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**Sensitive Price Indicator Weekly Report**

**Week ending on (29-04-21)**

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 29th April, 2021 recorded an increase of **0.05%** against last week ended on April 22,2021 when SPI recorded a decrease of **0.40%**. The increase in SPI occurred mainly due to increase in the prices of Bananas (8.67%), Wheat Flour Bag (2.29%) and Potatoes (2.11%) with joint impact of **0.26%** into the overall SPI for combined group of (0.05%). On the other hand decrease in the prices of Tomatoes (17.15%), Onions (4.19%), Eggs (3.98%), LPG (2.61%), Chicken (0.70%), Garlic (0.57%), Pulse Moong (0.42%), Pulse Mash (0.30%), and Mustard Oil (0.10%).

During the week, out of 51 items, prices of 12 (23.5%) items increased, 09 (17.7%) items decreased and 30 (58.8%) items remained constant.

The year on year trend depicts increase of **16.90%** with most of the items increased mainly Chilies Powder (139.64%), Chicken (67.16%), Electricity for Q1 (67.03%), Eggs (58.32%), Gents Sandal(33.37%), Mustard Oil (31.43%), Match Box (30.47%), Gents Sponge Chappal (25.13%), Bananas (25.10%),Wheat Flour Bag (24.25%) and Vegetable Ghee (22.50%), while a major decrease was observed in the prices of Onions (40.59%), Garlic (36.62%), Pulse Moong (19.75%), Potatoes (12.61%), Pulse masoor (10.91%) and PulseGram (5.54%).

The following table reveals that Q5 recorded declining price impact as compared to other expenditure groups.

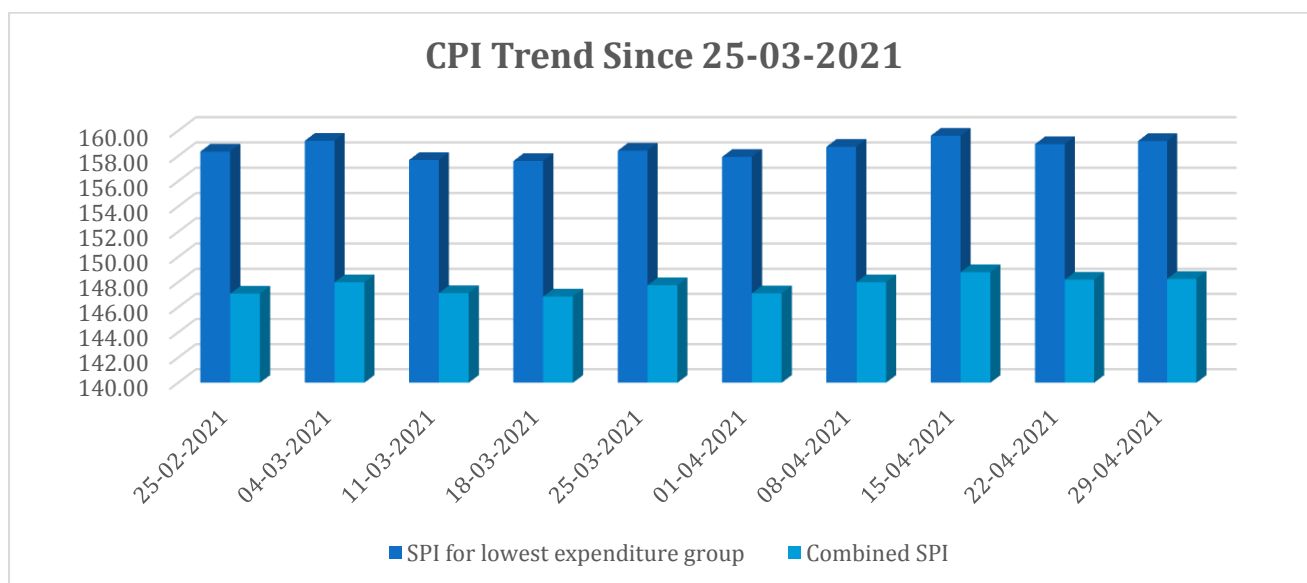
Expenditure Groups		SPI for week ended on			Percent change	
		29/04/2021	22/04/2021	30/04/2020	22/04/2021	30/04/2020
Q1	(UptoRs. 17,732)	159.19	158.95	132.18	0.15	20.53
Q2	(Rs. 17,733 - 22,888)	149.12	148.89	126.78	0.15	17.81
Q3	(Rs. 22,889 - 29,517)	150.32	150.10	128.97	0.15	16.74
Q4	(Rs. 29,518 - 44,175)	146.78	146.63	125.98	0.10	16.83
Q5	(Above Rs. 44,175)	148.29	148.32	128.19	-0.02	15.99
-	<u>Combined</u>	148.27	148.20	126.84	0.05	17.21

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

For the week ended on 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2021, price impact witnessed an increase of **0.11%** in combined group over last week for 27 kitchen items because of rise in price impact of Wheat Flour Bag (0.42%), Rice Basmati Broken (Average Quality) (0.06%), Beef with Bone (Average Quality)

(0.05%), Bananas (0.06%), Onions (0.08%), Tomatoes (0.10%), however falling price impact was witnessed in Chicken Farm Broiler (0.12%), Eggs Hen (0.07%), Potatoes (0.02%), Onions (0.07%), Tomatoes (0.23%). On year-on-year basis, combined group recorded a rising impact of **19.23%** which is attributed to increase in price impact of kitchen items i.e., Wheat Flour Bag (1.63%) Rice Basmati Broken (0.32%), Chicken (3.96%), Milk Fresh (5.43%), Eggs Hen Farm (1.29%), Beef (0.71%), Mutton (0.65%), Cooking Oil Dalda 5 litre tin (1.28%), Vegetable Ghee 1kg Pouch (0.72%), and Sugar (0.81%).

In lowest income group Q1, an upward price impact of **0.22%** was recorded in 27 kitchen items over last week, on YOY basis Q1 witnessed an increasing impact of **17.68%**.



### **Average Prices of Essential Kitchen Items in Different Cities for Week Ended On 29-04-21**

Sr. No	Units	Islamabad	Rawalpindi	Lahore	Karachi	Quetta	Peshawar
1	Wheat Flour Bag 20kg	864.15	860.00	1061.42	1282.18	1244.99	949.29
2	Rice Basmati Broken	109.00	99.87	88.78	110.79	94.91	90.00
3	Mutton (Average Quality) 1kg	1270.43	1283.11	1107.01	1141.01	1149.27	878.19
4	Chicken Farm Broiler(1kg)	250.50	242.55	244.00	285.98	304.97	261.00
5	Milk fresh (Un-boiled)	127.01	123.79	96.07	128.43	120.00	125.15
6	Eggs Hen 1dozen	152.45	150.27	148.00	153.29	169.95	153.26
7	Cooking Oil 5 liter	1540.00	1540.00	1540.00	1540.00	1540.00	1540.00
8	Pulse Moong 1kg	250.65	237.85	235.54	247.74	269.97	200.00
9	Pulse Mash 1kg	273.23	270.56	287.06	257.41	269.97	255.00
10	Pulse Gram 1kg	168.90	160.49	145.54	159.91	174.95	150.00
11	Potatoes	62.25	53.97	54.54	39.68	44.81	53.13
12	Onions 1kg	47.85	34.52	27.75	31.53	34.76	35.20
13	Tomatoes 1kg	46.97	41.53	36.84	33.56	34.76	34.17
14	Sugar Refined 1kg	100.82	91.57	85.00	99.82	100.00	100.00
15	Petrol Super Per Liter	109.08	110.89	109.10	109.09	109.09	109.09

### **CONCLUSION**

The Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI) based weekly inflation for the week under review, witnessed an increase of **0.05%** compared to last week because of increase in average prices of essential

commodities like wheat flour, potatoes, sugar and beef. ON YOY basis, SPI registered a rise of **16.90%** for combined consumption groups as increase was registered in prices of Chilies Powder, Bananas, Electricity Charges for Q1, Chicken, Wheat Flour, Gents Sandal, Eggs, Vegetable Ghee 1 kg Pouch, Match Box and Mustard Oil. Rise in international commodity prices especially wheat, palm oil and sugar also put pressure on domestic markets.