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

Indicators	Base Year 2015-16 (%)
Inflation Rate, May, 2023 over April, 2023 (Month on Month)	1.58
Inflation Rate, May 2023 over May, 2022 (Year on Year)	37.97
Average Inflation Rate, Jul-May, 2022-23 over Jul-May, 2021-22	29.16

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 [May, 2023 over April, 2023]

2. CPI National for the month of May, 2023 increased to **1.58%** over April, 2023. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **1.50%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **1.69%**.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change
		May, 2023	April, 2023			May, 2023	Apr, 2023			May, 2023	Apr, 2023	
General	100.0	227.96	224.41	1.58	100.00	220.37	217.11	1.50	100.00	239.42	235.43	1.69
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	264.45	261.17	1.26	30.42	258.05	254.53	1.38	40.87	271.64	268.63	1.12
Non-perishable food items	29.60	271.20	264.23	2.64	25.97	264.30	257.32	2.71	35.08	278.90	271.94	2.56
Perishable food items	4.99	224.41	243.05	-7.67	4.46	221.65	238.31	-6.99	5.79	227.61	248.56	-8.43
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	356.40	354.17	0.63	0.85	377.76	375.93	0.49	1.28	334.86	332.23	0.79
Clothing and footwear	8.60	202.95	200.17	1.39	8.01	197.00	196.25	0.38	9.48	210.54	205.17	2.62
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	177.92	176.77	0.65	27.03	173.07	171.90	0.68	18.49	188.64	187.51	0.60
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	235.09	226.20	3.93	4.09	229.36	222.82	2.94	4.10	243.71	231.29	5.37
Health	2.79	201.94	200.06	0.94	2.31	201.87	200.69	0.59	3.51	202.01	199.43	1.29
Transport	5.91	285.36	284.74	0.22	6.14	285.67	285.69	-0.01	5.56	284.85	283.17	0.59
Communication	2.21	118.27	117.80	0.40	2.35	123.00	122.29	0.58	1.99	109.85	109.82	0.03
Recreation and culture	1.59	242.93	231.40	4.98	1.73	234.43	223.56	4.86	1.38	259.06	246.28	5.19
Education	3.79	171.63	170.02	0.94	4.88	171.25	169.92	0.78	2.13	172.94	170.38	1.50
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	235.03	225.48	4.23	7.41	237.02	226.36	4.71	6.19	231.43	223.90	3.36
Misc. goods and services	4.87	246.64	236.14	4.44	4.77	243.64	234.41	3.94	5.02	250.94	238.63	5.16

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

URBAN:
FOOD

Increased: Potatoes (17.22%), Gur (15.73%), Chicken (11.31%), Eggs (7.1%), Wheat Flour (6.4%), Readymade Food (5.68%), Sweetmeat (4.64%), Meat (4.5%), Pulse Mash (3.65%), Dessert preparation (3.13%), Beans (2.91%), Condiments and Spices (2.52%), Milk Powder (2.38%), Rice (1.93%), Tea (1.79%), Pulse Moong (1.67%), Pulse Gram (1.63%), Pulse Masoor (1.6%), Milk Fresh (1.55%), Beverages (1.21%), Gram Whole (1.19%), Milk Products (1.16%), and Cigarettes (0.03%)

Decreased: Onions (32.96%), Tomatoes (28.89%), Fresh Vegetables (10.71%), Fresh Fruits (3.16%), Sugar (2.77%), Wheat (2.29%), Fish (1.17%) and Mustard Oil (1.04%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Newspapers (32.77%), Accommodation Services (22.84%), Personal Effects n.e.c.(6.82%), Stationery (5.44%), Text Books (5.15%), Washing Soap/Detergents/Match Box (4.29%), Motor Vehicle Accessories (3.86%), Plastic Products (3.2%), Electricity Charges (2.92%), Electrical Appliances for Personal (2.29%), Furniture and Furnishing (1.94%) and Construction Input Items (1.42%).

Decreased: Transport services(1.01%), Motor fuel(0.07%) and Solid Fuel(0.04%).

RURAL: **FOOD**

Increased: Potatoes (25.3%), Gur (12.7%), Chicken (9.36%), Milk powder (6.6%), Eggs (6.58%), Readymade Food (4.97%), Rice (4.86%), Milk fresh (3.75%), Pulse Moong (3.64%), Tea (3.5%), Milk products (3.37%), Wheat Flour (3.37%), Meat (3.32%), Gram Whole (3.28%), Wheat Products (3.14%), Bakery and Confectionary (2.66%), Pulse Mash (2.39%), Butter (2.22%), Beans (2.2%), Beverages (2.01%), Pulse Gram (1.94%), Condiments and Spices (1.8%) and Pulse Masoor (1.15%).

Decreased: Onions (31.97%), Tomatoes (30.66%), Fresh Vegetables (18.18%), Fresh Fruits (3.13%), Sugar (1.79%), Vegetable Ghee (1.53%), Mustard Oil (1.13%) and Cooking Oil (0.89%).

NON-FOOD:

Increased: Newspapers (46.34%), Washing Soaps, Detergents and Match Box (7.52%), Personal Effects n.e.c.(6.1%), Text Books (6.08%), Mechanical Services (5.98%), Household Equipments (4.64%), Electricity Charges (2.92%), Readymade Garments (2.72%), Motor Vehicles Accessories (2.71%), Motor Vehicles (2.1%), Education (1.5%), Liquified Hydrocarbons (1.03%) and Construction Input Items (0.26%).

Decreased: Solid Fuel (0.14%) and Motor Fuels (0.04%).

YEARLY ANALYSIS [May, 2023 over May, 2022]

4. CPI National for the month of May, 2023 increased to **37.97%** over May, 2022. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **35.09%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **42.18%**.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change	Weight (%)	INDICES		% Change
		May, 2023	May, 2022			May, 2023	May, 2022			May, 2023	May, 2022	
General	100.00	227.96	165.23	37.97	100.00	220.37	163.13	35.09	100.00	239.42	168.39	42.18
Food & non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	264.45	177.90	48.65	30.42	258.05	177.05	45.75	40.87	271.64	178.85	51.88
Non-perishable food items	29.60	271.20	179.59	51.01	25.97	264.30	178.69	47.91	35.08	278.90	180.60	54.43
Perishable food items	4.99	224.41	167.84	33.70	4.46	221.65	167.49	32.34	5.79	227.61	168.25	35.28
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	356.40	159.13	123.96	0.85	377.76	168.24	124.54	1.28	334.86	149.95	123.31
Clothing and footwear	8.60	202.95	165.72	22.47	8.01	197.00	162.38	21.32	9.48	210.54	169.98	23.86
Housing, Water, Elec., Gas & other fuels	23.63	177.92	147.64	20.51	27.03	173.07	146.71	17.97	18.49	188.64	149.69	26.02
Furnishing & HH equipment maintenance	4.10	235.09	163.87	43.46	4.09	229.36	161.43	42.08	4.10	243.71	167.54	45.46
Health	2.79	201.94	169.25	19.32	2.31	201.87	169.14	19.35	3.51	202.01	169.35	19.29
Transport	5.91	285.36	186.61	52.92	6.14	285.67	188.65	51.43	5.56	284.85	183.22	55.47
Communication	2.21	118.27	110.52	7.01	2.35	123.00	112.82	9.02	1.99	109.85	106.42	3.22
Recreation and culture	1.59	242.93	141.10	72.17	1.73	234.43	136.64	71.57	1.38	259.06	149.55	73.23
Education	3.79	171.63	158.28	8.43	4.88	171.25	161.96	5.74	2.13	172.94	145.58	18.79
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	235.03	165.12	42.34	7.41	237.02	162.26	46.07	6.19	231.43	170.29	35.90
Misc. goods and services	4.87	246.64	172.08	43.32	4.77	243.64	170.38	43.00	5.02	250.94	174.53	43.78

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

URBAN: **FOOD**

Increased: Cigarettes (148.33%), Tea (112.18%), Potatoes (108.17%), Wheat Flour (99.02%), Wheat (94.84%), Eggs (90.27%), Rice (85.18%), Dessert Preparation (80.62%), Pulse Mash (58.24%), Pulse Moong (57.79%), Beans (53.18%), Fresh Fruits (53.18%), Readymade Food (50.19%), Dry Fruits (49.79%), Besan (49.07%), Pulse Gram (48.47%), Gram Whole (47.55%), Butter (45.85%), Bakery and Confectionary (44.27%), Sugar (41.1%), Beverages (38.95%), Milk Fresh (37.69%), Chicken (36.18%), Milk Products (35.64%), Cooking Oil (33.81%), Mustard Oil (30.2%), Condiments and Spices (28.69%), Gur (28.19%) and Vegetable Ghee (26.3%).

Decreased: Tomatoes (40.16%) and Onions (25.22%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Text Books (113.98%), Stationery (79.38%), Motor Fuel (69.9%), Washing Soap/Detergents/Match Box (63.7%), Gas Charges (62.82%), Electricity Charges (59.28%), Personal Effects n.e.c. (53.35%), Motor Vehicle Accessories (45.15%), Household Equipments (41.73%), Construction Input Items (38.07%), Motor Vehicles (38.01%), Liquified Hydrocarbons (36.17%), Newspapers (33.88%), Solid Fuel (31.84%), Cotton Cloth (31.53%), Plastic Products (28.65%), Accommodation Services (27.4%), Mechanical Services (24.73%) and Transport Services (24.13%).

RURAL:

FOOD

Increased: Cigarettes (127.23%), Potatoes (113.54%), Tea (106.35%), Wheat Flour (100.5%), Wheat (93.46%), Eggs (88.31%), Rice (86.35%), Wheat Products (81.81%), Pulse Moong (66.27%), Condiments and Spices (64.76%), Pulse Mash (64.73%), Dry Fruits (55.27%), Besan (54.37%), Fresh Fruits (52.84%), Bakery and Confectionary (50.88%), Pulse Gram (49.43%), Gram Whole (47.91%), Milk fresh (42.61%), Milk Powder (42.31%), Beans (41.47%), Sugar (40.85%), Readymade Food (38.27%), Chicken (38%), Beverages (36.93%), Gur (36.04%), Cooking Oil (28.64%) and Mustard Oil (25.9%).

Decreased: Tomatoes (39.62%) and Onions (17.7%).

NON-FOOD

Increased: Text Books (129.44%), Motor Fuels (74.92%), Washing Soaps, Detergents and Match Box (60.96%), Electricity Charges (59.28%), Personal Effects n.e.c. (59.19%), Stationery (50.95%), Newspapers (46.48%), Motor Vehicles Accessories (42.31%), Liquified Hydrocarbons (40.8%), Household Equipments (40.47%), Transport Services (37.13%), Solid Fuel (36.11%), Construction Input Items (33.19%), Mechanical Services (28.69%) and Motor Vehicles (27.71%).

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

6. CPI National for the period **Jul-May (2022-23)** increased to **29.16%** over **Jul-May (2021-22)**. The Urban CPI recorded an increase of **26.80%** while Rural CPI recorded an increase of **32.66%**.

Group	NATIONAL				URBAN				RURAL			
	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)	Weight (%)	INDICES		Change (%)
		Jul-May 2022-23	Jul-May 2021-22			Jul-May 2022-23	Jul-May 2021-22			Jul-May 2022-23	Jul-May 2021-22	
General	100.00	202.67	156.91	29.16	100.00	197.46	155.73	26.80	100.00	210.52	158.70	32.66
Food and non-alcoholic Beverages	34.58	228.57	164.01	39.36	30.42	223.95	163.73	36.78	40.87	233.77	165.43	41.31
Non-perishable food items	29.60	228.41	165.05	38.39	25.97	223.71	164.87	35.69	35.08	233.65	166.66	40.20
Perishable food items	4.99	229.56	157.84	45.43	4.46	225.33	157.06	43.47	5.79	234.47	157.99	48.40
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco	1.02	239.01	148.92	60.50	0.85	255.04	156.59	62.87	1.28	222.85	138.70	60.66
Clothing and footwear	8.60	185.41	156.46	18.50	8.01	182.35	153.35	18.91	9.48	189.32	160.22	18.16
Housing, water, Elec., Gas and other fuels	23.63	171.65	150.73	13.88	27.03	167.47	150.00	11.65	18.49	180.86	150.91	19.84
Furnishing and household equipment maintenance	4.10	199.41	152.40	30.85	4.09	196.37	150.11	30.82	4.10	204.00	154.87	31.72
Health	2.79	188.28	160.98	16.96	2.31	186.67	161.87	15.32	3.51	189.88	161.08	17.88
Transport	5.91	257.95	167.00	54.46	6.14	258.48	170.46	51.63	5.56	257.07	165.99	54.87
Communication	2.21	113.61	114.75	-0.99	2.35	116.71	112.48	3.76	1.99	108.09	106.08	1.90
Recreation and culture	1.59	186.77	136.06	37.27	1.73	180.58	130.25	38.64	1.38	198.50	140.30	41.49
Education	3.79	164.52	150.92	9.02	4.88	166.39	152.37	9.20	2.13	158.08	141.10	12.04
Restaurants and hotels	6.92	204.15	154.44	32.19	7.41	204.74	153.44	33.43	6.19	203.11	156.19	30.04
Misc. goods and services	4.87	209.10	162.32	28.82	4.77	207.73	161.53	28.60	5.02	211.06	164.67	28.17

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