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Sensitive Price Indicator Weekly Report

Week ending on (08-07-21)

Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI) is computed on weekly basis to assess the price movements of essential items at shorter interval of time so as to review the current price situation in the country. SPI comprises of 51 necessary commodities which are being collected from 50 markets in 17 cities of the country.

SPI Review by Expenditure Groups/Quintiles:

The SPI for the week ended on 08th July, 2021 recorded an increase of **0.07%** due to increase in the prices of Tomatoes (11.51%), Garlic (8.31%), Onions (4.85%), Sugar (2.60%), Potatoes (2.04%) and Eggs (1.67%) with joint impact of (0.40%) into the overall SPI for combined group of (0.07%). On the other hand, decrease in the prices of Chicken (12.97%), Bananas (3.72%), Pulse Moong (1.81%), PulseMash (0.51%), Pulse Masoor (0.34%), Wheat Flour (0.22%), Powdered Milk (0.07%), Mustard Oil and Firewood (0.05% each) was observed. During the week, out of 51 items, prices of 23 (45.1%) items increased 09 (17.6%) items decreased and 19 (37.3%) items remained constant.

The year on year trend depicts increase of **12.28%** with most of the items increased mainly Electricity for Q1(61.62%), Chilies Powder (37.29%), Mustard Oil (36.48%), Gents Sandal (33.37%), LPG (30.91%), Vegetable Ghee 1 Kg (27.53%), Gents Sponge Chappal (25.13%), Vegetable Ghee 2.5Kg (24.64), Cooking Oil Dalda(24.21%), Match Box (23.44%) and Eggs (23.35%), while a major decrease was observed in the prices of Tomatoes (35.66%), Pulse Moong (23.29%), Potatoes (16.38%), Garlic (4.07%), Chicken (2.95%), Salt (0.89%) and Pulse Masoor (0.07%).

Expenditure Groups		SPI for week ended on			Percent change	
		08/07/2021	01/07/2021	09/07/20	01/07/21	09/07/20
Q1	(UptoRs. 17,732)	161.99	161.32	139.99	0.42	15.72
Q2	(Rs. 17,733 - 22,888)	151.16	150.70	134.54	0.31	12.35
Q3	(Rs. 22,889 - 29,517)	152.39	152.08	136.44	0.20	11.69
Q4	(Rs. 29,518 - 44,175)	148.68	148.53	133.22	0.10	11.60
Q5	(Above Rs. 44,175)	149.88	149.94	134.39	-0.04	11.53
-	<u>Combined</u>	150.03	149.93	133.62	0.07	12.28

Analysis of Price Impact of 27 kitchen items on combined & lowest expenditure group

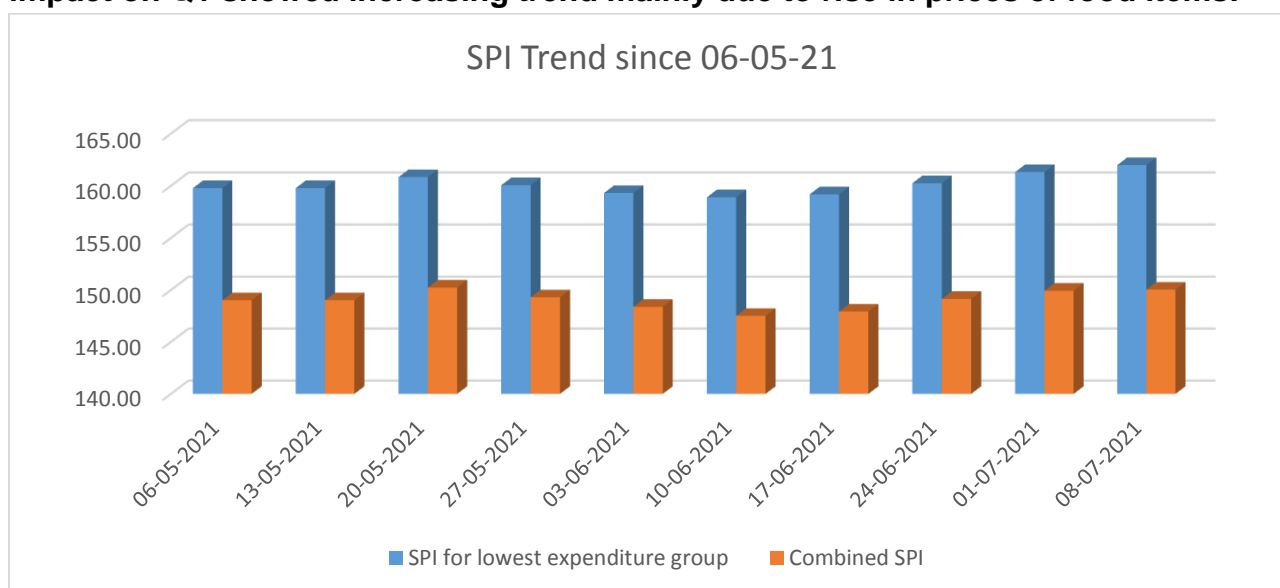
For the week ended on 08th July, 2021, price impact of 27 essential kitchen items witnessed an increase of **0.05%** in combined group over last week because of rise in price impact of Milk fresh (Un-boiled) (0.04%), Eggs Hen (Farm) (0.04%), Cooking Oil DALDA or Other Similar 5 Litre Tin (0.15%), Potatoes (0.04%), Onions (0.26%), Tomatoes (0.26%) and Sugar Refined (0.13%) however a decline in price impact was witnessed in items i.e. Wheat Flour Bag (0.03%) and Chicken Farm Broiler (0.87%) and Pulse Moong (0.03%) .On year-on-year basis, combined group recorded a rising impact of **12.27%** in prices which is attributed to increase in price impact of

kitchen items i.e., Wheat Flour Bag (0.32%) Rice Basmati Broken (0.31%), Milk Fresh (4.22 %),

Sr. No	Items	Prices in PKR		
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Eggs Hen Farm (0.64%), Mutton (0.87%), Cooking Oil Dalda 5 litre tin (1.49%), Vegetable Ghee1kg Pouch (0.91%), Sugar (1.16%).

In lowest income group Q1, an upward price impact of 0.63% was recorded in 27 kitchen items over last week, on YOY basis Q1 witnessed an increasing price impact of 11.82%. The graph given below shows that after the week ended on 17-06-21 the increasing price impact on Q1 showed increasing trend mainly due to rise in prices of food items.



Average Prices of Essential Kitchen Items in Different Cities for Week Ended On 08-07-21

Sr. No	Units	Islamabad	Rawalpindi	Lahore	Karachi	Quetta	Peshawar
1	Wheat Flour Bag 20kg	1171.64	1178.69	1080.00	1225.72	1234.99	1100.00
2	Rice Basmati Broken	109.00	99.87	88.78	113.76	104.92	90.00
3	Mutton (Average Quality) 1kg	1320.60	1313.03	1209.37	1199.54	1149.27	993.32
4	Chicken Farm Broiler(1kg)	194.40	194.75	175.00	200.53	234.96	191.00
5	Milk fresh (Un-boiled)	129.51	124.45	96.07	128.43	120.00	126.48
6	Eggs Hen 1dozen	159.50	156.38	155.00	160.89	154.95	160.00
7	Cooking Oil 5 liter	1605.00	1605.00	1540.00	1730.00	1730.00	1540.00
8	Pulse Moong 1kg	213.09	203.64	185.17	217.91	244.97	200.00
9	Pulse Mash 1kg	270.70	269.90	273.28	238.14	274.97	256.66
10	Pulse Gram 1kg	159.80	155.92	135.15	155.98	174.95	150.00
11	Potatoes	63.87	58.90	55.49	39.92	44.81	53.13
12	Onions 1kg	56.46	47.60	55.01	40.38	44.81	40.00
13	Tomatoes 1kg	66.38	67.38	73.19	77.02	64.87	50.00
14	Sugar Refined 1kg	103.69	102.57	101.88	102.68	100.00	100.00
15	Petrol Super Per Liter	113.20	113.21	113.20	113.21	113.22	113.20

		Pakistan	India	Bangladesh	Afghanistan
1	Wheat Flour Per kg	58.2	51.36	79.00	71.28
2	Eggs 1dozen	159.50	NA	189.00	190.08
3	Cooking oil 1 litre	321.00	263.22	249.00	198.00
4	Chicken Farm 1kg	214.82	NA	285.00	594.00
5	Onions 1kg	56.46	80.94	91.00	27.72
6	Pulse Moong 1kg	213.09	219.39	247.00	237.60
7	Potatoes 1kg	63.87	42.8	40.00	41.58
8	Tomatoes 1kg	59.49	74.9	177.00	41.58
9	Sugar Refined 1kg	103.69	79.18	141.00	108.90
10	Pulse gram 1kg	159.80	156.22	200.00	198.00
11	Pulse Mash	270.70	NA	224.00	297.00
12	Vegetable Ghee	316.00	286.74	NA	198.00

Regional Price Comparison

Source: Ministry of Foreign Affairs

CONCLUSION

The Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI) based weekly inflation for the week under review, witnessed an increase of **0.07%** compared to last week, the increase resulted because of increase in average prices of essential food commodities like. Tomatoes, Garlic, Potatoes, Cooking Oil and Gur. The week under review compared to corresponding week of last year witnessed an increase of **12.28%** in prices of 51 essential items. After an increase in prices of soya bean and palm oils, the international prices have now registered a decline, however, there is a need take the requisite actions to ensure that current decline in the international prices of edible oil is passed on to the domestic consumers.