | 5.79 | 325.40 | 349.57 | -6.91 |
| Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco | 1.02 | 366.07 | 365.80 | 0.07 | 0.85 | 386.36 | 386.20 | 0.04 | 1.28 | 345.61 | 345.24 | 0.11 |
| Clothing and footwear | 8.60 | 238.38 | 228.13 | 4.49 | 8.01 | 230.79 | 216.67 | 6.52 | 9.48 | 248.05 | 242.74 | 2.19 |
| Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels | 23.63 | 239.81 | 244.24 | -1.81 | 27.03 | 246.31 | 250.13 | -1.53 | 18.49 | 225.47 | 231.25 | -2.50 |
| Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance | 4.10 | 266.41 | 265.47 | 0.36 | 4.09 | 257.23 | 256.37 | 0.34 | 4.10 | 280.24 | 279.16 | 0.39 |
| Health | 2.79 | 237.29 | 236.68 | 0.26 | 2.31 | 237.26 | 236.76 | 0.21 | 3.51 | 237.32 | 236.60 | 0.30 |
| Transport | 5.91 | 320.28 | 311.46 | 2.83 | 6.14 | 312.92 | 305.33 | 2.49 | 5.56 | 332.55 | 321.67 | 3.38 |
| Communication | 2.21 | 134.85 | 134.83 | 0.02 | 2.35 | 138.77 | 138.77 | 0.00 | 1.99 | 127.88 | 127.82 | 0.05 |
| Recreation and culture | 1.59 | 258.77 | 256.67 | 0.82 | 1.73 | 247.36 | 246.16 | 0.49 | 1.38 | 280.42 | 276.61 | 1.38 |
| Education | 3.79 | 196.20 | 187.50 | 4.64 | 4.88 | 192.49 | 188.09 | 2.34 | 2.13 | 209.01 | 185.46 | 12.70 |
| Restaurants and hotels | 6.92 | 269.38 | 266.35 | 1.14 | 7.41 | 268.67 | 265.74 | 1.10 | 6.19 | 270.66 | 267.45 | 1.20 |
| Misc. goods and services | 4.87 | 282.22 | 276.81 | 1.96 | 4.77 | 275.96 | 271.71 | 1.56 | 5.02 | 291.21 | 284.12 | 2.50 |

3. **Top few commodities which varied from previous month i.e. March, 2024 are given below:**

URBAN:

FOOD

Increased: Chicken (21.38%), Fish (2.49%), Potatoes (2.29%), Meat (1.94%), Milk Powder (1.34%), Bakery and Confectionary (1.04%), Sweetmeat (1.03%), Readymade Food (0.68%), Pulse Mash (0.38%), Rice (0.30%), Mustard Oil (0.21%), Pan Prepared (0.19%), Milk Products (0.14%), Nimco (0.14%), Milk Fresh (0.10%), Ice Cream (0.02%) and Cigarettes (0.01%).

Decreased: Onions (15.58%), Fresh vegetables (11.98%), Wheat (10.44%), Wheat Flour (9.67%), Tomatoes (6.23%), Eggs (4.30%), Pulse Gram (1.15%), Pulse Masoor (1.00%), Sugar (0.96%), Fresh Fruits (0.95%), Besan (0.85%), Gram Whole (0.49%), Wheat Products (0.44%), Gur (0.36%), Condiments and Spices (0.30%), Dry Fruits (0.28%), Tea (0.21%), Vegetable Ghee (0.14%), Cooking Oil (0.12%), Pulse Moong (0.12%), Honey (0.10%), Beverages (0.02%) and Beans (0.01%).

NON-FOOD:

Increased: Footwears (17.16%), Cotton Cloth (9.74%), Woolen Cloth (3.82%), Motor Fuel (3.63%), Marriage Hall Charges (2.58%), Education (2.34%), Personal Grooming Services (2.10%), Transport Services (1.50%), House Rent (1.45%), Recreation and Culture (1.26%).

Decreased: Electricity Charges (9.50%), Liquefied Hydrocarbons (0.60%) and Construction Input Items (0.12%).

RURAL:
FOOD

Increased: Chicken (20.35%), Fresh Fruits (8.31%), Potatoes (6.93%), Beans (3.60%), Meat (2.76%), Tomatoes (2.07%), Fish (1.78%), Readymade Food (1.62%), Butter (1.58%), Sweetmeat (0.99%), Condiments and Spices (0.72%), Nimco (0.58%), Milk Products (0.57%), Bakery and Confectionary (0.51%), Milk Fresh (0.42%), Milk Powder (0.34%), Mustard Oil (0.28%), Honey (0.12%) and Pulse Moong (0.06%).

Decreased: Onions (18.97%), Wheat (13.84%), Fresh Vegetables (13.70%), Wheat Flour (13.30%), Eggs (2.85%), Pulse Masoor (1.78%), Sugar (1.24%), Besan (1.18%), Wheat Products (0.98%), Pulse Gram (0.86%), Gram Whole (0.63%), Dry Fruits (0.62%), Tea (0.61%), Gur (0.52%), Pulse Mash (0.43%), Cooking Oil (0.27%), Rice (0.14%), Vegetable Ghee (0.12%) and Beverages (0.03%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Education (12.70%), Personal Effects n.e.c. (5.51%), Transport Services (4.10%), Cotton Cloth (3.94%), Motor Fuels (3.86%), Stationery (3.20%), Woolen Cloth (2.46%), Personal Grooming Services (2.31%), Footware (2.12%), House Rent (1.79%) and Text Books (1.12%).

Decreased: Electricity Charges (9.50%), Liquefied Hydrocarbons (2.21%), Solid Fuel (1.20%) and Construction Input Items (0.82%).

YEARLY ANALYSIS [April, 2024 over April, 2023]

4. CPI National for the month of April, 2024 increased to **17.34%** over April, 2023. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **19.40%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **14.46%**.

| Group | NATIONAL | | | | URBAN | | | | RURAL | | | |
|--|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| | Weight (%) | INDICES | | % Change | Weight (%) | INDICES | | % Change | Weight (%) | INDICES | | % Change |
| | | Apr, 2024 | Apr, 2023 | | | Apr, 2024 | Apr, 2023 | | | Apr, 2024 | Apr, 2023 | |
| General | 100.00 | 263.32 | 224.41 | 17.34 | 100.00 | 259.24 | 217.11 | 19.40 | 100.00 | 269.48 | 235.43 | 14.46 |
| Food & non-alcoholic Beverages | 34.58 | 286.43 | 261.17 | 9.67 | 30.42 | 281.53 | 254.53 | 10.61 | 40.87 | 291.94 | 268.63 | 8.68 |
| <i>Non-perishable food items</i> | 29.60 | 282.07 | 264.23 | 6.75 | 25.97 | 278.17 | 257.32 | 8.10 | 35.08 | 286.42 | 271.94 | 5.32 |
| <i>Perishable food items</i> | 4.99 | 312.36 | 243.05 | 28.51 | 4.46 | 301.13 | 238.31 | 26.36 | 5.79 | 325.40 | 248.56 | 30.91 |
| Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco | 1.02 | 366.07 | 354.17 | 3.36 | 0.85 | 386.36 | 375.93 | 2.77 | 1.28 | 345.61 | 332.23 | 4.03 |
| Clothing and footwear | 8.60 | 238.38 | 200.17 | 19.09 | 8.01 | 230.79 | 196.25 | 17.60 | 9.48 | 248.05 | 205.17 | 20.90 |
| Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels | 23.63 | 239.81 | 176.77 | 35.67 | 27.03 | 246.31 | 171.90 | 43.29 | 18.49 | 225.47 | 187.51 | 20.24 |
| Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance | 4.10 | 266.41 | 226.20 | 17.78 | 4.09 | 257.23 | 222.82 | 15.44 | 4.10 | 280.24 | 231.29 | 21.16 |
| Health | 2.79 | 237.29 | 200.06 | 18.61 | 2.31 | 237.26 | 200.69 | 18.22 | 3.51 | 237.32 | 199.43 | 19.00 |
| Transport | 5.91 | 320.28 | 284.74 | 12.48 | 6.14 | 312.92 | 285.69 | 9.53 | 5.56 | 332.55 | 283.17 | 17.44 |
| Communication | 2.21 | 134.85 | 117.80 | 14.47 | 2.35 | 138.77 | 122.29 | 13.48 | 1.99 | 127.88 | 109.82 | 16.45 |
| Recreation and culture | 1.59 | 258.77 | 231.40 | 11.83 | 1.73 | 247.36 | 223.56 | 10.65 | 1.38 | 280.42 | 246.28 | 13.86 |
| Education | 3.79 | 196.20 | 170.02 | 15.40 | 4.88 | 192.49 | 169.92 | 13.28 | 2.13 | 209.01 | 170.38 | 22.67 |
| Restaurants and hotels | 6.92 | 269.38 | 225.48 | 19.47 | 7.41 | 268.67 | 226.36 | 18.69 | 6.19 | 270.66 | 223.90 | 20.88 |
| Misc. goods and services | 4.87 | 282.22 | 236.14 | 19.51 | 4.77 | 275.96 | 234.41 | 17.73 | 5.02 | 291.21 | 238.63 | 22.03 |

5. Top few commodities which varied from corresponding month of previous year i.e. April, 2023 are given below:

URBAN:
FOOD

Increased: Onions (156.16%), Tomatoes (126.67%), Condiments and Spices (46.3%), Gur (35.99%), Chicken (33.62%), Beans (29.64%), Fish (28.41%), Pulse Mash (25.32%), Fresh Vegetables (25.08%), Beverages (24.60%), Dry Fruits (24.01%), Meat (22.18%), Milk Powder (21.26%), Sweetmeat (21.09%), Pulse Masoor (19.67%), Readymade Food (17.26%), Pan Prepared (16.14%), Sugar (15.06%), Nimco (14.43%), Milk Products (13.28%), Bakery and Confectionary (13.09%), Wheat Products (11.49%), Rice (10.78%), Butter (10.31%), Milk Fresh (10.26%), Potatoes (9.67%) and Pulse Moong (9.62%).

Decreased: Cooking Oil (20.86%), Vegetable Ghee (17.75%), Mustard Oil (15.41%), Fresh Fruits (13.85%), Wheat (10.95%), Wheat Flour (4.72%), Eggs (3.55%) and Gram Whole (0.39%).

NON-FOOD:

Increased: Gas Charges (318.74%), Electricity Charges (71.12%), Accommodation Services (31.50%), Transport Services (26.70%), Cotton Cloth (23.00%), Drugs & Medicines (22.78%) and Footears (21.38%).

RURAL:
FOOD

Increased: Tomatoes (186.56%), Onions (138.06%), Beans (40.02%), Gur (32.31%), Chicken (30.87%), Fresh Vegetables (27.87%), Fish (25.82%), Butter (24.48%), Beverages (22.61%), Pulse Mash (22.49%), Meat (22.36%), Milk Products (22.16%), Readymade Food (21.15%), Milk Powder (20.93%), Bakery and Confectionary (20.76%), Dry Fruits (19.01%), Sweetmeat (18.58%), Rice (16.08%), Sugar (15.65%), Pulse Masoor (15.40%), Potatoes (14.40%) and Milk Fresh (13.78%).

Decreased: Cooking Oil (20.87%), Vegetable Ghee (18.95%), Fresh Fruits (14.91%), Mustard Oil (10.66%), Wheat (8.83%), Wheat Flour (8.83%), Eggs (0.20%) and Besan (0.05%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Electricity Charges (71.12%), Transport Services (51.99%), Newspapers (46.34%), Woolen Readymade Garments (38.42%), Water Supply (31.65%), Appliances/Articles/Products for Personal Care (29.56%), Drugs and Medicines (24.84%) and Furniture & Furnishing (24.68%).

PERIOD - AVERAGE INFLATION RATE [Jul-Apr, 2023-24 over Jul-Apr, 2022-23]

6. CPI National for the period **Jul-Apr (2023-24)** increased to **25.97** over **Jul-Apr (2022-23)**. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **26.27%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **25.55%**.

| Group | NATIONAL | | | | URBAN | | | | RURAL | | | |
|--|------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| | Weight (%) | INDICES | | Change (%) | Weight (%) | INDICES | | Change (%) | Weight (%) | INDICES | | Change (%) |
| | | Jul-Apr 2023-24 | Jul-Apr 2022-23 | | | Jul-Apr 2023-24 | Jul-Apr 2022-23 | | | Jul-Apr 2023-24 | Jul-Apr 2022-23 | |
| General | 100.00 | 252.12 | 200.14 | 25.97 | 100.00 | 246.44 | 195.17 | 26.27 | 100.00 | 260.68 | 207.63 | 25.55 |
| Food and non-alcoholic Beverages | 34.58 | 282.43 | 224.99 | 25.53 | 30.42 | 277.25 | 220.54 | 25.71 | 40.87 | 288.25 | 229.98 | 25.34 |
| Non-perishable food items | 29.60 | 284.07 | 224.13 | 26.74 | 25.97 | 279.03 | 219.65 | 27.03 | 35.08 | 289.70 | 229.13 | 26.44 |
| Perishable food items | 4.99 | 272.69 | 230.07 | 18.52 | 4.46 | 266.87 | 225.70 | 18.24 | 5.79 | 279.45 | 235.15 | 18.84 |
| Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco | 1.02 | 363.12 | 227.27 | 59.77 | 0.85 | 383.66 | 242.77 | 58.03 | 1.28 | 342.42 | 211.65 | 61.79 |
| Clothing and footwear | 8.60 | 219.96 | 183.66 | 19.77 | 8.01 | 211.53 | 180.89 | 16.94 | 9.48 | 230.71 | 187.20 | 23.25 |
| Housing, water, Elec., Gas and other fuels | 23.63 | 219.56 | 171.02 | 28.39 | 27.03 | 220.98 | 166.91 | 32.39 | 18.49 | 216.43 | 180.08 | 20.19 |
| Furnishing and household equipment maintenance | 4.10 | 257.53 | 195.85 | 31.49 | 4.09 | 249.99 | 193.07 | 29.48 | 4.10 | 268.87 | 200.03 | 34.42 |
| Health | 2.79 | 228.23 | 186.91 | 22.10 | 2.31 | 228.59 | 185.15 | 23.46 | 3.51 | 227.87 | 188.67 | 20.78 |
| Transport | 5.91 | 309.90 | 255.21 | 21.43 | 6.14 | 303.99 | 255.76 | 18.86 | 5.56 | 319.74 | 254.29 | 25.74 |
| Communication | 2.21 | 125.72 | 113.14 | 11.12 | 2.35 | 130.18 | 116.08 | 12.15 | 1.99 | 117.79 | 107.91 | 9.15 |
| Recreation and culture | 1.59 | 255.03 | 181.15 | 40.79 | 1.73 | 245.03 | 175.19 | 39.86 | 1.38 | 274.01 | 192.45 | 42.38 |
| Education | 3.79 | 184.11 | 163.81 | 12.39 | 4.88 | 184.18 | 165.91 | 11.02 | 2.13 | 183.86 | 156.60 | 17.41 |
| Restaurants and hotels | 6.92 | 257.96 | 201.07 | 28.30 | 7.41 | 257.76 | 201.51 | 27.91 | 6.19 | 258.33 | 200.27 | 28.99 |
| Misc. goods and services | 4.87 | 268.22 | 205.34 | 30.62 | 4.77 | 263.83 | 204.14 | 29.24 | 5.02 | 274.53 | 207.07 | 32.58 |

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