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

Indicators	Base Year 2015-16 (%)
Inflation Rate, August 2024 over July, 2024 (Month on Month)	0.39
Inflation Rate, August, 2024 over August, 2023 (Year on Year)	9.64

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 [August, 2024 over July, 2024]

2. CPI National for the month of **August, 2024** increased by **0.39%** over **July, 2024**. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **0.27%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **0.55%**.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change
		Aug,2024	Jul, 2024			Aug,2024	Jul, 2024			Aug,2024	Jul, 2024	
General	100.00	262.32	261.32	0.39	100.00	259.30	258.59	0.27	100.00	266.89	265.43	0.55
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	280.72	276.69	1.46	30.42	280.27	276.10	1.51	40.87	281.23	277.35	1.40
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	29.60	275.81	272.54	1.20	25.97	275.13	271.88	1.20	35.08	276.57	273.28	1.20
<i>Perishable food items</i>	4.99	309.89	301.30	2.85	4.46	310.24	300.69	3.18	5.79	309.48	302.01	2.47
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	384.09	383.43	0.17	0.85	407.24	407.50	-0.06	1.28	360.75	359.15	0.45
Clothing and footwear	8.60	244.84	243.81	0.42	8.01	236.21	235.24	0.41	9.48	255.85	254.73	0.44
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	236.93	240.31	-1.40	27.03	243.39	246.75	-1.36	18.49	222.68	226.09	-1.51
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	270.22	269.77	0.17	4.09	259.86	259.61	0.10	4.10	285.81	285.06	0.26
Health	2.79	250.63	248.48	0.86	2.31	253.98	251.47	1.00	3.51	247.30	245.51	0.73
Transport	5.91	310.22	312.54	-0.74	6.14	305.69	307.43	-0.57	5.56	317.76	321.06	-1.03
Communication	2.21	134.67	134.61	0.04	2.35	138.30	138.28	0.01	1.99	128.21	128.09	0.09
Recreation and culture	1.59	273.53	270.46	1.13	1.73	259.63	256.42	1.25	1.38	299.91	297.11	0.94
Education	3.79	200.98	199.73	0.63	4.88	195.37	194.55	0.42	2.13	220.36	217.63	1.25
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	271.11	269.31	0.67	7.41	266.75	265.28	0.55	6.19	278.98	276.60	0.86
Misc. goods and services	4.87	291.56	288.40	1.10	4.77	283.85	281.53	0.82	5.02	302.62	298.25	1.47

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

URBAN:

FOOD

Increased: Onions (22.84%), Chicken (13.62%), Eggs (12.39%), Fresh Vegetables (12.25%), Besan (4.88%), Pulse Gram (4.55%), Gram Whole (3.82%), Potatoes (2.90%), Pulse Moong (2.83%), Milk Fresh (1.27%), Milk Products (1.20%), Vegetable Ghee (1.10%), Gur (1.04%), Meat (0.99%), Rice (0.98%), Pulse Mash (0.85%), Condiments and Spices (0.73%), Honey (0.71%), Fish (0.68%), Mustard Oil (0.67%), Readymade Food (0.58%), Beans (0.45%), Cooking Oil (0.38%), Bakery and Confectionary (0.32%), Beverages (0.31%), Milk Powder (0.25%), Sweetmeat (0.20%), Dry Fruits (0.18%), Nimco (0.15%), Butter (0.03%) and Sugar (0.02%).

Decreased: Fresh Fruits (13.10%), Tomatoes (8.09%), Wheat Flour (3.87%), Wheat (3.40%), Dessert Preparation (0.69%), Pulse Masoor (0.57%), Wheat Products (0.38%) and Cigarettes (0.37%).

NON-FOOD:

Increased: Motor Vehicle Tax (168.79%), Stationery (5.08%), Hosiry (3.41%), Personal Effects n.e.c. (2.47%), Dopatta (1.85%), Drugs and Medicines (1.35%), Readymade Garments (1.24%), Plastic Products (1.03%), Doctor (MBBS) Clinic Fee (0.88%).

Decreased: Electricity Charges (6.45%), Motor Fuel (1.78%), Liquified Hydrocarbons (1.50%) and Transport Services (1.05%).

RURAL:
FOOD

Increased: Chicken (19.69%), Fresh Vegetables (18.67%), Onions (17.72%), Eggs (14.28%), Pulse Gram (5.32%), Besan (4.44%), Gram Whole (3.26%), Pulse Moong (2.98%), Butter (2.32%), Meat (1.95%), Pulse Mash (1.87%), Condiments and Spices (1.55%), Milk Products (1.48%), Potatoes (1.35%), Honey (1.30%), Readymade Food (0.92%), Vegetable Ghee (0.86%), Milk Powder (0.71%) and Milk Fresh (0.70%).

Decreased: Tomatoes (20.56%), Fresh Fruits (17.09%), Wheat Flour (4.52%), Wheat Products (0.69%), Sugar (0.52%) and Wheat (0.42%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Motor Vehicle Tax (126.61%), Dental Services (3.24%), Stationery (2.55%), Drugs and Medicines (1.28%), Education (1.25%) and Construction Input Items (1.08%).

Decreased: Electricity Charges (6.45%), Motor Fuels (2.01%), Transport Services (0.57%) and Liquefied Hydrocarbons (0.12%).

YEARLY ANALYSIS [August, 2024 over August, 2023]

4. CPI National for the month of **Aug, 2024** increased to **9.64%** over **Aug, 2023**. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **11.71%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **6.73%**.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change
		Aug,2024	Aug,2023			Aug,2024	Aug,2023			Aug,2024	Aug,2023	
General	100.00	262.32	239.27	9.64	100.00	259.30	232.12	11.71	100.00	266.89	250.06	6.73
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	280.72	273.99	2.46	30.42	280.27	269.77	3.89	40.87	281.23	278.73	0.90
Non-perishable food items	29.60	275.81	283.13	-2.58	25.97	275.13	279.09	-1.42	35.08	276.57	287.64	-3.85
Perishable food items	4.99	309.89	219.75	41.02	4.46	310.24	215.49	43.97	5.79	309.48	224.69	37.74
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	384.09	359.45	6.85	0.85	407.24	380.50	7.03	1.28	360.75	338.23	6.66
Clothing and footwear	8.60	244.84	208.74	17.30	8.01	236.21	202.60	16.59	9.48	255.85	216.56	18.14
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	236.93	193.86	22.22	27.03	243.39	188.75	28.95	18.49	222.68	205.13	8.56
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	270.22	248.54	8.72	4.09	259.86	243.00	6.94	4.10	285.81	256.88	11.26
Health	2.79	250.63	212.80	17.78	2.31	253.98	213.56	18.93	3.51	247.30	212.04	16.63
Transport	5.91	310.22	300.68	3.17	6.14	305.69	296.49	3.10	5.56	317.76	307.67	3.28
Communication	2.21	134.67	119.14	13.03	2.35	138.30	123.77	11.74	1.99	128.21	110.90	15.61
Recreation and culture	1.59	273.53	253.82	7.77	1.73	259.63	245.05	5.95	1.38	299.91	270.46	10.89
Education	3.79	200.98	178.19	12.79	4.88	195.37	177.89	9.83	2.13	220.36	179.23	22.95
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	271.11	246.54	9.97	7.41	266.75	247.58	7.74	6.19	278.98	244.66	14.03
Misc. goods and services	4.87	291.56	261.49	11.50	4.77	283.85	257.91	10.06	5.02	302.62	266.63	13.50

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

URBAN:
FOOD

Increased: Onions (136.32%), Fresh Vegetables (76.35%), Pulse Gram (42.35%), Besan (31.15%), Fish (28.98%), Fresh Fruits (27.32%), Pulse Moong (25.05%), Milk Powder (24.17%), Beans (23.35%), Dry Fruits (21.10%), Meat (19.04%), Pulse Mash (17.67%), Tomatoes (16.27%), Pulse Masoor (15.56%), Gram Whole (13.10%), Beverages (10.50%), Milk Products (10.16%) and Milk Fresh (10.09%).

Decreased: Wheat (36.62%), Wheat Flour (34.52%), Cooking Oil (11.35%), Wheat Products (8.81%), Vegetable Ghee (7.19%), Rice (6.10%), Mustard Oil (5.89%), Gur (5.66%), Sugar (3.65%), Tea (2.72%) and Eggs (1.86%).

NON-FOOD:

Increased: Gas Charges (318.74%), Motor Vehicle Tax (168.79%), Dental Services (28.84%), Cotton Cloth (24.17%), Woolen Readymade Garments (23.31%) and Transport Services (22.87%).

Decreased: Motor Fuel (4.52%).

RURAL:**FOOD**

Increased: Onions (144.27%), Fresh Vegetables (57.31%), Pulse Gram (39.19%), Beans (30.52%), Pulse Moong (29.46%), Milk Powder (28.42%), Butter (26.14%), Fresh Fruits (25.11%), Fish (24.13%), Besan (22.33%), Meat (21.49%), Pulse Masoor (18.28%), Pulse Mash (17.32%), Dry Fruits (16.59%), Beverages (12.87%), Sweetmeat (12.77%), Nimco (12.06%) and Milk Products(11.68%).

Decreased: Wheat Flour (34.45%), Wheat (33.30%), Cooking Oil (8.94%), Vegetable Ghee (6.85%), Mustard Oil (4.99%), Wheat Products (4.55%), Sugar (3.48%), Eggs (3.05%), Rice (2.46%), Gur (0.98%) and Tea (0.59%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Motor Vehicle Tax (126.61%), Woolen Readymade Garments (38.42%), Education (22.95%), Cotton Cloth (22.13%), Marriage Hall Charges (21.77%), Furniture and Furnishing (21.77%), Transport Services (19.52%), Woolen Cloth (18.91%), Communication Services (18.70%) and Footwear (17.85%).

Decreased: Motor Fuels (5.23%).

PERIOD - AVERAGE INFLATION RATE [July-August, 2024-25 over July-August, 2023-24]

6. CPI National for the period **July-August (2024-25)** increased to **10.36%** over **July-August (2023-24)**. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **12.44%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **7.43%**.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)
		Jul-Aug 2024-25	Jul-Aug 2023-24			Jul-Aug 2024-25	Jul-Aug 2023-24			Jul-Aug 2024-25	Jul-Aug 2023-24	
General	100.00	261.82	237.25	10.36	100.00	258.95	230.30	12.44	100.00	266.16	247.75	7.43
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	278.71	273.22	2.01	30.42	278.19	269.26	3.32	40.87	279.29	277.67	0.59
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	29.60	274.18	281.09	-2.46	25.97	273.51	276.69	-1.15	35.08	274.93	286.02	-3.88
<i>Perishable food items</i>	4.99	305.59	226.45	34.95	4.46	305.47	225.95	35.19	5.79	305.75	227.03	34.67
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	383.76	358.82	6.95	0.85	407.37	379.99	7.21	1.28	359.95	337.47	6.66
Clothing and footwear	8.60	244.33	207.52	17.74	8.01	235.73	201.43	17.03	9.48	255.29	215.28	18.59
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	238.62	192.82	23.75	27.03	245.07	187.77	30.52	18.49	224.39	203.98	10.00
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	269.99	245.72	9.88	4.09	259.74	240.11	8.18	4.10	285.44	254.17	12.30
Health	2.79	249.55	210.69	18.45	2.31	252.73	211.38	19.56	3.51	246.41	210.00	17.34
Transport	5.91	311.38	289.64	7.50	6.14	306.56	287.99	6.45	5.56	319.41	292.40	9.24
Communication	2.21	134.64	118.98	13.16	2.35	138.29	123.77	11.74	1.99	128.15	110.47	16.01
Recreation and culture	1.59	272.00	249.58	8.98	1.73	258.03	240.76	7.17	1.38	298.51	266.32	12.09
Education	3.79	200.36	175.23	14.34	4.88	194.96	174.78	11.55	2.13	219.00	176.80	23.87
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	270.21	244.39	10.57	7.41	266.02	245.12	8.53	6.19	277.79	243.07	14.28
Misc. goods and services	4.87	289.98	256.59	13.01	4.77	282.69	253.54	11.50	5.02	300.44	260.98	15.12

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