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INFLATION AND PRICE SITUATION : AT A GLANCE

	2005/06	2006/07
• World Inflation+	3.7	3.2
• Inflation in India (based on WPI)*	4.1	5.7
• Inflation in Nepal (based on CPI)	8.0	6.4
	<u>Mid Oct 2006</u>	<u>Mid Oct 2007</u>
• CPI (Nepal)		
• CPI		
- Year-on-Year Index	186.9	198.7
- Change in CPI	7.5	6.3
• <i>Food and Beverages Group</i>		
- Year-on-Year Index	181.9	199.2
- Change in Index	7.8	9.5
• <i>Non Food and Services Group</i>		
- Year-on-Year Index	192.7	198.2
- Change in Index	7.2	2.9
	<u>Mid Oct 2006</u>	<u>Mid Oct 2007</u>
• WPI and NSWRI (Nepal)		
• WPI		
- Year-on-Year Index	149.0	164.3
- Change in Index	10.4	10.3
• NSWRI		
- Year-on-Year Index	110.4	123.5
- Change in Index	8.0	11.9

Note : All Expressed in Percent (Other Than Index)

+ Calendar Years 2006 and 2007 (Source : IMF)

* Source : RBI

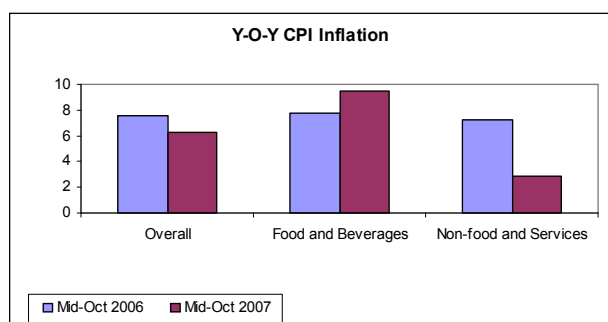
INFLATION ANALYSIS AND PRICE SITUATION

Consumer Price

(a) Consumer Price Inflation

The average y-o-y inflation, based on consumer price index, moderated to 6.3 percent in mid-October 2007 from 7.5 percent in the corresponding period of the preceding year. This deceleration was on account of the removal of base-effect of the hike in prices of petroleum products in March 2006 and the appreciation of the Nepalese currency against the US dollar.

Likewise, the y-o-y inflation was 7.0 percent in mid-September and 6.3 percent in mid-August 2007. These rates were 6.6 percent and 7.3 percent respectively in the corresponding periods last year.



Box 1 : Overview of Global Output and Inflation

Global Output

Following strong growth through the third quarter of 2007, the global economic growth is projected to decelerate from 4.9 percent in 2007 to 4.1 percent in 2008. The projections for the advanced economies have been reduced significantly. Projected growth in the United States in 2008 has been lowered to 1.5 percent on a year-on-year basis, down from 2.2 percent in 2007 because of the weakening of manufacturing, export and housing sector activity, employment, and consumption. In Japan, growth has been dampened by a tightening in building standards, while consumer and business sentiment have weakened. Growth has also slowed in western-Europe, and confidence indicators have deteriorated. Growth in emerging market and developing economies is also expected to ease, moderating from 7.8 percent in 2007 to 6.9 percent in 2008. Despite some slowing of export growth, emerging market and developing economies have thus far continued to expand strongly, led by China and India. These economies have benefited from the strong momentum of domestic demand, more disciplined macroeconomic policy frameworks, and for commodity exporters, from high food and energy prices as well. In China, growth is projected to decelerate from 11.4 percent to 10 percent, which should help alleviate overheating concerns.

Countries	(Annual Percentage Change)			
	2005	2006	2007	2008*
<i>World Output</i>	4.4	5.0	4.9	4.1
<i>Advanced Economies</i>	2.5	3.0	2.6	1.8
- USA	3.1	2.9	2.2	1.5
- Euro Area	1.5	2.8	2.6	1.6
- UK	1.8	2.8	3.1	2.3
- Japan	1.9	2.4	1.9	1.5
<i>Emerging Markets and Developing Economies</i>	7.0	7.7	7.8	6.9
- Russia	6.4	6.7	7.0	6.5
<i>Developing Asia</i>	9.0	9.6	9.6	8.6
- ASEAN-4 (Indonesia, Thailand, the Philippines, Malaysia)	5.1	5.4	5.6	5.6
- China	10.4	11.1	11.4	10.0
- Afghanistan	14.0	7.5	13.0	8.4
- Bangladesh	6.3	6.4	5.8	6.0
- Bhutan	6.9	11.0	22.4	7.8
- India	9.0	9.7	8.9	8.4
- Maldives	-4.5	19.1	5.5	4.5
- Nepal	3.1	2.8	2.5	4.0
- Pakistan	7.7	6.9	6.4	6.5
- Sri Lanka	6.0	7.4	6.5	6.5

Source (Text and Table) : World Economic Outlook (WEO) October 2007 and WEO Update January 2008, IMF

* IMF Projections

Global Inflation

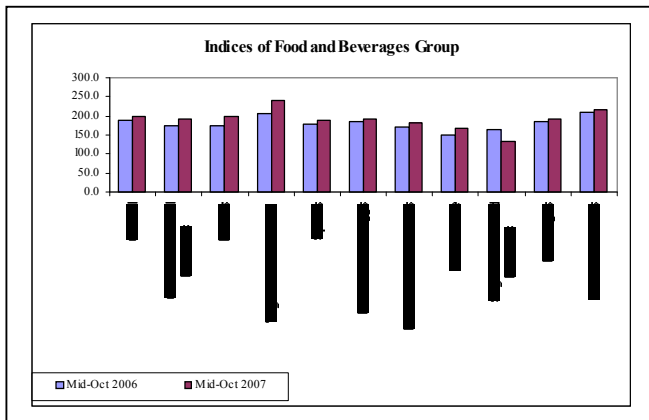
Inflation has been contained in the advanced economies in 2007. Headline inflation generally edged up in major economies during the third quarter of 2007 mainly reflecting hardening of food and fuel prices in the US, and clothing and education in the euro area. The headline inflation in September 2007 was 2.8 per cent in USA, 1.8 per cent in the UK and 2.1 per cent in the euro area as compared with 2.7 per cent, 2.4 per cent and 1.9 per cent, respectively in June 2007. Inflation fell to 1.8 per cent in August 2007 in the OECD countries from 2.2 per cent in June 2007 and 2.4 per cent in March 2007. Core inflation also remained firm reflecting the combined impact of high commodity prices and strong demand conditions. On the other hand, South Asia has the higher rate of inflation than ASEAN group. The annual average consumer price inflation in some of the major countries are given below:

Consumer Price Inflation

Countries	(Annual Percentage Change)		
	2005	2006	2007*
<i>Advanced Economies</i>	2.3	2.3	2.1
- USA	3.4	3.2	2.7
- EU	2.3	2.3	2.3
- Japan	-0.3	0.3	-
ASEAN-4 (Indonesia, Thailand, Philippines, Malaysia)	7.3	8.2	4.0
- China	1.8	1.5	4.5
<i>South Asia</i>	5.0	6.4	6.6
- Afghanistan	12.3	5.1	8.3
- Bangladesh	7.0	6.5	7.2
- Bhutan	5.3	5.0	4.9
- India	4.2	6.1	6.2
- Maldives	3.3	3.7	7.0
- Nepal	4.5	8.0	6.4
- Pakistan	9.3	7.9	7.8
- Sri Lanka	10.6	9.5	17.0

Source (Text and Table) : World Economic Outlook, October 2007, IMF

* : Projections



(b) Food and Beverages Group

The y-o-y food and beverages index rose by 9.5 percent in the review year compared to an increase of 7.8 percent in the previous year. A significant rise in the prices of vegetables and fruits by 17.7 percent, pulses 14.6 percent, oil and ghee 12.8 percent, and grains and cereal products 11.2 percent exerted a pressure on the prices of this group compared to that of the previous year. However, the prices of sugar and sugar-related products declined by 18.4 percent during this period.

Likewise, the y-o-y index of food and beverages group surged up by 10.9 percent in mid-September and 9.7 percent in mid-August 2007. These rates in the corresponding period last year were 6.0 percent and 6.1 percent, respectively.

Box 1 : Overview of Global Output and Inflation (Contd.....)

In the policy front, many countries like England, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Korea and China further tightened their monetary policy during this quarter against the backdrop of persistent inflationary pressures represented by core inflation, especially in view of continued strength of demand, ample liquidity and possible pass-through from past and present increases in oil and other commodity prices. The Bank of England raised its policy rate by 25 basis points on July 5, 2007 to 5.75 per cent – a cumulative increase of 125 basis points since the tightening began in August 2006. Likewise, European Central Bank last raised its policy rate by 25 basis points on June 6, 2007 – a cumulative increase of 200 basis points since the tightening began in December 2005. The US Fed Bank cut its target for the federal funds rate by 50 basis points to 4.75 per cent on September 18, 2007. It had kept the rate unchanged since June 2006. The discount rate was also cut by 50 basis points each on August 17, 2007 and September 18, 2007 to 5.25 per cent to improve market liquidity. Japan, on the other hand, raised the un-collateralized overnight call rate by 25 basis points to 0.50 per cent.

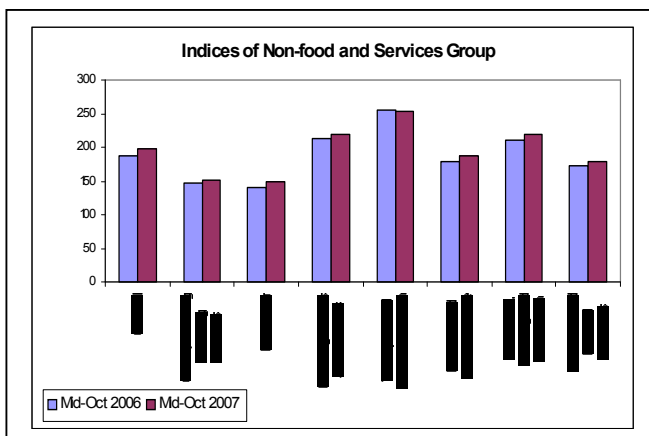
Countries	Key Policy Rate	Policy Rates (As on October 24, 2007)	CPI (y-o-y)	
			2006 September	2007 September
Advanced Economies				
- Australia	Cash Rate	6.50 (Aug 8, 2006)	4.0	2.1 [#]
- Canada	Overnight Rate	4.50 (July 10, 2007)	2.1	1.7*
- Euro area	Main Refinancing	4.00 (June 6, 2007)	1.7	2.1
- Japan	Overnight Call Rate	0.50 (Feb. 21, 2007)	0.9	-0.2*
- UK	Official Bank Rate	5.75 (July 5, 2007)	2.4	1.8
- USA	Federal Funds Rate	4.75 (Sep 18, 2007)	2.1	2.8
Developing Economies				
- Brazil	Selic Rate	11.25 (Sep 5, 2007)	3.7	4.1
- India	- Reverse Repo Rate - Repo Rate	6.00 (July 25, 2006) 7.75 (Mar. 30, 2007)	6.3	7.3*
- China	Benchmark 1-year Lending Rate	7.29 (Sep 18, 2007)	1.5	6.2
- Indonesia	BI Rate	8.25 (July 5, 2007)	14.5	7.0
- Korea	Overnight Call Rate	5.00 (Aug 9, 2007)	2.5	2.3
- Philippines	Reverse Repo Rate	5.75 (Oct 4, 2007)	5.7	2.7
- Russia	Refinancing Rate	10.00 (Jun 19, 2007)	9.5	9.5
- Thailand	14-day Repo Rate	5.00 (June 7, 2006)	2.7	2.1

Source (Text and Table) : International Monetary Fund, RBI, Websites of Respective Central Banks and the Economist.

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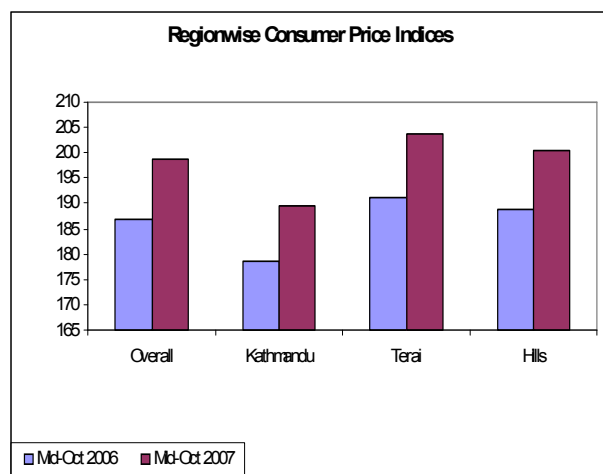
Amongst the major emerging economies, consumer price inflation in China increased to 6.2 per cent in September 2007 (from 4.4 per cent in June 2007 and 1.5 per cent a year earlier) partly on the back of higher food prices. Its GDP growth accelerated to 11.5 per cent during the second quarter of 2007 from 10.9 per cent a year ago. In view of strong growth in money supply and credit, China increased the benchmark 1-year lending rate by 72 basis points since end-June 2007 to 7.29 per cent (27 basis points effective July 21, 2007, 18 basis points effective August 22, 2007 and 27 basis points effective September 18, 2007), a total hike of 171 basis points since April 2006. It raised the CRR by another 150 basis points since end-June 2007 to 13.0 per cent (50 basis points each effective August 15, 2007 and September 25, 2007 and another 50 basis points to be effective October 25, 2007). The CRR in China has, thus, been increased by 550 basis points since July 2006. Regarding other developing countries, Thailand, Indonesia, Turkey and Brazil have eased their monetary policy in view of easing of inflationary pressures.



(c) Non-food and Services Group

The index of non-food and services group rose by 2.9 percent compared to a rise of 7.2 percent last year. This moderation was mainly on account of the elapse of the base effect of previous year's hike in petroleum prices.

Likewise, the index of non-food and services group increased by 2.8 percent each in mid-September and mid-August 2007. These rates were 7.4 and 8.6 percent in the corresponding periods last year.



(d) Regional Indices

Region-wise, the price level in Kathmandu Valley, Terai and the Hills rose by 6.1 percent, 6.5 percent and 6.1 percent respectively in the review period. Last year, the respective inflation rates were 6.7 percent, 7.8 percent and 7.8 percent. The supply bottleneck-ness due to the continuous unrest contributed for a relatively higher inflation in Terai region, compare to other regions.

Likewise, the price indices of Kathmandu valley, Terai and Hills increased by 6.3 percent, 7.5 percent and 6.8 percent in mid-September 2007 respectively. These rates were 6.0 percent, 6.7 percent and 7.2 percent in the corresponding period last year. In mid-August 2007, the respective regions recorded the rates of 5.8 percent, 6.8 percent and 6.1 percent as against 6.6 percent, 7.8 percent and 6.9 percent in the corresponding periods last year.

(e) Core CPI inflation

In mid-October, 2007, the y-o-y core inflation decelerated to 4.7 percent from 6.2 percent a year ago.

Likewise, the y-o-y core inflation was 5.4 percent in mid-September and 5.5 percent in mid-August 2007. The respective rates were 5.6 percent and 5.2 percent in the corresponding periods last year.

Box 2 (a) : Annual World Inflation (1991-2006)

(in percent)

Year	World	Developed Countries	Transition Countries	Aisa and Pacific	Latin America and Carribean	Sub-Saharan Africa	Middle East and North Africa
1991	18.9	5.5	92.6	13.2	158.3	15.8	13.0
1992	26.8	4.1	567.1	10.2	141.1	22.2	14.0
1993	28.4	3.6	436.7	6.7	183.9	24.2	11.6
1994	28.7	3.7	271.0	8.2	233.5	26.4	16.0
1995	15.0	3.8	128.9	8.7	45.1	28.3	21.5
1996	8.6	3.5	39.6	7.5	19.4	25.3	12.3
1997	6.4	3.2	26.6	6.4	11.9	13.8	6.2
1998	6.3	2.6	20.3	13.3	9.0	9.5	6.7
1999	6.2	2.4	43.8	6.0	8.2	10.0	6.3
2000	5.1	3.3	20.1	3.7	7.5	11.7	4.2
2001	4.4	3.0	16.0	4.9	6.1	11.8	3.8
2002	3.9	2.2	9.9	4.1	9.3	12.8	4.7
2003	4.1	2.3	8.5	3.6	10.9	14.8	5.7
2004	3.8	2.2	8.2	4.2	6.8	11.0	7.6
2005	4.2	2.7	8.3	5.3	6.6	11.5	5.5
2006	3.7	2.5	4.6	6.0	6.0	7.7	5.9

Source : International Labor Organization

The annual world inflation (1991-2006) shows that the highest inflation registered in the world was 28.7 percent in 1994. The two-digit world inflation during 1990-1995 was mainly attributed to the hyper-inflationary pressure in transition economies as well as in Latin American countries. The transition economies and the Latin American countries witnessed almost 3-digit inflation during 1991-1995. Since 1996, the global inflation remained stable with in a range of single digit.

Box 2 (b) : Annual Inflation of SAARC Countries (1991-2006)

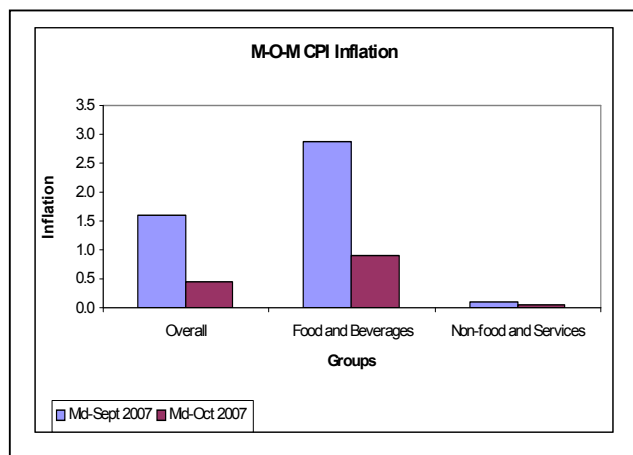
(in percent)

Year	World	Bangladesh	Bhutan	India	Maldives	Nepal*	Pakistan	Sri Lanka
1991	18.9	-	12.3	13.8	7.2	9.7	11.9	12.3
1992	26.8	-	16.0	12.0	4.6	21.1	9.5	11.4
1993	28.4	-	11.3	6.7	10.5	8.8	10.0	11.8
1994	28.7	7.4	7.0	9.1	7.4	9.0	12.4	8.6
1995	15.0	10.2	9.5	9.8	6.0	7.7	12.4	7.8
1996	8.6	2.3	8.8	8.7	1.4	8.1	10.4	15.9
1997	6.4	5.1	6.5	7.6	7.6	8.1	11.4	9.7
1998	6.3	8.5	10.6	11.0	-1.3	8.3	6.2	9.5
1999	6.2	6.3	6.8	5.7	3.1	11.4	4.2	4.7
2000	5.1	2.2	4.0	5.2	-1.1	3.5	4.4	6.2
2001	4.4	1.5	3.4	5.4	0.8	2.4	3.2	14.2
2002	3.9	3.8	2.5	4.0	1.0	2.9	4.0	9.5
2003	4.1	5.8	1.6	3.7	-2.8	4.8	2.9	6.4
2004	3.8	6.1	2.7	3.6	6.4	4.0	7.4	7.6
2005	4.2	7.0	5.4	4.5	3.4	4.5	9.1	11.7
2006	3.7	6.2	-	5.9	2.0	8.0	7.9	11.5

Source : International Labor Organization

*: Nepal Rastra Bank (Mid-July to Mid-July)

In the SAARC region, inflation has hovered significantly around single to double digit during 1991-2006. In this period, the highest inflation registered was 21.1 percent in 1992. Contrarily, Maldives observed deflationary trend with a negative inflation of -2.8 percent in 2003. The country also witnessed negative inflations in 1998 (-1.3 percent) and 2000 (-1.1 percent) as well. Overall, the SAARC countries had faced comparatively higher inflation before 1999. Except Sri Lanka, all the other SAARC countries experienced single-digit inflation after 1998. However, Sri Lankan inflation is still hovering around double-digit.



(f) M-O-M CPI Inflation

The overall M-O-M price index in mid-October 2007 increased by 0.5 percent compare to that of mid-September 2007. During the review period, the indices of food and beverages increased by 0.9 percent while the non-food and services group increased by 0.1 percent. The indices of Kathmandu valley, Terai and Hills also increased by 0.6 percent, 0.5 percent and 0.2 percent during this month, respectively.

Likewise as compared to respective previous months, the overall M-O-M price indices increased by 1.6 percent in mid-September and 2.6 percent in mid-August 2007. During those two months, the indices of Kathmandu recorded the increase of 1.8 percent and 2.2 percent where as the prices in the Terai increased by 1.5 percent and 3.0 percent. In the Hills, it increased by 1.5 percent and 2.1 percent during these two months.

Box 3 : Inflation in India and Policy Responses

The RBI Annual Policy Statement for 2007-08 (April 2007) stated that the inflation in India would be contained close to 5.0 per cent in 2007-08. Assuming that aggregate supply management would continue to receive public policy attention and that a more active management of the capital account would be demonstrated, the outlook for inflation in 2007-08 was left unchanged. The inflation in India, based on the wholesale price index (WPI), eased below 4 per cent from mid-August 2007 to 3.1 per cent by October 6, 2007, partly due to base effects and negative contribution from fuel prices. Pre-emptive monetary measures since mid-2004 accompanied by fiscal and supply-side measures have helped in containing inflation. It was 4.4 per cent at end-June 2007 and 5.4 per cent a year ago. It was 5.9 per cent at end-March 2007. The y-o-y inflation excluding fuel, at 4.6 per cent, was above the headline inflation rate. Headline inflation has moved in a range of 3.1-6.4 per cent during 2007-08 so far. The annual average WPI inflation rate for the week ended October 6, 2007 eased to 5.2 per cent from 5.6 per cent at end-June 2007, but was higher compared with 4.6 per cent a year ago. Overall, manufactured products which hold a weighted contribution of 74% were the major driver of domestic inflation followed by primary articles (42% weightage) in India. The fuel group's contribution, on the other hand, was negative at 17%. Consumer price inflation, however, remained firm during the second quarter of 2007-08 and continued to be above the WPI inflation, mainly reflecting the impact of higher food prices. Various measures of consumer price inflation were placed in the range of 5.7-7.9 per cent during August/ September 2007 as compared with 5.7-7.8 per cent in June 2007. It was ranged at 6.7-9.5 per cent in March 2007.

Wholesale Price Inflation in India

				(Percent)					
Year	WPI (Overall)	WPI (Primary Articles)	WPI (Fuel Group)	WPI (Manufactured)	Year	WPI (Overall)	WPI (Primary Articles)	WPI (Fuel Group)	WPI (Manufactured)
1995-96	4.4	3.1	5.1	4.7	2001-02	1.6	3.9	3.9	0.0
1996-97	5.4	9.2	13.3	2.4	2002-03	6.5	6.1	10.8	5.1
1997-98	4.5	4.6	13.7	2.3	2003-04	4.6	1.6	2.5	6.7
1998-99	5.3	7.6	3.2	4.9	2004-05	5.1	1.3	10.5	4.6
1999-00	6.5	4.0	26.7	2.4	2005-06	4.1	5.4	8.9	1.7
2000-01	4.9	-0.4	15.0	3.8	2006-07	5.7	10.7	1.0	5.8

Source (Text and Table) : RBI

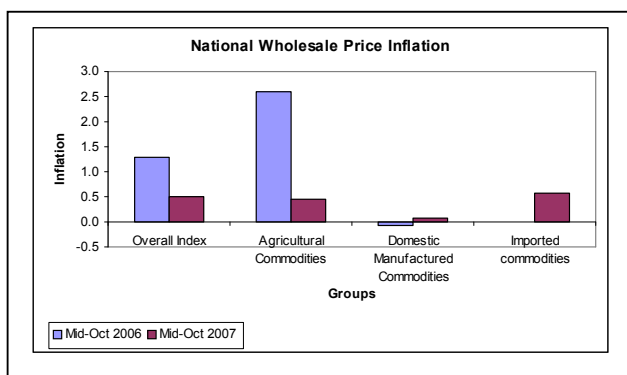
On a review of the liquidity situation, RBI announced to increase the cash reserve ratio (CRR) by another 50 basis points with effect from the fortnight beginning August 4, 2007. The CRR was earlier raised by 50 basis points in two stages of 25 basis points each effective April 14, 2007 and April 28, 2007. The major policy response by the Reserve Bank of India in different point of time is provided in the table below:

Indian Monetary Policy Response to Inflation

(Percent)									
Effective Since	Reverse Repo Rate	Repo Rate	CRR	WPI Inflation	Effective Since	Reverse Repo Rate	Repo Rate	CRR	WPI Inflation
March 31, 2004	4.5	6.0	4.5	4.6	December 23, 2006	6.0	7.25	5.25	5.8
September 18, 2004	4.5	6.0	4.75	7.9	January 6, 2007	6.0	7.25	5.5	6.4
October 2, 2004	4.5	6.0	5.0	7.1	January 31, 2007	6.0	7.50	5.5	6.7
October 27, 2004	4.75	6.0	5.0	7.4	February 17, 2007	6.0	7.50	5.75	6.0
April 29, 2005	5.0	6.0	5.0	6.0	March 3, 2007	6.0	7.50	6.00	6.5
October 26, 2005	5.25	6.25	5.0	4.5	March 31, 2007	6.0	7.75	6.00	5.9
January 24, 2006	5.5	6.5	5.0	4.2	April 14, 2007	6.0	7.75	6.25	6.3
June 9, 2006	5.75	6.75	5.0	4.9	April 28, 2007	6.0	7.75	6.50	6.0
July 25, 2006	6.0	7.0	5.0	4.7	August 4, 2007	6.0	7.75	7.00	4.4
October 31, 2006	6.0	7.25	5.0	5.3					

Note : With effective from October 29, 2004, nomenclature of repo and reverse repo was changed in keeping with international usage. Now, reverse repo indicates absorption of liquidity and repo signifies injection of liquidity. Prior to October 29, 2004, repo indicated absorption of liquidity while reverse repo meant injection of liquidity. The nomenclature provided is based on the new use of terms even for the period prior to October 29, 2004.

Source (Text and Table) : RBI



Wholesale Price

(a) Wholesale Price Inflation

The y-o-y wholesale price inflation showed marginal decline to 10.3 percent in mid-October 2007 from the level of 10.4 percent a year ago. Such moderation in the wholesale price inflation was basically on account of a decline in the prices of imported commodities.

Likewise, the y-o-y wholesale price index increased at a rate of 11.1 percent in mid-September and 12.4 percent in mid-August 2007. The corresponding rates in the same period last year were 9.1 percent and 6.7 percent respectively.

Box 4 : Food Prices and Headline Inflation

Inflation has picked up in a number of emerging market economies in recent years, reflecting strong growth of domestic demand and the greater weight of rising food prices in the consumer price index. In a number of countries the acceleration in food prices - notably corn, soybeans, and wheat has reflected pressure from increasing use of corn and other food items for bio-fuel production in an effort to reduce their dependency upon petroleum imports. Besides, poor weather conditions and supply disruptions have also pushed the food prices up. The recent boom in food prices reflects a combination of factors such as: a) strong expansion in bio-fuel production has also indirectly buoyed prices of other non fuel-related food items by providing incentives for farmers to switch away from other crop plantings and by increasing the cost of livestock feed; b) increased food consumption by emerging market economies; and c) adverse supply shocks such as unfavorable weather conditions have reduced the global harvest for some food items.

However the increase in food prices may have a significant impact on net trade balances of many countries, it has relatively larger impact on headline inflation. Because higher international food prices put upward pressure on the cost of living, both directly and through their possible impact on nonfood prices. Regarding its direct impact on inflation, food item accounts for a significant share of total consumer expenditure and the headline CPI for many developing countries. In-fact, the share across countries tends to be negatively correlated with income levels. Food prices also increases headline CPI indirectly by raising nonfood prices too. Higher food prices could have other macro- economic and distributional effects such as: a) an inflation -targeting central bank may have to control inflationary pressure form higher food prices when the effect on nonfood prices is significant; b) higher food prices are also likely to adversely affect income distribution within a net-food-importing economy, because food tends to absorb a greater share of expenditure for poorer people. In many countries, monetary policy decisions focus on core inflation, because food price movements are often uncertain, supply driven, and have transient effects on overall inflation. However, central banks- particularly in developing countries where food prices do significantly affect nonfood prices- will need to monitor food prices carefully and respond quickly if food price movements are threatening achievement of inflation goals.

Direct Contribution of Food Prices on Headline Inflation

	2000-2006 (%)	2007* (%)
World	26.6	36.4
Advanced Economies	14.2	18.4
Africa	46.5	37.9
CIS	41.3	26.9
Developing Asia	34.1	55.9
Central and Eastern Europe	29.9	33.0
Middle East	37.4	52.2
Western Hemisphere	25.6	37.2

Sources (Text and Table) : World Economic Outlook, IMF, October 2007 * January- April

From the table, it is observed that the direct contribution of food item to inflation for the world as a whole has risen from about 1/4 (26.6 per cent) in 2000-06 to more than 1/3 (36.4 per cent) in 2007. It has risen quite drastically in developing Asia from nearly 34% to 56%. This contribution has also risen in most other developing regions, except Africa. In Africa, it has fallen but it still remains high.

Food Item Index (World)

Year	Food Index*	Annual Change (%)
1995	126.6	5.7
1996	137.4	8.5
1997	125.6	-8.6
1998	111.7	-11.1
1999	97.6	-12.6
2000	100.0	2.5
2001	100.1	0.1
2002	103.6	3.5
2003	108.9	5.1
2004	124.5	14.3
2005	124.1	-0.3
2006	136.3	9.8

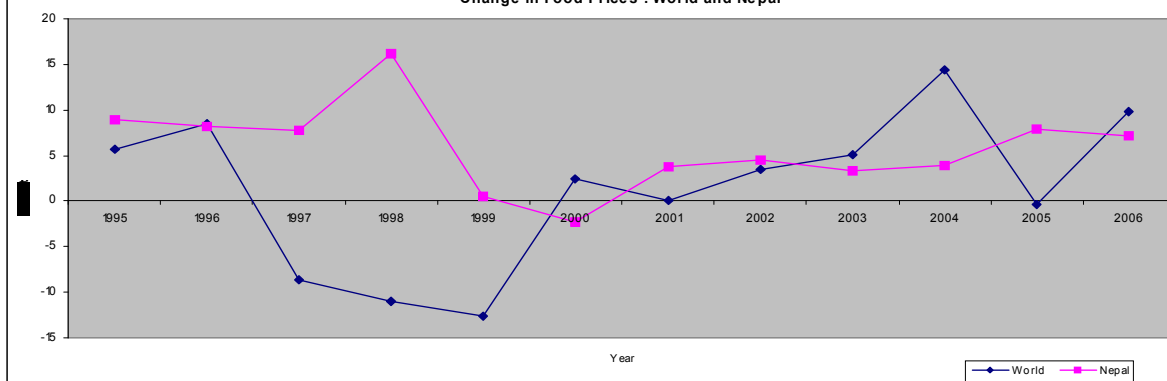
Source: International Financial Statistics, Yearbook 2007, IMF * Food Price Index

Food Item Index (Nepal)

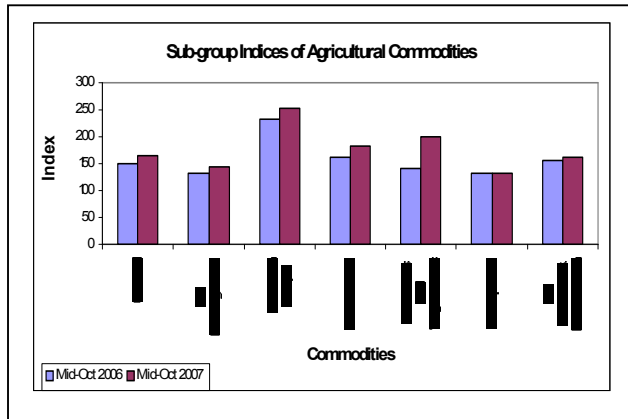
Year	Food Index*	Annual Change (%)
1995	100.0	8.9
1996	108.2	8.2
1997	116.6	7.8
1998	135.5	16.2
1999	136.1	0.4
2000	133.0	-2.3
2001	137.9	3.7
2002	144.0	4.4
2003	148.8	3.3
2004	154.7	4.0
2005	166.8	7.8
2006	178.8	7.2

Source: Nepal Rastra Bank * Food and Beverages

Change in Food Prices : World and Nepal



The index of world food prices showed an increasing trend since 2000. The highest increase in food prices has been observed in 2004 with 14.3 percent. It has increased by a higher rate of 9.8 percent in 2006 as well. Comparing the trend of global food prices with Nepal, it is more or less similar. Figures indicate that the food and beverage prices in Nepal have also shown a stable upward trend after 2000. The price index is being increased by a higher rate of 7 to 8 percent since 2005. The highest increase in this index in Nepal was 16.2 percent in 1998.



(b) Agricultural Commodities

The price of agriculture commodities slightly declined to 14.1 percent in October 2007 from 14.6 percent last year. In this group, the price of fruits and vegetables rose significantly by 41.7 percent, followed by pulses 13.0 percent, cash crops 8.3 percent and food grains 7.4 percent.

Likewise, the index of agriculture commodities increased by the rate of 16.6 percent in mid-September and 20.0 percent in mid-August 2007. These rates were 11.8 and 4.5 percent in the corresponding periods last year.

Box 5 : Global Oil Market

International crude oil prices (WTI), rose further during the third quarter of 2007, reflecting limited spare capacity and fall in US crude inventories. It crossed US \$ 80 a barrel by mid-September 2007 and reached a historical peak on October 18, 2007 at US \$ 89.5 a barrel. The decision by the OPEC to raise output by 0.5 million barrels per day effective November 1, 2007 also could not alleviate the pressures on oil prices due to the tight demand-supply conditions. The OPEC had earlier cut production during November 2006 (1.2 mb/d) and February 2007 (0.5 mb/d) to support prices. Looking forward, the International Energy Agency expects the oil prices (WTI) to average US \$ 68.8 a barrel in the calendar year 2007, higher than that of US \$ 66.0 during 2006. For 2008, the EIA expects prices to average US \$ 73.5 a barrel. The average International crude oil prices are given as below :

(US \$ Per Barrel)

Date	Dubai	UK Brent	US WTI	Average	Indian Basket Price
2001-02	21.8	23.2	24.1	23.0	22.4
2002-03	25.9	27.6	29.2	27.6	26.6
2003-04	26.9	29.0	31.4	29.1	27.8
2004-05	36.4	42.2	45.0	41.3	38.9
2005-06	53.4	58.0	59.9	57.1	55.4
2006-07	60.9	64.4	64.7	63.3	62.4
January 2007	52.0	54.3	54.2	53.5	53.0
February 2007	55.7	57.8	59.3	57.6	56.6
March 2007	59.1	62.1	60.6	60.6	60.4
April 2007	63.8	67.4	63.9	65.1	65.3
May 2007	64.5	67.5	63.5	65.2	65.8
June 2007	65.8	71.3	67.5	68.2	68.1
July 2007	69.5	77.2	74.1	73.6	72.7
August 2007	67.2	70.8	72.4	70.1	68.7
September 2007	73.3	77.1	79.9	76.8	74.9

Source (Text and Table) : IMF and the World Bank

Global Oil Supply and Demand

Regarding global oil supply and consumption, global oil demand in 2006 grew by 0.8 million barrels a day (mbd) below the 1.3 mbd growth in 2005. Demand growth in developing countries rose to 1.3 mbd in 2006. Consumption was stronger than projected in China and India. Demand growth in emerging markets was generally stronger in countries with administered prices, which typically have been lower than market prices in recent years. In Europe and Japan, conservation measures and increased utilization of nuclear and coal power plants, along with some fuel switching to natural gas have helped reduce oil demand. In line with the weakening demand, overall oil production growth fell to 0.8 mbd in 2006 from 1.3 mbd in 2005. OPEC's output declined in late 2006 reflecting a 0.7 mbd production cut in the fourth quarter following OPEC's decision to cut quotas by 1.2 mbd starting in November. According to the US Energy Information Administration, global demand of oil was expected to remain 1.1 million barrels a day above the global supply during 2007. Notwithstanding the announced increase in OPEC supply, oil market fundamentals are likely to remain under pressure reflecting rising consumption, moderate growth in non-OPEC supply and falling inventories. Looking forward, the international energy agency has projected the global consumption growth of 1.6 mbd in 2007 owing to continued robust demand from emerging markets such as China and the Middle East, and a planned buildup of official stocks by China and the USA.

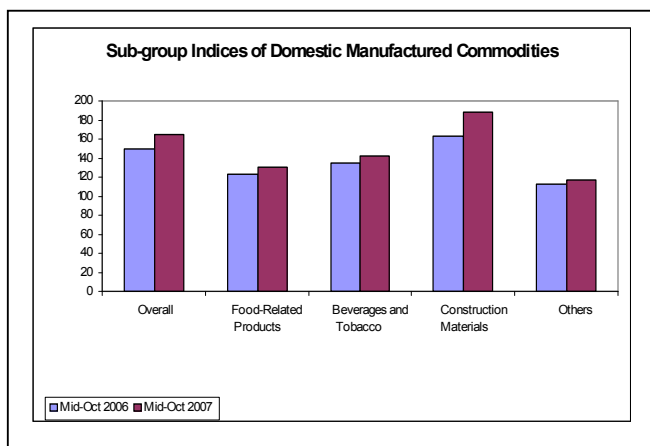
World Balance of Oil

(million barrel per day)

Item	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007 Q1	2007 Q2	2007 Q3
<i>Demand</i>							
OECD	48.7	49.5	49.6	49.2	49.5	48.1	49.1
Non-OECD	31.2	33.0	34.4	35.5	36.1	36.4	36.5
- of which : China	5.6	6.5	6.9	7.3	7.4	7.6	7.7
Total Demand	79.9	82.5	84.0	84.7	85.6	84.5	85.6
<i>Supply</i>							
Non-OPEC	48.9	50.1	50.3	49.3	49.8	49.9	49.6
OPEC	30.7	32.9	34.2	35.3	34.5	34.6	34.9
Total Supply	79.6	83.1	84.5	84.6	84.3	84.5	84.5
Stock Changes	0.3	-0.6	-0.5	0.1	1.3	0.0	1.1

Source (Text and Table) : US Energy Information Administration

* 2007 Figures are Provisional



(c) Domestic Manufactured Commodities

The wholesale prices of domestic manufactured commodities group rose by 8.0 percent during the review period compared to a growth of 6.7 percent in the previous year. Within this group, the prices of construction material rose by 15.5 percent, food-related products by 5.9 percent and that of beverages and tobacco by 5.4 percent. The upward pressure on prices of this sub-group was on account of the hike in the excise as well as customs duties of cigarettes, liquors, cement and paints by the government through the budget of 2007-08.

Likewise, the indices of this group increased by 7.8 percent in mid-September, and 7.7 percent in mid-August 2007. The respective rates in the corresponding periods last year were 7.3 percent and 7.2 percent.

Box 6 : Global Commodity Market

International commodity prices remained firm during the third quarter of 2007-08 led by food and crude oil prices, although there was some moderation in prices of metals. The annual change in the overall prices of crude oil as well as the non-fuel commodities is shown as below :

	2005	2006	2007*
Global Crude Oil Prices	41.3	20.5	6.6
Global Non-fuel Commodity Prices	10.3	28.4	12.2

(percent change)

Source (Text and Table) : World Economic Outlook, IMF

* : Estimations

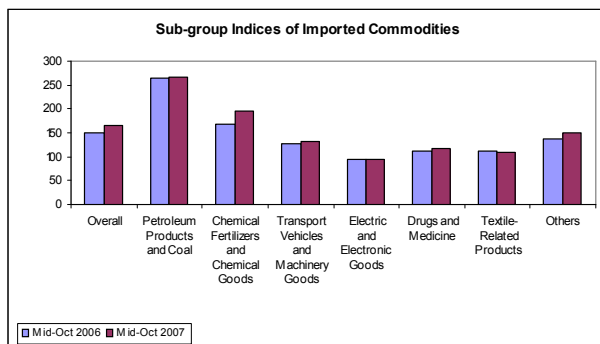
Other than fuel prices, the metal prices eased during the third quarter of 2007, reflecting lower import demand and some improvement in supply. Between June 2007 and September 2007, prices of nickel, zinc and aluminum fell by 29 per cent, 20 per cent and 11 per cent, respectively, reflecting lower Chinese demand. On the other hand, copper prices remained largely range bound, while lead prices increased by 33 per cent over the same period. Regarding the food prices, the prices of wheat, oilseeds and edible oils increased reflecting a shortfall in global production, decline in stocks and rising demand for non-food uses. The prices of edible oil increased by a higher range of 61-67 percent in September alone. Oil prices had hardened by about 15-30 per cent between March- June 2007. Amongst other food items, prices of wheat rose by 46 per cent between June-September 2007 on top of 12 per cent increase during March-June 2007, taking the y-o-y rise in September 2007 to 67 per cent. The global wheat stocks are likely to decline further in 2007-08 to 107.0 million tonnes - their lowest levels since 1981-82. Rice prices also remained firm, reflecting low stocks. The rice stocks are expected to decline by about 8 per cent during 2007-08. The overall food price index compiled by the IMF increased by about 25 per cent in September 2007 (y-o-y) on top of an increase of 8 per cent a year ago. The IMF's food price index in September 2007 has been the highest since early 1981.

International Commodity Price Movements

Commodities	Unit	Price Changes September 2007 over September 2006 (percent)
Coal	\$/mt	45.0
Crude Oil (Avg)	\$/barrel	23.6
Palm Oil	\$/mt	66.7
Soybean Oil	\$/mt	61.3
Soybeans	\$/mt	66.8
Rice	\$/mt	5.1
Wheat	\$/mt	66.6
Sugar	cent/kg	-19.2
Cotton	cent/kg	14.3
Aluminum	\$/mt	-3.3
Copper	\$/mt	0.6
Gold	\$/troy oz	19.1
Silver	cent/troy oz	11.5
Steel Cold-rolled coil/sheet	\$/mt	-7.1
Steel Hot-rolled coil/sheet	\$/mt	-8.3
Tin	cent/kg	66.2
Zinc	cent/kg	-15.3

Source (Text and Table) : World Bank

International sugar prices also increased by about 5 per cent during June-September 2007 in contrast to a decline of 11 per cent witnessed during March-June 2007 as the fall in domestic prices in exporter countries such as Brazil and India was offset by firm prices in importing countries of China and Russia. Prices in September 2007, however, were still 46 per cent lower than the recent peak touched in February 2006. Global sugar production is estimated to increase further by 4.1 million tonnes to 169.6 million tonnes during 2007-08 season, exceeding global consumption by 10.8 million tonnes. Global cotton prices increased by about 11 per cent during June-September 2007, reflecting shortfalls in production. According to the latest assessments, the world cotton stock is estimated to decline by about 14 per cent to 10.8 million tonnes in 2007-08.



(d) Imported Commodities

The wholesale price index of imported commodities moderated to 5.1 percent in the review period from 6.1 percent a year ago. This deceleration was on account of the nominal appreciation of Nepalese rupee against the US dollar.

Likewise, the indices of this group increased by 4.5 percent in mid-September 3.4 percent in mid-August 2007. The corresponding rates during the previous year were 6.1 and 10.0 percent respectively.

Box 7 : Labor Force and Employment in Different Countries

Labor Force and Employment in Some of Advanced Economies					
	Australia	France	Germany	UK	USA
1995					
Labor Force (in '000)	8995	26083	40083	N.A.	132304
Unemployment (in '000)	739	2893	3612	2326	7404
Unemployment Rate %	8.2	11.6	10.4	7.7	5.6
1996					
Labor Force (in '000)	9115	26404	39455	28552	133945
Unemployment (in '000)	751	3063	3980	2122	7236
Unemployment Rate %	8.2	12.1	11.5	7.1	5.4
1997					
Labor Force (in '000)	9221	26404	39694	28716	136297
Unemployment (in '000)	760	3102	4400	1602	6739
Unemployment Rate %	8.3	12.3	12.7	5.3	4.9
1998					
Labor Force (in '000)	9343	26435	39709	28713	137674
Unemployment (in '000)	721	2977	4266	1362	6210
Unemployment Rate %	7.8	11.8	12.3	4.5	4.5
1999					
Labor Force (in '000)	9470	N.A.	39905	29194	139368
Unemployment (in '000)	658	2772	4093	1263	5880
Unemployment Rate %	7.0	11.7	11.7	4.2	4.2
2000					
Labor Force (in '000)	9682	26226	39731	29412	142583
Unemployment (in '000)	611	2338	3887	1102	5692
Unemployment Rate %	6.3	10.0	10.7	3.6	4.0
2001					
Labor Force (in '000)	9796	26385	39966	29638	143734
Unemployment (in '000)	660	2125	3852	983	6801
Unemployment Rate %	6.7	8.8	10.4	3.2	4.7
2002					
Labor Force (in '000)	9943	26653	40022	29934	144863
Unemployment (in '000)	629	2259	4071	959	8378
Unemployment Rate %	6.3	8.9	10.9	3.1	5.8
2003					
Labor Force (in '000)	10067	27287	40195	29235	146510
Unemployment (in '000)	611	2355	4380	946	8774
Unemployment Rate %	5.9	8.9	11.7	3.0	6.0
2004					
Labor Force (in '000)	10207	27455	40047	29369	147401
Unemployment (in '000)	567	2460	3931	866	8149
Unemployment Rate %	5.5	9.2	9.2	2.8	5.5
2005					
Labor Force (in '000)	10492	37636	41150	N.A.	149320
Unemployment (in '000)	537	2458	3892	874	7591
Unemployment Rate %	5.1	9.1	9.2	2.7	5.1
2006					
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	151428
Unemployment (in '000)	524	2281	4487	957	7001
Unemployment Rate %	4.9	9.1	10.8	3.0	4.6

Source: International Financial Statistics, Yearbook 2007, IMF (Period Average Data)

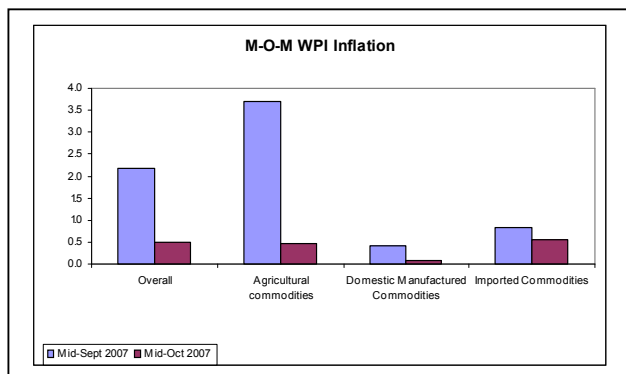
One of the key determinants of potential supply of manpower in an economy is the number of people available to work. Compare to other advanced economies, USA tops the list with 140 to 150 million available labor force in recent years where some 7 to 8 million people are still found unemployed. Regarding the unemployment rate, Germany has registered the highest rate of 12.7 percent in 1997, where as UK registered the lowest of 2.7 percent in 2005. German unemployment rate has hovered around the higher range of 9 to 11 percent in recent years while the unemployment rate in UK has been fluctuating with in the lower range of 3 to 4 percent in these years. Compared to other advanced economies, France registered the second highest unemployment rate of 12.3 percent in 1997.

Labor Force and Employment in South Asia and China						
	Bangladesh	China	India	Nepal	Pakistan	Sri Lanka
1995						
Labor Force (in '000)	50337	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	33191	6106
Unemployment (in '000)	N.A.	5196	36742	N.A.	1783	749
Unemployment Rate %	N.A.	2.9	N.A.	4.9*	5.4	12.3
1996						
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	34342	6242
Unemployment (in '000)	1417	5528	37430	N.A.	1845	705
Unemployment Rate %	2.5	3.0	N.A.	N.A.	5.4	11.3
1997						
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	36407	6266
Unemployment (in '000)	N.A.	5768	39140	N.A.	2254	658
Unemployment Rate %	N.A.	3.0	N.A.	N.A.	6.1	10.5
1998						
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	38174	6661
Unemployment (in '000)	N.A.	5710	40090	N.A.	2279	611
Unemployment Rate %	N.A.	3.1	N.A.	5.2**	5.9	9.2
1999						
Labor Force (in '000)	53512	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	39400	6673
Unemployment (in '000)	N.A.	5750	40371	N.A.	2360	591
Unemployment Rate %	N.A.	3.1	N.A.	N.A.	5.9	8.9
2000						
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	38005	6827
Unemployment (in '000)	1750	5950	41344	N.A.	3160	517
Unemployment Rate %	3.3	3.1	N.A.	N.A.	7.8	7.6
2001						
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	10637+	40662	6773
Unemployment (in '000)	N.A.	6810	41996	860+	3220	537
Unemployment Rate %	N.A.	3.6	N.A.	8.1+	7.8	7.9
2002						
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	42388	7145
Unemployment (in '000)	N.A.	7700	41171	N.A.	3550	626
Unemployment Rate %	N.A.	4.0	N.A.	N.A.	8.3	8.8
2003						
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	45230	7654
Unemployment (in '000)	2002	8000	41389	N.A.	3620	625
Unemployment Rate %	4.3	4.3	N.A.	3.8++	8.3	8.3
2004						
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	50890	8061
Unemployment (in '000)	N.A.	8270	40458	N.A.	3520	680
Unemployment Rate %	N.A.	4.2	N.A.	N.A.	7.7	8.5
2005						
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	8141
Unemployment (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	623
Unemployment Rate %	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	7.7
2006						
Labor Force (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Unemployment (in '000)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	498
Unemployment Rate %	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	6.6

Source: International Financial Statistics, Yearbook 2007, IMF (Period Average Data) and Central Bureau of Statistics, Nepal

* : Nepal Living Standard Survey 1995/96 (current activity, ref. period 7 days) ** : Nepal Labor Force Survey 1998/99 (current activity, ref. period 7 days) + : Population Census 2001 (usual activity, ref. period 12 months) ++ : Nepal Living Standard Survey 2003/04 (current activity, ref. period 7 days)

Among the South Asian countries and China, Sri Lanka registered the highest unemployment rate of 12.3 percent in the year 1996, where as China registered the lowest 2.9 percent in the same year. Compared to South Asian countries, Chinese unemployment rate is found at the lower range of 3 to 4 percent in recent years. Regarding Nepal, its unemployment rate hit the highest of 8.1 percent in 2001 and the lowest of 3.8 percent in 2003.



(e) M-O-M WPI Inflation

The overall M-O-M Wholesale Price Index in mid-October 2007 increased by 0.5 percent. It is attributed to the 0.5 percent increase in the indices of agricultural commodities and 0.6 percent rise in imported commodities during the month.

Likewise, the M-O-M Wholesale Price Index increased by 2.2 percent in mid-September and 5.4 percent in Mid-August 2007.

Box 8 : Growth of Employment and Labor Cost in Advanced Economies

Employment Indices (Some Advanced Economies)																
Year	USA		Canada		Australia		Japan		France		Germany		Italy		UK	
	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %
1995	89.0	2.7	85.4	1.9	98.8	1.0	111.5	-1.8	100.9	0.1	98.5	-0.1	100.7	-1.7	91.3	1.3
1996	90.8	2.0	87.4	2.3	99.0	0.2	109.0	-2.2	99.7	-1.2	98.3	-0.2	99.6	-1.1	92.6	1.4
1997	93.2	2.6	90.6	3.7	100.5	1.5	107.8	-1.1	98.9	-0.8	97.8	-0.5	98.9	-0.7	94.9	2.5
1998	95.5	2.5	93.6	3.3	97.2	-3.3	105.9	-1.8	99.0	0.1	98.0	0.2	99.8	0.9	96.5	1.7
1999	97.9	2.5	95.5	2.0	95.5	-1.7	102.8	-2.9	98.6	-0.4	99.4	1.4	100.0	0.2	98.2	1.8
2000	100.0	2.1	100.0	4.7	100.0	4.7	100.0	-2.7	100.0	1.4	100.0	0.6	100.0	0.0	100.0	1.8
2001	100.0	0.0	98.1	-1.9	96.7	-3.3	97.1	-2.9	100.9	0.9	100.6	0.6	100.8	0.8	101.2	1.2
2002	98.9	-1.1	96.1	-2.0	97.8	1.1	92.2	-5.0	99.1	-1.8	99.8	-0.8	101.9	1.1	101.6	0.4
2003	98.6	-0.3	95.2	-0.9	95.8	-2.0	89.4	-3.0	96.9	-2.2	98.8	-1.0	103.7	1.8	101.8	0.2
2004	99.7	1.1	93.2	-2.1	96.4	0.6	88.4	-1.1	94.4	-2.6	105.9	7.2	104.5	0.8	102.8	1.0
2005	101.3	1.6	91.4	-1.9	94.8	-1.7	88.5	0.1	92.4	-2.1	105.6	-0.3	105.6	1.1	104.3	1.5
2006	103.3	2.0	90.6	-0.9	93.7	-1.2	89.2	0.8	90.4	-2.2	106.8	1.1	105.3	-0.3	105.2	0.9

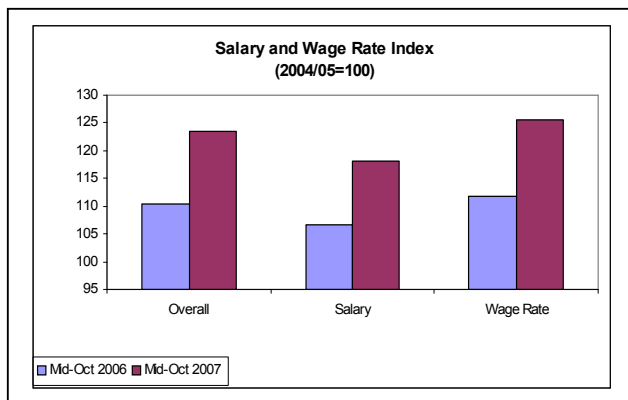
Source: International Financial Statistics, Yearbook 2007, IMF

As per the employment indices published by the IMF, the yearly growth rate of employment in most of the advanced economies has remained within the range of 1 to 2 percent in recent years. The highest growth rate of employment was observed in Germany with 7.2 percent in 2004. In the last ten years, UK is the only country which has not witnessed any annual negative growth rate of employment. Its growth rate hit the highest 2.5 percent in 1997 while it reached the lowest of 0.2 percent in 2003. Regarding the USA, it registered negative growth rates in two consecutive years in 2002 and 2003. The highest growth rate of employment in the country was 2.7 percent in 1995. Throughout the last decade, the most negative growth rate was observed in Japan which registered continuous negative rates from 1995 to 2004. Its growth rate is still below 1 percent up to 2006. France is another country which has registered second most negative rates after Japan. Regarding other advanced economies, Germany has registered both negative as well as positive growth rates in these years while Canada, Australia, France and Italy are still facing negative growth rates in recent years.

Labor Wage Indices (Some Advanced Economies)																
Year	USA		Canada		Australia		Japan		France		Germany		Italy		UK	
	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %	Index	Annual Change %
1995	86.2	2.6	90.9	1.3	82.4	5.1	96.5	2.1	87.0	0.8	87.0	4.4	87.2	3.1	80.4	3.2
1996	89.0	3.2	93.6	3.0	85.6	3.9	98.3	1.9	88.5	1.7	91.1	4.7	90.0	3.2	83.2	3.5
1997	91.7	3.0	94.3	0.7	89.1	4.1	99.7	1.4	91.0	2.8	92.7	1.8	93.2	3.6	86.8	4.3
1998	93.9	2.4	96.2	2.0	92.8	4.2	99.5	-0.2	93.6	2.9	94.6	2.0	95.8	2.8	91.3	5.2
1999	96.7	3.0	97.5	1.4	95.3	2.7	99.7	0.2	95.7	2.2	97.2	2.7	98.0	2.3	95.7	4.8
2000	100.0	3.4	100.0	2.6	100.0	4.9	100.0	0.3	100.0	4.5	100.0	2.9	100.0	2.0	100.0	4.5
2001	103.1	3.1	101.9	1.9	104.9	4.9	99.4	-0.6	104.5	4.5	103.3	3.3	101.8	1.8	104.4	4.4
2002	106.8	3.6	104.9	2.9	110.3	5.1	97.7	-1.7	108.4	3.7	106.5	3.1	104.5	2.7	108.2	3.6
2003	109.9	2.9	108.1	3.1	116.5	5.6	97.8	0.1	112.8	4.1	108.0	1.4	107.2	2.6	111.9	3.4
2004	112.7	2.5	111.0	2.7	120.9	3.8	97.7	-0.1	116.1	2.9	110.1	1.9	110.5	3.1	116.8	4.4
2005	115.6	2.6	113.0	1.8	127.6	5.5	98.3	0.6	119.3	2.8	111.4	1.2	113.9	3.1	121.5	4.0
2006	117.4	1.6	113.6	0.5	132.4	3.8	98.9	0.6	122.7	2.8	112.4	0.9	117.5	3.2	126.5	4.1

Source: International Financial Statistics, Yearbook 2007, IMF

As indicated by labor wage indices published by the IMF, the yearly growth rate of wages in most of the advanced economies (besides Japan) during the last decade moved around 2 to 5 percent. These economies have not witnessed any negative growth of wages in this period. The highest growth rate of 5.6 percent was seen in Australia in 2003 during the decade. Among the advanced economies, the higher average of 3 to 5 percent was registered by the UK and Australia while Germany registered in between 2 to 4 percent. Regarding others, a moderate growth rate of 2 to 3 percent was observed in the countries like USA, Canada, France and Italy. Although Japan registered a growth rate of 1 to 2 percent before 1997, it witnessed negative growth rates during 1998, 2001, 2002 and 2004. Japan's wage growth rate is still below one percent.



Salary and Wage Rate

(a) Overall Index

The y-o-y salary and wage rate index rose by 11.9 percent in mid-October 2007 compared to a rise of 8.0 percent a year ago. Such an increase in this index was mainly due to net increment in the salaries of civil servants by 17 percent, including security personnel, teachers and employees of public enterprises from mid-July 2007. The rise in the wages of laborers also exerted an upward pressure on this index.

Likewise, the national salary and wage rate index increased by 12.5 percent in mid-September and 12.4 percent in mid-August 2007. The corresponding rates during last year were 7.6 percent and 7.3 percent respectively.

Box 9 : A Discussion on World Employment

	1997	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007*
Total	164.8	188.9	185.9	190.8	189.6	187.0	189.9
Male	70.2	79.6	79.2	80.9	81.0	80.2	81.6
Female	94.6	109.3	106.7	109.9	108.6	106.8	108.3

Source: ILO Global Employment Trends, January 2008 * Estimates

	1997	2006	2007*
World	6.1	6.0	6.0
South Asia	4.7	5.1	5.1
EU and Developed Economies	7.4	6.3	6.4
Central and South Eastern Europe (Non -EU and CIS)	10.7	8.5	8.5
East Asia	3.7	3.4	3.3
South East Asia and the Pacific	4.0	6.2	6.2

Source: ILO Global Employment Trends, January 2008 * Estimates

Globalization and rapidly changing technical progress continues to impact labor markets around the world. Side by side, these challenges along-with the changing economic environment is also bringing greater opportunities for individuals striving to improve their way of life. Strong economic growth in many regions in recent years has led more people in work. Due to this more jobs has been created, especially in South Asia. Nearly 190 million people in the world are found unemployed up to 2007. It was about 15 percent rise since 1997. Out of total unemployed in the world, female constitutes a large chunk of about 57 percent while male holds about 43 percent only. While comparing the recent years' data, the highest world unemployment of 190.8 million was recorded in 2004 and the lowest of 164.8 million in 1997. A commonly used measure of tightness in the labor market is the unemployment rate. **The balance between demand and supply in the labor market certainly put inflationary pressures worldwide.** The world unemployment rate has been hovering around 6 percent in recent years. Region-wise, the highest unemployment rate of about 8 to 10 percent is observed in East Europe and former USSR states. In East Asia, the unemployment rate continues to remain at low levels within the range of 3 to 4 percent in recent years. Regarding South Asia, it has witnessed a moderated rate of 4 to 5 percent. Meanwhile, the unemployment rate in the EU and other developed economies has remained at a higher side of 6 to 7.5 percent.

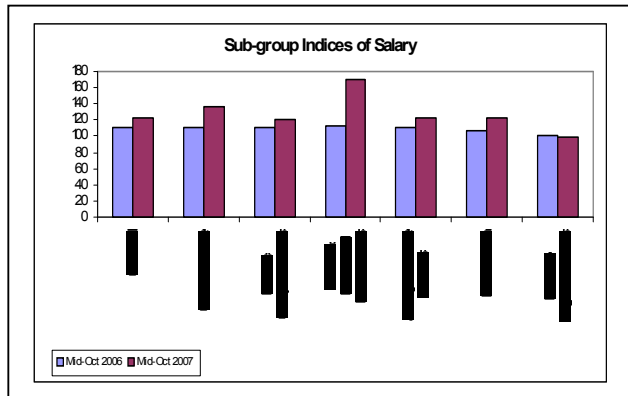
	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007*
World	62.6	62.4	62.3	62.2	62.0	61.7	61.7	61.6	61.7	61.7	61.7
South Asia	58.2	58.3	58.2	57.6	57.4	57.3	57.6	56.8	56.7	56.8	56.7
Male											
World	75.7	75.5	75.4	75.2	74.8	74.5	74.4	74.4	74.3	74.4	74.3
South Asia	80.1	80.3	80.4	79.6	79.2	78.8	79.1	78.4	78.3	78.2	78.1
Female											
World	49.5	49.3	49.2	49.2	49.1	49.0	49.0	49.0	49.0	49.1	49.1
South Asia	34.7	34.8	34.6	34.2	34.3	34.4	34.8	33.8	33.9	34.0	34.1
Youth											
World	50.6	50.0	49.6	49.0	48.3	47.8	47.6	47.7	47.8	47.9	47.8
South Asia	44.5	44.5	44.4	43.3	43.1	43.1	43.5	42.5	42.6	42.6	42.4

Source: ILO Global Employment Trends, January 2008 * : Estimates

	1997	2005	2006	2007*
Agriculture				
World	41.4	37.1	36.0	34.9
South Asia	59.4	50.9	49.4	48.0
Industry				
World	21.1	21.4	21.9	22.4
South Asia	15.3	20.2	21.0	21.7
Services				
World	37.5	41.5	42.1	42.7
South Asia	25.2	28.9	29.6	30.3

Source: ILO Global Employment Trends, January 2008 * : Estimates

Regarding the ratio of employment to the total population in the world, a declining trend has been observed in the past decade. It stood at 61.7 per cent in 2007 comparing to the 62.6 per cent of 1997. The decreasing portion is larger among the youth. Within this group, the ratio was 50.6 per cent in 1997 which has decreased by almost about 3 percentage point to 47.8 percent in 2007. It is due to rising proportion of educated young people. In some regions, the rising trend of young people not willing to enter in the labor market also contributes for the decrease. Looking upon the gender, a continued wide gap between the employment ratio of men and women in the world was observed. Analyzing the 2007 figures, only 49.1 percent of women are employed while the ratio of man is 74.3 percent. The gender gap seen in the labor market is another indication of less participation of woman in economic activities. Regionally, in south Asia, the ratio of employed people is almost 5 percent which is less than the world ratio. Comparing the ratio of employed women in South Asia with the ratio of employed women in the world, it is even wider with the gap of almost 15 percent. The figures of 2007 shows that the ratio of employed women in the world is 49.1 percent comparing to 34.1 percent of south Asian women. Regarding male, the gap is almost 4 percent. Among the young people, almost 5 percent less youth are found employed comparing to that of youth in the world. It shows that only 42.4 percent youth are employed in South Asia as against 47.8 percent employed youth worldwide. Talking about the sector-wise employment in the world, service sector holds the largest share of about 43 percent followed by 35 percent by agro-sector and remaining 22 percent by industrial sector. These ratios were almost 38 percent, 41 percent and 21 percent respectively a decade back. Showing agro-dominance, agriculture sector holds the largest share of about 48 percent in South Asia followed by 30 percent in service sector and 22 percent in industrial sector. A decade ago, these ratios were about 59 percent, 25 percent and 15 percent respectively. These figures indicate that the share of agriculture sector in employment generation is declining continuously in the world while that of service sector is increasing year by year. Comparing to other two sectors, the share of industrial sector is increasing but with a slow pace.

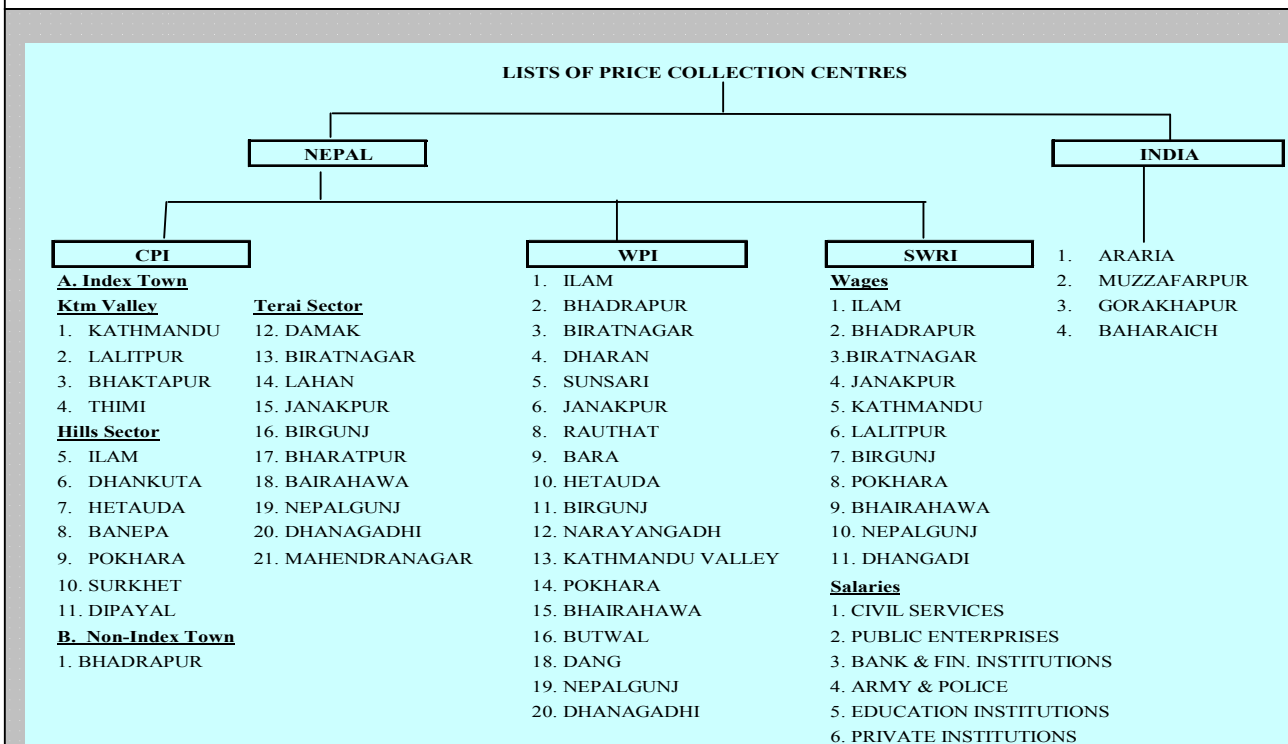


(b) Salary

The index of salary group increased by 10.9 percent in October 2007 as compared to the rise of 6.6 percent in the preceding year. The impact of the 17 percent increase in the salaries of civil servants by the government in mid-July 2007 contributed to this rise.

Likewise, the salary index increased by 10.9 percent in mid-September and 11.5 percent in mid-August 2007. There rates were 6.6 percent and 6.4 percent in the corresponding periods last year.

Box 10 : Price Collection Centers and Number of Collected Items in Nepal



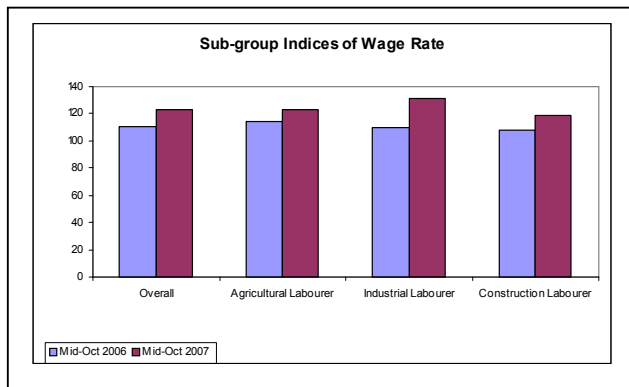
No. of Items and Price Quotations of Some Major Groups

Groups & Sub-Groups of Commodities	No. of Items			Price Quotations		
	Ktm	Terai	Hills	Ktm	Terai	Hill
Food & Beverages	102	88	100	408	880	700
Cloth, Clothings & Sew. Services	54	52	52	216	520	364
Footwear	13	12	14	52	120	98
Housing:						
House Furnishing & H.H. Goods	26	22	20	104	220	140
Fuel, Light & Water	7	7	7	28	70	49
Cleaning Supplies	9	12	6	36	120	42
House Rent	1	1	1	4	10	7
Transport & Communication	11	8	6	44	80	42
Medical & Personal Care	41	35	41	164	350	287
Education, Reading & Recreation	30	22	30	120	220	210
Tobacco	7	8	7	28	80	49
All Total	301	267	284	1204	2670	198

i) weekly, monthly, quarterly, half yearly and yearly quotations may vary, due to the nature of different commodities.
ii) Only one quotation is presented for each commodity whether the nature of data is weekly, monthly, quarterly, half yearly or yearly.

Number of Items selected for Price Collection

Sectors	Total	Weekly	Monthly	Quarterly	Half Yearly	Yearly
Ktm Valley	301	74	81-91	84-85	36-40	11
Terai	267	59-62	76-83	75-77	32-34	9-10
Hills	284	70-75	73-82	71-79	33-37	10-11



(c) Wage Rate

The wage rate index increased at a higher rate of 12.4 percent in October 2007 as compare to an increase of 8.4 percent during last year. Within this group, the index of industrial labor increased by a higher rate (19.5 percent), followed by construction laborers (10.3 percent) and agriculture laborers (8.3 percent).

Likewise, the wage rate index rose at a higher rate of 13.1 percent in mid-September and 12.7 percent in mid-August 2007. These rates were 7.9 percent and 7.7 percent in the corresponding months last year.

Box 11 : Publication "Inflation in Nepal"

Achieving a low and stable inflation is the prime goal of monetary policy. To this end, the Nepal Rastra Bank as the monetary authority of Nepal has been committed for long. However, the dynamics of price and inflation in Nepal is somewhat complex mainly because of the large trade dependence with India, along with sharing the open border. Also the level of financial development is still at the nascent stage in Nepal. In this reference, the grave responsibility for maintaining price stability has been conferred upon the Nepal Rastra Bank (NRB) by the Nepal Rastra Bank Act, 2002. For the Bank to adequately discharge this responsibility, it was important to identify and determine the factors that influence inflation in the country, so that it can adequately manage and control and also accurately forecast the domestic inflation situation. In this context, Nepal Rastra Bank has undertaken an empirical study entitled "*Inflation in Nepal*". This study, published in July 2007, has basically focused on the factors influencing inflation in Nepal.

This study was primarily conducted with a view to develop a short- and long-term price projection tools. Besides discussing the historical evolution and development of price indexing in Nepal, it has further analyzed the domestic inflation trends, including the decomposition of inflation into trend, cyclical and random component. On the basis of theoretical and empirical exercise, the study has come out with a hybrid open monetary model which has tried to capture major factors (monetary, structural, external, etc) influencing inflation in Nepal. The general model of inflation in Nepal broadly combines demand factors like interest rates, money supply, velocity of money; supply factors like real gross domestic product, industrial worker wages; and external factor like inflation in India, exchange rate etc. The study has reviewed past inflation process from both international (Albania, Swaziland, Pakistan etc.) and national (Mathema 1998, Pandey 2005, NRB Price Division 2006 etc) literatures. Regarding empirical methodology, it has used cointegration technique and error correction modeling (ECM) for the analysis. The coverage of the study is 1977/78-2005/06. Contrary to earlier studies, this study has chosen Indian CPI (Industrial workers), instead of WPI, as the proxy for Indian price level. This choice was based on the necessity for having comparable price indexes from the view point of both pricing process and the basket composition. The study also contains valuable comments received from Dr. Gunanidhi Sharma, Professor, Tribhuvan University and Dr. Shankar Sharma, former Vice Chairman, National Planning Commission. The general model of inflation in Nepal was translated into the equation with six variations. The variations include two forms of money supply (narrow and broad money) and their velocity in one hand and three forms of interest rates (3-months fixed deposit rates of commercial banks, commercial lending rates, re-finance rates of central bank) on the other. Using linear regression and utilizing the general to specific methodology of variable deletion, the following model of inflation was obtained which is simply a function of two variables: narrow money supply and Indian inflation.

$$p = f(m, v, y, r, w, ext) \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

In the model, p stands for inflation, m stands money supply, v stands for velocity of money supply, y stands for real GDP, r stands for interest rate, w stands money wage rate, and ext stands for external factors. The dots over the alphabets indicate logarithmic growth rates. This specific model of inflation in Nepal was then run to estimate the short-term, long-term and a co-integrating relationship for the domestic inflation process. As per the analysis, a short-run inflation equation has been developed as follows :

$$\Delta_n P_N = -0.03 + 0.18 * \Delta_n M_1 + 1.13 * \Delta_n P_{IN} \dots\dots\dots (ii)$$

t-value (-1.5) (1.92) (5.73)

The estimation explained 61% ($R^2 = 0.61$) of regression with the F-statistic being significant and the Durbin Watson statistic (2.63) rejecting the null of serial correlation. The results indicates that in the short term (less than one year), inflation in Nepal is found to be significantly affected by both narrow money and Indian inflation, although the effect of money supply growth is only a fraction of that to Indian inflation. For the long term, the model has developed the following Cointegration Equation by using the cointegration test and error correction model (ECM) :

$$I_n P_N = -0.49 + 1.09 * I_n P_{IN} \dots\dots\dots (iii)$$

t-value (-9.98) (95.25)

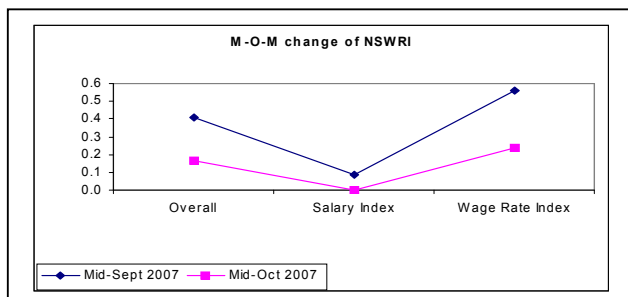
The long-term equation indicates that Nepalese price level is significantly influenced by Indian price level. The coefficient suggests that Nepalese price levels are more reactive to Indian prices; a one percent increase in Indian price level is reflected in a 1.09 percent increase in Nepalese price levels. By using error correction model (ECM), the long term equation for Nepal is derived as;

$$I_n P_N = -0.05 + 0.20 * \Delta_n M_1 + 1.37 * \Delta_n P_{IN} - 0.31 EC (-1) \dots\dots\dots (iv)$$

t-value (2.295) (6.7) (-2.52)

In the long-term, however, the price level in Nepal is mainly determined by Indian price level. In terms of ECM analysis, Nepalese inflation overshoots in the first period, with an adjustment taking place in the following period. The results were tested for robustness using time series data of different price indexes, frequencies and base years, with consistent results. The error term of -0.31 indicates that there is a 31 percent feedback from the previous year disequilibrium into the short-run dynamic process, and that error or residuals within the estimate equation are corrected 31 percent in a year. This means if Indian inflation in period one increases by one percent with domestic money growth constant, this results in a 1.37 percent increase in Nepalese inflation; this inflation sensitively is adjusted in the coming year by 0.31 percent such that Nepali and Indian inflation move via similar growth trajectory in the long-run.

The above mentioned empirical results are attributed to the geographical situation of shared open and contiguous border between Nepal and India which facilitate informal trade and goods arbitrage. The conclusion of a close relation of Nepalese and Indian price level and inflation is consistent with absolute and relative purchasing power parity holding between both countries. It was also found that narrow money has a short term effect on inflation. This conclusion of less efficacy of monetary policy is consistent with the presence of a rigid pegged exchange rate regime between the Nepalese and Indian currency, along with time varying capital mobility: it is less mobile in the short term (less than one year) but being more so in the long term. It is therefore the study concludes that within the existing framework of pegged exchange rate and capital mobility, the main influencing factor of inflation is from India with the NRB having control over domestic inflation only in the short run (a one year window) but limited control beyond that. Based on the above findings, the study makes three recommendations: i) To establish a mechanism to continuously monitor price developments in India and ensure harmonization of domestic regulated prices (e.g. petroleum products etc.); ii) To commence studies for examining the implication of increasing the level of capital mobility between both countries; and iii) To refine monetary policy formulation based on the above results.



(d) M-O-M NSWRI

The overall M-O-M National Salary and Wage Rate Index increased by 0.2 percent in mid-October 2007. It is mainly attributed to the 0.2 percent growth in wage rate index during the month.

Likewise, the M-O-M NSWRI increased marginally by rate of 0.4 percent in mid-September and 2.9 percent in mid-August 2007.

Box 12 : Household Budget Surveys and Relative Weightages of Different Groups in CPI

NRB is the domestic authority which collects price information and construct CPI index. The CPI index captures the average household's consumption basket. This basket is determined by national level Household Budget Surveys (HBS). The objective of the survey is to make more representative basket in terms of cities, markets, items and weights for different commodities, income and occupation of the people.

NRB has conducted three Household Budget Surveys (HBS) during 1972/73, 1984/85 and 1995/96 respectively; the basic compositions and relative weightage of the different commodities and services for the three completed HBS are provided in the figures below. Likewise, the fourth survey is presently under progress and purposes to address the shortcoming of previous HBS of being urban-focused and hence suggests to include the rural market centers. The comparative statements of the different household budget surveys are provided below:

Comparative Statement of the Household Budget Survey

Subject	First HBS	Second HBS	Third HBS	Fourth HBS*
Survey Period	1972/73	1983/84	1995/96	2005/06
Coverage	Rural+ Urban	Rural + Urban	Urban Only	Rural + Urban
Number of Market Centers	18	35 (12 Urban, 23 Rural)	21	52 (23 Urban, 29 Rural)
Sample Households	6,625	5,323	2,500	5,095
Population of the country	11,555,983	15,022,839	18,491,097	23,151,423
No. of Households of the country	2,084,062	2,584,948	3,328,721	4,253,220

Source : Inflation in Nepal, Research Department, NRB, 2007 July

*Proposed

Presently, NRB constructs a number of price indices using the composition from the third HBS. These are namely: National Urban CPI, CPI for Kathmandu Valley, CPI for Hills, and CPI for Terai. The CPI basket for Kathmandu Valley consists of 301 items, while it includes 284 and 267 items in the Hills and the Terai regions respectively.

Relative Weightage of Different Groups in CPI (As per HBS)

Groups and Sub-groups of Items	1972/73 (HBS I)	1983/84 (HBS II)	1995/96 (HBS III)
All Items	100.00	100.00	100.00
Foods and beverages	66.78	62.63	53.20
Grains and cereals products	33.01	29.43	18.00
Rice and rice products	(28.90)	(24.13)	(14.16)
Wheat and wheat flour		(24.13)	
Pulses	3.25	3.27	2.73
Vegetables, fruits and nuts	7.60	8.47	7.89
Spices	2.17	2.23	1.85
Meat, fish and eggs	4.58	4.07	5.21
Milk and milk products	3.82	3.76	4.05
Oil and ghee	5.01	3.36	3.07
Sugar and related products	2.08	1.68	1.21
Beverages	1.24	1.48	2.28
Restaurant meals	4.02	4.88	6.91
Other goods and services	33.22	37.37	46.80
Cloths, clothing and sewing services	8.31	10.09	8.92
Cloths	(3.71)	(4.04)	(2.28)
Clothing	(4.60)	(6.05)	(5.75)
Footwear	1.22	1.72	2.20
Housing	11.02	12.66	14.87
Fuel, light and water	(4.95)	(6.88)	(5.92)
Transport and communication	1.73	2.13	4.03
Medical and personal care	4.41	4.59	8.03
Education, reading and recreation	3.87	4.14	7.09
Tobacco and related products	2.66	2.04	1.66

Source : Inflation in Nepal, Research Department, NRB, 2007 July

Based on the results derived from different Household Budget Surveys (HBSs), it is observed that the weight of food item is continuously falling while the share of non-food item is in increasing trend. The weight of food and beverages group was initially 66.78% in 1972-73 which fell to 62.63% in 1983-84 and further to 53.20% in 1995-96. Contrary to that, the weight of non-food items (other goods and services) has substantially increased from 33.22% in 1972-73 to 37.37% in 1983-84 and 46.80% in 1995-96. This indicates that the consumption pattern of general public is shifting towards non-food items from food items. Observing item-wise within the food and beverage group, the largest weight has been held by the sub-group grains and cereal products. The share of this sub-group is also falling continuously from 33.01% in 1972-73 to 29.43% in 1983-84 and further to 18.00% in 1995-96. Talking about the rice, the largest shareholder in this sub-group, its share is also declining from 28.90% to 24.13% and 14.16% respectively. It indicates that the people are expending less of their money for grains and cereal products and more in other food items. Regarding other subheadings of food and beverage group, the weights of restaurant meals, beverages, meat, fish and eggs, milk and milk products are found in increasing trend while that of sugar and related products, oil and ghee, spices and pulses are slightly declining during the different HBSs.

Regarding the sub-headings of non-food items, the largest share has been held by housing. Its share has been continuously rising from 11.02% in 1972-73 to 12.66% in 1983-84 and 14.87% in 1995-96. Likewise, the share of education, transport and communication and the medical and personal care are substantially rising during the different HBS. Likewise, the weights of the items like cloths, footwear, fuel, light and water are found in increasing trend while the expenditure towards tobacco and related products is falling in slow pace.

Box 13 : Computing Consumer Price Index in Nepal

A) Consumer Price Index

1. Nepal Rastra Bank had started to develop Weighted National Urban Consumer Price Index for the first time in 1972/73. Efforts have been made since then to make CPI more representative by improving and expanding its scope and coverage in terms of items, market places, and the weight. Accordingly, the CPI series were computed with 1983/84 and 1995/96 subsequent as new base years. The current series of Urban Consumer Price Indices is based on 1995/96 base year.
2. In total, 21 urban market centers have been selected to represent the CPI of the country. The selected market centers according to major geographic regions are as follows:
 - (1) Kathmandu Valley - Kathmandu, Lalitpur, Bhaktapur and Thimi.
 - (2) Terai - Damak, Biratnagar, Lahan, Janakpur, Birgunj, Bharatpur, Siddharthanagar, Nepalgunj, Mahendranagar and Dhanagadhi.
 - (3) Hills - Ilam, Dhanakuta, Hetauda, Pokhara, Banepa, Dipayal and Birendranagar.

- The National Urban Consumer Price Index is derived from regional urban consumer price indices by using the population weight of each region. The population weight is based on 1995 population projection made by Central Bureau of Statistics. The total population covered by the index was estimated to be 26,75,149.
3. To develop the weighting factors for urban consumer price index, households were selected from the total sample excluding the ones in the following four categories.
 - (i) Households falling on the first, second, ninth and tenth income decile.
 - (ii) One person households and households composed of more than eight persons.
 - (iii) Households which obtain more than 50 percent of the value of their consumption expenditures from home production or sources other than the market place.
 - (iv) Households which have less than 50 percent of their income in cash.

Based on the above four criteria, the income range for households in the different urban regions was found as follows:
 Kathmandu Valley - Rs. 4,200 - Rs. 13,498 Hills - Rs. 2,851 - Rs. 8,466 Terai - Rs. 2,570 - Rs. 8,570
4. To construct the price indices, the prices of the commodities included in the commodity basket are collected according to the fixed price collection cycle. Prices are collected from about 900 retail stores and outlets by personal visits. In order to compute the indices, those prices are collected from the market centres from where the consumer has paid a certain price to purchase the specified goods and services including VAT and excise duties. House rents are collected once a year through house rent survey, which covers about 1612 households.
5. The periodicity of Price collection are :
 - (a) Weekly (Four times per month) :- Rice, Pulses, Flour, Cereal Products, Oil and Ghee, Fresh Vegetables and Fruits, Spices, Milk & Milk Products, Sugar & Sweets.
 - (b) Monthly :- Meat, Fish & Eggs, Beverages, Restaurant Meals, Cloth, Clothing, Fuel, Cleaning Supplies and religious items.
 - (c) Quarterly :- Private Transport, Hard Drinks, Footwear, Household Goods, Medicine & Personal Care items and Cigarettes.
 - (d) Half Yearly :- Sewing Charges, Public Transport, Medical & Personal Care and Reading Materials.
 - (e) Yearly :- Education Fees, Telephone, Water & Electricity Charges and House Rent.
6. The index is computed according to the Laspeyres' formula as a weighted arithmetic average. The formula is expressed in statistical notation as follows:

$$Ino = \frac{\sum (Q_o P_{i-1}) \left(\frac{P_i}{P_{i-1}} \right)}{\sum Q_o P_o} = \sum \left(\frac{P_i}{P_{i-1}} \times \frac{Q_o \times P_{i-1}}{Q_o P_o} \right)$$

Where,

Ino	=	Represents the index number for the period (i) with base period (o) equal to 100
$(Q_o P_{i-1})$	=	Represents the index expenditure weights adjusted for price change to the preceding period
(P_i / P_{i-1})	=	Represents the change in price from the preceding period to the current period
$Q_o P_o$	=	Represents the index expenditure weight

B) Core Inflation

Though the concept of core inflation was first initiated in the 1970s, it has been used by many central banks in the world today. Core inflation is generally computed either from the CPI or WPI. The headline inflation is influenced by both demand and supply side factors. But, core inflation is that inflation which is influenced by demand side factors only. It is also defined as the persistent part of measured inflation, consists of common trend excluding the relative shocks originated from the supply side. While the headline inflation is often volatile, core inflation can be a more accurate measure of underlying inflation, hence useful for price stability. In the economic literature, it has been argued that core inflation would be a good indicator of current and future trend of inflation, a good measure of inflation for empirical work, and the most importantly, a viable target for monetary policy. In fact, core inflation measures assist the monetary authority to separate the noise and the short-run fluctuations in the inflation from its more persistent trend. Nepal Rastra Bank has also produced core inflation figures since mid-November, 2005. As used by many central banks, NRB applies exclusion-based method for calculating core inflation. This method excludes some supply prone items from CPI list such as (a) rice and rice products, (b) vegetables and fruits, (c) fuel, light and water, and (d) transports. However, there are other methods as well, such as trimmed mean method and weighted median. So far, there is no unanimous view on using the particular method, however. A complete isolation of supply side effects on inflation is still not possible. But, core inflation measures can produce a highly persistent part of inflation from the headline inflation. Since monetary policy hardly influences the supply side disturbance in the economy, it would be pertinent to guide and evaluate the monetary policy in terms of core inflation.

Box 14 : Computing Wholesale Price Index in Nepal

1. Introduction

The changes in prices, influence a wide range of economic activities and a constant watch on prices becomes necessary for the operation and regulation of current economic policies as well as for the purpose of planning and policy formulation. The changes in prices over a period of time can be gauged by the statistical device of index number of prices. The price index can be either at the wholesale level or at the retail level of the marketing channel. This index is important as it helps in understanding the movement of prices relating to bulk transactions. It is designed to measure the directional movement of prices for a set of selected items in the primary and wholesale market. Item covered in the series are those, which could be precisely defined and are offered in lots by producers/wholesalers/importers. Prices used are generally those which conform to the primary sellers realization at ex-factory or at an organized wholesale level.

2. Definition

(a) Agricultural Goods

- Selling price of wholesalers and mills
- In the case of Raw Jute and Sugarcane selling price of farmers to the factory or mills.

(b) Domestic Manufactured Goods

- First commercial transaction in bulk.

(c) Imported Goods

- First commercial transaction within the country.

(d) Government Controlled Goods

- Selling price of public enterprises.

3. Base Elements of Wholesale Price Index

(a) Base year :

- Fiscal year 1999/2000 (2056/57) is taken as the base year.
- Twelve month's average price is taken as the base year's price.

(b) Commodity Basket and Market Centers

Group	No. of Commodity	Price Quotation Number
Agricultural Goods	18	133
Domestic Manufactured Goods	31	129
Imported Goods	22	153
Total	71	415

Marketwise Number of Price Quotation

Price Quotation Number					Price Quotation Number						
	Market Centre	Agricultural Goods	Domestic Manufactured Goods	Imported Goods	Total		Market Centre	Agricultural Goods	Domestic Manufactured Goods	Imported Goods	Total
1	Ilam	2	1	-	3	12	Narayanghat	12	4	-	16
2	Bhadrapur	5	5	-	10	13	Kathmandu Valley	38	41	105	184
3	Birartnagar	13	24	8	45	14	Pokhara	6	2	3	11
4	Dharan	3	-	-	3	15	Bhairahawa	11	4	1	16
5	Sunsari Area	-	13	-	13	16	Butwal	8	1	1	10
6	Janakpur	7	3	-	10	17	Nawalparasi	-	3	-	3
7	Udayapur	-	1	-	1	18	Dang	2	1	-	3
8	Rautahat	1	1	-	2	19	Nepalgunj	5	4	-	9
9	Bara	-	6	-	6	20	Dhangadhi	4	2	-	6
10	Hetaudea	-	5	-	5						
11	Birganj	16	8	35	59		Total	133	129	153	415

c) Weight : Weights have been divided on the basis of total annual turnover of the selected commodities.

S. No.	Group and Sub-groups	Weight
	Overall Index	100.0000
1.1	Agricultural Commodities	49.5930
	1.1.1 Food Grains	16.5857
	1.1.2 Cash Crops	6.0860
	1.1.3 Pulses	3.7705
	1.1.4 Fruits and Vegetables	11.1830
	1.1.5 Spices	1.9487
	1.1.6 Livestock Production	10.0191
1.2	Domestic Manufactured Commodities	20.3727
	1.2.1 Food Related Products	6.1177
	1.2.2 Beverages and Tobacco	5.6936
	1.2.3 Construction Materials	4.4958
	1.2.4 Others	4.0656
1.3	Imported Commodities	30.0343
	1.3.1 Petroleum Products and Medicine	8.0230
	1.3.2 Chemical Fertilizers and Chemical Goods	2.4560
	1.3.3 Machinery and Transport Vehicles	6.4800
	1.3.4 Others	13.0753

d) Formula used for computation of WPI

The following Laspeyres' formula is used to construct the index:

$$WPI = \frac{\sum (I_i \times W_i)}{\sum W_i} \times 100$$

$$I_i = \frac{P_i}{P_o}$$

Where :

- WPI = Wholesale price index
- P_i = Price in the current period
- P_o = Price in the base year
- W_i = Weight assigned to item/sub-groups /group
- N = Total number of observation

e) Sources and Frequency of Data Collection

- Data are collected from primary source on monthly basis. But some essential and important commodities price is collected bi-monthly.
- The wholesale price index is prepared on national level and published on monthly basis.

Commodity-wise Weight

(1)	Overall Index	100.0000	36	Iron Rod	0.5019
1.1	Agricultural Commodities	49.5930	37	GI/HB Wires	0.4672
1.	Rice	10.9589	38	Corrugated Sheets	1.1644
2.	Maize	0.8938	39	Electric Wires	0.1776
3.	Wheat	4.7330	40	Animal Feed	0.2090
4.	Sugarcane	1.2489	41	Jute Goods	0.6414
5.	Oilseed	1.2720	42	Leather (Processed)	0.1276
6.	Jute	0.1463	43	Leather Shoes	0.3591
7.	Potato	3.4188	44	Paper	0.8911
8.	Pulses	3.7705	45	Matches	0.0962
9.	Fruits	5.6427	46	Soap	1.2906
10.	Vegetables	5.5403	47	Slipper	0.1020
11.	Spices (Other Crops)	1.9487	48	Plastic Goods	0.0763
12.	Milk	0.9712	49	Dry cell Battery	0.2723
13.	Meat (Buffalo)	3.9899	1.3	Imported Goods	30.0343
14.	Meat (Goat)	2.5783	50	Petroleum Products	5.2914
15.	Meat (Pig)	0.5421	51	Medicine	2.7316
16.	Meat (Chicken)	0.5225	52	Chemical Fertilizers	1.3953
17.	Eggs	0.7482	53	Chemicals Goods	1.0607
18.	Fish	0.6669	54	Others Machinery & Parts	3.8464
1.2	Domestic Manufactured Commodities	20.3727	55	Transport Vehicle & Parts	2.6336
19.	Sugar	1.0886	56	Horlicks & Powder Mills	0.3216
20.	Vegetables Ghee	1.5631	57	Raw Wool	0.9219
21.	Mustard Oil	0.0710	58	Salt	0.1138
22.	Soybean Oil	0.6830	59	Polythene Granules	0.5649
23.	Biscuit	0.1855	60	Readymade Garments	0.5502
24.	Processed Milk	0.8386	61	Agri. Instru. & Parts	0.3271
25.	Wheat Flour	0.2575	62	Cotton Febrics & Textiles	1.0879
26.	Noodles	0.6480	63	Electro. Goods & Equip.	1.6000
27.	Tea	0.1686	64	Coal	0.1066
28.	Beaten Rice	0.6138	65	Radio, T.V. & Parts	0.2660
29.	Soft Drinks	0.9239	66	Tire, Tube & Flapes	0.1667
30.	Liquor	1.4558	67	Pipe & Pipe Fittings	0.1456
31.	Beer	1.0686	68	Thread	0.5401
32.	Cigarette	2.2453	69	Glass Sheet & Wares	0.1619
33.	Polythene Pipe	0.0993	70	Other Stationary	0.1340
34.	Bricks	0.2181	71	Others	6.0670
35.	Cement	1.8676			

Box 15 : Computing Salary and Wage Rate Index in Nepal

1. Introduction : The changes in salaries and wages influence a wide range of economic activities, that is why a continuous watch on salary and wage prices becomes necessary for the smooth operation and regulation of current economic policies as well as for the purpose of planning and policy formulation. The statistical device called "The Salary and Wage Rate Index (SWRI)" can gauge changes in the salary and wage prices over a period of time. Thus, SWRI is designed to measure the directional movement of salary and wage for a set of selected groups in the primary markets.

2. Definitions : Broadly speaking, salary is something that remunerates. Alternatively, salary is simply a fixed payment at regular intervals for services like clerical and professionals. Following are the major components and their respective definitions, which are taken into consideration while constructing the salary index. **a) Civil Services :** Salary prices provided to the civil servants by government as remuneration and allowances. **b) Public Corporations :** Salary prices provided by public corporations to their employees as remuneration and allowances. **c) Bank and Financial Institutions :** Salary prices provided by banks and financial institutions to their employees as remuneration and allowances. **d) Army and Police Forces :** Salary prices provided by Royal Nepalese Army and Nepalese police and Armed police forces to their respective employees as remuneration and allowances. **e) Education :** Salary prices in the form of remuneration and allowances, provided by Tribhuvan University, Government schools and the Private Schools to their respective teaching professionals. **f) Private Organizations :** Salary prices provided by the private business and industrial organizations to their technical and administrative staffs.

3. Wage Rate Index and Definitions : In broad term, wage is the money or anything, which is paid as a return to a labourer for work done and usually figured on an hourly or daily or piecework basis. Following are the major components and their respective definitions, which are used to construct the wage index: **(a) Agricultural Labourer :** Wage Prices received by the labourer or workers including kind who are involved in the agriculture sector. **(b) Industrial Labourer :** Wages and allowances provided by the Industries to their labourer or workers. **(c) Construction Labourer :** Wages and allowances provided by the construction agencies to their labourer or workers involved in the construction related works.

4 (a) Base year : Fiscal year 2004/05 is taken as the base year. Twelve month's average salary and wage rate are taken as the base year's salary and wage rate.

4 (b) Number of Salary Quotation :

	Agencies	Price Quotation Number		
		Officer	Non Officer	Total
1	Civil Service	1	1	2
2	Public Corporations	5	5	10
3	Bank and Financial Institutions	4	4	8
4	Army and Police Forces	3	3	6
5	Education	4	4	8
6	Private Organizations	3	3	6
Total		20	20	40

4 (c) Marketwise Number of Wage Rate Quotation:

	Market Center	Price Quotation Number			Total
		Agricultural Labourer ¹	Industrial Labourer ²	Construction Labourer ³	
1	Ilam	6	12	18	36
2	Bhadrapur	6	12	18	36
3	Biratnagar	6	12	18	36
4	Janakpur	6	12	18	36
5	Birgunj	6	12	18	36
6	Kathmandu	6	12	18	36
7	Lalitpur	6	12	18	36
8	Pokhara	6	12	18	36
9	Bhairahawa	6	12	18	36
10	Nepalgunj	6	12	18	36
11	Dhangadhi	6	12	18	36
Total		66	132	198	396

- Each quotation comprises male and female labourer.
- Each quotation comprises of four classification based on skills of labourer.
- Construction group have been divided into 3 sub-groups namely Mason, Carpenter and Worker and first two sub-groups (Mason & carpenter) have been further classified as skilled and unskilled labourers whereas, worker sub-group has been divided into male & female sub-group.

4 (d) Weights :

Weights have been divided and assigned on the basis of Population engaged in employment excluding self-employment. Group-wise and sub-Group-wise weights are assigned as follows.

Note :

- As classified data on officers and non-officers are unavailable for public corporations and bank & financial institutions, weights on the same have been assigned based on the average of five public corporations and four bank's data.
- Due to the unavailability of data on labourer's skills classification in industrial and construction sectors, equal weights have been assigned for the same.

S.No.	Groups and Sub-groups	Number of Employment	Weight
1	Overall	3454384	100.00
1	Salary	915106	26.97
1	Officers	338613	9.80
1	Non Officers	592893	17.17
2	Wage Rate	2522878	73.03
2	Agricultural Labourer	1364207	39.49
2	Industrial Labourer	872253	25.25
2	Construction Labourer	286418	8.29
1	Salary	915106	26.97
1.1	Civil service	97273	2.82
1.1.1	Officers	10536	0.31
1.1.2	Non Officers	86737	2.51
2.1	Public Corporations	39153	1.14
2.1.1	Officers	6494	0.19
2.1.2	Non Officers	32659	0.95
1.3	Bank & Financial Institutions	19000	0.55
1.3.1	Officers	3478	0.10
1.3.2	Non Officers	15522	0.45
1.4	Army & Police Forces	138631	4.01
1.4.1	Officers	5919	0.17
1.4.2	Non Officers	132712	3.84
1.5	Education	364412	10.55
1.5.1	Officers	234861	6.80
1.5.2	Non Officers	129588	3.75
1.6	Private Organisations	273000	7.90
1.6.1	Officers	77325	2.24
1.6.2	Non Officers	195675	5.66
2	Wage Rate Index	2522878	73.03
2.1	Agricultural Labourer	1364207	39.49
2.1.1	Male	708023	20.49
2.1.2	Female	656184	19.00
2.2	Industrial Labourer	872253	25.25
2.2.1	High Skilled	218063	6.31
2.2.2	Skilled	218063	6.31
2.2.3	Semi Skilled	218063	6.31
2.2.4	Unskilled	218064	6.32

S.No.	Groups and Sub-groups	Number of Employment	Weight
2.3	Construction Labourer	286418	8.29
2.3.1	Mason	95472	2.76
2.3.1.1	Skilled	47736	1.38
2.3.1.2	Unskilled	47736	1.38
2.3.2	Carpenter	95472	2.76
2.3.2.1	Skilled	47736	1.38
2.3.2.2	Unskilled	47736	1.38
2.3.3	Worker	95474	2.77
2.3.3.1	Male	47737	1.38
2.3.3.2	Female	47737	1.39

4 (e) Formula used for the computation of SWRI:

The following working Laspeyres' formula is used to construct the index:

$$SWRI = \frac{\sum \left(\frac{SWR_n}{SWR_0} \times W_i \right)}{\sum W_i} \times 100$$

Where:

- SWRI = Salary and Wage Rate Index
- SWR_n = Salary and Wage Rate of current period
- W_i = Weight of the Particular Groups/sub-groups
- SWR₀ = Salary and Wage Rate of base period
- ΣW_i = Total Weight

4 (f) Sources and Frequency of Data Collection

- Data are collected from the primary and secondary sources on monthly basis.
- The salary and wage Rate index is constructed on the national level and will be published every month.

Box 16 : CPI Matrix of Some Selected Countries

Country	Agency	Base year	Food %	Non-Food %	Collection Methodology	Indexing Method	Substitution
1. Argentina	Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Censos	1988=100	40.1	59.9	Mostly prices are recorded by means of personal contact, the telephone being used only for certain services for which quality does not often change and for which telephone surveys give a good response.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	For changes in quality or respondents, or substitution of items, when overlapping price quotations are available, it is assumed that the relationship between the prices reflects the relationship between qualities and that linking is thus possible. If there are no overlapping price quotations to compare quality, a quality adjustment is made in the price of the new variety so that it can be compared with the former.
2. Australia	Australian Bureau of Statistics	1981=100	19.0	81.0	Localities and outlets are selected on the basis of information from the population census, retail trade data and the local knowledge of the field collection officers.	Computed quarterly by Laspeyres chain-linked formula with fixed base. Changes in the weighting pattern in approximately every five years.	Products are reviewed approximately every four to five years. When a given quality disappears, it is taken away and, if warranted, a replacement is substituted using the linking procedure. Regarding quality changes, the techniques adopted are: i) direct assessment of the value of the quality change with a corresponding adjustment to the price of the item concerned; ii) linking in new specifications.
3. Bangladesh	Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics	1973/74 = 100	62.74	37.26	Prices are collected by enumerators from markets, selected retail stores and establishments each week, fortnight, month and quarter.	The index is computed according to the Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base, using weights corresponding to the base period.	When an item is no longer available it is substituted by another item with approximately the same quality, and a linking method is used.
4. Canada	Statistics Canada	1986=100	18.05	81.95	Collection centers and outlets are judgmental, based on information from various sources, including market intelligence obtained from the Statistics Canada Regional Offices.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed basket	When a commodity is out of stock in a given outlet, but prices of similar commodities are observable in other outlets within the same urban-centre stratum, the price is imputed from the observed price movement in these other outlets. Otherwise, the last recorded price is retained, unless the last recorded price is a sale price. However, if a non-seasonal commodity is out of stock in a given outlet for more than two consecutive periods, its price is no longer used, and the commodity is replaced by a similar one in the same outlet, or, if necessary, by the same or a similar commodity in a different outlet.
5. China	State Statistical Bureau	1950=100	NA	NA	Collected 450 items from 140 cities and 400 items from 230 country towns. It is official list prices for state-owned establishments, free market (fair trade) prices, negotiated prices or the purchase prices of surplus farm produce and side-line products. Collected for in the cities and in the country towns.	The index is also published by region and on base preceding year = 100. Other indices are calculated for Overall Residents and for Overall Farmers, also by region.	
6. France	Institut national de la statistique et des études économiques (INSEE)	1980=100	22.67	77.33	Agents collect sales prices from 30,000 retail outlets and service establishments in 108 urban centers with more than 2,000 inhabitants. Collected monthly for most goods, quarterly for clothing and furnishings and twice a month for fresh products. Mail-order sales are not covered.	Laspeyres chain index. Weights are changed at the beginning of each calendar year. Monthly Index is first computed on base December of the preceding year = 100; the resulting index is then calculated on fixed base.	If the quality of an item changes, either it is replaced by a similar item assuming that there is no price change, or the quality change is measured and isolated from the price change. New items are introduced only when their sales become important.
7. India	Ministry of Labour, Labour Bureau	1982=100	57.0	43.0	Collected by personal visits from state government employees	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	If the prescribed quality is not available, a substitute quality is selected. The old variety is brought back if it reappears. Adjustments are made for price differences due to quality differences of the substitute. When the substitute chosen differs in quality by as much as 100 per cent, the price quotations for the new product are linked to those for the product replaced.
8. Indonesia	Central bureau of Statistics	1988/89 = 100			Collected weekly, monthly and quarterly by central and local statistical agents from selected retail outlets.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	If there is quality change, the new quality is introduced only when prices are available for both the current and previous periods.

Box 16 : CPI Matrix of Some Selected Countries (contd..)

9. Israel	Central Bureau of Statistics	1987=100	22.93	77.07	Collected by 20 enumerators and transmitted field offices located in three large cities, and then transferred to the central office.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	Large quality changes and substitutions are linked into the index. Small quality changes are considered as changes in price. Quality adjustments are made only in some special cases, when there are enough characteristics which can be measured.
10. Japan	Statistics Bureau	1990=100	31.40	68.60	First the Bureau sends the prices of previous months to Personal Digital Assistants. Then the PDA collect and send data by e-mail.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	If the product is no longer available, a similar product is substituted. When the old and the new products are identical, the method of direct linking is used. Otherwise, adjustments are made to the prices to take into account differences in volume or quality.
11. Korea	National Statistical Office	1990=100	32.49	67.51	Collected by agents on 5th, 15th and 25th, regardless of any week day, from retail outlets in 32 cities.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	If quality changes, it may be directly substituted or the splicing method is adopted. If a given quality disappears, it is substituted by a similar item.
12. Malaysia	Department of Statistics	1994=100	36.9	63.1	Collected once a month in the first Monday mornings in the week on which the 15th falls by agents, from about 10,0800 markets in 73 centers.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	Quality changes are eliminated by using quantifiable item characteristics. New products introduced at base year revision. If quality disappears, a close substitute is linked.
13. Myanmar	Central Statistical Orgn.	1978=100	64.42	35.58	Collected each day from Yangon city. Prices of controlled commodities obtained once a month and school fees and transport costs are yearly.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	If a product is no longer available, it is substituted by a similar product and the base year price of the old product is revised.
14. New Zealand	Department of Statistics	1988=100	18.35	81.65	Price surveys are done in 15 centers by full-time field staff, based in the four main urban areas.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	If data are missing, the previous period's price is carried forward. After a predetermined time, if the data are still unavailable, a substitution is made.
15. Pakistan	The Federal Bureau of Statistics (FBS)	1990/91 = 100	40.34	59.66	FBS staff located in 35 Field Offices collect price monthly.	Laspeyres formula.	
16. Philippines	National Statistics Office	1988=100	58.5	41.5	Through personal interviews. Unprocessed food items are collected by the Bureau of Agricultural Statistics. But processed food items, beverages and tobacco, and price data for transportation and services and all other non-food items are collected from National Statistics Office.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	Market basket is not changed until base year changes. If item disappears, a substitution is made as: (a) the substitute must be of the same or almost the same quality as the lost item; (b) the substitute must be of the same price range or price level as the lost item.
17. Russia	The Department of Price and Finance Statistics	December of the previous year = 100	51.9	48.1	Prices are collected by specially trained price collectors from the 15th to the 25th day of each month.	Modified (chain) Laspeyres formula	Item is replaced with a same one from another outlet The last observed price is carried forward; this method is used when prices are unchanged or increase insignificantly, and for no more than two months. Disappearing item is replaced with a similar one in the same outlet. The price is imputed on the basis of the price movement of the other items in the same group.
18. Singapore	Department of Statistics	1987/88 = 100	39.77	60.23	Prices of perishable food and prices from provision shops and crockery shops are collected by personal visits. Others obtained through mailed questionnaires	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	A splicing method is adopted.
19. Sri Lanka	Department of Census and Statistics	1995=100	61.9	38.1	Collected weekly by investigators of Department of Census and Statistics. Weighted average is calculated, with weights assigned in proportion to the estimated quantities sold in the two groups of stores	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base, data for 1949-50, revalued at 1959 prices.	If a product is not available, a similar product to the original is substituted and a method of linking is used in the calculation.
20. Thailand	Commerce Ministry, Dept. of Business Economics	1986=100	40.38	59.62	Collected by Department staffs	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	If the characteristics of a product are altered, a method of linking is used. If an item disappears, it is replaced by a similar item.
21. UK	Central Statistical Office	1987=100	15.2	84.8	Collected from 180 localities by Central Statistical Office staffs.	Laspeyres' chain index with linking in January each year.	Collectors notify changes in quality which are reviewed each year to reflect changes in consumer taste and behavior.
22. USA	US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics	1982-84 = 100	17.63	82.37	Consumers are interviewed. Mail questionnaires are used to obtain public utility rates, some fuel prices and prices for certain other items. A probability sample is selected from these outlets, using the expenditure at each outlet as a measure of size.	Laspeyres formula as a weighted arithmetic average with fixed base.	Quality adjustments are made by the commodity specialist when substitution occurs. If quality adjustment is not possible, a linking method is used.

Source : International Labor Organization

Table - 1

National Urban Consumer Price Index

(1995/96 = 100)

MID-OCTOBER 2007 (ASWIN 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight	2005/06			2006/07			2007/08P			Percentage Change			
	% 2	Sep/Oct 3	Aug/Sep 4	Jun/Jul 5	Jul/Aug 6	Aug/Sep 7	Sep/Oct 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7			
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	173.8	184.8	186.9	194.7	197.8	198.7	7.5	1.1	6.3	0.5			
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	53.20	168.8	178.0	181.9	191.9	197.4	199.2	7.8	2.2	9.5	0.9			
Grains and Cereal Products	18.00	165.4	172.0	173.4	184.1	188.9	192.8	4.8	0.8	11.2	2.1			
Rice and Rice Products	(14.16)	166.9	167.7	168.1	178.8	184.1	188.8	0.7	0.2	12.3	2.6			
Pulses	2.73	139.5	169.7	173.2	197.0	199.9	198.5	24.2	2.1	14.6	-0.7			
Vegetables and Fruits	7.89	175.6	187.6	204.2	214.1	236.4	240.4	16.3	8.8	17.7	1.7			
Spices	1.85	144.5	167.8	176.9	191.3	189.9	189.9	22.4	5.4	7.3	0.0			
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.21	171.9	179.8	183.3	190.2	193.8	193.1	6.6	1.9	5.3	-0.4			
Milk and Milk Products	4.05	156.5	168.4	169.8	181.3	182.0	179.8	8.5	0.8	5.9	-1.2			
Oil and Ghee	3.07	146.8	149.7	149.8	166.2	167.5	169.0	2.0	0.1	12.8	0.9			
Sugar and Related Products	1.21	163.6	164.3	163.0	135.1	133.9	133.0	-0.4	-0.8	18.4	-0.7			
Beverages	2.28	177.4	186.1	186.1	189.7	190.2	190.5	4.9	0.0	2.4	0.2			
Restaurant Meals	6.91	202.4	208.4	208.5	217.0	217.1	217.3	3.0	0.0	4.2	0.1			
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	46.80	179.7	192.7	192.7	197.9	198.1	198.2	7.2	0.0	2.9	0.1			
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.92	144.5	147.2	147.5	150.3	150.5	150.9	2.1	0.2	2.3	0.3			
Cloths	(2.28)	133.3	135.4	136.0	135.2	135.1	135.3	2.0	0.4	-0.5	0.1			
Clothing	(5.75)	143.4	146.1	146.3	149.3	149.6	150.4	2.0	0.1	2.8	0.5			
Footwear	2.20	136.2	140.0	140.0	149.5	149.5	149.5	2.8	0.0	6.8	0.0			
Housing Goods and Services	14.87	193.9	213.5	213.6	218.7	218.9	218.9	10.2	0.0	2.5	0.0			
Fuel, Light and Water	(5.92)	263.8	300.9	301.0	304.3	304.5	304.5	14.1	0.0	1.2	0.0			
Transport and Communication	4.03	216.9	254.6	254.6	253.3	253.3	253.3	17.4	0.0	-0.5	0.0			
Medical and Personal Care	8.03	175.0	179.4	179.4	186.5	186.5	186.5	2.5	0.0	4.0	0.0			
Education, Reading and Recreation	7.09	199.9	211.1	211.1	219.4	219.8	219.7	5.6	0.0	4.1	0.0			
Tobacco and Related Products	1.66	162.1	172.7	172.7	178.2	178.2	178.2	6.5	0.0	3.2	0.0			
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	2.71	378.2	449.0	449.0	449.1	449.1	449.1	18.7	0.0	0.0	0.0			
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	97.29	168.3	177.7	179.8	187.8	190.9	192.0	6.8	1.2	6.8	0.6			

P = Provisional.

Table - 1

National Urban Consumer Price Index

(1995/96 = 100)

MID-SEPTEMBER 2007 (BHADRA 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight %	2004/05	2005/06			2006/07P		Percentage Change			
		Aug/Sep 3	Jul/Aug 4	Jun/Jul 5	Jun/Jul 6	Jul/Aug 7	Aug/Sep 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	173.3	183.1	184.8	189.8	194.7	197.8	6.6	0.9	7.0	1.6
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	53.20	168.0	175.0	178.0	184.8	191.9	197.4	6.0	1.7	10.9	2.9
Grains and Cereal Products	18.00	163.3	170.5	172.0	180.8	184.1	188.9	5.3	0.9	9.8	2.6
Rice and Rice Products	(14.16)	164.3	167.1	167.7	175.1	178.8	184.1	2.1	0.4	9.8	3.0
Pulses	2.73	139.1	169.5	169.7	189.2	197.0	199.9	22.0	0.1	17.8	1.5
Vegetables and Fruits	7.89	175.7	173.8	187.6	182.4	214.1	236.4	6.8	7.9	26.0	10.4
Spices	1.85	146.1	161.2	167.8	187.8	191.3	189.9	14.9	4.1	13.2	-0.7
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.21	172.1	182.0	179.8	190.1	190.2	193.8	4.5	-1.2	7.8	1.9
Milk and Milk Products	4.05	156.4	165.9	168.4	177.9	181.3	182.0	7.7	1.5	8.1	0.4
Oil and Ghee	3.07	146.7	149.2	149.7	163.4	166.2	167.5	2.0	0.3	11.9	0.8
Sugar and Related Products	1.21	161.0	164.4	164.3	134.9	135.1	133.9	2.0	-0.1	18.5	-0.9
Beverages	2.28	177.4	186.0	186.1	188.0	189.7	190.2	4.9	0.1	2.2	0.3
Restaurant Meals	6.91	202.2	206.4	208.4	215.0	217.0	217.1	3.1	1.0	4.2	0.0
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	46.80	179.5	192.5	192.7	195.4	197.9	198.1	7.4	0.1	2.8	0.1
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.92	144.3	146.6	147.2	149.3	150.3	150.5	2.0	0.4	2.2	0.1
Cloths	(2.28)	133.2	134.6	135.4	134.6	135.2	135.1	1.7	0.6	-0.2	-0.1
Clothing	(5.75)	143.2	145.4	146.1	149.0	149.3	149.6	2.0	0.5	2.4	0.2
Footwear	2.20	136.2	140.0	140.0	146.7	149.5	149.5	2.8	0.0	6.8	0.0
Housing Goods and Services	14.87	193.2	213.4	213.5	217.2	218.7	218.9	10.5	0.0	2.5	0.1
Fuel, Light and Water	(5.92)	262.5	300.8	300.9	301.9	304.3	304.5	14.6	0.0	1.2	0.1
Transport and Communication	4.03	216.9	254.6	254.6	255.1	253.3	253.3	17.4	0.0	-0.5	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	8.03	175.0	179.4	179.4	183.2	186.5	186.5	2.5	0.0	4.0	0.0
Education, Reading and Recreation	7.09	199.9	211.0	211.1	212.0	219.4	219.8	5.6	0.0	4.1	0.2
Tobacco and Related Products	1.66	162.1	172.7	172.7	173.2	178.2	178.2	6.5	0.0	3.2	0.0
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	2.71	378.2	448.6	449.0	449.1	449.1	449.1	18.7	0.1	0.0	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	97.29	167.8	175.9	177.7	182.7	187.8	190.9	5.9	1.0	7.4	1.7

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Table - 1
National Urban Consumer Price Index
(1995/96 = 100)

MID-AUGUST 2007 (SRAWAN 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight % 2	2005/06		2006/07			2007/08P	Percentage Change			
		Jul/Aug 3	Jun/Jul 4	Jun/Jul 5	May/Jul 6	Jun/Jul 7	Jul/Aug 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	170.7	180.6	183.1	187.6	189.8	194.7	7.3	1.4	6.3	2.6
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	53.20	165.0	172.9	175.0	180.8	184.8	191.9	6.1	1.2	9.7	3.8
Grains and Cereal Products	18.00	158.8	170.1	170.5	178.5	180.8	184.1	7.4	0.2	8.0	1.8
Rice and Rice Products	(14.16)	158.9	166.7	167.1	172.0	175.1	178.8	5.2	0.2	7.0	2.1
Pulses	2.73	137.1	171.2	169.5	185.8	189.2	197.0	23.6	-1.0	16.2	4.1
Vegetables and Fruits	7.89	166.7	160.9	173.8	164.0	182.4	214.1	4.3	8.0	23.2	17.4
Spices	1.85	145.9	159.9	161.2	190.4	187.8	191.3	10.5	0.8	18.7	1.9
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.21	173.0	183.9	182.0	190.8	190.1	190.2	5.2	-1.0	4.5	0.1
Milk and Milk Products	4.05	156.2	163.7	165.9	169.9	177.9	181.3	6.2	1.3	9.3	1.9
Oil and Ghee	3.07	147.7	148.4	149.2	163.2	163.4	166.2	1.0	0.5	11.4	1.7
Sugar and Related Products	1.21	158.9	164.7	164.4	137.2	134.9	135.1	3.5	-0.2	-17.8	0.1
Beverages	2.28	177.4	183.8	186.0	188.0	188.0	189.7	4.8	1.2	2.0	0.9
Restaurant Meals	6.91	201.5	206.6	206.4	214.9	215.0	217.0	2.4	-0.1	5.1	0.9
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	46.80	177.2	189.6	192.5	195.4	195.4	197.9	8.6	1.5	2.8	1.3
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.92	144.1	145.9	146.6	149.3	149.3	150.3	1.7	0.5	2.5	0.7
Cloths	(2.28)	133.2	134.2	134.6	134.5	134.6	135.2	1.1	0.3	0.4	0.4
Clothing	(5.75)	142.8	145.0	145.4	148.9	149.0	149.3	1.8	0.3	2.7	0.2
Footwear	2.20	136.2	139.5	140.0	146.7	146.7	149.5	2.8	0.4	6.8	1.9
Housing Goods and Services	14.87	186.6	211.7	213.4	217.1	217.2	218.7	14.4	0.8	2.5	0.7
Fuel, Light and Water	(5.92)	246.1	300.8	300.8	301.9	301.9	304.3	22.2	0.0	1.2	0.8
Transport and Communication	4.03	215.9	253.6	254.6	255.1	255.1	253.3	17.9	0.4	-0.5	-0.7
Medical and Personal Care	8.03	175.0	177.7	179.4	183.2	183.2	186.5	2.5	1.0	4.0	1.8
Education, Reading and Recreation	7.09	199.8	200.3	211.0	212.0	212.0	219.4	5.6	5.3	4.0	3.5
Tobacco and Related Products	1.66	162.1	164.6	172.7	173.2	173.2	178.2	6.5	4.9	3.2	2.9
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	2.71	339.6	448.7	448.6	449.1	449.1	449.1	32.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	97.29	166.1	173.4	175.9	180.5	182.7	187.8	5.9	1.4	6.8	2.8

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Table - 1.1
Urban Consumer Price Index : Kathmandu Valley
(1995/96 = 100)

MID-OCTOBER 2007 (ASWIN 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06	2006/07		2007/08P			Percentage Change			
		Sep/Oct 3	Aug/Sep 4	Jun/Jul 5	Jul/Aug 6	Aug/Sep 7	Sep/Oct 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	167.4	177.1	178.6	185.0	188.3	189.5	6.7	0.8	6.1	0.6
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	51.53	161.3	169.8	172.6	179.9	186.3	188.6	7.0	1.6	9.3	1.2
Grains and Cereal Products	16.37	162.8	170.3	171.0	175.5	180.1	186.0	5.0	0.4	8.8	3.3
Rice and Rice Products	(13.05)	168.4	172.5	172.7	176.3	181.9	189.4	2.6	0.1	9.7	4.1
Pulses	2.14	130.6	167.6	171.8	193.5	194.0	186.0	31.5	2.5	8.3	-4.1
Vegetables and Fruits	8.27	158.4	170.6	181.1	186.3	213.5	221.9	14.3	6.2	22.5	3.9
Spices	1.57	141.3	151.6	160.2	181.9	176.1	174.5	13.4	5.7	8.9	-0.9
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.28	171.0	178.4	184.2	189.2	195.7	195.1	7.7	3.3	5.9	-0.3
Milk and Milk Products	4.18	144.4	153.1	153.1	175.9	175.9	167.7	6.0	0.0	9.5	-4.7
Oil and Ghee	2.62	141.3	145.6	145.7	161.4	161.8	163.8	3.1	0.1	12.4	1.2
Sugar and Related Products	1.36	173.8	171.7	168.9	142.9	141.8	142.3	-2.8	-1.6	-	0.4
Beverages	2.39	147.2	150.3	150.3	151.8	153.0	154.0	2.1	0.0	2.5	0.7
Restaurant Meals	7.35	186.2	189.9	189.9	195.9	196.2	196.3	2.0	0.0	3.4	0.1
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	48.47	173.8	185.0	185.0	190.4	190.5	190.4	6.4	0.0	2.9	-0.1
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.67	148.1	149.5	149.5	154.1	154.3	154.3	0.9	0.0	3.2	0.0
Cloths	(1.83)	146.0	146.6	146.6	145.8	146.0	146.0	0.4	0.0	-0.4	0.0
Clothing	(6.14)	142.2	143.4	143.4	148.6	148.7	148.7	0.8	0.0	3.7	0.0
Footwear	2.41	136.5	136.8	136.8	150.8	150.8	150.8	0.2	0.0	10.2	0.0
Housing Goods and Services	15.14	186.4	202.5	202.5	206.8	206.9	206.8	8.6	0.0	2.1	0.0
Fuel, Light and Water	(4.95)	277.9	313.5	313.5	313.8	313.8	313.8	12.8	0.0	0.1	0.0
Transport and Communication	4.21	215.8	244.0	244.0	244.2	244.2	244.2	13.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	7.86	174.9	177.2	177.2	183.1	183.1	183.1	1.3	0.0	3.3	0.0
Education, Reading and Recreation	8.33	173.0	187.7	187.7	196.9	197.0	196.8	8.5	0.0	4.8	-0.1
DOMESTIC GOODS	81.26	163.6	172.5	174.2	179.8	183.9	185.5	6.5	1.0	6.5	0.9
IMPORTED GOODS	18.74	183.7	197.4	197.7	207.4	207.6	206.7	7.6	0.2	4.6	-0.4
TRADABLE GOODS	68.86	163.9	173.3	175.4	182.5	186.9	188.3	7.0	1.2	7.4	0.7
NON-TRADABLE GOODS	31.14	175.1	185.7	185.8	190.5	191.5	192.1	6.1	0.1	3.4	0.3
GOVT.CONTROLLED GOODS	17.03	199.3	221.9	221.7	227.5	227.4	225.4	11.2	-0.1	1.7	-0.9
NON-CONTROLLED GOODS	82.97	160.8	167.9	169.8	176.3	180.3	182.1	5.6	1.1	7.2	1.0
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	3.04	360.1	418.3	418.3	418.3	418.3	418.3	16.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	96.96	161.3	169.6	171.1	177.7	181.1	182.3	6.1	0.9	6.5	0.7

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Table - 1.1

Urban Consumer Price Index : Kathmandu Valley

(1995/96 = 100)

MID-SEPTEMBER 2007 (BHADRA 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight % 2	2004/05	2005/06			2006/07P		Percentage Change			
		Aug/Sep 3	Jul/Aug 4	Jun/Jul 5	Jun/Jul 6	Jul/Aug 7	Aug/Sep 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	167.1	174.9	177.1	181.0	185.0	188.3	6.0	1.3	6.3	1.8
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	51.53	160.7	165.7	169.8	173.8	179.9	186.3	5.7	2.5	9.7	3.6
Grains and Cereal Products	16.37	161.1	169.1	170.3	173.9	175.5	180.1	5.7	0.7	5.8	2.6
Rice and Rice Products	(13.05)	166.2	172.3	172.5	174.3	176.3	181.9	3.8	0.1	5.4	3.2
Pulses	2.14	130.2	166.9	167.6	186.1	193.5	194.0	28.7	0.4	15.8	0.3
Vegetables and Fruits	8.27	158.4	145.2	170.6	158.1	186.3	213.5	7.7	17.5	25.1	14.6
Spices	1.57	142.1	144.3	151.6	173.5	181.9	176.1	6.7	5.1	16.2	-3.2
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.28	171.7	185.5	178.4	189.0	189.2	195.7	3.9	-3.8	9.7	3.4
Milk and Milk Products	4.18	144.4	153.1	153.1	171.6	175.9	175.9	6.0	0.0	14.9	0.0
Oil and Ghee	2.62	141.7	144.9	145.6	160.1	161.4	161.8	2.8	0.5	11.1	0.2
Sugar and Related Products	1.36	170.5	170.0	171.7	143.9	142.9	141.8	0.7	1.0	-	-0.8
Beverages	2.39	147.2	150.3	150.3	150.1	151.8	153.0	2.1	0.0	1.8	0.8
Restaurant Meals	7.35	186.1	189.7	189.9	195.9	195.9	196.2	2.0	0.1	3.3	0.2
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	48.47	173.8	184.8	185.0	188.8	190.4	190.5	6.4	0.1	3.0	0.1
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.67	148.1	149.1	149.5	153.9	154.1	154.3	0.9	0.3	3.2	0.1
Cloths	(1.83)	146.1	146.6	146.6	145.7	145.8	146.0	0.3	0.0	-0.4	0.1
Clothing	(6.14)	142.2	142.8	143.4	148.6	148.6	148.7	0.8	0.4	3.7	0.1
Footwear	2.41	136.5	136.8	136.8	150.8	150.8	150.8	0.2	0.0	10.2	0.0
Housing Goods and Services	15.14	186.3	202.2	202.5	206.2	206.8	206.9	8.7	0.1	2.2	0.0
Fuel, Light and Water	(4.95)	277.9	313.5	313.5	313.8	313.8	313.8	12.8	0.0	0.1	0.0
Transport and Communication	4.21	215.8	244.0	244.0	244.2	244.2	244.2	13.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	7.86	174.9	177.2	177.2	181.4	183.1	183.1	1.3	0.0	3.3	0.0
Education, Reading and Recreation	8.33	173.1	187.7	187.7	190.4	196.9	197.0	8.4	0.0	5.0	0.1
Tobacco and Related Products	1.85	144.0	157.0	157.0	157.1	157.8	157.8	9.0	0.0	0.5	0.0
DOMESTIC GOODS	81.26	163.2	170.0	172.5	175.3	179.8	183.9	5.7	1.5	6.6	2.3
IMPORTED GOODS	18.74	184.0	196.5	197.4	205.7	207.4	207.6	7.3	0.5	5.2	0.1
TRADABLE GOODS	68.86	163.4	170.3	173.3	177.7	182.5	186.9	6.1	1.8	7.8	2.4
NON-TRADABLE GOODS	31.14	175.3	185.3	185.7	188.4	190.5	191.5	5.9	0.2	3.1	0.5
GOVT. CONTROLLED GOODS	17.03	199.1	221.7	221.9	224.4	227.5	227.4	11.5	0.1	2.5	0.0
NON-CONTROLLED GOODS	82.97	160.5	165.3	167.9	172.1	176.3	180.3	4.6	1.6	7.4	2.3
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	3.04	360.1	418.3	418.3	418.3	418.3	418.3	16.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	96.96	161.0	167.3	169.6	173.6	177.7	181.1	5.3	1.4	6.8	1.9

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Table - 1.1

Urban Consumer Price Index : Kathmandu Valley

(1995/96 = 100)

MID-AUGUST 2007 (SRAWAN 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight %	2004/05		2005/06			2006/07P	Percentage Change			
		Jul/Aug 3	June/July 4	Jun/Jul 5	May/June 6	June/July 7	Jul/Aug 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	164.0	172.2	174.9	179.6	181.0	185.0	6.6	1.6	5.8	2.2
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	51.53	156.9	163.8	165.7	171.1	173.8	179.9	5.6	1.2	8.6	3.5
Grains and Cereal Products	16.37	155.7	167.8	169.1	173.9	173.9	175.5	8.6	0.8	3.8	0.9
Rice and Rice Products	(13.05)	159.5	170.8	172.3	174.3	174.3	176.3	8.0	0.9	2.3	1.1
Pulses	2.14	127.9	170.5	166.9	179.9	186.1	193.5	30.5	-2.1	15.9	4.0
Vegetables and Fruits	8.27	146.9	134.5	145.2	147.3	158.1	186.3	-1.2	8.0	28.3	17.8
Spices	1.57	139.0	144.0	144.3	182.0	173.5	181.9	3.8	0.2	26.1	4.8
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.28	171.9	188.9	185.5	192.8	189.0	189.2	7.9	-1.8	2.0	0.1
Milk and Milk Products	4.18	144.5	153.0	153.1	154.6	171.6	175.9	6.0	0.1	14.9	2.5
Oil and Ghee	2.62	142.5	144.3	144.9	160.8	160.1	161.4	1.7	0.4	11.4	0.8
Sugar and Related Products	1.36	165.6	168.3	170.0	149.0	143.9	142.9	2.7	1.0	-15.9	-0.7
Beverages	2.39	147.2	147.7	150.3	150.1	150.1	151.8	2.1	1.8	1.0	1.1
Restaurant Meals	7.35	186.0	189.7	189.7	195.2	195.9	195.9	2.0	0.0	3.3	0.0
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	48.47	171.6	181.1	184.8	188.7	188.8	190.4	7.7	2.0	3.0	0.8
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.67	148.1	148.8	149.1	153.5	153.9	154.1	0.7	0.2	3.4	0.1
Cloths	(1.83)	146.0	146.6	146.6	144.6	145.7	145.8	0.4	0.0	-0.5	0.1
Clothing	(6.14)	142.2	142.8	142.8	148.4	148.6	148.6	0.4	0.0	4.1	0.0
Footwear	2.41	136.5	136.8	136.8	150.8	150.8	150.8	0.2	0.0	10.2	0.0
Housing Goods and Services	15.14	179.9	200.9	202.2	206.2	206.2	206.8	12.4	0.6	2.3	0.3
Fuel, Light and Water	(4.95)	258.1	313.5	313.5	313.8	313.8	313.8	21.5	0.0	0.1	0.0
Transport and Communication	4.21	213.6	244.6	244.0	244.2	244.2	244.2	14.2	-0.2	0.1	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	7.86	174.9	175.6	177.2	181.4	181.4	183.1	1.3	0.9	3.3	0.9
Education, Reading and Recreation	8.33	173.0	172.7	187.7	190.4	190.4	196.9	8.5	8.7	4.9	3.4
Tobacco and Related Products	1.85	144.0	144.8	157.0	157.1	157.1	157.8	9.0	8.4	0.5	0.4
DOMESTIC GOODS	81.26	160.7	167.0	170.0	173.7	175.3	179.8	5.8	1.8	5.8	2.6
IMPORTED GOODS	18.74	178.3	194.7	196.5	205.3	205.7	207.4	10.2	0.9	5.5	0.8
TRADABLE GOODS	68.86	159.3	168.4	170.3	175.8	177.7	182.5	6.9	1.1	7.2	2.7
NON-TRADABLE GOODS	31.14	174.4	180.6	185.3	188.2	188.4	190.5	6.3	2.6	2.8	1.1
GOVT. CONTROLLED GOODS	17.03	192.4	216.4	221.7	221.6	224.4	227.5	15.2	2.4	2.6	1.4
NON-CONTROLLED GOODS	82.97	158.2	163.1	165.3	171.0	172.1	176.3	4.5	1.3	6.7	2.4
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	3.04	324.9	418.3	418.3	418.3	418.3	418.3	28.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	96.96	159.0	164.5	167.3	172.2	173.6	177.7	5.2	1.7	6.2	2.4

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Table - 1.2

Urban Consumer Price Index : Terai

(1995/96 = 100)

MID-OCTOBER 2007 (ASWIN 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06	2006/07		2007/08P			Percentage Change			
		Sep/Oct 3	Aug/Sep 4	Jun/Jul 5	Jul/Aug 6	Aug/Sep 7	Sep/Oct 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	177.4	188.6	191.3	199.8	202.7	203.8	7.8	1.4	6.5	0.5
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	54.98	172.5	181.6	186.3	197.6	202.7	204.6	8.0	2.6	9.8	0.9
Grains and Cereal Products	19.76	170.3	174.7	176.8	191.4	196.5	199.7	3.8	1.2	13.0	1.6
Rice and Rice Products	(15.42)	170.8	166.4	167.3	182.4	187.4	191.2	-2.0	0.5	14.3	2.0
Wheat and Wheat Flour	(3.30)	175.7	215.8	223.7	236.7	243.2	244.7	27.3	3.7	9.4	0.6
Pulses	3.35	143.1	165.6	169.2	193.1	197.5	200.5	18.2	2.2	18.5	1.5
Vegetables and Fruits	7.63	187.5	198.9	220.5	231.5	251.0	253.7	17.6	10.9	15.1	1.1
Spices	2.06	141.9	175.4	186.8	194.6	195.4	196.9	31.6	6.5	5.4	0.8
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.02	171.2	180.3	182.8	190.5	192.3	191.4	6.8	1.4	4.7	-0.5
Milk and Milk Products	3.98	158.9	170.9	172.4	177.3	178.5	179.1	8.5	0.9	3.9	0.3
Oil and Ghee	3.23	148.3	152.4	152.5	169.9	171.3	172.2	2.8	0.1	12.9	0.5
Sugar and Related Products	1.09	155.2	159.1	158.5	129.3	127.8	126.8	2.1	-0.4	-20.0	-0.8
Beverages	2.00	183.3	196.7	196.7	202.1	202.3	202.1	7.3	0.0	2.7	-0.1
Restaurant Meals	6.86	205.2	211.8	212.0	220.7	220.5	220.9	3.3	0.1	4.2	0.2
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	45.02	183.3	197.3	197.4	202.5	202.7	202.9	7.7	0.1	2.8	0.1
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	9.16	146.0	148.5	149.1	151.3	151.4	152.3	2.1	0.4	2.1	0.6
Cloths	(2.63)	134.0	137.2	138.5	138.4	138.0	138.1	3.4	0.9	-0.3	0.1
Clothing	(5.45)	146.5	148.1	148.4	150.9	151.3	152.7	1.3	0.2	2.9	0.9
Footwear	1.78	135.1	139.8	139.8	149.4	149.4	149.4	3.5	0.0	6.9	0.0
Housing Goods and Services	14.80	199.1	220.9	220.9	226.5	226.8	226.8	10.9	0.0	2.7	0.0
Fuel, Light and Water	(6.91)	258.5	297.2	297.2	303.1	303.4	303.4	15.0	0.0	2.1	0.0
Transport and Communication	4.16	207.2	244.8	244.8	245.0	245.0	245.0	18.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	8.04	175.8	180.4	180.4	188.3	188.3	188.3	2.6	0.0	4.4	0.0
Education, Reading and Recreation	5.54	215.1	227.3	227.4	233.9	234.5	234.5	5.7	0.0	3.1	0.0
Tobacco and Related Products	1.54	170.2	178.9	178.9	185.7	185.7	185.7	5.1	0.0	3.8	0.0
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	2.54	380.6	451.6	451.6	451.7	451.7	451.7	18.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	97.46	172.0	181.8	184.5	193.3	196.2	197.4	7.3	1.5	7.0	0.6

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Urban Consumer Price Index : Terai

(1995/96 = 100)

MID-SEPTEMBER 2007 (BHADRA 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight %	2004/05	2005/06			2006/07P		Percentage Change			
		Aug/Sep 3	Jul/Aug 4	Jun/Jul 5	Jun/Jul 6	Jul/Aug 7	Aug/Sep 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	176.7	187.1	188.6	194.0	199.8	202.7	6.7	0.8	7.5	1.5
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	54.98	171.6	178.9	181.6	189.1	197.6	202.7	5.8	1.5	11.6	2.6
Grains and Cereal Products	19.76	167.8	173.2	174.7	186.5	191.4	196.5	4.1	0.9	12.5	2.7
Rice and Rice Products	(15.42)	167.6	166.1	166.4	177.1	182.4	187.4	-0.7	0.2	12.6	2.7
Wheat and Wheat Flour	(3.30)	175.5	209.5	215.8	232.6	236.7	243.2	23.0	3.0	12.7	2.7
Pulses	3.35	142.8	166.0	165.6	185.6	193.1	197.5	16.0	-0.2	19.3	2.3
Vegetables and Fruits	7.63	188.3	191.1	198.9	193.9	231.5	251.0	5.6	4.1	26.2	8.4
Spices	2.06	144.4	169.6	175.4	193.8	194.6	195.4	21.5	3.4	11.4	0.4
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.02	171.1	179.5	180.3	190.1	190.5	192.3	5.4	0.4	6.7	0.9
Milk and Milk Products	3.98	158.9	167.4	170.9	174.0	177.3	178.5	7.6	2.1	4.4	0.7
Oil and Ghee	3.23	147.9	151.8	152.4	166.1	169.9	171.3	3.0	0.4	12.4	0.8
Sugar and Related Products	1.09	153.9	160.1	159.1	128.2	129.3	127.8	3.4	-0.6	-	-1.2
Beverages	2.00	183.3	196.5	196.7	200.9	202.1	202.3	7.3	0.1	2.8	0.1
Restaurant Meals	6.86	204.9	208.0	211.8	216.9	220.7	220.5	3.4	1.8	4.1	-0.1
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	45.02	182.9	197.2	197.3	199.8	202.5	202.7	7.9	0.1	2.7	0.1
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	9.16	145.7	148.2	148.5	150.1	151.3	151.4	1.9	0.2	2.0	0.1
Cloths	(2.63)	133.8	137.1	137.2	137.5	138.4	138.0	2.5	0.1	0.6	-0.3
Clothing	(5.45)	146.2	147.6	148.1	150.3	150.9	151.3	1.3	0.3	2.2	0.3
Footwear	1.78	135.1	139.8	139.8	143.9	149.4	149.4	3.5	0.0	6.9	0.0
Housing Goods and Services	14.80	197.9	220.7	220.9	224.1	226.5	226.8	11.6	0.1	2.7	0.1
Fuel, Light and Water	(6.91)	255.9	296.9	297.2	298.4	303.1	303.4	16.1	0.1	2.1	0.1
Transport and Communication	4.16	207.2	244.8	244.8	245.5	245.0	245.0	18.1	0.0	0.1	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	8.04	175.8	180.4	180.4	185.3	188.3	188.3	2.6	0.0	4.4	0.0
Education, Reading and Recreation	5.54	215.0	227.2	227.3	227.5	233.9	234.5	5.7	0.0	3.2	0.3
Tobacco and Related Products	1.54	170.2	178.9	178.9	180.0	185.7	185.7	5.1	0.0	3.8	0.0
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	2.54	380.6	450.8	451.6	451.7	451.7	451.7	18.7	0.2	0.0	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	97.46	171.4	180.3	181.8	187.2	193.3	196.2	6.1	0.8	7.9	1.5

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Table - 1.2

Urban Consumer Price Index : Terai

(1995/96 = 100)

MID-AUGUST 2007 (SRAWAN 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight %	2004/05		2005/06			2006/07P	Percentage Change			
		Jul/Aug 3	June/July 4	Jun/Jul 5	May/June 6	June/July 7	Jul/Aug 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	173.6	184.7	187.1	191.3	194.0	199.8	7.8	1.3	6.8	3.0
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	54.98	168.0	176.7	178.9	184.3	189.1	197.6	6.5	1.2	10.5	4.5
Grains and Cereal Products	19.76	162.8	173.4	173.2	183.0	186.5	191.4	6.4	-0.1	10.5	2.6
Rice and Rice Products	(15.42)	161.9	166.6	166.1	172.5	177.1	182.4	2.6	-0.3	9.8	3.0
Wheat and Wheat Flour	(3.30)	172.5	209.9	209.5	233.9	232.6	236.7	21.4	-0.2	13.0	1.8
Pulses	3.35	141.0	167.1	166.0	183.9	185.6	193.0	17.7	-0.7	16.3	4.0
Vegetables and Fruits	7.63	176.0	175.1	191.1	170.9	193.9	231.5	8.6	9.1	21.1	19.4
Spices	2.06	145.1	168.2	169.6	193.1	193.8	194.6	16.9	0.8	14.7	0.4
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.02	172.5	180.7	179.5	189.2	190.1	190.5	4.1	-0.7	6.1	0.2
Milk and Milk Products	3.98	158.4	164.2	167.4	171.6	174.0	177.3	5.7	1.9	5.9	1.9
Oil and Ghee	3.23	149.2	150.3	151.8	165.3	166.1	169.9	1.7	1.0	11.9	2.3
Sugar and Related Products	1.09	153.2	161.9	160.1	129.2	128.2	129.3	4.5	-1.1	-19.2	0.9
Beverages	2.00	183.3	194.6	196.5	200.8	200.9	202.1	7.2	1.0	2.8	0.6
Restaurant Meals	6.86	203.5	208.9	208.0	217.0	216.9	220.7	2.2	-0.4	6.1	1.8
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	45.02	180.5	194.6	197.2	199.8	199.8	202.5	9.3	1.3	2.7	1.4
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	9.16	145.2	147.3	148.2	150.2	150.1	151.3	2.1	0.6	2.1	0.8
Cloths	(2.63)	133.8	136.3	137.1	138.0	137.5	138.4	2.5	0.6	0.9	0.7
Clothing	(5.45)	145.4	147.1	147.6	150.2	150.3	150.9	1.5	0.3	2.2	0.4
Footwear	1.78	135.1	139.2	139.8	143.9	143.9	149.4	3.5	0.4	6.9	3.8
Housing Goods and Services	14.80	191.2	219.2	220.7	223.9	224.1	226.5	15.4	0.7	2.6	1.1
Fuel, Light and Water	(6.91)	241.5	297.0	296.9	298.4	298.4	303.1	22.9	0.0	2.1	1.6
Transport and Communication	4.16	206.7	243.7	244.8	245.5	245.5	245.0	18.4	0.5	0.1	-0.2
Medical and Personal Care	8.04	175.8	179.0	180.4	185.3	185.3	188.3	2.6	0.8	4.4	1.6
Education, Reading and Recreation	5.54	214.9	216.2	227.2	227.5	227.5	233.9	5.7	5.1	2.9	2.8
Tobacco and Related Products	1.54	170.2	173.9	178.9	180.0	180.0	185.7	5.1	2.9	3.8	3.2
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	2.54	341.2	451.1	450.8	451.7	451.7	451.7	32.1	-0.1	0.2	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	97.46	169.3	177.8	180.3	184.5	187.2	193.3	6.5	1.4	7.2	3.3

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Table - 1.3

Urban Consumer Price Index : Hills

(1995/96 = 100)

MID-OCTOBER 2007 (ASWIN 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06	2006/07		2007/08P			Percentage Change			
		Sep/Oct 3	Aug/Sep 4	Jun/Jul 5	Jul/Aug 6	Aug/Sep 7	Sep/Oct 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	175.1	187.2	188.7	197.0	199.9	200.3	7.8	0.8	6.1	0.2
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	53.04	171.1	182.2	185.0	196.2	201.6	202.2	8.1	1.5	9.3	0.3
Grains and Cereal Products	17.76	156.5	167.7	168.2	178.6	183.0	185.2	7.5	0.3	10.1	1.2
Rice and Rice Products	(13.86)	154.0	163.0	162.9	173.2	178.6	181.3	5.8	-0.1	11.3	1.5
Wheat and Wheat Flour	(1.06)	172.4	212.0	220.2	223.8	226.8	226.9	27.7	3.9	3.0	0.0
Pulses	2.66	144.2	184.4	186.1	213.3	216.1	213.4	29.1	0.9	14.7	-1.2
Vegetables and Fruits	7.61	171.7	185.0	198.5	212.8	234.6	235.1	15.6	7.3	18.4	0.2
Spices	2.01	156.9	174.2	177.7	198.1	198.0	196.3	13.3	2.0	10.5	-0.9
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.48	175.5	180.9	183.5	191.2	194.7	194.6	4.6	1.4	6.0	-0.1
Milk and Milk Products	3.94	169.6	187.1	190.2	200.7	201.5	201.3	12.1	1.7	5.8	-0.1
Oil and Ghee	3.77	151.7	149.3	149.1	163.8	166.6	168.8	-1.7	-0.1	13.2	1.3
Sugar and Related Products	1.15	169.8	166.1	165.7	137.9	137.3	134.1	-2.4	-0.2	19.1	-2.3
Beverages	2.65	211.0	216.4	216.4	218.8	218.9	219.1	2.6	0.0	1.2	0.1
Restaurant Meals	6.01	221.6	229.8	229.8	242.1	242.1	242.1	3.7	0.0	5.4	0.0
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	46.96	179.6	192.9	193.0	197.9	198.0	198.0	7.5	0.1	2.6	0.0
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.94	134.4	139.9	139.9	141.3	141.7	142.0	4.1	0.0	1.5	0.2
Cloths	(2.54)	110.2	111.9	111.9	109.0	109.8	110.3	1.5	0.0	-1.4	0.5
Clothing	(5.51)	137.2	145.1	145.2	146.3	146.6	146.8	5.8	0.1	1.1	0.1
Footwear	2.63	138.7	145.8	145.8	147.8	147.8	147.8	5.1	0.0	1.4	0.0
Housing Goods and Services	14.40	192.1	211.8	212.1	217.3	217.4	217.4	10.4	0.1	2.5	0.0
Fuel, Light and Water	(5.92)	255.0	290.2	290.8	292.0	292.0	292.0	14.0	0.2	0.4	0.0
Transport and Communication	3.31	244.7	298.1	298.1	290.6	290.6	290.6	21.8	0.0	-2.5	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	8.39	173.1	180.0	180.0	187.0	187.0	187.0	4.0	0.0	3.9	0.0
Education, Reading and Recreation	7.78	203.4	205.9	205.9	217.5	217.5	217.5	1.2	0.0	5.6	0.0
Tobacco and Related Products	1.51	170.2	181.8	181.8	191.4	191.4	191.4	6.8	0.0	5.3	0.0
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	2.33	401.3	492.7	492.7	492.6	492.6	492.6	22.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	97.67	169.7	179.9	181.5	189.9	192.9	193.3	7.0	0.9	6.5	0.2

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Table - 1.3

Urban Consumer Price Index : Hills

(1995/96 = 100)

MID-SEPTEMBER 2007 (BHADRA 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight %	2004/05	2005/06			2006/07P		Percentage Change			
		Aug/Sep 3	Jul/Aug 4	Jun/Jul 5	Jun/Jul 6	Jul/Aug 7	Aug/Sep 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	174.7	185.6	187.2	192.9	197.0	199.9	7.2	0.9	6.8	1.5
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	53.04	170.4	179.5	182.2	191.4	196.2	201.6	6.9	1.5	10.6	2.8
Grains and Cereal Products	17.76	155.3	165.6	167.7	176.6	178.6	183.0	8.0	1.3	9.1	2.5
Rice and Rice Products	(13.86)	152.4	160.8	163.0	170.9	173.2	178.6	7.0	1.4	9.6	3.1
Wheat and Wheat Flour	(1.06)	171.9	210.1	212.0	222.0	223.8	226.8	23.3	0.9	7.0	1.3
Pulses	2.66	143.8	183.2	184.4	204.2	213.3	216.1	28.2	0.7	17.2	1.3
Vegetables and Fruits	7.61	170.5	174.1	185.0	191.2	212.8	234.6	8.5	6.3	26.8	10.2
Spices	2.01	157.5	166.8	174.2	195.4	198.1	198.0	10.6	4.4	13.7	-0.1
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.48	175.7	182.8	180.9	191.7	191.2	194.7	3.0	-1.0	7.6	1.8
Milk and Milk Products	3.94	169.5	182.9	187.1	199.0	200.7	201.5	10.4	2.3	7.7	0.4
Oil and Ghee	3.77	151.6	149.4	149.3	161.5	163.8	166.6	-1.5	-0.1	11.6	1.7
Sugar and Related Products	1.15	164.7	166.6	166.1	138.3	137.9	137.3	0.9	-0.3	17.3	-0.4
Beverages	2.65	211.0	216.4	216.4	215.9	218.8	218.9	2.6	0.0	1.2	0.0
Restaurant Meals	6.01	221.6	229.8	229.8	241.5	242.1	242.1	3.7	0.0	5.4	0.0
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	46.96	179.6	192.5	192.9	194.6	197.9	198.0	7.4	0.2	2.6	0.1
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.94	134.3	137.9	139.9	139.7	141.3	141.7	4.2	1.5	1.3	0.3
Cloths	(2.54)	110.2	108.2	111.9	108.6	109.0	109.8	1.5	3.4	-1.9	0.7
Clothing	(5.51)	137.0	143.8	145.1	146.1	146.3	146.6	5.9	0.9	1.0	0.2
Footwear	2.63	138.7	145.8	145.8	147.4	147.8	147.8	5.1	0.0	1.4	0.0
Housing Goods and Services	14.40	192.1	211.8	211.8	216.9	217.3	217.4	10.3	0.0	2.6	0.0
Fuel, Light and Water	(5.92)	255.0	290.2	290.2	291.8	292.0	292.0	13.8	0.0	0.6	0.0
Transport and Communication	3.31	244.7	298.1	298.1	298.7	290.6	290.6	21.8	0.0	-2.5	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	8.39	173.1	180.0	180.0	180.4	187.0	187.0	4.0	0.0	3.9	0.0
Education, Reading and Recreation	7.78	203.4	205.9	205.9	205.9	217.5	217.5	1.2	0.0	5.6	0.0
Tobacco and Related Products	1.51	170.2	181.8	181.8	181.3	191.4	191.4	6.8	0.0	5.3	0.0
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	2.33	401.3	492.7	492.7	492.6	492.6	492.6	22.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	97.67	169.3	178.3	179.9	185.7	189.9	192.9	6.3	0.9	7.2	1.6

P = Provisional.

Table - 1.3

Urban Consumer Price Index : Hills

(1995/96 = 100)

MID-AUGUST 2007 (SRAWAN 2064)

Groups & sub-groups 1	Weight % 2	2004/05		2005/06			2006/07P	Percentage Change			
		Jul/Aug 3	Jun/Jul 4	Jun/Jul 5	May/June 6	Jun/Jul 7	Jul/Aug 8	Col 5 Over 3	Col 5 Over 4	Col 8 Over 5	Col 8 Over 7
1. OVERALL INDEX	100.00	173.6	183.5	185.6	190.6	192.9	197.0	6.9	1.1	6.1	2.1
1.1. FOOD & BEVERAGES	53.04	170.2	177.6	179.5	187.2	191.4	196.2	5.5	1.1	9.3	2.5
Grains and Cereal Products	17.76	153.3	164.7	165.6	174.0	176.6	178.6	8.0	0.5	7.9	1.1
Rice and Rice Products	(13.86)	149.9	160.2	160.8	167.3	170.9	173.2	7.3	0.4	7.7	1.3
Wheat and Wheat Flour	(1.06)	170.5	212.9	210.1	226.3	222.0	223.8	23.2	-1.3	6.5	0.8
Pulses	2.66	141.7	183.2	183.2	200.8	204.2	213.3	29.3	0.0	16.4	4.5
Vegetables and Fruits	7.61	174.4	166.0	174.1	172.8	191.2	212.8	-0.2	4.9	22.2	11.3
Spices	2.01	159.0	163.7	166.8	196.9	195.4	198.1	4.9	1.9	18.8	1.4
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.48	175.8	184.4	182.8	192.0	191.7	191.2	4.0	-0.9	4.6	-0.3
Milk and Milk Products	3.94	169.2	180.1	182.9	190.4	199.0	200.7	8.1	1.6	9.7	0.9
Oil and Ghee	3.77	152.0	149.8	149.4	161.2	161.5	163.8	-1.7	-0.3	9.6	1.4
Sugar and Related Products	1.15	162.9	166.6	166.6	139.0	138.3	137.9	2.3	0.0	17.2	-0.3
Beverages	2.65	211.0	214.2	216.4	215.7	215.9	218.8	2.6	1.0	1.1	1.3
Restaurant Meals	6.01	221.5	228.4	229.8	241.4	241.5	242.1	3.7	0.6	5.4	0.2
1.2. NON-FOOD & SERVICES	46.96	177.5	190.1	192.5	194.5	194.6	197.9	8.5	1.3	2.8	1.7
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.94	134.5	137.3	137.9	139.8	139.7	141.3	2.5	0.4	2.5	1.1
Cloths	(2.54)	110.8	108.0	108.2	108.5	108.6	109.0	-2.3	0.2	0.7	0.4
Clothing	(5.51)	137.0	142.9	143.8	146.2	146.1	146.3	5.0	0.6	1.7	0.1
Footwear	2.63	138.7	144.9	145.8	147.4	147.4	147.8	5.1	0.6	1.4	0.3
Housing Goods and Services	14.40	185.4	209.2	211.8	216.6	216.9	217.3	14.2	1.2	2.6	0.2
Fuel, Light and Water	(5.92)	238.5	290.1	290.2	291.8	291.8	292.0	21.7	0.0	0.6	0.1
Transport and Communication	3.31	244.4	295.1	298.1	298.7	298.7	290.6	22.0	1.0	-2.5	-2.7
Medical and Personal Care	8.39	173.1	177.5	180.0	180.4	180.4	187.0	4.0	1.4	3.9	3.7
Education, Reading and Recreation	7.78	203.4	203.0	205.9	205.9	205.9	217.5	1.2	1.4	5.6	5.6
Tobacco and Related Products	1.51	170.2	172.3	181.8	181.3	181.3	191.4	6.8	5.5	5.3	5.6
PETROLEUM PRODUCT	2.33	359.7	492.4	492.7	492.6	492.6	492.6	37.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
NON-PETROLEUM PRODUCT	97.67	169.2	176.1	178.3	183.4	185.7	189.9	5.4	1.2	6.5	2.3

P = Provisional.

Table-1a
Core CPI Inflation**
(1995/96 = 100)
MID-OCTOBER 2007 (ASWIN 2064)

Group & sub-groups	Weight	Revised	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08P	Change %	
	%		Sep/Oct	Sep/Oct	Sep/Oct	2005/06	2006/07P
OVERALL (Adjusted)	100.00	100.00	165.1	175.3	183.6	6.2	4.7
FOOD AND BEVERAGES (Adjusted)	53.20	45.53	168.3	183.1	193.6	8.8	5.7
Grains and Cereal Products							
Rice and Rice Products	14.16	0.00	166.9	168.1	188.8	0.7	12.3
Wheat and Wheat Flour	1.79	2.62	177.3	224.4	237.7	26.6	5.9
Other Grains and Cereal Products	2.05	3.00	144.7	164.5	176.8	13.7	7.5
Pulses	2.73	3.99	139.5	173.2	198.5	24.2	14.6
Vegetables and Fruits	7.89	0.00	175.6	204.2	240.4	16.3	17.7
Spices	1.85	2.70	144.5	176.9	189.9	22.4	7.3
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.21	7.61	171.9	183.3	193.1	6.6	5.3
Milk and Milk Products	4.05	5.92	156.5	169.8	179.8	8.5	5.9
Oil and Ghee	3.07	4.49	146.8	149.8	169.0	2.0	12.8
Sugar and Related Products	1.21	1.77	163.6	163.0	133.0	-0.4	-18.4
Beverages	2.28	3.33	177.4	186.1	190.5	4.9	2.4
Restaurant Meals	6.91	10.10	202.4	208.5	217.3	3.0	4.2
NON-FOOD AND SERVICES (Adjusted)	46.80	54.47	162.4	168.7	175.1	3.9	3.8
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.92	13.04	144.5	147.5	150.9	2.1	2.3
Footwear	2.20	3.22	136.2	140.0	149.5	2.8	6.8
Housing goods and Services							
House Furnishing and Household Goods	3.50	5.12	139.7	144.6	152.7	3.5	5.6
House Rent	4.19	6.12	154.9	161.8	168.5	4.5	4.1
Cleaning Supplies	1.26	1.84	143.9	160.3	164.1	11.4	2.4
Fuel, Light and Water	5.92	0.00	263.8	301.0	304.5	14.1	1.2
Transport	3.61	0.00	227.5	269.5	268.0	18.5	-0.6
Communication	0.42	0.61	126.6	126.6	126.6	0.0	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	8.03	11.74	175.0	179.4	186.5	2.5	4.0
Education, Reading and Recreation	7.09	10.36	199.9	211.1	219.7	5.6	4.1
Tobacco and Related Products	1.66	2.43	162.1	172.7	178.2	6.5	3.2

P: Provisional

**Based on the exclusion principle by excluding rice and rice products, vegetables and fruits, fuel, light and water and transports.

Total weight excluded 31.58

Total weight included 68.42

Table-1a
Core CPI Inflation**
(1995/96 = 100)
MID-SEPTEMBER 2007 (BHADRA 2064)

Group & sub-groups	Weight	Revised	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08P	Change %	
	%		Aug/Sep	Aug/Sep	Aug/Sep	2005/06	2006/07P
OVERALL (Adjusted)	100.00	100.00	165.0	174.2	183.6	5.6	5.4
FOOD AND BEVERAGES (Adjusted)	53.20	45.53	168.2	180.9	193.9	7.6	7.2
Grains and Cereal Products							
Rice and Rice Products	14.16	0.00	164.3	167.7	184.1	2.1	9.8
Wheat and Wheat Flour	1.79	2.62	176.7	216.9	237.0	22.8	9.3
Other Grains and Cereal Products	2.05	3.00	144.4	162.1	176.2	12.3	8.7
Pulses	2.73	3.99	139.1	169.7	199.9	22.0	17.8
Vegetables and Fruits	7.89	0.00	175.7	187.6	236.4	6.8	26.0
Spices	1.85	2.70	146.1	167.8	189.9	14.9	13.2
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.21	7.61	172.1	179.8	193.8	4.5	7.8
Milk and Milk Products	4.05	5.92	156.4	168.4	182.0	7.7	8.1
Oil and Ghee	3.07	4.49	146.7	149.7	167.5	2.0	11.9
Sugar and Related Products	1.21	1.77	161.0	164.3	133.9	2.0	-18.5
Beverages	2.28	3.33	177.4	186.1	190.2	4.9	2.2
Restaurant Meals	6.91	10.10	202.2	208.4	217.1	3.1	4.2
NON-FOOD AND SERVICES (Adjusted)	46.80	54.47	162.4	168.6	175.1	3.9	3.8
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.92	13.04	144.3	147.2	150.5	2.0	2.2
Footwear	2.20	3.22	136.2	140.0	149.5	2.8	6.8
Housing goods and Services							
House Furnishing and Household Goods	3.50	5.12	139.7	144.6	152.7	3.5	5.6
House Rent	4.19	6.12	154.9	161.8	168.5	4.5	4.1
Cleaning Supplies	1.26	1.84	143.9	160.3	164.0	11.4	2.3
Fuel, Light and Water	5.92	0.00	262.5	300.9	304.5	14.6	1.2
Transport	3.61	0.00	227.5	269.5	268.0	18.5	-0.6
Communication	0.42	0.61	126.6	126.6	126.6	0.0	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	8.03	11.74	175.0	179.4	186.5	2.5	4.0
Education, Reading and Recreation	7.09	10.36	199.9	211.1	219.8	5.6	4.1
Tobacco and Related Products	1.66	2.43	162.1	172.7	178.2	6.5	3.2

P: Provisional

**Based on the exclusion principle by excluding rice and rice products, vegetables and fruits, fuel, light and water and transports.

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Total weight included 68.42

Table-1a
Core CPI Inflation**
(1995/96 = 100)
MID-AUGUST 2007 (SRAWAN 2064)

Group & sub-groups	Weight	Revised	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08P	Change %	
	%		Jul/Aug	Jul/Aug	Jul/Aug	2005/06	2006/07P
OVERALL (Adjusted)	100.00	100.00	164.8	173.5	182.9	5.2	5.5
FOOD AND BEVERAGES (Adjusted)	53.20	45.53	167.9	179.5	192.6	7.0	7.3
Grains and Cereal Products							
Rice and Rice Products	14.16	0.00	158.9	167.1	178.8	5.2	7.0
Wheat and Wheat Flour	1.79	2.62	174.8	212.4	232.8	21.5	9.6
Other Grains and Cereal Products	2.05	3.00	144.3	158.2	175.5	9.6	10.9
Pulses	2.73	3.99	137.1	169.5	197.0	23.6	16.2
Vegetables and Fruits	7.89	0.00	166.7	173.8	214.1	4.3	23.2
Spices	1.85	2.70	145.9	161.2	191.3	10.5	18.7
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.21	7.61	173.0	182.0	190.2	5.2	4.5
Milk and Milk Products	4.05	5.92	156.2	165.9	181.3	6.2	9.3
Oil and Ghee	3.07	4.49	147.7	149.2	166.2	1.0	11.4
Sugar and Related Products	1.21	1.77	158.9	164.4	135.1	3.5	-17.8
Beverages	2.28	3.33	177.4	186.0	189.7	4.8	2.0
Restaurant Meals	6.91	10.10	201.5	206.4	217.0	2.4	5.1
NON-FOOD AND SERVICES (Adjusted)	46.80	54.47	162.3	168.4	174.9	3.8	3.8
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.92	13.04	144.1	146.6	150.3	1.7	2.5
Footwear	2.20	3.22	136.2	140.0	149.5	2.8	6.8
Housing goods and Services							
House Furnishing and Household Goods	3.50	5.12	139.7	144.6	152.7	3.5	5.6
House Rent	4.19	6.12	154.9	161.8	168.5	4.5	4.1
Cleaning Supplies	1.26	1.84	143.8	158.9	162.6	10.5	2.3
Fuel, Light and Water	5.92	0.00	246.1	300.8	304.3	22.2	1.2
Transport	3.61	0.00	226.4	269.5	268.0	19.0	-0.6
Communication	0.42	0.61	126.6	126.6	126.6	0.0	0.0
Medical and Personal Care	8.03	11.74	175.0	179.4	186.5	2.5	4.0
Education, Reading and Recreation	7.09	10.36	199.8	211.0	219.4	5.6	4.0
Tobacco and Related Products	1.66	2.43	162.1	172.7	178.2	6.5	3.2

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Total weight included 68.42

Table - 1b

National Urban Consumer Price Index
(1995/96 = 100)
YEARLY INDEX

YEARS	FOOD & BEVERAGES		NON-FOOD & SERVICES		OVERALL INDEX	
	Index	% Change	Index	% Change	Index	% Change
1972/73 (2029/30)	10.9	-	11.7	-	11.2	-
1973/74 (2030/31)	13.3	22.0	12.9	10.3	13.3	18.8
1974/75 (2031/32)	15.4	15.8	15.3	18.6	15.5	16.5
1975/76 (2032/33)	14.8	-3.9	16.4	7.2	15.4	-0.6
1976/77 (2033/34)	14.8	0.0	17.6	7.3	15.8	2.6
1977/78 (2034/35)	17.1	15.5	18.3	4.0	17.6	11.4
1978/79 (2035/36)	17.3	1.2	19.7	7.7	18.2	3.4
1979/80 (2036/37)	19.2	11.0	21.2	7.6	19.9	9.3
1980/81 (2037/38)	21.8	13.5	24.1	13.7	22.6	13.6
1981/82 (2038/39)	24.2	11.0	26.3	9.1	25.0	10.6
1982/83 (2039/40)	28.1	16.1	29.1	10.6	28.5	14.0
1983/84 (2040/41)	29.6	5.3	31.6	8.6	30.3	6.3
1984/85 (2041/42)	29.9	1.0	34.7	9.8	31.5	4.0
1985/86 (2042/43)	35.5	18.7	38.4	10.7	36.5	15.9
1986/87 (2043/44)	40.9	15.2	42.1	9.6	41.4	13.4
1987/88 (2044/45)	45.8	12.0	45.9	9.0	45.9	10.9
1988/89 (2045/46)	48.5	5.9	51.8	12.9	49.7	8.3
1989/90 (2046/47)	53.8	10.9	55.9	7.9	54.5	9.7
1990/91 (2047/48)	59.2	10.0	61.1	9.3	59.8	9.7
1991/92 (2048/49)	73.7	24.5	70.2	14.9	72.4	21.1
1992/93 (2049/50)	78.4	6.4	79.7	13.5	78.8	8.8
1993/94 (2050/51)	85.5	9.1	86.8	8.9	85.9	9.0
1994/95 (2051/52)	91.8	7.4	93.7	7.9	92.5	7.7
1995/96 (2052/53)	100.0	8.9	100.0	6.7	100.0	8.1
1996/97 (2053/54)	108.2	8.2	108.0	8.0	108.1	8.1
1997/98 (2054/55)	116.6	7.8	117.8	9.1	117.1	8.3
1998/99 (2055/56)	135.5	16.2	124.6	5.8	130.4	11.4
1999/00 (2056/57)	136.1	0.4	133.4	7.1	134.9	3.5
2000/01 (2057/58)	133.0	-2.3	144.2	8.1	138.1	2.4
2001/02 (2058/59)	137.9	3.7	147.2	2.1	142.1	2.9
2002/03 (2059/60)	144.0	4.4	154.6	5.0	148.9	4.8
2003/04 (2060/61)	148.8	3.3	161.8	4.7	154.8	4.0
2004/05 (2061/62)	154.7	4.0	170.1	5.1	161.8	4.5
2005/06 (2062/63)	166.8	7.8	183.9	8.1	174.7	8.0
2006/07 (2063/64)	178.8	7.2	194.1	5.5	185.9	6.4

Table-1b.1

NATIONAL URBAN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

(1995/96 = 100)

YEARLY INDEX

Years	Terai		Kathmandu		Hill		National	
	Index	% Change	Index	% Change	Index	% Change	Index	% Change
1972/73(2029/30)	11.9	-	10.1	-	12.3	-	11.2	-
1973/74(2030/31)	14.5	21.8	11.6	14.9	14.1	14.6	13.3	18.8
1974/75(2031/32)	17.0	17.2	13.5	16.4	16.1	14.2	15.5	16.5
1975/76(2032/33)	16.0	-5.9	14.2	5.2	16.6	3.1	15.4	-0.6
1976/77(2033/34)	16.7	4.4	14.3	0.7	17.2	3.6	15.8	2.6
1977/78(2034/35)	18.6	11.4	15.7	9.8	19.0	10.5	17.6	11.4
1978/79(2035/36)	19.3	3.8	16.3	3.8	19.7	3.7	18.2	3.4
1979/80(2036/37)	20.8	7.8	18.2	11.7	21.6	9.6	19.9	9.3
1980/81(2037/38)	23.5	13.0	20.9	14.8	24.4	13.0	22.6	13.6
1981/82(2038/39)	26.1	11.1	23.1	10.5	26.9	10.2	25.0	10.6
1982/83(2039/40)	30.0	14.9	26.0	12.6	30.9	14.9	28.5	14.0
1983/84(2040/41)	31.9	6.3	27.4	5.4	32.9	6.5	30.3	6.3
1984/85(2041/42)	32.9	3.1	28.4	3.6	35.9	9.1	31.5	4.0
1985/86(2042/43)	38.1	15.8	33.3	17.3	40.1	11.7	36.5	15.9
1986/87(2043/44)	42.8	12.3	37.9	13.8	45.6	13.7	41.4	13.4
1987/88(2044/45)	48.1	12.4	41.5	9.5	51.0	11.8	45.9	10.9
1988/89(2045/46)	51.7	7.5	45.0	8.4	56.3	10.4	49.7	8.3
1989/90(2046/47)	55.9	8.1	52.1	15.8	56.5	0.4	54.5	9.7
1990/91(2047/48)	61.3	9.7	57.3	10.0	61.9	9.6	59.8	9.7
1991/92(2048/49)	74.5	21.5	69.2	20.8	74.2	19.9	72.4	21.1
1992/93(2049/50)	80.9	8.6	77.5	12.0	79.6	7.3	78.8	8.8
1993/94(2050/51)	85.1	5.2	87.4	12.8	84.7	6.4	85.9	9.0
1994/95(2051/52)	91.3	7.3	94.4	8.0	91.3	7.8	92.5	7.7
1995/96(2052/53)	100.0	9.5	100.0	5.9	100.0	9.5	100.0	8.1
1996/97(2053/54)	108.2	8.2	107.7	7.7	108.6	8.6	108.1	8.1
1997/98(2054/55)	117.9	9.0	115.7	7.4	117.3	8.0	117.1	8.3
1998/99(2055/56)	133.6	13.3	125.1	8.1	130.8	11.5	130.4	11.4
1999/00(2056/57)	137.7	3.1	129.7	3.7	135.6	3.7	134.9	3.5
2000/01(2057/58)	139.2	1.1	133.8	3.2	142.6	5.2	138.1	2.4
2001/02(2058/59)	144.0	3.4	136.5	2.0	146.2	2.5	142.1	2.9
2002/03(2059/60)	152.2	5.7	141.7	3.8	151.8	3.8	148.9	4.8
2003/04(2060/61)	156.9	3.1	150.1	5.9	156.6	3.2	154.8	4.0
2004/05(2061/62)	163.8	4.4	157.6	5.0	163.5	4.4	161.8	4.5
2005/06(2062/63)	177.9	8.6	167.8	6.5	177.5	8.6	174.7	8.0
2006/07(2063/64)	189.9	6.7	178.0	6.1	188.2	6.0	185.9	6.4

Table 1b.2a :National Urban Consumer Price Index

BASE YEAR = 1995/96											
Fiscal Year/ Quarter/Month	Overall Index	Food & Beverages	Non-Food & Services	Fiscal Year/ Quarter/Month	Overall Index	Food & Beverages	Non-Food & Services	Fiscal Year/ Quarter/Month	Overall Index	Food & Beverages	Non-Food & Services
1972/73 (2029/30)	11.2	10.9	11.7	-	-	-	-	1983/84 (2040/41)	30.3	29.6	31.6
1973/74 (2030/31)	13.3	13.3	12.9	1978/79 (2035/36)	18.2	17.3	19.7	I Qtr	30.9	30.6	31.5
I Qtr	12.5	12.4	12.7	I Qtr	18.3	17.6	19.5	I Qtr	30.9	30.6	31.5
Jul/Aug	12.3	12.1	12.7	Jul/Aug	18.3	17.7	19.6	Jul/Aug	30.8	30.4	31.6
Aug/Sep	12.6	12.4	12.6	Aug/Sep	18.3	17.7	19.5	Aug/Sep	30.9	30.6	31.5
Sep/Oct	12.6	12.5	12.7	Sep/Oct	18.3	17.6	19.6	Sep/Oct	30.9	30.7	31.5
II Qtr	13.0	13.0	12.8	II Qtr	18.2	17.3	19.6	II Qtr	30.4	29.6	31.6
Oct/Nov	12.9	12.8	12.8	Oct/Nov	18.4	17.7	19.6	Oct/Nov	30.7	30.2	31.4
Nov/Dec	13.0	12.9	12.8	Nov/Dec	18.2	17.4	19.6	Nov/Dec	30.4	29.6	31.6
Dec/Jan	13.2	13.2	12.8	Dec/Jan	17.9	16.9	19.7	Dec/Jan	30.2	29.1	31.8
III Qtr	13.7	13.8	12.9	III Qtr	18.1	17.0	19.8	III Qtr	30.1	29.1	31.6
Jan/Feb	13.4	13.6	12.7	Jan/Feb	18.0	17.0	19.7	Jan/Feb	30.3	29.5	31.3
Feb/Mar	13.7	13.8	13.0	Feb/Mar	18.1	17.0	19.9	Feb/Mar	30.0	28.9	31.6
Mar/Apr	13.9	14.2	13.0	Mar/Apr	18.1	17.1	19.9	Mar/Apr	29.9	29.0	31.7
IV Qtr	13.9	14.2	13.1	IV Qtr	18.2	17.3	19.9	IV Qtr	29.8	28.8	31.6
Apr/May	13.9	14.1	13.1	Apr/May	18.1	17.1	20.0	Apr/May	29.8	28.8	31.6
May/June	14.0	14.3	13.1	May/June	18.3	17.4	19.9	May/June	29.6	28.7	31.4
Jun/Jul	13.9	14.1	13.1	Jun/Jul	18.2	17.4	19.8	Jun/Jul	29.9	29.0	31.8
1974/75 (2031/32)	15.5	15.4	15.3	1979/80 (2036/37)	19.9	19.2	21.2	1984/85 (2041/42)	31.5	29.9	34.7
I Qtr	15.5	15.5	15.2	I Qtr	19.1	18.2	20.9	I Qtr	31.3	30.0	34.0
Jul/Aug	15.2	15.1	15.2	Jul/Aug	19.1	18.1	21.0	Jul/Aug	31.2	29.9	34.0
Aug/Sep	15.5	15.6	15.2	Aug/Sep	19.1	18.2	20.9	Aug/Sep	31.3	30.1	33.9
Sep/Oct	15.7	15.8	15.3	Sep/Oct	19.1	18.2	21.0	Sep/Oct	31.3	30.0	34.0
II Qtr	15.5	15.3	15.3	II Qtr	19.5	18.7	21.0	II Qtr	31.2	29.3	34.8
Oct/Nov	15.5	15.5	15.2	Oct/Nov	19.1	18.1	20.9	Oct/Nov	31.3	29.7	34.3
Nov/Dec	15.5	15.4	15.3	Nov/Dec	19.5	18.6	21.0	Nov/Dec	31.3	29.4	34.9
Dec/Jan	15.4	15.1	15.4	Dec/Jan	20.0	19.3	21.1	Dec/Jan	31.0	28.8	35.2
III Qtr	15.5	15.3	15.4	III Qtr	20.3	19.6	21.4	III Qtr	31.5	29.6	35.0
Jan/Feb	15.5	15.4	15.3	Jan/Feb	20.1	19.4	21.2	Jan/Feb	31.4	29.5	34.7
Feb/Mar	15.4	15.2	15.5	Feb/Mar	20.3	19.5	21.5	Feb/Mar	31.3	29.2	35.1
Mar/Apr	15.5	15.4	15.4	Mar/Apr	20.5	19.9	21.5	Mar/Apr	31.8	30.0	35.2
IV Qtr	15.5	15.5	15.3	IV Qtr	20.9	20.5	21.6	IV Qtr	32.2	30.8	35.0
Apr/May	15.5	15.5	15.4	Apr/May	20.8	20.2	21.6	Apr/May	32.2	30.6	35.3
May/June	15.7	15.8	15.3	May/June	21.0	20.7	21.5	May/June	32.5	31.3	35.0
Jun/Jul	15.4	15.4	15.3	Jun/Jul	20.8	20.5	21.5	Jun/Jul	32.0	30.6	34.9
1975/76 (2032/33)	15.4	14.8	16.4	1980/81 (2037/38)	22.6	21.8	24.1	1985/86 (2042/43)	36.5	35.5	38.4
I Qtr	16.0	15.8	16.4	I Qtr	22.3	21.5	23.7	I Qtr	34.3	32.8	37.4
Jul/Aug	15.9	15.6	16.5	Jul/Aug	22.0	21.1	23.8	Jul/Aug	33.9	32.1	37.4
Aug/Sep	16.1	15.9	16.4	Aug/Sep	22.4	21.7	23.8	Aug/Sep	34.3	33.0	37.3
Sep/Oct	16.0	15.8	16.4	Sep/Oct	22.4	21.8	23.6	Sep/Oct	34.6	33.4	37.4
II Qtr	15.6	15.1	16.5	II Qtr	22.3	21.4	23.9	II Qtr	35.6	34.3	37.8
Oct/Nov	15.8	15.5	16.4	Oct/Nov	22.2	21.4	23.7	Oct/Nov	34.8	33.5	37.3
Nov/Dec	15.7	15.2	16.5	Nov/Dec	22.4	21.5	24.0	Nov/Dec	35.6	34.4	37.6
Dec/Jan	15.4	14.6	16.6	Dec/Jan	22.3	21.2	24.1	Dec/Jan	36.4	35.0	38.4
III Qtr	15.0	14.2	16.3	III Qtr	22.9	22.0	24.2	III Qtr	37.5	36.5	39.2
Jan/Feb	15.1	14.4	16.2	Jan/Feb	22.7	21.9	23.8	Jan/Feb	37.2	36.1	38.8
Feb/Mar	15.1	14.3	16.4	Feb/Mar	22.9	21.9	24.4	Feb/Mar	37.4	36.2	39.4
Mar/Apr	14.9	14.1	16.4	Mar/Apr	23.0	22.2	24.4	Mar/Apr	38.0	37.3	39.4
IV Qtr	14.9	14.1	16.4	IV Qtr	23.0	22.3	24.4	IV Qtr	38.8	38.4	39.3
Apr/May	15.0	14.1	16.5	Apr/May	23.0	22.1	24.5	Apr/May	38.5	37.7	39.6
May/June	15.0	14.2	16.4	May/June	23.0	22.4	24.3	May/June	39.0	38.8	39.3
Jun/Jul	14.7	13.9	16.4	Jun/Jul	23.1	22.5	24.3	Jun/Jul	38.9	38.8	39.1
1976/77 (2033/34)	15.8	14.8	17.6	1981/82 (2038/39)	25.0	24.2	26.3	1986/87 (2043/44)	41.4	40.9	42.1
I Qtr	15.5	14.3	17.8	I Qtr	24.6	23.9	26.1	I Qtr	41.2	40.8	42.1
Jul/Aug	15.4	14.3	17.9	Jul/Aug	24.4	23.5	26.2	Jul/Aug	40.9	40.2	42.3
Aug/Sep	15.5	14.5	17.8	Aug/Sep	24.7	24.1	26.0	Aug/Sep	41.4	41.1	42.0
Sep/Oct	15.4	14.3	17.8	Sep/Oct	24.7	24.1	26.1	Sep/Oct	41.5	41.1	42.1
II Qtr	15.3	14.1	17.7	II Qtr	24.7	23.8	26.4	II Qtr	40.7	39.7	42.2
Oct/Nov	15.3	14.1	17.7	Oct/Nov	24.7	23.8	26.2	Oct/Nov	40.8	40.0	42.1
Nov/Dec	15.3	14.1	17.7	Nov/Dec	24.8	23.9	26.4	Nov/Dec	40.5	39.5	42.2
Dec/Jan	15.4	14.1	17.7	Dec/Jan	24.8	23.6	26.5	Dec/Jan	40.9	39.7	42.3
III Qtr	16.0	15.2	17.5	III Qtr	24.9	24.1	26.4	III Qtr	41.3	40.7	42.0
Jan/Feb	15.6	14.6	17.3	Jan/Feb	24.8	24.0	26.2	Jan/Feb	41.3	40.7	41.7
Feb/Mar	16.0	15.1	17.5	Feb/Mar	24.9	23.9	26.5	Feb/Mar	41.3	40.5	42.3
Mar/Apr	16.4	15.8	17.5	Mar/Apr	25.1	24.4	26.4	Mar/Apr	41.5	40.9	42.2
IV Qtr	16.4	15.8	17.4	IV Qtr	25.6	25.1	26.4	IV Qtr	42.3	42.3	42.0
Apr/May	16.4	15.7	17.5	Apr/May	25.2	24.4	26.5	Apr/May	41.8	41.4	42.2
May/June	16.5	15.9	17.4	May/June	25.8	25.5	26.3	May/June	42.6	42.9	41.9
Jun/Jul	16.3	15.8	17.3	Jun/Jul	25.7	25.4	26.4	Jun/Jul	42.4	42.7	41.9
1977/78 (2034/35)	17.6	17.1	18.3	1982/83 (2039/40)	28.5	28.1	29.1	1987/88 (2044/45)	45.9	45.8	45.9
I Qtr	17.4	16.9	18.4	I Qtr	28.2	27.8	29.0	I Qtr	46.1	46.4	45.4
Jul/Aug	17.1	16.5	18.4	Jul/Aug	27.4	26.6	29.1	Jul/Aug	45.2	45.0	45.5
Aug/Sep	17.5	17.0	18.5	Aug/Sep	28.5	28.4	28.9	Aug/Sep	46.8	47.5	45.3
Sep/Oct	17.6	17.1	18.5	Sep/Oct	28.6	28.3	28.9	Sep/Oct	46.3	46.6	45.4
II Qtr	17.6	17.0	18.4	II Qtr	27.8	27.0	29.1	II Qtr	45.4	45.0	45.8
Oct/Nov	17.5	17.0	18.4	Oct/Nov	28.0	27.4	28.9	Oct/Nov	45.7	46.0	45.5
Nov/Dec	17.6	17.1	18.4	Nov/Dec	27.8	26.9	29.1	Nov/Dec	45.3	44.8	45.7
Dec/Jan	17.6	17.0	18.4	Dec/Jan	27.8	26.8	29.2	Dec/Jan	45.2	44.3	46.1
III Qtr	17.6	17.1	18.2	III Qtr	28.5	28.1	29.0	III Qtr	45.9	45.5	45.9
Jan/Feb	17.6	17.2	18.1	Jan/Feb	28.3	27.6	28.8	Jan/Feb	45.6	45.3	45.4
Feb/Mar	17.6	17.1	18.3	Feb/Mar	28.4	28.1	29.1	Feb/Mar	45.8	45.2	46.2
Mar/Apr	17.6	17.2	18.2	Mar/Apr	28.8	28.5	29.2	Mar/Apr	46.3	45.9	46.2
IV Qtr	17.6	17.2	18.4	IV Qtr	29.5	29.5	29.4	IV Qtr	46.5	46.4	46.4
Apr/May	17.7	17.2	18.4	Apr/May	29.4	29.2	29.5	Apr/May	46.6	46.4	46.6
May/June	17.7	17.2	18.4	May/June	29.7	29.7	29.3	May/June	46.6	46.6	46.4
Jun/Jul	17.6	17.2	18.3	Jun/Jul	29.4	29.5	29.3	Jun/Jul	46.2	46.2	46.3

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BASE YEAR = 1995/96											
Fiscal Year/ Quarter/Month	Overall Index	Food and Beverages	Non-Food and Services	Fiscal Year/ Quarter/Month	Overall Index	Food and Beverages	Non-Food and Services	Fiscal Year/ Quarter/Month	Overall Index	Food and Beverages	Non-Food and Services
1988/89 (2045/46)	49.7	48.5	51.8	1993/94 (2050/51)	85.9	85.5	86.8	1998/99 (2055/56)	130.4	135.5	124.6
I Qtr	48.9	48.1	50.6	Jun/Jul	86.5	87.4	85.2	I Qtr	130.1	136.0	123.2
Jul/Aug	48.2	47.3	50.2	Jul/Aug	85.3	85.7	85.1	Jul/Aug	128.5	133.3	123.0
Aug/Sep	49.1	48.7	50.0	Aug/Sep	87.1	88.5	85.1	Aug/Sep	129.8	135.5	123.1
Sep/Oct	49.4	48.5	51.5	Sep/Oct	87.0	88.1	85.4	Sep/Oct	132.0	139.2	123.5
II Qtr	49.4	48.0	51.9	II Qtr	84.3	83.4	85.6	II Qtr	130.8	136.8	124.0
Oct/Nov	49.4	48.4	51.3	Oct/Nov	84.8	84.5	85.6	Oct/Nov	133.9	142.6	123.8
Nov/Dec	49.5	48.2	51.9	Nov/Dec	84.0	83.1	85.3	Nov/Dec	130.8	136.7	124.0
Dec/Jan	49.2	47.3	52.3	Dec/Jan	84.2	82.7	86.0	Dec/Jan	127.8	131.0	124.2
III Qtr	49.6	48.0	52.2	III Qtr	85.0	83.3	87.7	III Qtr	128.2	130.7	125.3
Jan/Feb	49.3	47.8	51.7	Jan/Feb	83.6	81.8	86.4	Jan/Feb	126.9	128.7	124.8
Feb/Mar	49.4	47.5	52.6	Feb/Mar	85.0	82.8	88.5	Feb/Mar	128.4	131.0	125.4
Mar/Apr	50.0	48.7	52.2	Mar/Apr	86.3	85.3	88.3	Mar/Apr	129.3	132.4	125.7
IV Qtr	50.8	50.0	52.5	IV Qtr	87.8	88.0	88.4	IV Qtr	132.6	138.4	125.9
Apr/May	50.5	49.4	52.6	Apr/May	87.8	87.5	88.7	Apr/May	131.2	136.0	125.7
May/June	51.0	50.2	52.5	May/June	87.7	87.9	88.1	May/June	132.3	138.1	125.7
June/July	51.0	50.3	52.3	June/July	88.0	88.5	88.3	June/July	134.2	141.2	126.2
1989/90 (2046/47)	54.5	53.8	55.9	1994/95 (2051/52)	92.5	91.8	93.7	1999/00 (2056/57)	134.9	136.1	133.4
I Qtr	53.9	54.1	53.6	I Qtr	92.0	92.0	92.2	I Qtr	137.0	143.8	129.0
Jul/Aug	53.3	53.5	53.1	Jul/Aug	90.8	90.2	92.1	Jul/Aug	136.2	142.6	128.7
Aug/Sep	53.7	54.0	53.5	Aug/Sep	92.2	92.4	92.0	Aug/Sep	137.1	144.1	129.0
Sep/Oct	54.5	54.9	54.1	Sep/Oct	93.0	93.5	92.4	Sep/Oct	137.6	144.8	129.3
II Qtr	54.2	53.0	56.1	II Qtr	91.7	90.5	93.3	II Qtr	135.2	136.8	133.4
Oct/Nov	54.6	54.2	55.6	Oct/Nov	92.4	92.1	93.0	Oct/Nov	137.5	142.1	132.2
Nov/Dec	54.1	52.8	56.2	Nov/Dec	91.6	90.5	93.3	Nov/Dec	135.0	136.1	133.7
Dec/Jan	53.9	52.1	56.6	Dec/Jan	91.1	89.1	93.7	Dec/Jan	133.2	132.2	134.3
III Qtr	54.3	52.8	56.9	III Qtr	91.8	89.9	94.6	III Qtr	133.1	131.1	135.4
Jan/Feb	53.6	52.0	56.2	Jan/Feb	91.2	89.4	93.8	Jan/Feb	132.7	130.3	135.4
Feb/Mar	54.1	52.3	57.2	Feb/Mar	91.4	88.9	95.1	Feb/Mar	133.0	131.0	135.3
Mar/Apr	55.0	53.9	57.1	Mar/Apr	92.7	91.6	94.9	Mar/Apr	133.7	132.1	135.6
IV Qtr	55.6	55.1	57.2	IV Qtr	94.5	94.7	94.9	IV Qtr	134.1	132.6	135.9
Apr/May	55.9	55.2	57.5	Apr/May	93.6	92.8	95.2	Apr/May	133.7	131.8	135.9
May/June	55.5	54.9	57.1	May/June	94.2	94.4	94.6	May/June	133.5	131.5	135.9
June/July	55.5	55.0	57.1	June/July	95.6	96.8	94.8	June/July	135.0	134.4	135.8
1990/91 (2047/48)	59.8	59.2	61.1	1995/96 (2052/53)	100.0	100.0	100.0	2000/01 (2057/58)	138.1	133.0	144.2
I Qtr	57.9	57.4	59.3	I Qtr	98.9	99.2	98.6	I Qtr	139.2	137.3	141.5
Jul/Aug	57.4	56.6	59.0	Jul/Aug	98.9	99.2	98.5	Jul/Aug	137.5	136.0	139.3
Aug/Sep	57.9	57.7	58.7	Aug/Sep	98.7	98.9	98.5	Aug/Sep	138.5	137.8	139.4
Sep/Oct	58.4	57.8	60.1	Sep/Oct	99.1	99.4	98.7	Sep/Oct	141.6	138.2	145.7
II Qtr	58.3	56.9	60.7	II Qtr	98.2	97.1	99.4	II Qtr	139.1	133.6	145.6
Oct/Nov	58.4	57.4	60.6	Oct/Nov	98.8	98.6	99.0	Oct/Nov	141.3	136.8	146.6
Nov/Dec	58.1	56.8	60.5	Nov/Dec	97.9	96.8	99.2	Nov/Dec	139.3	134.4	145.0
Dec/Jan	58.3	56.6	61.0	Dec/Jan	97.8	96.0	99.9	Dec/Jan	136.7	129.5	145.3
III Qtr	60.5	59.8	61.4	III Qtr	99.8	99.2	100.5	III Qtr	135.6	127.9	144.6
Jan/Feb	60.1	59.3	60.8	Jan/Feb	99.0	97.9	100.2	Jan/Feb	135.1	127.0	144.6
Feb/Mar	60.3	59.3	61.9	Feb/Mar	99.4	98.5	100.4	Feb/Mar	134.9	126.6	144.6
Mar/Apr	61.1	60.8	61.5	Mar/Apr	101.1	101.3	100.8	Mar/Apr	136.8	130.1	144.6
IV Qtr	62.6	62.8	62.8	IV Qtr	103.1	104.4	101.6	IV Qtr	138.6	133.2	145.0
Apr/May	61.7	61.3	62.6	Apr/May	102.1	102.8	101.2	Apr/May	137.7	131.6	144.8
May/June	62.3	62.6	62.3	May/June	102.9	104.1	101.6	May/June	138.6	133.2	145.0
June/July	63.9	64.5	63.4	June/July	104.4	106.4	102.0	June/July	139.6	134.9	145.2
1991/92 (2048/49)	72.4	73.7	70.2	1996/97 (2053/54)	108.1	108.2	108.0	2001/02 (2058/59)	142.1	137.9	147.2
I Qtr	69.8	71.4	66.9	I Qtr	108.4	110.7	105.7	I Qtr	143.2	141.4	145.4
Jul/Aug	67.5	68.0	66.6	Jul/Aug	107.7	109.8	105.2	Jul/Aug	141.5	138.3	145.3
Aug/Sep	70.3	72.1	67.0	Aug/Sep	108.4	110.6	105.7	Aug/Sep	143.7	142.5	145.3
Sep/Oct	71.6	74.2	67.1	Sep/Oct	109.2	111.6	106.3	Sep/Oct	144.4	143.5	145.6
II Qtr	71.1	71.8	69.2	II Qtr	107.9	108.6	107.0	II Qtr	142.9	139.5	146.9
Oct/Nov	70.7	72.2	67.8	Oct/Nov	109.1	111.4	106.5	Oct/Nov	144.8	143.2	146.8
Nov/Dec	70.7	71.1	69.6	Nov/Dec	107.8	108.5	106.9	Nov/Dec	143.1	139.9	146.9
Dec/Jan	71.9	72.2	70.4	Dec/Jan	106.7	105.8	107.7	Dec/Jan	140.7	135.5	147.0
III Qtr	72.9	73.4	71.7	III Qtr	107.1	105.4	109.1	III Qtr	139.6	132.5	148.0
Jan/Feb	72.5	73.1	70.7	Jan/Feb	106.8	104.9	109.0	Jan/Feb	139.4	132.3	147.8
Feb/Mar	72.5	72.4	72.2	Feb/Mar	106.9	105.1	109.1	Feb/Mar	139.4	131.9	148.1
Mar/Apr	73.8	74.6	72.2	Mar/Apr	107.6	106.3	109.2	Mar/Apr	140.1	133.2	148.1
IV Qtr	75.9	77.9	72.9	IV Qtr	109.0	108.0	110.2	IV Qtr	142.8	138.0	148.6
Apr/May	75.5	77.2	72.9	Apr/May	108.2	107.0	109.6	Apr/May	141.2	135.0	148.5
May/June	76.0	78.2	72.6	May/June	108.9	107.7	110.3	May/June	142.8	137.9	148.5
June/July	76.2	78.3	73.3	June/July	109.9	109.4	110.6	June/July	144.5	141.0	148.7
1992/93 (2049/50)	78.8	78.4	79.7	1997/98 (2054/55)	117.1	116.6	117.8	2002/03 (2059/60)	148.9	144.0	154.6
I Qtr	79.5	80.8	77.3	I Qtr	115.7	115.4	116.1	I Qtr	148.2	145.7	151.2
Jul/Aug	79.0	80.0	77.1	Jul/Aug	115.1	114.5	115.9	Jul/Aug	147.5	144.5	151.1
Aug/Sep	79.9	81.4	77.2	Aug/Sep	115.0	114.2	116.0	Aug/Sep	148.4	146.1	151.2
Sep/Oct	79.7	81.0	77.5	Sep/Oct	116.9	117.4	116.5	Sep/Oct	148.7	146.6	151.2
II Qtr	77.4	76.5	78.4	II Qtr	115.2	113.4	117.2	II Qtr	146.8	142.1	152.3
Oct/Nov	78.2	78.4	77.9	Oct/Nov	115.8	114.9	116.9	Oct/Nov	148.0	144.8	151.8
Nov/Dec	77.0	76.2	78.2	Nov/Dec	114.4	112.0	117.1	Nov/Dec	147.0	142.3	152.4
Dec/Jan	76.8	75.0	79.1	Dec/Jan	115.3	113.4	117.5	Dec/Jan	145.3	139.1	152.6
III Qtr	78.3	76.6	81.0	III Qtr	116.6	115.4	118.2	III Qtr	148.0	141.3	155.8
Jan/Feb	77.3	75.7	79.3	Jan/Feb	116.2	114.8	117.8	Jan/Feb	145.8	139.2	153.4
Feb/Mar	78.4	76.2	81.8	Feb/Mar	116.4	115.0	118.2	Feb/Mar	146.7	140.9	153.5
Mar/Apr	79.3	77.9	81.9	Mar/Apr	117.3	116.4	118.5	Mar/Apr	151.5	143.7	160.5
IV Qtr	80.2	79.6	81.9	IV Qtr	120.9	122.1	119.5	IV Qtr	152.5	147.0	159.0
Apr/May	79.9	78.8	82.1	Apr/May	118.9	118.6	119.2	Apr/May	152.1	146.2	158.9
May/June	80.0	79.5	81.5	May/June	120.8	121.8	119.6	May/June	152.2	146.4	159.1
June/July	80.7	80.5	82.1	June/July	123.1	126.0	119.8	June/July	153.3	148.4	158.9

National Urban Consumer Price Index (contd...)

BASE YEAR = 1995/96

Fiscal Year/ Quarter/Month	Overall Index	Food & Beverages	Non-Food & Services	Fiscal Year/ Quarter/Month	Overall Index	Food & Beverages	Non-Food & Services	Fiscal Year/ Quarter/Month	Overall Index	Food & Beverages	Non-Food & Services
2003/04 (2060/61)	154.8	148.8	161.8	2005/06 (2062/63)	174.7	166.8	183.9	2007/08 (2064/65)			
I Qtr	156.2	152.0	161.0	Jun/Jul	172.6	167.3	178.8	I Qtr	197.1	196.2	198.1
Jul/Aug	155.4	150.6	160.9	Jul/Aug	170.7	165.0	177.2	Jul/Aug	194.7	191.9	197.9
Aug/Sep	156.1	151.8	161.1	Aug/Sep	173.3	168.0	179.5	Aug/Sep	197.8	197.4	198.1
Sep/Oct	157.1	153.7	161.1	Sep/Oct	173.8	168.8	179.7	Sep/Oct	198.7	199.2	198.2
II Qtr	154.4	148.4	161.5	II Qtr	172.7	166.0	180.6				
Oct/Nov	156.6	152.5	161.3	Oct/Nov	174.5	169.3	180.5				
Nov/Dec	154.2	147.9	161.5	Nov/Dec	173.0	166.6	180.5				
Dec/Jan	152.5	144.8	161.6	Dec/Jan	170.6	162.0	180.7				
III Qtr	153.3	145.7	162.2	III Qtr	173.7	162.6	186.6				
Jan/Feb	152.7	144.7	162.1	Jan/Feb	170.8	161.3	181.8				
Feb/Mar	153.1	145.3	162.2	Feb/Mar	174.3	161.7	188.9				
Mar/Apr	154.1	147.2	162.3	Mar/Apr	176.0	164.9	189.0				
IV Qtr	155.2	149.0	162.5	IV Qtr	179.7	171.2	189.6				
Apr/May	154.1	147.1	162.4	Apr/May	179.0	169.8	189.7				
May/June	155.0	148.7	162.5	May/June	179.6	170.9	189.5				
Jun/Jul	156.4	151.2	162.5	Jun/Jul	180.6	172.9	189.6				
2004/05 (2061/62)	161.8	154.7	170.1	2006/07 (2063/64)	185.9	178.8	194.1				
I Qtr	160.2	156.2	164.8	I Qtr	184.9	178.3	192.6				
Jul/Aug	159.1	154.8	164.1	Jul/Aug	183.1	175.0	192.5				
Aug/Sep	160.2	156.8	164.2	Aug/Sep	184.8	178.0	192.7				
Sep/Oct	161.2	157.0	166.0	Sep/Oct	186.9	181.9	192.7				
II Qtr	159.8	152.7	168.1	II Qtr	185.4	178.3	193.5				
Oct/Nov	160.8	155.9	166.7	Oct/Nov	186.9	181.2	193.4				
Nov/Dec	159.0	152.4	166.7	Nov/Dec	185.6	178.7	193.6				
Dec/Jan	159.5	149.7	170.8	Dec/Jan	183.6	175.0	193.6				
III Qtr	162.1	152.4	173.6	III Qtr	185.2	176.6	195.0				
Jan/Feb	161.4	150.6	174.1	Jan/Feb	184.5	175.5	195.0				
Feb/Mar	161.9	152.2	173.2	Feb/Mar	185.1	176.5	195.0				
Mar/Apr	163.1	154.3	173.4	Mar/Apr	185.9	177.9	195.0				
IV Qtr	165.1	157.5	174.0	IV Qtr	188.2	181.9	195.4				
Apr/May	164.0	155.7	173.8	Apr/May	187.3	180.2	195.4				
May/June	164.6	156.6	173.9	May/June	187.6	180.8	195.4				
Jun/Jul	166.8	160.3	174.4	Jun/Jul	189.8	184.8	195.4				

Table - 1b.3

URBAN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX : KATHMANDU VALLEY

(1995/96 = 100)

YEARLY INDEX

Years	Food and Beverage		Non-Food and Services		Overall Index	
	Index	% Change	Index	% Change	Index	% Change
1972/73 (2029/30)	9.5	-	11.1	-	10.1	-
1973/74 (2030/31)	11.1	16.8	12.1	9.0	11.6	14.9
1974/75 (2031/32)	12.9	16.2	14.6	20.7	13.5	16.4
1975/76 (2032/33)	13.4	3.9	15.8	8.2	14.2	5.2
1976/77 (2033/34)	12.9	-3.7	16.6	5.1	14.3	0.7
1977/78 (2034/35)	14.8	14.7	17.3	4.2	15.7	9.8
1978/79 (2035/36)	15.1	2.0	18.1	4.6	16.3	3.8
1979/80 (2036/37)	17.3	14.6	19.1	5.5	18.2	11.7
1980/81 (2037/38)	19.9	15.0	22.6	18.3	20.9	14.8
1981/82 (2038/39)	22.0	10.6	25.0	10.6	23.1	10.5
1982/83 (2039/40)	25.2	14.5	27.1	8.4	26.0	12.6
1983/84 (2040/41)	26.4	4.8	28.9	6.6	27.4	5.4
1984/85 (2041/42)	26.6	0.8	31.5	9.0	28.4	3.6
1985/86 (2042/43)	32.0	20.3	35.2	11.7	33.3	17.3
1986/87 (2043/44)	37.3	16.6	38.9	10.5	37.9	13.8
1987/88 (2044/45)	41.2	10.5	41.8	7.5	41.5	9.5
1988/89 (2045/46)	44.0	6.8	46.6	11.5	45.0	8.4
1989/90 (2046/47)	52.6	19.5	51.2	9.9	52.1	15.8
1990/91 (2047/48)	57.8	9.9	56.4	10.2	57.3	10.0
1991/92 (2048/49)	70.8	22.5	66.7	18.3	69.2	20.8
1992/93 (2049/50)	77.6	9.6	77.3	15.9	77.5	12.0
1993/94 (2050/51)	88.3	13.8	86.0	11.3	87.4	12.8
1994/95 (2051/52)	94.2	6.7	94.7	10.1	94.4	8.0
1995/96 (2052/53)	100.0	6.2	100.0	5.6	100.0	5.9
1996/97 (2053/54)	107.1	7.1	108.4	8.4	107.7	7.7
1997/98 (2054/55)	115.2	7.6	116.1	7.1	115.7	7.4
1998/99 (2055/56)	128.7	11.7	121.3	4.5	125.1	8.1
1999/00 (2056/57)	130.9	1.7	128.4	5.9	129.7	3.7
2000/01(2057/58)	130.5	-0.3	137.2	6.9	133.8	3.2
2001/02 (2058/59)	133.8	2.5	139.4	1.6	136.5	2.0
2002/03 (2059/60)	137.5	2.8	146.3	4.9	141.7	3.8
2003/04 (2060/61)	145.6	5.9	155.0	6.0	150.1	5.9
2004/05 (2061/62)	151.8	4.3	163.8	5.7	157.6	5.0
2005/06 (2062/63)	159.5	5.1	176.7	7.9	167.8	6.5
2006/07 (2063/64)	169.4	6.2	187.2	5.9	178.0	6.1

Table - 1b.4

URBAN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX : TERAJ

(1995/96 = 100)

YEARLY INDEX

Years	Food and Beverage		Non-Food and Services		Overall Index	
	Index	% Change	Index	% Change	Index	% Change
1972/73 (2029/30)	11.8	-	12.1	-	11.9	-
1973/74 (2030/31)	15.1	28.0	13.2	9.1	14.5	21.8
1974/75 (2031/32)	17.5	15.9	15.8	19.7	17.0	17.2
1975/76 (2032/33)	15.7	-10.3	16.7	5.7	16.0	-5.9
1976/77 (2033/34)	16.1	2.5	18.1	8.4	16.7	4.4
1977/78 (2034/35)	18.4	14.3	18.7	3.3	18.6	11.4
1978/79 (2035/36)	18.7	1.6	20.4	9.1	19.3	3.8
1979/80 (2036/37)	20.4	9.1	21.7	6.4	20.8	7.8
1980/81 (2037/38)	23.0	12.7	24.5	12.9	23.5	13.0
1981/82 (2038/39)	25.7	11.7	26.7	9.0	26.1	11.1
1982/83 (2039/40)	29.9	16.3	30.0	12.4	30.0	14.9
1983/84 (2040/41)	31.5	5.4	32.7	9.0	31.9	6.3
1984/85 (2041/42)	31.6	0.3	35.8	9.5	32.9	3.1
1985/86 (2042/43)	37.4	18.4	39.4	10.1	38.1	15.8
1986/87 (2043/44)	42.7	14.2	42.8	8.6	42.8	12.3
1987/88 (2044/45)	48.2	12.9	47.3	10.5	48.1	12.4
1988/89 (2045/46)	50.5	4.8	54.0	14.2	51.7	7.5
1989/90 (2046/47)	54.5	7.9	58.6	8.5	55.9	8.1
1990/91 (2047/48)	60.3	10.6	63.3	8.0	61.3	9.7
1991/92 (2048/49)	76.1	26.2	71.4	12.8	74.5	21.5
1992/93 (2049/50)	82.9	8.9	80.5	12.7	80.9	8.6
1993/94 (2050/51)	84.2	1.6	86.7	7.7	85.1	5.2
1994/95 (2051/52)	90.5	7.5	92.9	7.2	91.3	7.3
1995/96 (2052/53)	100.0	10.5	100.0	7.6	100.0	9.5
1996/97 (2053/54)	108.3	8.3	108.0	8.0	108.2	8.2
1997/98 (2054/55)	116.8	7.8	119.3	10.5	117.9	9.0
1998/99 (2055/56)	138.7	18.8	127.3	6.7	133.6	13.3
1999/00 (2056/57)	138.1	-0.4	137.1	7.7	137.7	3.1
2000/01 (2057/58)	132.0	-4.4	147.9	7.9	139.2	1.1
2001/02 (2058/59)	138.0	4.5	151.5	2.4	144.0	3.4
2002/03 (2059/60)	146.4	6.1	159.3	5.1	152.2	5.7
2003/04 (2060/61)	149.2	1.9	166.4	4.5	156.9	3.1
2004/05 (2061/62)	155.0	3.9	174.5	4.9	163.8	4.4
2005/06 (2062/63)	169.5	9.4	188.1	7.8	177.9	8.6
2006/07 (2063/64)	182.8	7.8	198.6	5.6	189.9	6.7

Table - 1b.5

URBAN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX : HILLS

(1995/96 = 100)

YEARLY INDEX

Years	Food and Beverage		Non-Food and Services		Overall Index	
	Index	% Change	Index	% Change	Index	% Change
1972/73 (2029/30)	12.1	-	12.7	-	12.3	-
1973/74 (2030/31)	14.1	16.5	13.9	9.4	14.1	14.6
1974/75 (2031/32)	16.1	14.2	15.9	14.4	16.1	14.2
1975/76 (2032/33)	16.0	-0.6	17.6	10.7	16.6	3.1
1976/77 (2033/34)	16.4	2.5	18.8	6.8	17.2	3.6
1977/78 (2034/35)	18.5	12.8	20.1	6.9	19.0	10.5
1978/79 (2035/36)	18.8	1.6	21.5	7.0	19.7	3.7
1979/80 (2036/37)	20.8	10.6	23.1	7.4	21.6	9.6
1980/81 (2037/38)	23.4	12.5	26.3	13.9	24.4	13.0
1981/82 (2038/39)	25.9	10.7	28.8	9.5	26.9	10.2
1982/83 (2039/40)	30.5	17.8	31.1	8.0	30.9	14.9
1983/84 (2040/41)	31.8	4.3	34.9	12.2	32.9	6.5
1984/85 (2041/42)	33.8	6.3	40.4	15.8	35.9	9.1
1985/86 (2042/43)	38.2	13.0	44.1	9.2	40.1	11.7
1986/87 (2043/44)	44.4	16.2	47.8	8.4	45.6	13.7
1987/88 (2044/45)	50.4	13.5	51.5	7.7	51.0	11.8
1988/89 (2045/46)	54.8	8.7	58.8	14.2	56.3	10.4
1989/90 (2046/47)	54.8	0.0	59.6	1.4	56.5	0.4
1990/91 (2047/48)	59.6	8.8	66.5	11.6	61.9	9.6
1991/92 (2048/49)	73.2	22.8	76.1	14.4	74.2	19.9
1992/93 (2049/50)	77.5	5.9	83.8	10.1	79.6	7.3
1993/94 (2050/51)	82.4	6.3	89.1	6.3	84.7	6.4
1994/95 (2051/52)	89.7	8.9	94.4	5.9	91.3	7.8
1995/96 (2052/53)	100.0	11.5	100.0	5.9	100.0	9.5
1996/97 (2053/54)	109.6	9.6	107.4	7.4	108.6	8.6
1997/98 (2054/55)	118.3	7.9	116.1	8.1	117.3	8.0
1998/99 (2055/56)	137.8	16.5	122.9	5.9	130.8	11.5
1999/00 (2056/57)	139.0	0.9	131.8	7.2	135.6	3.7
2000/01(2057/58)	139.8	0.6	145.7	10.5	142.6	5.2
2001/02 (2058/59)	144.1	3.1	148.6	2.0	146.2	2.5
2002/03 (2059/60)	148.5	3.1	155.5	4.6	151.8	3.8
2003/04 (2060/61)	153.0	3.0	160.8	3.4	156.6	3.2
2004/05 (2061/62)	158.8	3.8	168.8	5.0	163.5	4.4
2005/06 (2062/63)	171.5	8.0	184.2	9.1	177.5	8.6
2006/07 (2063/64)	183.4	6.9	193.7	5.2	188.2	6.0

Table 1c

National Urban Consumer Price Index
Regional Group Indices & Inflation Series

Year	National			Kathmandu Valley			Kathmandu Valley			Terai			Terai Change %			Hills			Hills Change %		
	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food
2053/54 (1996/97)	108.1	108.2	108.0	8.1	8.2	8	107.7	107.1	108.4	108.2	108.3	108.0	8.2	8.3	8	108.6	109.6	107.4	8.6	9.6	7.4
Jul/Aug	107.7	109.8	105.2	7.9	9.3	6.3	107.4	108.8	106.0	107.6	109.9	104.8	8.0	9.9	5.8	108.2	111.0	105.2	9.4	11.9	6.8
Aug/Sep	108.4	110.6	105.7	8.6	10.2	6.7	108.5	110.0	107.0	108.4	111.1	105.1	8.5	10.7	5.8	108.0	110.4	105.3	9.4	11.6	6.9
Sep/Oct	109.2	111.6	106.3	9.0	10.5	9.0	109.4	110.8	108.0	109.2	112.2	105.6	8.8	10.8	6.3	108.7	111.3	105.7	9.7	12.0	7.1
Oct/Nov	109.1	111.4	106.5	9.0	10.5	7.3	109.2	111.0	107.3	109.4	112.1	106.2	8.5	10.0	6.8	108.3	110.2	106.2	9.6	11.8	7.3
Nov/Dec	107.8	108.5	106.9	9.1	10.4	7.5	107.7	108.0	107.5	107.6	108.5	106.5	8.5	9.5	7.1	108.2	109.5	106.8	10.5	13.1	7.7
Dec/Jan	106.7	105.8	107.7	9.7	10.8	8.4	106.2	104.4	108.1	106.7	105.9	107.8	10.1	11.5	8.7	107.5	107.7	107.2	9.9	12.2	7.3
Jan/Feb	106.8	104.9	109.0	9.3	9.3	9.3	106.4	103.6	109.4	106.5	104.4	109.1	9.6	9.7	9.5	108.2	108.3	108.1	9.3	10.6	7.9
Feb/Mar	106.9	105.1	109.1	8.6	8.2	9.2	106.4	103.9	109.0	107.2	105.4	109.4	9.4	9.1	9.6	107.3	106.4	108.2	7.9	8.0	7.8
Mar/Apr	107.6	106.3	109.2	7.6	6.8	8.5	106.8	104.6	109.0	106.6	106.6	109.6	8.3	7.7	8.9	108.3	108.2	108.3	7.1	6.8	7.4
Apr/May	108.2	107.0	109.6	6.8	5.4	8.4	107.4	105.6	109.3	108.3	106.8	110.2	6.9	5.1	9.0	109.3	110.0	108.6	7.1	7.0	7.3
May/June	108.9	107.7	110.3	6.1	4.0	8.7	108.1	106.3	110.0	109.1	107.6	110.9	6.1	3.7	9.2	109.8	110.2	109.3	6.7	5.9	7.6
June/July	109.9	109.4	110.6	5.7	3.4	8.5	109.5	108.6	110.3	109.8	108.7	111.1	5.6	2.5	9.4	111.0	112.4	109.4	6.3	5.6	7.3
2054/55 (1997/98)	117.1	116.6	117.8	8.3	7.8	9.1	115.7	115.2	116.1	117.9	116.8	119.3	9.0	7.8	10.5	117.3	118.3	116.1	8.0	7.9	8.1
Jul/Aug	115.1	114.5	115.9	6.9	4.3	10.2	113.7	113.1	114.3	116.1	115.0	117.5	7.9	4.6	12.1	114.8	115.4	114.3	6.1	4.0	8.7
Aug/Sep	115.0	114.2	116.0	6.1	3.3	9.7	113.6	112.7	114.5	117.2	114.9	117.4	7.0	3.4	11.7	114.8	115.1	114.6	6.3	4.3	8.8
Sep/Oct	116.9	117.4	116.5	7.1	5.2	9.6	116.8	118.4	115.0	117.5	117.2	117.9	7.6	4.5	11.6	115.7	116.2	115.1	6.4	4.4	8.9
Oct/Nov	115.8	114.9	116.9	6.1	3.1	9.8	114.6	113.6	115.5	119.9	115.9	118.2	6.8	3.2	11.3	115.0	114.6	115.6	6.2	4.0	8.9
Nov/Dec	114.4	112.0	117.1	6.1	3.2	9.5	113.6	111.6	115.8	119.9	111.9	118.5	6.8	3.1	11.3	114.3	113.1	115.7	5.6	3.3	8.3
Dec/Jan	115.3	113.4	117.5	8.1	7.2	9.1	113.5	111.0	116.2	116.0	113.7	118.8	8.7	7.4	10.2	116.2	116.5	116.0	8.1	8.2	8.2
Jan/Feb	116.2	114.8	117.8	8.8	9.4	8.3	115.2	113.7	116.9	116.6	114.6	119.0	9.5	9.8	9.1	116.8	117.3	116.2	7.9	8.3	7.5
Feb/Mar	116.4	115.0	118.2	8.9	9.4	8.3	115.2	113.7	116.9	116.6	114.9	119.6	9.1	9.0	9.3	117.0	117.4	116.6	9.0	10.3	7.8
Mar/Apr	118.3	116.4	118.5	9.0	9.5	8.5	116.5	116.1	117.0	117.6	115.6	120.1	8.9	8.4	9.6	118.0	119.0	116.8	9.0	10.0	7.8
Apr/May	118.9	118.6	119.2	9.9	10.8	8.8	116.7	116.4	117.2	120.0	119.0	121.2	10.8	11.4	10.0	119.5	121.4	117.3	9.3	10.4	8.0
May/June	120.8	121.8	119.6	10.9	13.1	8.4	118.5	119.7	117.2	122.0	121.8	121.8	11.7	13.4	9.8	121.4	124.8	117.5	10.6	13.2	7.5
June/July	123.1	126.0	119.8	12.0	15.2	8.3	120.2	122.9	117.3	124.6	126.8	122.0	13.5	16.7	9.8	123.7	128.8	117.8	11.4	14.6	7.7
2055/56 (1998/99)	130.4	135.5	124.6	11.4	16.2	5.8	125.1	128.7	121.3	133.6	138.7	127.3	13.3	18.8	6.7	130.8	122.9	115.5	11.5	16.5	5.9
Jul/Aug	128.5	133.3	123.0	11.6	16.4	6.1	124.8	129.1	120.2	130.8	135.3	125.4	12.7	17.7	6.7	128.4	134.6	121.3	11.8	16.6	6.1
Aug/Sep	129.8	135.5	123.1	12.9	18.7	6.1	125.5	130.4	120.3	132.4	138.1	125.5	14.1	20.2	6.9	129.7	137.0	121.4	13.0	19.0	5.9
Sep/Oct	132.0	139.2	123.5	12.9	18.6	6.0	126.6	132.1	120.8	135.4	143.2	125.9	15.2	22.2	6.8	131.5	140.2	121.6	13.7	20.7	5.6
Oct/Nov	133.9	142.6	123.8	15.6	24.1	5.9	127.5	133.6	121.0	138.0	147.9	126.0	18.2	27.8	6.6	133.4	143.3	122.2	16.0	20.0	5.7
Nov/Dec	130.8	136.7	124.0	14.3	22.1	5.9	125.6	129.7	121.1	134.5	141.2	126.3	17.1	26.2	6.6	129.6	135.9	122.5	13.4	25.2	5.9
Dec/Jan	127.8	131.0	124.2	10.8	15.5	5.7	123.7	125.9	121.3	130.1	133.0	126.5	12.2	17.0	6.5	128.6	133.8	122.7	10.7	14.8	5.8
Jan/Feb	126.9	128.7	124.8	9.2	12.1	5.9	122.6	123.3	121.9	129.5	131.6	127.0	11.1	14.8	6.7	127.0	129.9	123.8	8.7	10.7	6.5
Feb/Mar	128.4	131.0	125.4	10.3	13.9	6.1	122.8	124.3	121.2	131.5	133.9	128.5	12.4	16.5	7.4	129.4	134.1	124.0	10.6	14.2	6.3
Mar/Apr	129.3	132.4	125.7	10.2	13.7	6.1	123.8	125.6	121.9	132.2	135.1	128.6	12.4	16.9	7.1	130.5	136.2	124.0	10.6	14.5	6.2
Apr/May	131.2	136.0	125.7	10.3	14.7	5.5	125.2	128.3	121.9	134.3	139.0	128.7	11.9	16.8	6.2	132.8	140.5	124.0	11.1	15.7	5.7
May/June	132.3	138.1	125.7	9.5	13.4	5.1	126.1	129.9	122.0	135.7	141.1	129.0	11.3	15.7	5.9	133.7	143.2	123.0	10.1	14.7	4.7
June/July	134.2	141.2	126.2	10.0	12.1	5.3	127.0	131.7	122.0	138.3	145.5	129.6	11.0	14.7	6.2	135.2	145.2	123.8	9.3	12.7	5.1
2056/57 (1999/2000)	134.9	136.1	133.4	3.5	0.4	7.1	129.7	130.9	128.4	137.7	138.1	137.1	3.1	-0.4	7.7	135.6	139.0	131.8	3.7	0.9	7.2
Jul/Aug	136.2	142.6	128.7	6.0	7.0	4.6	129.7	134.7	124.4	139.3	145.7	131.6	6.5	7.7	4.9	138.3	147.2	128.2	7.7	9.4	5.7
Aug/Sep	137.1	144.1	129.0	5.6	6.3	4.8	130.7	136.5	124.6	140.4	147.4	131.9	6.0	6.7	5.1	138.5	146.3	128.4	4.9	4.4	5.6
Sep/Oct	137.6	144.8	129.3	4.2	4.0	4.7	132.1	138.9	124.9	143.3	148.8	132.3	4.0	3.2	5.1	137.9	146.3	128.4	4.9	4.4	5.6
Oct/Nov	137.5	142.1	132.2	2.7	-0.4	6.8	132.5	137.4	127.3	140.7	144.7	135.8	2.0	-2.2	7.8	137.2	142.8	130.9	2.8	-0.3	7.1
Nov/Dec	135.0	136.1	133.7	3.2	-0.4	7.8	129.5	130.2	128.7	131.0	138.0	133.5	2.6	-1.9	8.8	135.3	139.4	131.9	4.8	2.6	7.7
Dec/Jan	133.2	134.3	132.2	4.2	0.9	8.1	127.9	126.8	129.1	134.0	135.6	138.1	4.2	0.4	9.2	135.8	137.8	132.5	5.2	3.0	8.0
Jan/Feb	132.7	130.3	135.4	4.6	1.2	8.5	127.9	125.7	130.1	135.3	131.8	139.5	4.5	0.2	9.8	133.5	133.9	133.1	5.1	3.1	7.5
Feb/Mar	133.0	131.0	135.3	3.6	0.0	7.9	128.8	127.5	130.3	135.6	132.6	139.2	3.1	-1.0	8.3	132.8	132.6	133.1	2.6	-1.1	7.3
Mar/Apr	133.7	132.1	135.6	3.4	-0.2	7.9	128.8	127.5	130.2	136.7	134.4	139.6	3.4	-0.5	8.6	133.4	133.3	133.6	2.2	-2.1	7.7
Apr/May	133.7	131.8	135.9																		

Year	National			National Change %			Kathmandu Valley			Kathmandu Valley Change %			Terai			Terai Change %			Hills			Hills Change %		
	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food
2017/18 (2000/01)	1381	1330	1442	2.4	-2.3	8.1	133.8	130.5	1372	3.2	-0.3	6.9	139.2	132.0	147.9	1.1	-4.4	7.9	142.6	139.8	145.7	5.2	0.6	10.5
Jul/Aug	1375	1360	1393		-4.6	8.2	132.4	132.2	132.7	2.1	-1.9	6.7	139.7	136.8	143.2	0.3	-6.1	8.8	139.9	140.1	139.7	1.2	-4.8	9.0
Aug/Sep	1385	1378	1394	1.0	-4.4	8.1	133.8	134.8	132.6	2.4	-1.2	6.4	140.2	137.5	143.4	-0.1	-6.7	8.7	141.7	143.1	140.0	2.3	-3.0	9.2
Sep/Oct	1413	1382	1457	2.9	-4.6	12.7	136.6	134.8	138.6	3.7	-3.0	11.0	142.3	138.0	149.7	1.8	-6.6	13.2	145.3	144.2	146.5	5.4	-1.4	14.1
Oct/Nov	1413	1368	1466	2.8	-3.7	10.9	137.4	135.2	139.7	3.7	-1.6	9.7	142.3	135.7	150.2	1.1	-6.2	10.6	145.2	142.4	148.3	5.8	-0.3	13.3
Nov/Dec	1393	1344	1450	3.2	-1.2	8.5	135.9	133.9	138.0	4.9	2.8	7.2	140.0	132.9	148.6	1.4	-4.0	8.2	142.9	139.4	146.9	5.2	0.0	11.4
Dec/Jan	1367	1295	1453	2.6	-2.0	8.8	134.2	130.6	138.1	4.9	3.0	7.0	136.6	126.2	149.2	0.7	-5.5	8.0	141.4	136.5	146.9	4.5	-0.9	10.9
Jan/Feb	1351	1270	1446	1.8	-2.5	6.2	132.1	126.7	137.9	3.3	0.8	6.0	134.8	125.0	148.1	-0.4	-6.0	6.2	140.8	135.7	146.6	5.5	1.3	10.1
Feb/Mar	1349	1266	1446	1.4	-3.4	6.9	130.7	124.0	137.7	1.5	-2.7	5.7	135.4	125.0	148.1	1.0	-3.3	6.1	142.0	137.8	146.7	5.9	2.0	10.2
Mar/Apr	1368	1301	1446	2.3	-1.5	6.6	131.6	125.8	137.7	2.2	-1.3	5.8	138.1	129.9	148.1	1.0	-3.3	6.1	142.0	137.8	146.7	6.4	3.4	9.8
Apr/May	1377	1316	1448	3.0	-0.2	6.5	132.9	128.1	137.9	2.6	-0.3	5.7	138.5	130.5	148.3	1.7	-1.9	5.9	143.2	140.2	146.7	7.0	4.7	9.7
May/Jun	1386	1332	1450	3.8	1.3	6.7	133.6	129.4	137.9	3.6	1.6	5.7	139.9	132.7	148.7	2.9	0.2	6.2	143.6	140.8	146.8	6.6	3.9	9.7
Jun/Jul	1396	1349	1452	3.4	0.4	6.9	134.3	130.7	138.1	3.1	0.5	5.8	141.2	135.0	148.8	2.6	-0.5	6.4	144.2	141.6	147.0	6.0	2.5	9.9
2018/19 (2001/02)	1421	1379	1472	2.9	3.7	2.1	136.5	133.8	139	2.0	2.5	1.6	144.0	138.0	151.5	3.4	4.5	2.4	146.2	144.1	148.6	2.5	3.1	2.0
Jul/Aug	1415	1383	1453	2.9	1.7	4.3	135.4	134.4	136.4	2.3	1.7	2.5	143.3	137.9	149.9	2.6	0.8	4.7	146.4	145.5	147.5	4.6	3.9	5.6
Aug/Sep	1437	1425	1453	3.8	3.4	4.2	137.9	139.3	136.4	3.1	3.3	2.9	145.7	142.2	150.3	3.9	3.4	4.6	148.0	148.5	147.5	4.4	3.8	5.4
Sep/Oct	1444	1435	1456	2.0	3.8	-0.1	139.2	141.5	136.6	1.9	5.0	-1.4	146.1	142.7	150.3	2.0	3.4	0.4	148.4	148.9	147.7	2.1	3.3	0.8
Oct/Nov	1448	1432	1468	2.5	4.7	0.1	138.6	138.2	139.0	0.9	2.2	-0.5	147.4	144.4	151.0	3.6	6.4	0.5	148.2	148.1	148.2	2.1	4.0	-0.1
Nov/Dec	1431	1399	1469	2.7	4.1	1.3	137.2	135.4	139.0	1.0	1.1	0.7	145.4	140.6	151.2	3.9	5.8	1.7	146.6	145.1	148.3	2.6	4.1	1.0
Dec/Jan	1407	1355	1470	2.9	4.6	1.2	136.4	133.9	139.0	1.6	2.5	0.7	142.0	134.4	151.4	4.0	6.5	1.5	144.4	141.0	148.2	2.1	3.3	0.9
Jan/Feb	1394	1323	1478	3.2	4.2	2.2	134.6	128.7	140.8	1.9	1.6	2.1	140.9	132.1	151.7	4.5	6.6	2.4	143.4	138.5	148.8	1.8	2.1	1.5
Feb/Mar	1394	1319	1481	3.3	4.2	2.4	134.0	127.3	141.1	2.5	2.7	2.5	141.2	132.4	151.9	4.3	5.9	2.6	143.3	138.3	149.0	1.9	2.2	1.6
Mar/Apr	1401	1332	1481	2.4	2.4	2.4	134.2	127.8	141.1	2.0	1.6	2.5	142.0	133.8	152.0	2.8	3.0	2.6	144.5	140.6	149.5	1.8	2.0	1.9
Apr/May	1412	1350	1485	2.5	2.6	2.6	135.8	130.8	141.2	2.2	2.1	2.4	142.8	134.8	152.7	3.1	3.3	3.0	145.7	142.3	149.5	1.7	1.5	1.6
May/Jun	1428	1379	1485	3.0	3.5	2.4	136.8	132.7	141.2	2.4	2.6	2.4	144.8	138.3	152.7	3.5	4.2	2.7	147.2	145.2	149.5	2.5	3.1	1.8
Jun/Jul	1445	1410	1487	3.5	4.5	2.4	138.3	135.6	141.3	3.0	3.7	2.3	146.9	142.0	152.9	4.0	5.2	2.8	148.3	147.1	149.6	2.8	3.9	1.8
2019/20 (2002/03)	1489	1440	1546	4.8	4.4	5.0	141.7	137.5	146.3	3.8	2.8	4.9	152.2	146.4	159.3	5.7	6.1	5.1	151.8	148.5	155.5	3.8	3.1	4.6
Jul/Aug	1475	1445	1511	4.2	4.5	4.0	141.5	139.8	143.2	4.5	4.0	5.0	150.0	145.5	155.6	4.7	5.5	3.8	150.6	149.4	152.0	2.9	2.7	3.1
Aug/Sep	1484	1461	1512	3.3	2.5	4.1	142.0	140.8	143.3	3.0	1.1	5.1	151.3	147.8	155.7	3.8	3.9	3.8	151.1	150.3	152.0	2.1	1.2	3.1
Sep/Oct	1487	1466	1512	3.0	2.2	3.8	141.9	140.7	143.3	1.9	-0.6	4.9	152.0	149.0	155.7	4.0	4.4	3.6	151.0	149.9	152.2	1.8	0.7	3.0
Oct/Nov	1480	1448	1518	2.2	1.1	3.4	140.9	138.3	143.6	1.7	0.1	3.3	151.7	147.6	156.6	2.9	2.2	3.7	150.0	147.6	152.6	1.2	-0.3	3.0
Nov/Dec	1470	1423	1524	2.7	1.7	3.7	140.0	135.9	144.3	2.0	0.4	3.8	150.3	144.8	157.1	3.4	3.0	3.9	149.3	146.1	153.0	1.8	0.7	3.2
Dec/Jan	1453	1391	1526	3.3	2.7	3.8	138.4	132.9	144.3	1.5	-0.7	3.8	148.4	141.1	157.4	4.5	5.0	4.0	148.4	144.2	153.2	2.8	2.3	3.4
Jan/Feb	1458	1392	1534	4.6	5.2	3.8	138.9	132.9	145.3	3.2	3.3	3.2	148.8	141.2	158.1	5.6	6.9	4.2	149.0	144.3	154.3	3.9	4.2	3.7
Feb/Mar	1467	1409	1535	5.2	6.8	3.6	139.1	133.2	145.4	3.8	4.6	3.0	150.3	143.9	158.1	6.4	8.7	4.1	149.7	145.7	154.2	4.5	5.4	3.5
Mar/Apr	1515	1437	1605	8.1	7.9	8.4	143.0	134.8	151.7	6.6	5.5	7.5	155.5	147.3	165.5	9.5	10.1	8.9	154.7	148.6	161.7	7.1	5.7	8.5
Apr/May	1521	1462	1589	7.7	8.3	7.0	144.5	139.2	150.2	6.0	6.4	6.4	155.3	148.4	163.8	8.8	10.1	7.3	155.8	151.8	160.2	6.9	6.7	7.2
May/Jun	1522	1464	1591	6.6	6.2	9.0	145.0	140.0	150.2	6.0	5.5	6.5	155.4	148.3	164.0	7.3	7.2	7.4	155.7	151.7	160.3	5.8	4.5	7.2
Jun/Jul	1533	1484	1589	6.1	5.2	6.9	145.5	141.2	150.2	5.2	4.1	6.3	156.9	151.3	163.7	6.8	6.5	7.1	156.3	152.7	160.3	5.4	3.8	7.2
2020/21 (2003/04)	1548	1488	1618	4.0	3.3	4.7	150.1	145.6	155.0	5.9	5.9	6.0	156.9	149.2	166.4	3.1	1.9	4.5	156.6	153.0	160.8	3.2	3.0	3.4
Jul/Aug	1554	1506	1609	5.4	4.2	6.5	150.7	144.0	153.6	5.1	3.0	7.3	158.7	153.1	165.5	5.8	5.2	6.4	157.6	154.9	160.6	4.6	3.7	5.7
Aug/Sep	1571	1518	1611	5.2	3.9	6.5	149.9	146.0	153.8	5.6	3.8	7.3	159.1	153.7	166.6	5.2	4.0	6.4	158.2	156.0	160.7	4.7	3.8	5.7
Sep/Oct	1561	1537	1611	5.6	4.8	6.5	151.9	150.1	153.8	7.0	6.7	7.3	159.7	155.0	165.6	5.1	4.0	6.4	158.3	156.0	160.8	4.8	4.1	5.7
Oct/Nov	1566	1525	1613	5.8	5.3	6.3	151.3	154.2	154.2	7.4	7.4	7.4	159.3	154.0	165.9	5.0	4.3	5.9	157.7	155.1	160.8	5.1	5.1	5.4
Nov/Dec	1542	1479	1615	4.9	3.9	6.0	149.0	143.8	154.4	6.4	5.8	7.0	156.6	148.9	166.1	4.2	2.8	5.7	156.1	151.9	160.9	4.6	4.0	5.2
Dec/Jan	1525	1448	1616	5.0	4.1	5.9	147.9	141.7	154.6	6.9	6.6	7.1	154.5	144.9	166.1	4.1	2.7	5.5	155.0	149.7	160.9	4.4	3.8	5.0
Jan/Feb	1527	1447	1621	4.7	4.0	5.7	148.4	141.7	155.5	6.8	6.6	7.0	154.6	144.7	166.7	3.9	2.5	5.4	154.7	149.4	160.5	3.8	3.5	4.0
Feb/Mar	1531	1453	1622	4.4	3.1	5.7	148.9</																	

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Year	National			National Change %			Kathmandu Valley			Kathmandu Valley Change %			Terai			Terai Change %			Hills			Hills Change %				
	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food	Overall	Food	Non Food		
2062/63 (2005/06)	174.7	166.8	184	8.0	7.8	8.1	6.5	5.1	7.9	177.9	169.5	188.1	8.6	9.4	7.8	177.5	171.5	184.2	8.6	8.0	9.1					
Jul/Aug	170.7	165.0	177.2	Jun/Jul	6.6	8.0	6.1	4.0	8.2	173.6	168.0	180.5	7.4	7.6	7.3	173.6	170.2	177.5	8.7	8.1	9.5					
Aug/Sep	173.3	168.0	179.5	8.2	7.1	9.3	6.8	4.2	9.4	176.7	171.6	182.9	8.8	8.8	8.8	174.7	170.4	179.6	9.1	7.5	10.8					
Sep/Oct	173.8	168.8	179.7	7.8	7.5	8.3	6.4	4.6	8.2	177.4	172.5	183.3	8.6	9.2	7.8	175.1	171.1	179.6	8.5	7.5	9.5					
Oct/Nov	174.5	169.3	180.5	8.5	8.6	8.3	6.4	4.7	8.1	177.4	172.5	183.3	8.6	9.2	7.8	175.1	171.1	179.6	8.5	7.5	9.5					
Nov/Dec	173.0	166.6	180.5	8.8	9.3	8.3	6.6	5.8	8.1	173.0	166.6	180.5	7.7	9.4	5.6	174.8	169.2	181.1	9.5	9.2	9.8					
Dec/Jan	170.6	162.0	180.7	7.0	8.2	5.8	6.2	7.0	5.4	172.7	162.9	184.7	7.1	8.7	5.4	173.4	166.6	181.0	8.0	8.6	7.3					
Jan/Feb	170.8	161.3	181.8	5.8	7.1	4.4	4.2	4.1	4.4	173.1	162.6	186.0	6.5	9.0	4.1	174.0	166.8	182.1	6.3	7.3	5.3					
Feb/Mar	174.3	161.7	188.9	7.7	6.2	9.1	5.5	2.2	8.7	177.7	164.7	193.6	9.0	9.0	8.9	177.5	167.0	189.2	7.6	5.3	9.8					
Mar/Apr	176.0	164.9	189.0	7.9	6.9	9.0	6.2	3.7	8.6	178.6	166.1	193.8	8.6	8.1	8.9	181.2	174.0	189.2	9.1	8.5	9.6					
Apr/May	179.0	169.8	189.7	9.1	9.1	9.1	8.0	7.4	8.6	181.7	171.0	194.7	9.5	10.0	9.1	183.3	177.2	190.2	9.7	9.5	9.9					
May/June	179.6	170.9	189.5	9.1	9.1	9.0	7.9	7.0	8.6	183.6	174.6	194.5	9.9	10.7	9.0	182.7	176.1	190.1	9.0	8.3	9.7					
Jun/Jul	180.6	172.9	189.6	8.3	7.9	8.7	7.3	6.2	8.3	184.7	176.7	194.6	8.8	9.0	8.7	183.5	177.6	190.1	8.1	7.1	9.2					
2063/64 (2006/07)	185.9	178.8	194	6.4	7.2	5.5	6.1	6.2	5.9	189.9	182.8	198.6	6.7	7.8	5.6	188.2	183.4	193.7	6.0	6.9	5.2					
Jul/Aug	183.1	175.0	192.5	7.3	6.1	8.6	6.6	5.6	7.7	187.1	178.9	197.2	7.8	6.5	9.3	185.6	179.5	192.5	6.9	5.5	8.5					
Aug/Sep	184.8	178.0	192.7	6.6	6.0	7.4	6.0	5.7	6.4	188.6	181.6	197.3	6.7	5.8	7.9	187.2	182.2	192.9	7.2	6.9	7.4					
Sep/Oct	186.9	181.9	192.7	7.5	7.8	7.2	6.7	7.0	6.4	191.3	186.3	197.4	7.8	8.0	7.7	188.7	185.0	193.0	7.8	8.1	7.5					
Oct/Nov	186.9	181.2	193.4	7.1	7.0	7.1	6.6	6.2	7.1	191.4	186.1	197.8	7.9	7.9	7.9	188.6	184.2	193.5	7.7	7.7	7.7					
Nov/Dec	185.6	178.7	193.6	7.3	7.3	7.3	6.8	6.4	7.1	189.4	182.3	198.0	9.5	9.4	9.7	188.1	183.3	193.5	7.6	8.3	6.8					
Dec/Jan	183.6	175.0	193.6	7.6	8.0	7.1	6.5	5.9	7.2	187.3	178.4	198.0	8.5	9.5	7.2	185.9	179.2	193.6	7.2	7.6	7.0					
Jan/Feb	184.5	175.5	195.0	8.0	8.8	7.3	7.4	6.7	8.1	188.5	179.7	199.1	8.9	10.5	7.0	186.0	178.9	194.0	6.9	7.3	6.5					
Feb/Mar	185.1	176.5	195.0	6.2	9.2	3.2	6.4	8.7	4.3	189.2	181.0	199.3	6.5	9.9	2.9	186.7	180.4	193.9	5.2	8.0	2.5					
Mar/Apr	185.9	177.9	195.0	5.6	7.9	3.2	5.4	6.5	4.3	190.1	182.7	199.2	6.4	10.0	2.8	187.5	181.9	193.9	3.5	4.5	2.5					
Apr/May	187.3	180.2	195.4	4.6	6.1	3.0	4.4	4.4	4.3	190.8	183.5	199.8	5.0	7.3	2.6	190.6	187.2	194.5	4.0	5.6	2.3					
May/June	187.6	180.8	195.4	4.5	5.8	3.1	4.9	5.7	4.3	191.3	184.3	199.8	4.2	5.6	2.7	190.6	187.2	194.5	4.3	6.3	2.3					
Jun/Jul	189.8	184.8	195.4	5.1	6.9	3.1	5.1	6.1	4.3	194.0	189.1	199.8	5.0	7.0	2.7	192.9	191.4	194.6	5.1	7.8	2.4					
2064/65 (2007/08)																										
Jul/Aug	194.7	191.9	197.9	6.3	9.7	2.8	5.8	8.6	3.0	199.8	197.6	202.5	6.8	10.5	2.7	197.0	196.2	197.9	6.1	9.3	2.8					
Aug/Sep	197.8	197.4	198.1	7.0	10.9	2.8	6.3	9.7	3.0	202.7	202.7	202.7	7.5	11.6	2.7	199.9	201.6	198.0	6.8	10.6	2.6					
Sep/Oct	198.7	199.2	198.2	6.3	9.5	2.9	6.1	9.3	2.9	203.8	204.6	202.9	6.5	9.8	2.8	200.3	202.2	198.0	6.1	9.3	2.6					

Table-2

National Wholesale Price Index

(1999/00=100)

MID-OCTOBER 2007 (ASWIN 2064)

Groups and Sub-groups	Weight %	2005/06			2006/07			2007/08P			Percentage Change			
		Sep/Oct	Aug/Sep	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Sep/Oct	Col 5	Col 8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1. Overall Index	100.00	135.0	147.1	149.0	160.0	163.5	164.3	10.4	1.3	10.3	0.5			
1.1 Agricultural Commodities	49.59	134.0	149.6	153.5	168.2	174.4	175.2	14.6	2.6	14.1	0.5			
Food grain	16.58	117.1	130.5	133.2	139.2	141.2	143.1	13.7	2.1	7.4	1.3			
Cash Crops	6.09	171.1	207.6	232.4	243.2	249.6	251.8	35.8	11.9	8.3	0.9			
Pulses	3.77	126.9	158.3	160.9	181.1	186.1	181.8	26.8	1.6	13.0	-2.3			
Fruits and Vegetables	11.18	138.1	144.0	140.7	182.9	197.5	199.4	1.9	-2.3	41.7	1.0			
Spices	1.95	102.0	124.6	131.4	129.6	136.2	132.8	28.8	5.5	1.1	-2.5			
Livestock Production	10.02	143.7	153.9	154.7	156.8	161.1	160.6	7.7	0.5	3.8	-0.3			
1.2 Domestic Manufactured Commodities	20.37	124.6	133.0	132.9	142.8	143.4	143.5	6.7	-0.1	8.0	0.1			
Food-Related Products	6.12	116.7	122.7	122.8	133.5	129.2	130.1	5.2	0.1	5.9	0.7			
Beverages and Tobacco	5.68	127.9	134.5	134.4	140.8	142.7	141.7	5.1	-0.1	5.4	-0.7			
Construction Materials	4.50	144.3	163.4	163.2	181.1	187.4	188.5	13.1	-0.1	15.5	0.6			
Others	4.07	110.2	112.7	112.7	117.2	116.9	116.5	2.3	0.0	3.4	-0.3			
1.3 Imported Commodities	30.04	143.7	152.4	152.4	158.0	159.3	160.2	6.1	0.0	5.1	0.6			
Petroleum Products and Coal	5.40	234.5	263.2	263.3	268.6	268.4	268.2	12.3	0.0	1.9	-0.1			
Chemical Fertilizers and Chemical Goods	2.46	161.1	166.8	167.5	185.1	185.8	195.0	4.0	0.4	16.4	5.0			
Transport Vehicles and Machinery Goods	6.97	124.0	126.4	126.4	130.8	132.2	132.9	1.9	0.0	5.1	0.5			
Electric and Electronic Goods	1.87	96.8	95.3	95.0	95.7	95.7	94.9	-1.9	-0.3	-0.1	-0.8			
Drugs and Medicine	2.73	112.0	112.3	112.0	115.8	114.0	116.3	0.0	-0.3	3.8	2.0			
Textile-Related Products	3.10	111.2	111.6	111.3	108.6	108.7	108.1	0.1	-0.3	-2.9	-0.6			
Others	7.51	127.7	137.6	137.9	146.3	150.3	150.5	8.0	0.2	9.1	0.1			

P = Provisional, * Revised

Table-2

National Wholesale Price Index

(1999/00=100)

Mid-September 2007 (Bhadra 2064)

Groups and Sub-groups	Weight %	2005/06			2006/07			2007/08P			Percentage Change								
		Aug/Sep	Jul/Aug	Jun/Jul	Jul/Aug	Jun/Jul	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Col 5	Col 8	Col 5	Col 8	Col 5	Col 8					
		3	4	5	6	7	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7								
1																			
1. Overall Index	100.00	134.8	142.4	147.1	151.8	160.0	163.5	9.1	3.3	11.1	2.2								
1.1 Agricultural Commodities	49.59	133.8	140.2	149.6	153.4	168.2	174.4	11.8	6.7	16.6	3.7								
Food grains	16.58	117.8	126.2	130.5	130.9	139.2	141.2	10.8	3.4	8.2	1.4								
Cash Crops	6.09	171.9	186.4	207.6	221.4	243.2	249.6	20.8	11.4	20.2	2.6								
Pulses	3.77	128.6	156.0	158.3	173.6	181.1	186.1	23.1	1.5	17.6	2.8								
Fruits and Vegetables	11.18	136.5	124.4	144.0	146.2	182.9	197.5	5.5	15.8	37.2	8.0								
Spices	1.95	99.2	115.9	124.6	124.4	129.6	136.2	25.6	7.5	9.3	5.1								
Livestock Production	10.02	143.1	151.6	153.9	155.5	156.8	161.1	7.5	1.5	4.7	2.7								
1.2 Domestic Manufactured Commodities	20.37	124.0	132.6	133.0	140.5	142.8	143.4	7.3	0.3	7.8	0.4								
Food-Related Products	6.12	115.0	121.6	122.7	131.0	133.5	129.2	6.7	0.9	5.3	-3.2								
Beverages and Tobacco	5.68	127.9	134.5	134.5	136.0	140.8	142.7	5.2	0.0	6.1	1.3								
Construction Materials	4.50	144.5	163.3	163.4	180.6	181.1	187.4	13.1	0.1	14.7	3.5								
Others	4.07	109.6	112.5	112.7	116.5	117.2	116.9	2.8	0.2	3.7	-0.3								
1.3 Imported Commodities	30.04	143.7	152.8	152.4	157.0	158.0	159.3	6.1	-0.3	4.5	0.8								
Petroleum Products and Coal	5.40	234.5	263.2	263.2	268.7	268.6	268.4	12.2	0.0	2.0	-0.1								
Chemical Fertilizers and Chemical Goods	2.46	160.7	170.6	166.8	176.7	185.1	185.8	3.8	-2.2	11.4	0.4								
Transport Vehicles and Machinery Goods	6.97	123.9	126.4	126.4	130.5	130.8	132.2	2.0	0.0	4.6	1.1								
Electric and Electronic Goods	1.87	96.8	95.3	95.3	95.7	95.7	95.7	-1.5	0.0	0.4	0.0								
Drugs and Medicine	2.73	112.2	111.3	112.3	117.2	115.8	114.0	0.1	0.9	1.5	-1.6								
Textile-Related Products	3.10	111.2	111.8	111.6	107.8	108.6	108.7	0.4	-0.2	-2.6	0.1								
Others	7.51	127.8	138.5	137.6	144.7	146.3	150.3	7.7	-0.6	9.2	2.7								

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Table-2

National Wholesale Price Index

(1999/00=100)

MID-AUGUST 2007 (SRAWAN 2064)

Groups and Sub-groups	Weight %	2005/06			2006/07			2007/08P			Percentage Change					
		Jul/Aug	June/July	Jun/Jul	May/June	June/July	Jul/Aug	Jul/Aug	Col 5	Col 8	Col 5	Col 8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7
		3	4	5	6	7	8	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7
1	2															
1. Overall Index	100.00	133.5	139.9	142.4	146.0	151.8	160.0	160.0	6.7	1.8	12.4	5.4				
1.1 Agricultural Commodities	49.59	134.2	137.4	140.2	142.1	153.4	168.2	168.2	4.5	2.0	20.0	9.6				
Food grains	16.58	115.8	123.7	126.2	128.2	130.9	139.2	139.2	9.0	2.0	10.3	6.3				
Cash Crops	6.09	166.6	172.3	186.4	196.2	221.4	243.2	243.2	11.9	8.2	30.5	9.8				
Pulses	3.77	129.4	156.1	156.0	170.7	173.6	181.1	181.1	20.6	-0.1	16.1	4.3				
Fruits and Vegetables	11.18	142.3	123.8	124.4	114.4	146.2	182.9	182.9	-12.6	0.5	47.0	25.1				
Spices	1.95	102.2	111.4	115.9	123.0	124.4	129.6	129.6	13.4	4.0	11.8	4.2				
Livestock Production	10.02	144.2	152.3	151.6	156.1	155.5	156.8	156.8	5.1	-0.5	3.4	0.8				
1.2 Domestic Manufactured Commodities	20.37	123.7	129.3	132.6	140.0	140.5	142.8	142.8	7.2	2.6	7.7	1.6				
Food-Related Products	6.12	115.2	119.0	121.6	129.4	131.0	133.5	133.5	5.6	2.2	9.8	1.9				
Beverages and Tobacco	5.68	126.4	128.8	134.5	136.0	136.0	140.8	140.8	6.4	4.4	4.7	3.5				
Construction Materials	4.50	144.7	160.1	163.3	180.1	180.6	181.1	181.1	12.9	2.0	10.9	0.3				
Others	4.07	109.4	111.3	112.5	117.4	116.5	117.2	117.2	2.8	1.1	4.2	0.6				
1.3 Imported Commodities	30.04	138.9	151.1	152.8	156.5	157.0	158.0	158.0	10.0	1.1	3.4	0.6				
Petroleum Products and Coal	5.40	211.9	263.2	263.2	268.7	268.7	268.6	268.6	24.2	0.0	2.1	0.0				
Chemical Fertilizers and Chemical Goods	2.46	160.8	169.5	170.6	176.7	176.7	185.1	185.1	6.1	0.6	8.5	4.8				
Transport Vehicles and Machinery Goods	6.97	123.9	126.1	126.4	129.5	130.5	130.8	130.8	2.0	0.2	3.5	0.2				
Electric and Electronic Goods	1.87	96.8	95.3	95.3	96.1	95.7	95.7	95.7	-1.5	0.0	0.4	0.0				
Drugs and Medicine	2.73	111.5	111.3	111.3	117.2	117.2	115.8	115.8	-0.2	0.0	4.0	-1.2				
Textile-Related Products	3.10	111.2	111.5	111.8	107.7	107.8	108.6	108.6	0.5	0.3	-2.9	0.7				
Others	7.51	125.2	132.6	138.5	143.9	144.7	146.3	146.3	10.6	4.4	5.6	1.1				

P = Provisional, * Revised

Table-2.1
Wholesale Price Index of Agricultural commodities
(1999/00=100)

Mid- October 2007 (Aswin 2064)

Code No.	Groups and Sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06		2006/07			2007/08P			Percentage Change			
			Sep/Oct	Aug/Sep	Sep/Oct	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Sep/Oct	Column 5	Column 5	Column 8	Column 8		
			3	4	5	6	7	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7		
	Overall Index	100.00	100.00	134.0	149.6	153.5	168.2	174.4	175.2	14.6	2.6	14.1	0.5	
1	Rice	22.10	22.10	119.2	121.2	122.1	134.2	136.4	137.8	2.4	0.7	12.9	1.0	
2	Maize	1.80	1.80	95.4	107.2	110.3	126.2	117.6	118.3	15.6	2.9	7.3	0.6	
3	Wheat	9.54	9.54	116.6	156.7	163.5	153.2	156.6	160.1	40.2	4.3	-2.1	2.2	
4	Sugarcane*	2.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
5	Oilseeds	2.56	3.23	130.8	138.4	138.9	180.6	181.4	181.2	6.2	0.4	30.5	-0.1	
6	Jute	0.30	0.37	147.7	133.7	147.6	119.4	120.3	118.1	-0.1	10.4	-20.0	-1.8	
7	Potato	6.89	8.67	187.1	236.6	270.8	271.8	280.5	283.8	44.7	14.5	4.8	1.2	
8	Pulses	7.60	7.60	126.9	158.3	160.9	181.1	186.1	181.8	26.8	1.6	13.0	-2.3	
9	Fruits	11.38	11.38	103.2	137.1	125.1	144.1	145.6	118.0	21.2	-8.8	-5.7	-19.0	
10	Vegetables	11.17	11.17	173.6	151.0	156.5	222.4	250.3	282.4	-9.9	3.6	80.4	12.8	
11	Spices (Other Crops)	3.93	3.93	102.0	124.6	131.4	129.6	136.2	132.8	28.8	5.5	1.1	-2.5	
12	Milk	1.96	1.96	122.2	134.8	134.8	147.0	147.0	139.8	10.3	0.0	3.7	-4.9	
13	Meat (Buffalo)	8.05	8.05	175.5	188.4	188.4	188.4	193.7	193.7	7.4	0.0	2.8	0.0	
14	Mutton	5.20	5.20	128.1	137.3	136.1	139.5	139.5	139.5	6.2	-0.9	2.5	0.0	
15	Pork	1.09	1.09	140.8	140.8	147.9	155.0	155.0	155.0	5.0	5.0	4.8	0.0	
16	Chicken	1.05	1.05	103.8	116.6	131.4	119.9	137.9	137.2	26.6	12.7	4.4	-0.5	
17	Eggs	1.51	1.51	109.6	116.0	116.0	119.2	136.6	137.2	5.8	0.0	18.3	0.4	
18	Fish	1.34	1.35	116.3	121.2	121.2	121.2	121.2	124.2	4.2	0.0	2.5	2.5	

Table-2.1

Wholesale Price Index of Agricultural commodities
(1999/00=100)

Mid- September 2007 (Bhadra 2064)

Code No.	Groups and Sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06		2006/07			2007/08P			Percentage Change			
			Aug/Sep	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Jun/Jul	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Column 5	Column 5	Column 8	Column 8		
			3	4	5	6	7	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7		
	Overall Index	100.00	100.00	133.8	140.2	149.6	153.4	168.2	174.4	11.8	6.7	16.6	3.7	
1	Rice	22.10	22.10	119.6	120.7	121.2	128.1	134.2	136.4	1.3	0.4	12.5	1.6	
2	Maize	1.80	1.80	99.8	110.2	107.2	117.5	126.2	117.6	7.4	-2.7	9.7	-6.8	
3	Wheat	9.54	9.54	117.1	142.1	156.7	139.9	153.2	156.6	33.8	10.3	-0.1	2.2	
4	Sugarcane*	2.52	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
5	Oilseeds	2.56	3.23	131.3	133.2	138.4	169.5	180.6	181.4	5.4	3.9	31.1	0.4	
6	Jute	0.30	0.37	162.2	133.7	133.7	118.1	119.4	120.3	-17.6	0.0	-10.0	0.8	
7	Potato	6.89	8.67	187.4	208.4	236.6	245.1	271.8	280.5	26.3	13.5	18.6	3.2	
8	Pulses	7.60	7.60	128.6	156.0	158.3	173.6	181.1	186.1	23.1	1.5	17.6	2.8	
9	Fruits	11.38	11.38	126.1	135.6	137.1	119.6	144.1	145.6	8.7	1.1	6.2	1.0	
10	Vegetables	11.17	11.17	147.0	113.0	151.0	173.3	222.4	250.3	2.7	33.6	65.8	12.5	
11	Spices (Other Crops)	3.93	3.93	99.2	115.9	124.6	124.4	129.6	136.2	25.6	7.5	9.3	5.1	
12	Milk	1.96	1.96	122.2	134.8	134.8	142.8	147.0	147.0	10.3	0.0	9.1	0.0	
13	Meat (Buffalo)	8.05	8.05	175.5	188.4	188.4	188.4	188.4	193.7	7.4	0.0	2.8	2.8	
14	Mutton	5.20	5.20	128.1	133.0	137.3	139.5	139.5	139.5	7.2	3.2	1.6	0.0	
15	Pork	1.09	1.09	117.8	140.8	140.8	155.0	155.0	155.0	19.5	0.0	10.1	0.0	
16	Chicken	1.05	1.05	118.8	104.4	116.6	114.0	119.9	137.9	-1.9	11.7	18.3	15.0	
17	Eggs	1.51	1.51	111.1	106.8	116.0	111.7	119.2	136.6	4.4	8.6	17.8	14.6	
18	Fish	1.34	1.35	112.9	124.2	121.2	121.2	121.2	121.2	7.4	-2.4	0.0	0.0	

Table-2.1

Wholesale Price Index of Agricultural commodities
(1999/00=100)

Mid- August 2007 (Srawan 2064)

Code No.	Groups and Sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06		2006/07			2007/08P			Percentage Change			
			Jul/Aug	June/July	Jul/Aug	May/June	June/July	Jul/Aug	Column 5	Column 5	Column 8	Column 8		
			3	4	5	6	7	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7		
	Overall Index	100.00	100.00	134.2	137.4	140.2	142.1	153.4	168.2	4.5	2.0	20.0	9.6	
1	Rice	22.10	22.10	117.4	121.0	120.7	125.0	128.1	134.2	2.8	-0.2	11.2	4.8	
2	Maize	1.80	1.80	97.3	104.5	110.2	118.5	117.5	126.2	13.3	5.5	14.5	7.4	
3	Wheat	9.54	9.54	115.4	133.7	142.1	137.4	139.9	153.2	23.1	6.3	7.8	9.5	
4	Sugarcane*	2.52	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
5	Oilseeds	2.56	3.23	134.1	132.2	133.2	160.6	169.5	180.6	-0.7	0.8	35.6	6.5	
6	Jute	0.30	0.37	162.2	173.7	133.7	118.1	118.1	119.4	-17.6	-23.0	-10.7	1.1	
7	Potato	6.89	8.67	178.9	187.1	208.4	212.7	245.1	271.8	16.5	11.4	30.4	10.9	
8	Pulses	7.60	7.60	129.4	156.1	156.0	170.7	173.6	181.1	20.6	-0.1	16.1	4.3	
9	Fruits	11.38	11.38	146.5	135.7	135.6	117.1	119.6	144.1	-7.4	-0.1	6.3	20.5	
10	Vegetables	11.17	11.17	138.0	111.6	113.0	111.7	173.3	222.4	-18.1	1.3	96.8	28.3	
11	Spices (Other Crops)	3.93	3.93	102.2	111.4	115.9	123.0	124.4	129.6	13.4	4.0	11.8	4.2	
12	Milk	1.96	1.96	122.2	133.4	134.8	134.0	142.8	147.0	10.3	1.0	9.1	2.9	
13	Meat (Buffalo)	8.05	8.05	175.5	188.4	188.4	188.4	188.4	188.4	7.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	
14	Mutton	5.20	5.20	132.2	133.0	133.0	140.6	139.5	139.5	0.6	0.0	4.9	0.0	
15	Pork	1.09	1.09	117.8	140.8	140.8	155.0	155.0	155.0	19.5	0.0	10.1	0.0	
16	Chicken	1.05	1.05	119.4	127.3	104.4	125.0	114.0	119.9	-12.6	-18.0	14.8	5.2	
17	Eggs	1.51	1.51	111.4	105.1	106.8	119.2	111.7	119.2	-4.1	1.6	11.6	6.7	
18	Fish	1.34	1.35	112.9	120.8	124.2	121.2	121.2	121.2	10.0	2.8	-2.4	0.0	

P = Provisional , * Revised

Table-2.2

Wholesale Price Index of Domestic Manufactured commodities

(1999/00=100)

Mid- October 2007 (Aswin 2064)

Code No.	Groups and Sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06	2006/07			2007/08P			Percentage Change			
			Sep/Oct	Aug/Sep	Sep/Oct	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Sep/Oct	Column 5	Column 5	Column 8	Column 8	
			3	4	5	6	7	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7	
	Overall Index	100.00	124.6	133.0	132.9	142.8	143.4	143.5	6.7	-0.1	8.0	0.1	
19	Sugar	5.34	152.7	148.0	148.4	126.2	119.9	119.9	-2.8	0.3	-19.2	0.0	
20	Veg. Ghee	7.67	97.9	108.0	109.1	141.5	131.1	136.9	11.4	1.0	25.5	4.4	
21	Mustard Oil	0.35	130.4	128.7	130.1	162.0	164.5	164.9	-0.2	1.1	26.7	0.2	
22	Soybean Oil	3.35	118.5	127.3	123.7	144.2	139.1	140.5	4.4	-2.8	13.6	1.0	
23	Biscuit	0.91	107.8	103.0	103.0	106.1	106.1	106.1	-4.5	0.0	3.0	0.0	
24	Processed Milk	4.12	119.7	129.9	129.9	144.9	144.9	139.7	8.5	0.0	7.5	-3.6	
25	Wheat Flour	1.26	118.7	149.6	152.4	153.5	151.3	153.8	28.4	1.9	0.9	1.7	
26	Noodles	3.18	103.1	107.3	111.3	111.3	111.3	111.3	8.0	3.7	0.0	0.0	
27	Tea	0.83	82.0	83.3	83.3	86.2	86.2	87.6	1.6	0.0	5.2	1.6	
28	Animal Feed	1.03	102.2	114.1	114.1	128.5	129.4	128.4	11.6	0.0	12.5	-0.8	
29	Beaten Rice	3.01	118.5	121.5	117.1	131.8	132.7	131.1	-1.2	-3.6	12.0	-1.2	
30	Soft Drinks	4.54	124.7	126.8	126.7	132.5	138.4	138.4	1.6	-0.1	9.2	0.0	
31	Liquor	7.15	135.8	139.4	139.4	141.4	145.4	145.4	2.7	0.0	4.3	0.0	
32	Beer	5.25	135.1	143.3	143.3	146.0	146.0	146.0	6.1	0.0	1.9	0.0	
33	Cigarette	11.02	120.7	130.2	130.2	141.2	141.2	138.6	7.9	0.0	6.5	-1.8	
34	Jute Goods	3.15	113.2	115.8	115.8	114.0	116.4	114.2	2.3	0.0	-1.4	-1.9	
35	Leather (Processed)	0.63	104.1	109.4	109.4	131.3	129.1	131.3	5.1	0.0	20.0	1.7	
36	Leather Shoes	1.76	105.1	110.2	110.2	109.6	109.6	109.6	4.9	0.0	-0.5	0.0	
37	Paper	4.37	116.5	118.6	118.6	118.9	118.9	118.9	1.8	0.0	0.3	0.0	
38	Matches	0.47	102.3	100.2	99.4	104.6	104.6	104.6	-2.8	-0.8	5.2	0.0	
39	Soap	6.34	107.5	106.6	106.6	114.4	113.1	113.1	-0.8	0.0	6.1	0.0	
40	Slippers	0.50	109.3	109.3	109.3	111.2	111.2	111.2	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	
41	Plastic goods	0.37	152.0	158.8	158.8	165.4	147.7	147.7	4.5	0.0	-7.0	0.0	
42	Polethene Pipe	0.49	136.8	184.4	184.4	177.4	177.4	177.4	34.8	0.0	-3.8	0.0	
43	Bricks	1.07	136.0	144.8	144.8	161.3	161.7	161.7	6.5	0.0	11.7	0.0	
44	Cement	9.17	132.8	151.0	150.6	168.1	181.2	183.0	13.4	-0.3	21.5	1.0	
45	Iron Rods	2.46	195.8	214.0	212.8	238.5	239.9	242.5	8.7	-0.6	14.0	1.1	
46	GI/HB Wires	2.29	154.1	182.9	182.9	197.4	197.4	197.4	18.7	0.0	7.9	0.0	
47	Corrugated Sheets	5.71	136.3	149.2	149.2	170.6	170.6	170.6	9.5	0.0	14.3	0.0	
48	Electric Wires	0.87	160.8	204.4	204.4	208.0	225.8	225.8	27.1	0.0	10.5	0.0	
49	Drycell Battery	1.34	102.8	111.8	111.8	121.1	121.1	121.1	8.8	0.0	8.3	0.0	

Table-2.2

Wholesale Price Index of Domestic Manufactured commodities

(1999/00=100)

Mid- September 2007 (Bhadra 2064)

Code No.	Groups and Sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06	2006/07			2007/08P			Percentage Change			
			Aug/Sep	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Jun/Jul	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Column 5	Column 5	Column 8	Column 8	
			3	4	5	6	7	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7	
	Overall Index	100.00	124.0	132.6	133.0	140.5	142.8	143.4	7.3	0.3	7.8	0.4	
19	Sugar	5.34	147.8	149.3	148.0	126.9	126.2	119.9	0.1	-0.9	-19.0	-5.0	
20	Veg. Ghee	7.67	95.6	106.4	108.0	139.9	141.5	131.1	13.0	1.5	21.4	-7.3	
21	Mustard Oil	0.35	131.6	124.7	128.7	159.3	162.0	164.5	-2.2	3.2	27.8	1.5	
22	Soybean Oil	3.35	118.0	127.2	127.3	143.0	144.2	139.1	7.9	0.1	9.3	-3.5	
23	Biscuit	0.91	107.8	103.0	103.0	106.1	106.1	106.1	-4.5	0.0	3.0	0.0	
24	Processed Milk	4.12	119.7	129.9	129.9	139.7	144.9	144.9	8.5	0.0	11.5	0.0	
25	Wheat Flour	1.26	120.3	135.2	149.6	138.2	153.5	151.3	24.4	10.7	1.1	-1.4	
26	Noodles	3.18	103.1	106.7	107.3	111.3	111.3	111.3	4.1	0.6	3.7	0.0	
27	Tea	0.83	82.0	80.9	83.3	90.8	86.2	86.2	1.6	3.0	3.5	0.0	
28	Animal Feed	1.03	102.2	114.1	114.1	121.6	128.5	129.4	11.6	0.0	13.4	0.7	
29	Beaten Rice	3.01	115.7	120.4	121.5	123.5	131.8	132.7	5.0	0.9	9.2	0.7	
30	Soft Drinks	4.54	124.7	126.8	126.8	126.7	132.5	138.4	1.7	0.0	9.1	4.5	
31	Liquor	7.15	135.8	139.4	139.4	140.9	141.4	145.4	2.7	0.0	4.3	2.8	
32	Beer	5.25	135.1	143.3	143.3	145.2	146.0	146.0	6.1	0.0	1.9	0.0	
33	Cigarette	11.02	120.7	130.2	130.2	132.4	141.2	141.2	7.9	0.0	8.4	0.0	
34	Jute Goods	3.15	109.5	115.8	115.8	112.5	114.0	116.4	5.8	0.0	0.5	2.1	
35	Leather (Processed)	0.63	104.1	104.1	109.4	131.3	131.3	129.1	5.1	5.1	18.0	-1.7	
36	Leather Shoes	1.76	105.1	110.2	110.2	110.2	109.6	109.6	4.9	0.0	-0.5	0.0	
37	Paper	4.37	116.5	118.6	118.6	120.1	118.9	118.9	1.8	0.0	0.3	0.0	
38	Matches	0.47	102.3	100.2	100.2	104.6	104.6	104.6	-2.1	0.0	4.4	0.0	
39	Soap	6.34	107.5	106.6	106.6	113.3	114.4	113.1	-0.8	0.0	6.1	-1.1	
40	Slippers	0.50	109.3	109.3	109.3	105.9	111.2	111.2	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	
41	Plastic goods	0.37	149.6	158.8	158.8	165.4	165.4	147.7	6.1	0.0	-7.0	-10.7	
42	Polethene Pipe	0.49	136.8	184.4	184.4	177.4	177.4	177.4	34.8	0.0	-3.8	0.0	
43	Bricks	1.07	136.0	144.0	144.8	157.5	161.3	161.7	6.5	0.6	11.7	0.2	
44	Cement	9.17	133.1	151.0	151.0	167.5	168.1	181.2	13.4	0.0	20.0	7.8	
45	Iron Rods	2.46	189.6	213.4	214.0	237.3	238.5	239.9	12.9	0.3	12.1	0.6	
46	GI/HB Wires	2.29	162.1	182.9	182.9	197.4	197.4	197.4	12.8	0.0	7.9	0.0	
47	Corrugated Sheets	5.71	136.3	149.2	149.2	170.6	170.6	170.6	9.5	0.0	14.3	0.0	
48	Electric Wires	0.87	160.8	204.4	204.4	208.0	208.0	225.8	27.1	0.0	10.5	8.6	
49	Drycell Battery	1.34	102.8	111.8	111.8	121.1	121.1	121.1	8.8	0.0	8.3	0.0	

Table-2.2

Wholesale Price Index of Domestic Manufactured commodities

(1999/00=100)

Mid- August 2007 (Srawan 2064)

Code No.	Groups and Sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06		2006/07			2007/08P	Percentage Change			
			Jul/Aug	June/July	Jul/Aug	May/June	June/July	Jul/Aug	Column 5	Column 5	Column 8	Column 8
			3	4	5	6	7	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7
	Overall Index	100.00	123.7	129.3	132.6	140.0	140.5	142.8	7.2	2.6	7.7	1.6
19	Sugar	5.34	147.2	150.0	149.3	127.1	126.9	126.2	1.4	-0.5	-15.5	-0.6
20	Veg. Ghee	7.67	95.6	102.3	106.4	138.8	139.9	141.5	11.3	4.0	33.0	1.1
21	Mustard Oil	0.35	129.2	123.9	124.7	155.2	159.3	162.0	-3.5	0.6	29.9	1.7
22	Soybean Oil	3.35	118.9	123.4	127.2	142.5	143.0	144.2	7.0	3.1	13.4	0.8
23	Biscuit	0.91	107.8	103.6	103.0	106.1	106.1	106.1	-4.5	-0.6	3.0	0.0
24	Processed Milk	4.12	119.7	124.7	129.9	129.9	139.7	144.9	8.5	4.2	11.5	3.7
25	Wheat Flour	1.26	118.5	129.5	135.2	138.3	138.2	153.5	14.1	4.4	13.5	11.1
26	Noodles	3.18	103.1	103.1	106.7	111.3	111.3	111.3	3.5	3.5	4.3	0.0
27	Tea	0.83	86.5	87.9	80.9	93.2	90.8	86.2	-6.5	-8.0	6.6	-5.1
28	Animal Feed	1.03	102.2	114.1	114.1	122.2	121.6	128.5	11.6	0.0	12.6	5.7
29	Beaten Rice	3.01	117.9	118.7	120.4	123.5	123.5	131.8	2.1	1.4	9.5	6.7
30	Soft Drinks	4.54	120.2	126.8	126.8	126.7	126.7	132.5	5.5	0.0	4.5	4.6
31	Liquor	7.15	135.8	137.8	139.4	140.9	140.9	141.4	2.7	1.2	1.4	0.4
32	Beer	5.25	131.1	135.1	143.3	145.2	145.2	146.0	9.3	6.1	1.9	0.6
33	Cigarette	11.02	120.7	120.7	130.2	132.4	132.4	141.2	7.9	7.9	8.4	6.6
34	Jute Goods	3.15	110.5	109.8	115.8	121.3	112.5	114.0	4.8	5.5	-1.6	1.3
35	Leather (Processed)	0.63	104.1	104.1	104.1	131.3	131.3	131.3	0.0	0.0	26.1	0.0
36	Leather Shoes	1.76	105.1	110.2	110.2	110.2	110.2	109.6	4.9	0.0	-0.5	-0.5
37	Paper	4.37	114.7	117.7	118.6	120.1	120.1	118.9	3.4	0.8	0.3	-1.0
38	Matches	0.47	102.3	100.2	100.2	104.6	104.6	104.6	-2.1	0.0	4.4	0.0
39	Soap	6.34	107.5	106.6	106.6	111.6	113.3	114.4	-0.8	0.0	7.3	1.0
40	Slippers	0.50	109.3	109.3	109.3	105.9	105.9	111.2	0.0	0.0	1.7	5.0
41	Plastic goods	0.37	152.4	154.8	158.8	165.4	165.4	165.4	4.2	2.6	4.2	0.0
42	Poethylene Pipe	0.49	136.8	136.8	184.4	177.4	177.4	177.4	34.8	34.8	-3.8	0.0
43	Bricks	1.07	137.7	143.5	144.0	149.6	157.5	161.3	4.6	0.3	12.0	2.4
44	Cement	9.17	133.5	151.4	151.0	167.3	167.5	168.1	13.1	-0.3	11.3	0.4
45	Iron Rods	2.46	188.6	204.9	213.4	237.1	237.3	238.5	13.1	4.1	11.8	0.5
46	GI/HB Wires	2.29	162.1	182.9	182.9	197.4	197.4	197.4	12.8	0.0	7.9	0.0
47	Corrugated Sheets	5.71	136.3	149.2	149.2	170.6	170.6	170.6	9.5	0.0	14.3	0.0
48	Electric Wires	0.87	160.8	168.7	204.4	208.0	208.0	208.0	27.1	21.2	1.8	0.0
49	Drycell Battery	1.34	102.8	111.8	111.8	121.1	121.1	121.1	8.8	0.0	8.3	0.0

P = Provisional, * Revised

Table-2.3

Wholesale Price Index of Imported commodities

(1999/00=100)

Mid- October 2007 (Aswin 2064)

Code No.	Groups and Sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06		2006/07			2007/08P			Percentage Change			
			Sep/Oct	Aug/Sep	Sep/Oct	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Sep/Oct	Column 5	Column 5	Column 8	Column 8		
			3	4	5	6	7	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7		
	Overall Index	100.00	100.00	143.7	152.4	152.4	158.0	159.3	160.2	6.1	0.0	5.1	0.6	
50	Horlicks & Powder Milk	1.07	22.10	122.2	125.0	125.0	133.3	139.6	139.9	2.3	0.0	11.9	0.2	
51	Raw Wool	3.07	1.80	119.7	116.9	115.9	101.3	101.3	99.3	-3.2	-0.9	-14.3	-2.0	
52	Salt	0.38	9.54	133.3	150.0	150.0	166.7	166.7	166.7	12.5	0.0	11.1	0.0	
53	Petroleum Products	17.62	236.0	265.2	265.2	270.5	270.5	270.5	270.5	12.4	0.0	2.0	0.0	
54	Chemical Fertilizers	4.65	3.23	146.1	163.0	164.2	180.0	181.3	197.4	12.4	0.7	20.2	8.9	
55	Polethene Grannuels	1.88	0.37	135.3	196.1	196.1	162.9	169.9	165.7	44.9	0.0	-15.5	-2.5	
56	Medicine	9.09	8.67	112.0	112.3	112.0	115.8	114.0	116.3	0.0	-0.3	3.8	2.0	
57	Chemical Goods	3.53	7.60	180.8	171.9	171.9	191.8	191.8	191.8	-4.9	0.0	11.6	0.0	
58	Other Machinery & Parts	12.81	11.38	123.7	127.5	127.5	130.5	134.7	134.7	3.1	0.0	5.6	0.0	
59	Transp. Vehi. & Parts	8.77	11.17	124.7	124.7	124.7	131.7	129.3	130.9	0.0	0.0	5.0	1.2	
60	Readymade Garments	1.83	3.93	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
61	Agri.Instru. & Parts	1.09	1.96	126.6	132.6	132.6	134.2	135.1	135.1	4.7	0.0	1.9	0.0	
62	Cotton Fabrics & Textiles	3.62	8.05	107.7	107.6	107.6	116.7	116.7	116.7	-0.1	0.0	8.5	0.0	
63	Electro. Goods & Equip.	5.33	5.20	97.9	96.2	95.8	96.6	96.6	95.7	-2.1	-0.4	-0.1	-0.9	
64	Coal	0.35	1.09	160.2	163.6	168.2	175.2	166.7	157.5	5.0	2.8	-6.4	-5.5	
65	Radio, T.V. & Parts	0.89	1.05	90.1	90.1	90.1	90.1	90.1	90.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
66	Tire, Tube & Flapes	0.55	1.51	112.3	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	
67	Pipe & Pipe Fittings	0.48	1.35	151.9	185.7	185.7	206.3	206.3	206.3	22.3	0.0	11.1	0.0	
68	Thread	1.80	105.3	112.9	112.9	103.6	104.5	104.5	104.5	7.2	0.0	-7.4	0.0	
69	Glass Sheet & Wares	0.54	155.3	137.2	138.6	123.8	123.8	126.6	126.6	-10.8	1.0	-8.7	2.3	
70	Other Stationery	0.45	84.0	84.0	84.0	101.0	101.0	101.0	101.0	0.0	0.0	20.2	0.0	
71	Others	20.20	126.8	132.7	133.0	145.2	149.2	149.7	149.7	4.9	0.2	12.6	0.3	

P = Provisional, * Revised

Table-2.3
Wholesale Price Index of Imported commodities
(1999/00=100)
Mid- September 2007 (Bhadra 2064)

Code No.	Groups and Sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06		2006/07		2007/08P		Percentage Change				
			Aug/Sep	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Jun/Jul	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Column 5	Column 5	Column 8	Column 8	
			3	4	5	6	7	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7	
	Overall Index	100.00	100.00	143.7	152.8	152.4	157.0	158.0	159.3	6.1	-0.3	4.5	0.8
50	Horlicks & Powder Milk	1.07	22.10	122.2	125.0	125.0	131.2	133.3	139.6	2.3	0.0	11.7	4.7
51	Raw Wool	3.07	1.80	119.7	117.3	116.9	101.3	101.3	101.3	-2.3	-0.3	-13.3	0.0
52	Salt	0.38	9.54	133.3	150.0	150.0	166.7	166.7	166.7	12.5	0.0	11.1	0.0
53	Petroleum Products	17.62		236.0	265.2	265.2	270.6	270.5	270.5	12.4	0.0	2.0	0.0
54	Chemical Fertilizers	4.65	3.23	145.4	163.0	163.0	165.2	180.0	181.3	12.1	0.0	11.2	0.7
55	Polythene Grannuels	1.88	0.37	135.3	196.1	196.1	165.7	162.9	169.9	44.9	0.0	-13.4	4.3
56	Medicine	9.09	8.67	112.2	111.3	112.3	117.2	115.8	114.0	0.1	0.9	1.5	-1.6
57	Chemical Goods	3.53	7.60	180.8	180.6	171.9	191.8	191.8	191.8	-4.9	-4.8	11.6	0.0
58	Other Machinery & Parts	12.81	11.38	123.7	127.5	127.5	130.5	130.5	134.7	3.1	0.0	5.6	3.2
59	Transp. Vehi. & Parts	8.77	11.17	124.7	123.9	124.7	130.2	131.7	129.3	0.0	0.6	3.7	-1.8
60	Readymade Garments	1.83	3.93	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
61	Agri.Instru. & Parts	1.09	1.96	124.8	133.0	132.6	140.8	134.2	135.1	6.3	-0.3	1.9	0.7
62	Cotton Fabrics & Textiles	3.62	8.05	107.7	107.6	107.6	114.4	116.7	116.7	-0.1	0.0	8.5	0.0
63	Electro. Goods & Equip.	5.33	5.20	97.9	96.2	96.2	96.6	96.6	96.6	-1.7	0.0	0.4	0.0
64	Coal	0.35	1.09	160.2	160.2	163.6	175.2	175.2	166.7	2.1	2.1	1.9	-4.9
65	Radio, T.V. & Parts	0.89	1.05	90.1	90.1	90.1	90.1	90.1	90.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
66	Tire, Tube & Flapes	0.55	1.51	112.3	126.8	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	3.4	-8.4	0.0	0.0
67	Pipe & Pipe Fittings	0.48	1.35	151.9	185.7	185.7	206.3	206.3	206.3	22.3	0.0	11.1	0.0
68	Thread	1.80		105.3	112.9	112.9	103.6	103.6	104.5	7.2	0.0	-7.4	0.9
69	Glass Sheet & Wares	0.54		155.3	134.6	137.2	130.1	123.8	123.8	-11.7	1.9	-9.8	0.0
70	Other Stationery	0.45		84.0	84.0	84.0	101.0	101.0	101.0	0.0	0.0	20.2	0.0
71	Others	20.20		127.0	133.8	132.7	143.0	145.2	149.2	4.5	-0.8	12.4	2.8

Table-2.3
Wholesale Price Index of Imported commodities
(1999/00=100)
Mid- August 2007 (Srawan 2064)

Code No.	Groups and Sub-groups 1	Weight %	2005/06		2006/07		2007/08P		Percentage Change				
			Jul/Aug	June/July	Jul/Aug	May/June	June/July	Jul/Aug	Column 5	Column 5	Column 8	Column 8	
			3	4	5	6	7	8	Over 3	Over 4	Over 5	Over 7	
	Overall Index	100.00	100.00	138.9	151.1	152.8	156.5	157.0	158.0	10.0	1.1	3.4	0.6
50	Horlicks & Powder Milk	1.07	22.10	125.6	123.3	125.0	131.2	131.2	133.3	-0.5	1.4	6.6	1.6
51	Raw Wool	3.07	1.80	119.7	116.4	117.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	-2.0	0.8	-13.6	0.0
52	Salt	0.38	9.54	133.3	150.0	150.0	166.7	166.7	166.7	12.5	0.0	11.1	0.0
53	Petroleum Products	17.62		213.0	265.2	265.2	270.6	270.6	270.5	24.5	0.0	2.0	0.0
54	Chemical Fertilizers	4.65	3.23	145.5	163.0	163.0	165.2	165.2	180.0	12.0	0.0	10.4	9.0
55	Polythene Grannuels	1.88	0.37	135.3	165.7	196.1	165.7	165.7	162.9	44.9	18.3	-16.9	-1.7
56	Medicine	9.09	8.67	111.5	111.3	111.3	117.2	117.2	115.8	-0.2	0.0	4.0	-1.2
57	Chemical Goods	3.53	7.60	180.8	178.0	180.6	191.8	191.8	191.8	-0.1	1.5	6.2	0.0
58	Other Machinery & Parts	12.81	11.38	123.7	127.0	127.5	130.5	130.5	130.5	3.1	0.4	2.4	0.0
59	Transp. Vehi. & Parts	8.77	11.17	124.7	125.3	123.9	127.5	130.2	131.7	-0.6	-1.1	6.3	1.2
60	Readymade Garments	1.83	3.93	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	109.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
61	Agri.Instru. & Parts	1.09	1.96	124.8	127.9	133.0	140.8	140.8	134.2	6.6	4.0	0.9	-4.7
62	Cotton Fabrics & Textiles	3.62	8.05	107.7	107.6	107.6	114.4	114.4	116.7	-0.1	0.0	8.5	2.0
63	Electro. Goods & Equip.	5.33	5.20	97.9	96.2	96.2	97.1	96.6	96.6	-1.7	0.0	0.4	0.0
64	Coal	0.35	1.09	160.2	160.2	160.2	175.2	175.2	175.2	0.0	0.0	9.4	0.0
65	Radio, T.V. & Parts	0.89	1.05	90.1	90.1	90.1	90.1	90.1	90.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
66	Tire, Tube & Flapes	0.55	1.51	113.5	112.5	126.8	116.1	116.1	116.1	11.7	12.7	-8.4	0.0
67	Pipe & Pipe Fittings	0.48	1.35	151.9	151.9	185.7	206.3	206.3	206.3	22.3	22.3	11.1	0.0
68	Thread	1.80		105.3	112.9	112.9	103.6	103.6	103.6	7.2	0.0	-8.2	0.0
69	Glass Sheet & Wares	0.54		149.6	132.5	134.6	135.8	130.1	123.8	-10.0	1.6	-8.0	-4.8
70	Other Stationery	0.45		84.0	84.0	84.0	101.0	101.0	101.0	0.0	0.0	20.2	0.0
71	Others	20.20		123.7	130.3	133.8	141.8	143.0	145.2	8.2	2.7	8.5	1.5

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(1999/00 = 100)

FY / Months	Agricultural Commodities		Domestic Manufactured Commodities		Imported Commodities		Overall WPI		FY / Months	Agricultural Commodities		Domestic Manufactured Commodities		Imported Commodities		Overall WPI	
	Index	% Change	Index	% Change	Index	% Change	Index	% Change		Index	% Change	Index	% Change	Index	% Change	Index	% Change
1900/00 (2056/57)	100.0		100.0		100.0		100.0		2004/05 (2061/62)	118.5	5.9	121.6	6.2	132.3	10.2	123.3	7.3
Jul/Aug	105.0	-	101.4	-	97.0	-	101.9	-	Jul/Aug	122.1	7.3	118.9	7.5	124.3	5.5	122.1	6.7
Aug/Sep	107.2	-	101.6	-	97.0	-	103.0	-	Aug/Sep	123.2	5.4	118.9	7.3	125.7	6.5	123.1	6.1
Sep/Oct	109.1	-	101.3	-	97.4	-	104.0	-	Sep/Oct	121.8	3.7	119.5	7.8	128.5	8.6	123.4	6.0
Oct/Nov	105.2	-	100.4	-	100.3	-	102.7	-	Oct/Nov	120.2	1.2	119.4	7.4	128.6	8.4	122.6	4.6
Nov/Dec	97.6	-	99.5	-	100.8	-	99.0	-	Nov/Dec	113.1	0.8	119.4	7.6	128.4	8.1	119.0	4.5
Dec/Jan	96.6	-	99.8	-	101.0	-	98.6	-	Dec/Jan	112.0	4.2	119.8	7.2	132.4	10.8	119.7	6.9
Jan/Feb	95.3	-	99.9	-	101.1	-	98.0	-	Jan/Feb	111.2	3.4	121.7	5.6	136.6	13.7	121.0	7.2
Feb/Mar	94.8	-	99.3	-	100.7	-	97.5	-	Feb/Mar	115.5	7.6	122.4	4.3	136.3	12.4	123.2	8.5
Mar/Apr	95.2	-	99.1	-	100.6	-	97.6	-	Mar/Apr	115.9	7.7	123.3	4.1	136.9	12.2	123.7	8.3
Apr/May	95.8	-	99.2	-	100.4	-	97.9	-	Apr/May	118.1	9.9	125.4	5.4	136.6	11.8	125.2	9.5
May/June	96.6	-	99.3	-	101.4	-	98.6	-	May/June	120.7	8.6	126.0	5.6	136.6	11.4	126.5	8.9
Jun/Jul	101.6	-	99.2	-	102.1	-	101.3	-	Jun/Jul	127.7	10.8	124.9	5.2	136.7	11.7	129.9	10.0
2000/01 (2057/58)	98.2	-1.8	100.0	0.0	107.8	7.8	101.4	1.4	2005/06 (2062/63)	130.2	9.9	126.0	3.6	146.5	10.7	134.3	8.9
Jul/Aug	99.8	-5.0	99.6	-1.8	102.8	6.0	100.7	-1.2	Jul/Aug	134.2	9.9	123.7	4.0	138.9	11.7	133.5	9.3
Aug/Sep	100.6	-6.2	99.6	-2.0	103.4	6.6	101.2	-1.7	Aug/Sep	133.8	8.6	124.0	4.3	143.7	14.3	134.8	9.5
Sep/Oct	101.3	-7.1	98.6	-2.7	111.1	14.1	103.7	-0.3	Sep/Oct	134.0	10.0	124.6	4.3	143.7	11.8	135.0	9.4
Oct/Nov	101.1	-3.9	98.5	-1.9	111.5	11.2	103.7	1.0	Oct/Nov	136.3	13.4	124.9	4.6	144.3	12.2	136.4	11.3
Nov/Dec	95.9	-1.7	99.7	0.2	109.6	8.7	100.8	1.8	Nov/Dec	132.1	16.8	124.7	4.4	144.4	12.5	134.3	12.9
Dec/Jan	93.9	-2.8	99.6	-0.2	109.6	8.5	99.8	1.2	Dec/Jan	122.5	9.4	124.5	3.9	144.3	9.0	129.5	8.2
Jan/Feb	92.8	-2.6	99.5	-0.4	107.2	6.0	98.5	0.5	Jan/Feb	120.9	8.7	124.9	2.6	144.8	6.0	128.9	6.5
Feb/Mar	94.5	-0.3	100.3	1.0	107.3	6.6	99.5	2.1	Feb/Mar	120.9	4.7	126.7	3.5	150.0	10.1	130.8	6.2
Mar/Apr	95.3	0.1	100.8	1.7	107.2	6.6	100.0	2.5	Mar/Apr	125.0	7.9	126.7	2.8	150.7	10.1	133.1	7.6
Apr/May	97.5	1.8	100.9	1.7	108.1	7.7	101.3	3.5	Apr/May	131.8	11.6	128.7	2.6	150.9	10.5	136.9	9.3
May/June	101.6	5.2	101.3	2.0	108.3	6.8	103.5	5.0	May/June	133.9	10.9	129.4	2.7	151.2	10.7	138.2	9.2
Jun/Jul	103.8	2.2	102.2	3.0	107.7	5.5	104.6	3.3	Jun/Jul	137.4	7.6	129.3	3.5	151.1	10.5	139.9	7.7
2001/02 (2058/59)	105.6	7.5	105.5	5.5	108.4	0.6	106.4	4.9	2006/07 (2063/64)	145.3	11.6	136.7	8.5	154.7	5.6	146.4	9.0
Jul/Aug	109.4	9.6	104.4	4.8	108.0	5.1	108.0	7.2	Jul/Aug	140.2	4.5	132.6	7.2	152.8	10.0	142.4	6.7
Aug/Sep	111.1	10.4	104.5	4.9	108.6	5.0	109.0	7.7	Aug/Sep	149.6	11.8	133.0	7.3	152.4	6.1	147.1	9.1
Sep/Oct	114.0	12.5	105.2	6.7	108.7	-2.2	110.6	6.7	Sep/Oct	153.5	14.6	132.9	6.7	152.4	6.1	149.0	10.4
Oct/Nov	117.5	16.2	104.8	6.4	108.7	-2.5	112.3	8.3	Oct/Nov	154.2	13.1	135.5	8.5	154.5	7.1	150.5	10.3
Nov/Dec	106.5	11.1	105.0	5.3	108.3	-1.2	106.7	5.9	Nov/Dec	145.6	10.2	136.0	9.1	154.5	7.0	146.3	8.9
Dec/Jan	104.3	11.1	104.8	5.2	108.3	-1.2	105.6	5.8	Dec/Jan	138.5	13.1	136.6	9.7	154.7	7.2	143.0	10.4
Jan/Feb	99.9	7.7	106.1	6.6	108.3	1.0	103.7	5.3	Jan/Feb	142.1	17.5	137.2	9.8	155.4	7.3	145.1	12.6
Feb/Mar	99.4	5.2	106.6	6.3	108.2	0.8	103.5	4.0	Feb/Mar	145.0	19.9	137.7	8.7	155.5	3.7	146.7	12.2
Mar/Apr	96.6	1.4	106.5	5.7	108.4	1.1	102.2	2.2	Mar/Apr	137.5	10.0	139.3	9.9	155.3	3.1	143.2	7.6
Apr/May	100.1	2.7	106.9	5.9	108.5	0.4	104.0	2.7	Apr/May	141.7	7.5	139.5	8.4	155.4	3.0	145.4	6.2
May/June	103.0	1.4	105.9	4.5	108.6	0.3	105.2	1.6	May/June	142.1	6.1	140.0	8.2	156.5	3.5	146.0	5.6
Jun/Jul	105.0	1.2	105.7	3.4	108.8	1.0	106.3	1.6	Jun/Jul	153.4	11.6	140.5	8.7	157.0	3.9	151.8	8.5
2002/03 (2059/60)	109.6	3.8	108.4	2.7	113.1	4.3	110.4	3.8	2007/08 (2064/65)	168.2	20.0	142.8	7.7	158.0	3.4	160.0	12.4
Jul/Aug	113.8	4.0	106.3	1.8	109.2	1.1	110.9	2.7	Jul/Aug	174.4	16.6	143.4	7.8	159.3	4.5	163.5	11.1
Aug/Sep	116.7	5.0	106.7	2.1	109.3	0.6	112.4	3.1	Aug/Sep	175.2	14.1	143.5	8.0	160.2	5.1	164.3	10.3
Sep/Oct	116.5	2.2	106.8	1.5	109.5	0.7	112.5	1.7	Sep/Oct								
Oct/Nov	116.5	-0.9	107.0	2.1	109.8	1.0	112.6	0.3									
Nov/Dec	105.1	-1.3	108.2	3.0	111.1	2.6	107.5	0.7									
Dec/Jan	99.4	-4.7	107.9	3.0	111.0	2.5	104.6	-0.9									
Jan/Feb	104.3	4.4	108.5	2.3	111.5	3.0	107.3	3.5									
Feb/Mar	108.6	9.3	108.9	2.2	111.7	3.2	109.6	5.9									
Mar/Apr	106.0	9.7	110.0	3.3	120.8	11.4	111.3	8.9									
Apr/May	109.8	9.7	110.3	3.2	117.8	8.6	112.3	8.0									
May/June	107.4	4.3	110.5	4.3	117.9	8.6	111.2	5.7									
Jun/Jul	110.7	5.4	110.1	4.2	117.9	8.4	112.7	6.0									
2003/04 (2060/61)	111.9	2.1	114.5	5.6	120.1	6.2	114.9	4.1									
Jul/Aug	113.8	0.0	110.6	4.0	117.8	7.9	114.4	3.2									
Aug/Sep	116.9	0.2	110.8	3.8	118.0	8.0	116.0	3.2									
Sep/Oct	117.5	0.9	110.9	3.8	118.3	8.0	116.4	3.5									
Oct/Nov	118.8	2.0	111.2	3.9	118.6	8.0	117.2	4.1									
Nov/Dec	112.2	6.8	111.0	2.6	118.8	6.9	113.9	6.0									
Dec/Jan	107.5	8.1	111.8	3.6	119.5	7.7	112.0	7.1									
Jan/Feb	107.5	3.1	115.3	6.3	120.1	7.7	112.9	5.2									
Feb/Mar	107.3	-1.2	117.4	7.8	121.3	8.6	113.5	3.6									
Mar/Apr	107.6	1.5	118.5	7.7	122.0	1.0	114.2	2.6									
Apr/May	107.5	-2.1	119.0	7.9	122.2	3.7	114.3	1.8									
May/June	111.1	3.4	119.3	8.0	122.6	4.0	116.2	4.5									
Jun/Jul	115.3	4.2	118.7	7.8	122.4	3.8	118.1	4.8									

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National Salary and Wage Rate Index

(2004/05=100)

Mid- OCTOBER 2007 (ASWIN 2064)

S.No.	Groups/Sub-groups	Weight %	2005/06		2006/07		2007/08P			Percentage Change			
			Sep/Oct	Jun/Jul	Sep/Oct	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	Sep/Oct	5 over 3	5 over 4	8 over 5	8 over 7	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8					
	Overall Index	100.0	102.2	109.6	110.4	122.8	123.3	123.5	8.0	0.7	11.9	0.2	
1	Salary Index	27.0	100.0	106.6	106.6	118.1	118.2	118.2	6.6	0.0	10.9	0.0	
	Officers	9.8	100.1	105.8	105.8	120.7	121.0	121.0	5.7	0.0	14.4	0.0	
	Non Officers	17.2	100.0	107.1	107.1	116.6	116.6	116.6	7.1	0.0	8.9	0.0	
1.1	Civil Service	2.8	100.0	110.0	110.0	135.8	135.8	135.8	10.0	0.0	23.5	0.0	
	Officers	0.3	100.0	110.0	110.0	137.3	137.3	137.3	10.0	0.0	24.8	0.0	
	Non Officers	2.5	100.0	110.0	110.0	135.6	135.6	135.6	10.0	0.0	23.3	0.0	
1.2	Public Corporations	1.1	100.0	111.4	111.4	121.2	121.2	121.2	11.4	0.0	8.8	0.0	
	Officers	0.2	100.0	114.2	114.2	132.1	132.1	132.1	14.2	0.0	15.7	0.0	
	Non Officers	1.0	100.0	110.8	110.8	119.0	119.0	119.0	10.8	0.0	7.4	0.0	
1.3	Bank & Financial Institutions	0.6	102.1	113.3	113.3	170.5	170.5	170.5	11.0	0.0	50.5	0.0	
	Officers	0.1	103.2	117.6	117.6	167.7	167.7	167.7	14.0	0.0	42.6	0.0	
	Non Officers	0.5	101.9	112.3	112.3	171.2	171.2	171.2	10.2	0.0	52.4	0.0	
1.4	Army & Police Forces	4.0	100.0	111.4	111.4	121.8	121.8	121.8	11.4	0.0	9.3	0.0	
	Officers	0.2	100.0	109.9	109.9	127.5	127.5	127.5	9.9	0.0	16.0	0.0	
	Non Officers	3.8	100.0	111.5	111.5	121.5	121.5	121.5	11.5	0.0	9.0	0.0	
1.5	Education	10.6	100.0	107.0	107.0	122.8	122.8	122.8	7.0	0.0	14.8	0.0	
	Officers	6.8	100.0	106.5	106.5	125.7	125.7	125.7	6.5	0.0	18.0	0.0	
	Non Officers	3.8	100.0	108.0	108.0	117.6	117.6	117.6	8.0	0.0	8.9	0.0	
1.6	Private Institutions	7.9	100.0	101.3	101.3	99.6	99.8	99.8	1.3	0.0	-1.5	0.0	
	Officers	2.2	100.0	101.5	101.5	99.6	100.6	100.6	1.5	0.0	-0.9	0.0	
	Non Officers	5.7	100.0	101.3	101.3	99.6	99.5	99.5	1.3	0.0	-1.8	0.0	
2	Wage Rate Index	73.0	103.0	110.7	111.7	124.5	125.2	125.5	8.4	0.9	12.4	0.2	
2.1	Agricultural Laborer	39.5	104.2	112.7	114.0	122.5	123.0	123.5	9.4	1.2	8.3	0.4	
	Male	20.5	104.8	112.0	113.3	121.2	121.7	121.5	8.1	1.2	7.2	-0.2	
	Female	19.0	103.6	113.5	114.9	123.8	124.5	125.6	10.9	1.2	9.3	0.9	
2.2	Industrial Laborer	25.3	102.0	109.5	109.5	129.9	130.7	130.9	7.4	0.0	19.5	0.2	
	High Skilled	6.3	101.8	106.8	106.8	120.7	121.4	121.7	4.9	0.0	14.0	0.2	
	Skilled	6.3	102.0	109.2	109.2	127.2	128.0	128.3	7.1	0.0	17.5	0.2	
	Semi Skilled	6.3	102.0	110.4	110.4	131.5	132.3	132.3	8.2	0.0	19.8	0.0	
	Unskilled	6.3	102.3	111.5	111.5	140.3	141.1	141.4	9.0	0.0	26.8	0.2	
2.3	Construction Laborer	8.3	100.3	104.9	107.6	117.3	118.7	118.7	7.3	2.6	10.3	0.0	
	Mason	2.8	101.6	105.1	107.7	116.5	118.7	118.7	6.0	2.5	10.2	0.0	
	Skilled	1.4	101.1	106.0	107.5	114.8	117.6	117.6	6.3	1.4	9.4	0.0	
	Unskilled	1.4	102.1	104.1	107.8	118.2	119.8	119.8	5.6	3.6	11.1	0.0	
	Carpenter	2.8	100.4	103.1	105.2	113.0	114.3	113.9	4.8	2.0	8.3	-0.3	
	Skilled	1.4	99.6	104.9	106.3	112.9	114.0	113.7	6.7	1.3	7.0	-0.3	
	Unskilled	1.4	101.2	101.3	104.2	113.2	114.5	114.1	3.0	2.9	9.5	-0.3	
	worker	2.8	98.8	106.5	109.8	122.4	123.0	123.5	11.1	3.1	12.5	0.4	
	Male	1.4	98.7	106.2	109.2	120.9	120.3	120.8	10.6	2.8	10.6	0.4	
	Female	1.4	98.9	106.9	110.4	123.8	125.7	126.2	11.6	3.3	14.3	0.4	

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National Salary and Wage Rate Index

(2004/05=100)

Mid-September 2007 (Bhadra 2064)

S.No.	Groups/Sub-groups	Weight %	2005/06	2006/07		2007/08P		Percentage Change				
			Aug/Sep	Jun/Jul	Aug/Sep	Jun/Jul	Jul/Aug	Aug/Sep	5 over 3	5 over 4	8 over 5	8 over 7
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8				
	Overall Index	100.0	101.9	109.3	109.6	119.3	122.8	123.3	7.6	0.3	12.5	0.4
1	Salary Index	27.0	100.0	106.4	106.6	106.6	118.1	118.2	6.6	0.2	10.9	0.1
	Officers	9.8	100.1	105.7	105.8	105.8	120.7	121.0	5.7	0.1	14.4	0.2
	Non Officers	17.2	100.0	106.8	107.1	107.1	116.6	116.6	7.1	0.3	8.9	0.0
1.1	Civil Service	2.8	100.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	135.8	135.8	10.0	0.0	23.5	0.0
	Officers	0.3	100.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	137.3	137.3	10.0	0.0	24.8	0.0
	Non Officers	2.5	100.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	135.6	135.6	10.0	0.0	23.3	0.0
1.2	Public Corporations	1.1	100.0	107.0	111.4	111.4	121.2	121.2	11.4	4.1	8.8	0.0
	Officers	0.2	100.0	109.1	114.2	114.2	132.1	132.1	14.2	4.7	15.7	0.0
	Non Officers	1.0	100.0	106.6	110.8	110.8	119.0	119.0	10.8	3.9	7.4	0.0
1.3	Bank & Financial Institutions	0.6	102.1	110.9	113.3	113.3	170.5	170.5	11.0	2.2	50.5	0.0
	Officers	0.1	103.2	114.1	117.6	117.6	167.7	167.7	14.0	3.1	42.6	0.0
	Non Officers	0.5	101.9	110.1	112.3	112.3	171.2	171.2	10.2	2.0	52.4	0.0
1.4	Army & Police Forces	4.0	100.0	111.4	111.4	111.4	121.8	121.8	11.4	0.0	9.3	0.0
	Officers	0.2	100.0	109.9	109.9	109.9	127.5	127.5	9.9	0.0	16.0	0.0
	Non Officers	3.8	100.0	111.5	111.5	111.5	121.5	121.5	11.5	0.0	9.0	0.0
1.5	Education	10.6	100.0	107.0	107.0	107.0	122.8	122.8	7.0	0.0	14.8	0.0
	Officers	6.8	100.0	106.5	106.5	106.5	125.7	125.7	6.5	0.0	18.0	0.0
	Non Officers	3.8	100.0	108.0	108.0	108.0	117.6	117.6	8.0	0.0	8.9	0.0
1.6	Private Institutions	7.9	100.0	101.3	101.3	101.3	99.6	99.8	1.3	0.0	-1.5	0.2
	Officers	2.2	100.0	101.5	101.5	101.5	99.6	100.6	1.5	0.0	-0.9	1.0
	Non Officers	5.7	100.0	101.3	101.3	101.3	99.6	99.5	1.3	0.0	-1.8	-0.1
2	Wage Rate Index	73.0	102.6	110.4	110.7	124.0	124.5	125.2	7.9	0.3	13.1	0.6
2.1	Agricultural Labor	39.5	104.6	113.7	112.7	122.5	122.5	123.0	7.7	-0.9	9.1	0.4
	Male	20.5	104.4	113.2	112.0	121.2	121.2	121.7	7.3	-1.1	8.7	0.4
	Female	19.0	104.8	114.2	113.5	123.8	123.8	124.5	8.3	-0.6	9.7	0.6
2.2	Industrial Labor	25.3	100.2	107.0	109.5	129.2	129.9	130.7	9.3	2.3	19.4	0.6
	High Skilled	6.3	100.2	104.3	106.8	122.0	120.7	121.4	6.6	2.4	13.7	0.6
	Skilled	6.3	100.2	106.4	109.2	126.8	127.2	128.0	9.0	2.6	17.2	0.6
	Semi Skilled	6.3	100.2	108.2	110.4	129.2	131.5	132.3	10.2	2.0	19.8	0.6
	Unskilled	6.3	100.4	109.0	111.5	139.0	140.3	141.1	11.1	2.3	26.5	0.6
2.3	Construction Labor	8.3	100.5	104.8	104.9	115.6	117.3	118.7	4.4	0.1	13.2	1.2
	Mason	2.8	101.8	105.1	105.1	115.6	116.5	118.7	3.2	0.0	12.9	1.9
	Skilled	1.4	101.5	106.0	106.0	114.2	114.8	117.6	4.4	0.0	10.9	2.4
	Unskilled	1.4	102.1	104.1	104.1	116.9	118.2	119.8	2.0	0.0	15.1	1.4
	Carpenter	2.8	100.7	103.1	103.1	112.7	113.0	114.3	2.4	0.0	10.9	1.2
	Skilled	1.4	100.1	104.9	104.9	112.2	112.9	114.0	4.8	0.0	8.7	1.0
	Unskilled	1.4	101.2	101.3	101.3	113.2	113.2	114.5	0.1	0.0	13.0	1.1
	worker	2.8	99.1	106.2	106.5	118.4	122.4	123.0	7.5	0.3	15.5	0.5
	Male	1.4	99.0	106.4	106.2	117.6	120.9	120.3	7.3	-0.2	13.3	-0.5
	Female	1.4	99.2	106.0	106.9	119.2	123.8	125.7	7.8	0.8	17.6	1.5

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Table - 3
National Salary and Wage Rate Index
(2004/05=100)

Mid- August 2007 (Srawan 2064)

S.No.	Groups/Sub-groups	Weight %	2005/06		2006/07			2007/08P	Percentage Change			
			Jul/Aug	Jun/Jul	Jul/Aug	May/Jul	Jun/Jul	Jul/Aug	5 over 3	5 over 4	8 over 5	8 over 7
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8				
	Overall Index	100.0	101.9	106.2	109.3	118.0	119.3	122.8	7.3	2.9	12.4	2.9
1	Salary Index	27.0	100.0	100.4	106.4	106.6	106.6	118.6	6.4	6.0	11.5	11.3
	Officers	9.8	100.1	100.3	105.7	105.8	105.8	121.2	5.6	5.4	14.7	14.6
	Non Officers	17.2	100.0	100.4	106.8	107.1	107.1	117.2	6.8	6.4	9.7	9.4
1.1	Civil Service	2.8	100.0	100.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	135.8	10.0	10.0	23.5	23.5
	Officers	0.3	100.0	100.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	137.3	10.0	10.0	24.8	24.8
	Non Officers	2.5	100.0	100.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	135.6	10.0	10.0	23.3	23.3
1.2	Public Corporations	1.1	100.0	104.4	107.0	111.4	111.4	121.2	7.0	2.5	13.3	8.8
	Officers	0.2	100.0	106.4	109.1	114.2	114.2	132.1	9.1	2.5	21.1	15.7
	Non Officers	1.0	100.0	104.0	106.6	110.8	110.8	119.0	6.6	2.5	11.6	7.4
1.3	Bank & Financial Institutions	0.6	101.5	110.0	110.9	113.3	113.3	170.5	9.3	0.8	53.7	50.5
	Officers	0.1	102.5	112.6	114.1	117.6	117.6	167.7	11.3	1.3	47.0	42.6
	Non Officers	0.5	101.3	109.4	110.1	112.3	112.3	171.2	8.7	0.6	55.5	52.4
1.4	Army & Police Forces	4.0	100.0	100.0	111.4	111.4	111.4	121.8	11.4	11.4	9.3	9.3
	Officers	0.2	100.0	100.0	109.9	109.9	109.9	127.5	9.9	9.9	16.0	16.0
	Non Officers	3.8	100.0	100.0	111.5	111.5	111.5	121.5	11.5	11.5	9.0	9.0
1.5	Education	10.6	100.0	100.0	107.0	107.0	107.0	122.8	7.0	7.0	14.8	14.8
	Officers	6.8	100.0	100.0	106.5	106.5	106.5	125.7	6.5	6.5	18.0	18.0
	Non Officers	3.8	100.0	100.0	108.0	108.0	108.0	117.6	8.0	8.0	8.9	8.9
1.6	Private Institutions	7.9	100.0	100.0	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0
	Officers	2.2	100.0	100.0	101.5	101.5	101.5	101.5	1.5	1.5	0.0	0.0
	Non Officers	5.7	100.0	100.0	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0
2	Wage Rate Index	73.0	102.5	108.4	110.4	122.3	124.0	124.4	7.7	1.8	12.7	0.3
2.1	Agricultural Labor	39.5	104.5	110.0	113.7	119.3	122.5	122.5	8.8	3.4	7.7	0.0
	Male	20.5	104.2	109.1	113.2	118.0	121.2	121.2	8.6	3.8	7.1	0.0
	Female	19.0	104.8	110.9	114.2	120.6	123.8	123.8	9.0	3.0	8.4	0.0
2.2	Industrial Labor	25.3	100.0	107.0	107.0	129.2	129.2	129.6	7.0	0.0	21.1	0.3
	High Skilled	6.3	100.0	104.3	104.3	122.0	122.0	120.5	4.3	0.0	15.5	-1.2
	Skilled	6.3	100.0	106.4	106.4	126.8	126.8	127.0	6.4	0.0	19.4	0.2
	Semi Skilled	6.3	100.0	108.2	108.2	129.2	129.2	131.1	8.2	0.0	21.2	1.5
	Unskilled	6.3	100.1	109.0	109.0	139.0	139.0	140.0	8.9	0.0	28.4	0.7
2.3	Construction Labor	8.3	100.7	104.8	104.8	115.2	115.6	117.3	4.1	0.0	11.9	1.5
	Mason	2.8	101.8	105.1	105.1	115.2	115.6	116.5	3.2	0.0	10.8	0.8
	Skilled	1.4	101.5	106.0	106.0	113.5	114.2	114.8	4.4	0.0	8.3	0.5
	Unskilled	1.4	102.1	104.1	104.1	116.9	116.9	118.2	2.0	0.0	13.5	1.1
	Carpenter	2.8	100.3	103.1	103.1	112.7	112.7	113.0	2.8	0.0	9.6	0.3
	Skilled	1.4	100.1	104.9	104.9	112.2	112.2	112.9	4.8	0.0	7.6	0.6
	Unskilled	1.4	100.5	101.3	101.3	113.2	113.2	113.2	0.8	0.0	11.7	0.0
	worker	2.8	100.0	106.2	106.2	117.6	118.4	122.4	6.2	0.0	15.3	3.4
	Male	1.4	100.0	106.4	106.4	116.8	117.6	120.9	6.4	0.0	13.6	2.8
	Female	1.4	100.0	106.0	106.0	118.4	119.2	123.8	6.0	0.0	16.8	3.9

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Table 4
Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities in Border Market
Mid-October 2007
(Prices in NRs)

S.NO.	Description	Unit	Nepal*			India**			Percentage Change		
			Mid-Oct 06	Jun/Jul	Mid-Oct 07	Mid-Oct 06	Mid-Sep 07	Mid-Oct 07	3 Over 2	6 Over 5	3 Over 6
			1	2	3	4	5	6			
Food grains											
1	Paddy Coarse	Qtl.	1132.75	1427.09	1308.34	1027.33	1301.34	1204.00	-8.3	-7.5	8.7
2	Paddy Fine (Basmati)	Qtl.	2225.00	2112.50	2150.00	2084.00	2533.33	2533.33	1.8	0.0	-15.1
3	Maize	Qtl.	1121.25	1297.92	1243.75	1029.33	1272.00	1186.67	-4.2	-6.7	4.8
4	Rice Fine (Basmati)	Kg.	42.09	44.38	44.50	38.00	43.54	42.94	0.3	-1.4	3.7
5	Rice (Mansuli)	Kg.	24.09	27.00	27.25	20.47	23.60	23.73	0.9	0.6	14.8
6	Rice Coarse	Kg.	18.92	22.42	22.67	16.13	20.40	20.00	1.1	-2.0	13.3
7	Beaten Rice	Kg.	24.17	26.75	26.83	22.27	25.60	23.87	0.3	-6.8	12.4
8	Wheat Flour (Atta)	Kg.	22.00	25.25	25.50	19.87	20.67	20.87	1.0	1.0	22.2
9	Wheat Flour (Maida)	Kg.	25.50	27.17	27.17	22.14	23.60	23.87	0.0	1.1	13.8
Pulses											
10	Black Gram	Kg.	77.75	74.50	77.42	81.33	73.07	68.80	3.9	-5.8	12.5
11	Arahar	Kg.	56.25	70.08	69.67	51.87	63.87	63.73	-0.6	-0.2	9.3
12	Mung	Kg.	85.75	84.58	81.84	75.33	72.54	69.74	-3.2	-3.9	17.4
13	Musuro	Kg.	47.17	58.75	60.08	42.13	61.33	57.87	2.3	-5.7	3.8
14	Moog (Broken)	Kg.	83.75	84.75	79.75	64.27	72.53	68.67	-5.9	-5.3	16.1
15	Chick Pea	Kg.	61.83	57.58	56.25	56.27	49.20	48.00	-2.3	-2.4	17.2
Vegetables											
16	Red Potato	Kg.	23.00	24.67	22.50	17.20	16.00	16.53	-8.8	3.3	36.1
17	White Potato	Kg.	22.17	22.75	19.75	14.80	15.20	16.00	-13.2	5.3	23.4
18	Dry Onion	Kg.	17.58	40.00	44.25	13.07	31.87	37.60	10.6	18.0	17.7
19	Tomato	Kg.	43.08	31.17	37.75	37.33	27.87	32.27	21.1	15.8	17.0
20	Cabbage	Kg.	16.34	24.00	22.08	23.73	30.40	30.00	-8.0	-1.3	-26.4
21	Cauli Flower	Kg.	46.67	57.92	44.58	41.07	52.27	57.60	-23.0	10.2	-22.6
Fruits											
22	Banana (Harichhal)	Doz.	20.67	21.17	19.42	20.27	20.74	18.00	-8.3	-13.2	7.9
23	Apple (Chocolate)	Kg.	69.17	65.42	70.00	70.67	53.34	56.27	7.0	5.5	24.4
24	Orange	Kg.	50.00	0.00	26.00	0.00	0.00	51.20	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	Sweet Orange	Kg.	35.17	39.17	43.75	32.27	36.00	35.20	11.7	-2.2	24.3
Spices											
26	Salt	Kg.	10.00	11.00	11.00	13.40	14.40	14.00	0.0	-2.8	-21.4
27	Turmeric	250g	22.92	22.09	22.09	23.73	24.07	23.53	0.0	-2.2	-6.2
28	Garlic	250g	22.00	18.67	18.33	22.87	18.53	19.07	-1.8	2.9	-3.8
29	Ginger	250g	10.34	10.50	11.09	10.67	12.93	13.60	5.5	5.2	-18.5
30	Cuminseed	Kg.	174.00	253.34	250.84	196.67	252.00	250.00	-1.0	-0.8	0.3
31	Dry Chilli	250g	35.25	28.84	31.34	32.80	27.73	26.93	8.7	-2.9	16.3
32	Coriander	250g	18.50	19.50	21.75	17.07	19.34	18.67	11.5	-3.5	16.5
Milk & Milk Products											
33	Dairy Milk	Lit.	25.50	27.58	27.25	26.40	28.27	28.13	-1.2	-0.5	-3.1
34	Lactogen Refill Pack No.2	500g	227.50	245.34	246.59	212.80	229.20	231.07	0.5	0.8	6.7
35	Horlicks	500g	168.75	183.50	183.50	178.00	185.48	181.08	0.0	-2.4	1.3
Meat & Fish											
36	Mutton	Kg.	228.33	241.67	242.50	208.67	229.33	216.00	0.3	-5.8	12.3
37	Chicken	Kg.	131.67	137.50	152.50	107.33	158.67	161.33	10.9	1.7	-5.5
38	Fish (Rahu)	Kg.	102.09	115.84	114.58	102.00	107.47	103.47	-1.1	-3.7	10.7
39	Egg	Piece	4.46	4.88	4.92	2.40	3.47	3.39	0.9	-2.3	45.2
Oil & Ghee											
40	Mustard Oil	Lit.	94.58	108.67	107.83	87.60	102.53	98.80	-0.8	-3.6	9.1
41	Vegetable Ghee	Lit.	60.33	76.00	76.92	80.67	84.93	86.67	1.2	2.0	-11.2
42	Soya bean Oil	Lit.	69.67	82.25	84.50	78.00	90.67	93.47	2.7	3.1	-9.6
43	Sunflower Oil	Lit.	92.75	99.44	99.44	109.69	117.33	120.80	0.0	3.0	-17.7
Soap											
44	Laundry Soap	Piece	9.00	10.30	10.30	8.80	9.20	9.20	0.0	0.0	12.0
45	Bath Soap (Lux)	Piece	17.00	17.00	17.00	20.80	22.80	22.40	0.0	-1.8	-24.1
Chemical Fertilizers											
46	Urea	50Kg.	980.42	1204.92	1204.92	404.93	412.73	397.00	0.0	-3.8	203.5
47	D.A.P.	50Kg.	1340.00	1296.25	1296.25	782.00	799.20	774.67	0.0	-3.1	67.3
48	Potas	50Kg.	699.44	717.22	717.22	363.87	379.60	376.27	0.0	-0.9	90.6
Construction Materials											
49	Cement (Indian)	50Kg.	429.44	491.25	480.42	327.33	361.87	366.53	-2.2	1.3	31.1
50	Iron Rods (10 mm.)	Kg.	47.28	53.85	54.66	40.01	47.59	47.79	1.5	0.4	14.4
51	Corrugated Sheet (26 Gage)	Bundle	4895.83	5732.50	5761.67	5560.00	5785.47	5869.47	0.5	1.5	-1.8
52	Bricks (Big Size)	Thou.	3779.17	4700.00	4716.67	3440.00	4106.67	4146.67	0.4	1.0	13.7
53	Timber 3"x4"x12' (Sal Tree)	Cft.	1122.92	1118.75	1122.92	1273.33	1388.67	1386.00	0.4	-0.2	-19.0
Wages											
54	Mason	Day	224.17	237.08	252.08	242.67	249.34	249.34	6.3	0.0	1.1
55	Carpenter	Day	217.92	230.83	247.92	228.00	236.67	236.67	7.4	0.0	4.8
56	Labour (Male)	Day	122.08	129.17	131.67	138.00	150.93	154.13	1.9	2.1	-14.6
57	Labour (Female)	Day	115.83	126.25	127.08	132.00	144.93	148.13	0.7	2.2	-14.2
Petroleum Products											
58	Kerosene (Open)	Lit.	47.63	47.25	47.25	44.91	43.87	43.87	0.0	0.0	7.7
59	Kerosene (Quota)	Lit.	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.90	17.63	17.63	0.0	0.0	0.0
60	Diesel	Lit.	52.39	52.39	52.39	56.90	53.67	53.43	0.0	-0.5	-1.9
61	Petrol	Lit.	67.24	67.24	67.24	81.02	74.39	74.19	0.0	-0.3	-9.4
62	L.P. Gas	Cylinder	900.00	900.00	900.00	484.72	479.78	478.88	0.0	-0.2	87.9
Other											
63	Sugar	Kg.	36.75	29.25	29.25	32.07	24.60	25.80	0.0	4.9	13.4
64	Tea (Red Label)	250g	85.50	85.50	85.50	74.33	78.00	76.50	0.0	-1.9	11.8
Service Sector											
65	Electricity Tariff	30 Ampiar	664.00	664.00	664.00	155.20	194.40	194.40	0.0	0.0	241.6
66	Telephone Tariff	Minimum	248.60	248.60	248.60	310.64	311.60	311.60	0.0	0.0	-20.2
67	Drinking Water Tariff	Minimum	50.00	50.00	50.00	80.00	88.00	88.00	0.0	0.0	-43.2
68	Postal Stamp (Registry)	Minimum	10.00	10.00	10.00	35.20	35.20	35.20	0.0	0.0	-71.6
69	Doctor Fee (Specialist)	Per Patient	210.42	210.42	210.42	208.00	208.00	208.00	0.0	0.0	1.2
70	Chest X-Ray	Per X-Ray	126.25	136.25	136.25	150.67	149.33	149.33	0.0	0.0	-8.8

* Average Prices of Biratnagar, Birganj, Sidhharthanagar and Nepalganj. ** Average Prices of Purnia, Mujaffarpur, Gorakhpur and Baharaich.

Table 4
Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities in Border Market
Mid-September 2007

(Prices in NRs)

S.NO.	Description	Unit	Nepal*			India**			Percentage Change		
			Mid-Sep 06	Jun/Jul	Mid-Sep 07	Mid-Sep 06	Mid-Aug 07	Mid-Sep 07	3 Over 2	6 Over 5	3 Over 6
			1	2	3	4	5	6			
Food grains											
1	Paddy Coarse	Qtl.	1133.75	1395.83	1427.09	1037.33	1292.00	1301.34	2.2	0.7	9.7
2	Paddy Fine (Basmati)	Qtl.	2225.00	2112.50	2112.50	2084.00	2533.33	2533.33	0.0	0.0	-16.6
3	Maize	Qtl.	1173.33	1289.58	1297.92	1030.67	1253.33	1272.00	0.6	1.5	2.0
4	Rice Fine (Basmati)	Kg.	41.17	43.71	44.38	39.20	41.14	43.54	1.5	5.8	1.9
5	Rice (Mansuli)	Kg.	24.34	25.75	27.00	19.93	21.80	23.60	4.9	8.3	14.4
6	Rice Coarse	Kg.	18.84	21.50	22.42	16.60	19.47	20.40	4.3	4.8	9.9
7	Beaten Rice	Kg.	23.58	25.50	26.75	20.53	24.53	25.60	4.9	4.4	4.5
8	Wheat Flour (Atta)	Kg.	21.59	23.17	25.25	19.00	20.53	20.67	9.0	0.6	22.2
9	Wheat Flour (Maida)	Kg.	24.58	27.00	27.17	21.07	23.07	23.60	0.6	2.3	15.1
Pulses											
10	Black Gram	Kg.	75.33	73.50	74.50	76.14	72.00	73.07	1.4	1.5	2.0
11	Arahar	Kg.	55.33	70.08	70.08	50.53	63.47	63.87	0.0	0.6	9.7
12	Mung	Kg.	89.50	85.08	84.58	75.33	71.47	72.54	-0.6	1.5	16.6
13	Musuro	Kg.	47.17	57.92	58.75	40.80	59.87	61.33	1.4	2.5	-4.2
14	Moog (Broken)	Kg.	84.50	86.00	84.75	63.73	72.00	72.53	-1.5	0.7	16.8
15	Chick Pea	Kg.	58.08	58.83	57.58	50.67	46.53	49.20	-2.1	5.7	17.0
Vegetables											
16	Red Potato	Kg.	19.50	22.92	24.67	15.20	16.40	16.00	7.6	-2.4	54.2
17	White Potato	Kg.	18.17	21.83	22.75	13.87	15.60	15.20	4.2	-2.6	49.7
18	Dry Onion	Kg.	16.42	28.33	40.00	14.27	23.80	31.87	41.2	33.9	25.5
19	Tomato	Kg.	36.67	46.50	31.17	38.13	41.07	27.87	-33.0	-32.1	11.8
20	Cabbage	Kg.	16.17	23.67	24.00	26.40	31.07	30.40	1.4	-2.1	-21.1
21	Cauli Flower	Kg.	51.08	45.92	57.92	66.80	61.33	52.27	26.1	-14.8	10.8
Fruits											
22	Banana (Harichhal)	Doz.	22.50	21.67	21.17	18.00	22.34	20.74	-2.3	-7.2	2.1
23	Apple (Chocolate)	Kg.	72.50	80.00	65.42	64.67	75.56	53.34	-18.2	-29.4	22.6
24	Orange	Kg.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0
25	Sweet Orange	Kg.	35.17	41.67	39.17	30.80	35.73	36.00	-6.0	0.7	8.8
Spices											
26	Salt	Kg.	10.00	11.00	11.00	13.40	14.00	14.40	0.0	2.9	-23.6
27	Turmeric	250g	22.75	22.42	22.09	23.13	24.07	24.07	-1.5	0.0	-8.2
28	Garlic	250g	19.67	18.50	18.67	20.47	16.93	18.53	0.9	9.4	0.7
29	Ginger	250g	9.00	10.25	10.50	10.67	12.53	12.93	2.5	3.2	-18.8
30	Cuminseed	Kg.	169.17	253.34	253.34	178.00	256.00	252.00	0.0	-1.6	0.5
31	Dry Chili	250g	34.50	29.17	28.84	27.60	25.87	27.73	-1.1	7.2	4.0
32	Coriander	250g	18.50	17.92	19.50	16.47	18.67	19.34	8.8	3.6	0.9
Milk & Milk Products											
33	Dairy Milk	Lit.	25.50	27.42	27.58	25.60	28.13	28.27	0.6	0.5	-2.4
34	Lactogen Refill Pack No.2	500g	227.50	240.34	245.34	213.60	229.20	229.20	2.1	0.0	7.0
35	Horlicks	500g	168.75	179.00	183.50	178.80	185.56	185.48	2.5	0.0	-1.1
Meat & Fish											
36	Mutton	Kg.	228.33	237.50	241.67	206.67	224.00	229.33	1.8	2.4	5.4
37	Chicken	Kg.	125.00	140.00	137.50	107.33	156.67	158.67	-1.8	1.3	-13.3
38	Fish (Rahu)	Kg.	105.42	118.75	115.84	98.67	110.67	107.47	-2.5	-2.9	7.8
39	Egg	Piece	4.25	4.75	4.88	2.35	3.47	3.47	2.6	0.0	40.6
Oil & Ghee											
40	Mustard Oil	Lit.	94.58	106.42	108.67	86.40	100.53	102.53	2.1	2.0	6.0
41	Vegetable Ghee	Lit.	60.83	74.67	76.00	76.80	84.93	84.93	1.8	0.0	-10.5
42	Soyabean Oil	Lit.	70.92	81.25	82.25	76.80	90.67	90.67	1.2	0.0	-9.3
43	Sunflower Oil	Lit.	92.58	95.89	99.44	109.69	117.33	117.33	3.7	0.0	-15.2
Soap											
44	Lundry Soap	Piece	9.00	10.30	10.30	8.60	9.20	9.20	0.0	0.0	12.0
45	Bath Soap (Lux)	Piece	17.00	17.00	17.00	20.80	22.67	22.80	0.0	0.6	-25.4
Chemical Fertilizers											
46	Urea	50Kg.	977.92	1022.75	1204.92	402.80	401.00	412.73	17.8	2.9	191.9
47	D.A.P.	50Kg.	1298.75	1331.25	1296.25	766.00	769.60	799.20	-2.6	3.8	62.2
48	Potas	50Kg.	683.33	735.83	717.22	352.80	372.27	379.60	-2.5	2.0	88.9
Construction Materials											
49	Cement (Indian)	50Kg.	410.56	496.67	491.25	312.80	372.53	361.87	-1.1	-2.9	35.8
50	Iron Rods (10 mm.)	Kg.	47.47	53.62	53.85	39.08	47.56	47.59	0.4	0.1	13.1
51	Corrugated Sheet (26 Gage)	Bundle	4845.83	5715.83	5732.50	5456.00	5934.80	5785.47	0.3	-2.5	-0.9
52	Bricks (Big Size)	Thou.	3741.67	4708.34	4700.00	3440.00	4073.34	4106.67	-0.2	0.8	14.4
53	Timber 3"x4"x12' (Sal Tree)	Cft.	1122.92	1122.92	1118.75	1260.00	1390.00	1388.67	-0.4	-0.1	-19.4
Wages											
54	Mason	Day	224.17	237.92	237.08	242.67	249.34	249.34	-0.4	0.0	-4.9
55	Carpenter	Day	217.92	231.67	230.83	228.00	236.67	236.67	-0.4	0.0	-2.5
56	Labourer (Male)	Day	122.08	130.42	129.17	138.00	148.00	150.93	-1.0	2.0	-14.4
57	Labourer (Female)	Day	115.83	124.17	126.25	132.00	142.00	144.93	1.7	2.1	-12.9
Petroleum Products											
58	Kerosene (Open)	Lit.	47.58	47.25	47.25	44.91	43.87	43.87	0.0	0.0	7.7
59	Kerosene (Quota)	Lit.	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.90	17.63	17.63	0.0	0.0	0.0
60	Diesel	Lit.	52.39	52.39	52.39	56.94	53.45	53.67	0.0	0.4	-2.4
61	Petrol	Lit.	67.24	67.24	67.24	81.06	74.23	74.39	0.0	0.2	-9.6
62	L.P. Gas	Cylinder	900.00	900.00	900.00	484.72	479.78	479.78	0.0	0.0	87.6
Other											
63	Sugar	Kg.	36.05	29.50	29.25	32.60	25.20	24.60	-0.8	-2.4	18.9
64	Tea (Red Label)	250g	85.50	88.00	85.50	73.93	78.80	78.00	-2.8	-1.0	9.6
Service Sector											
65	Electricity Tariff	30 Ampiar	664.00	664.00	664.00	155.20	184.00	194.40	0.0	5.7	241.6
66	Telephone Tariff	Minimum	248.60	248.60	248.60	310.64	311.60	311.60	0.0	0.0	-20.2
67	Drinking Water Tariff	Minimum	50.00	50.00	50.00	80.00	88.00	88.00	0.0	0.0	-43.2
68	Postal Stamp (Registry)	Minimum	10.00	10.00	10.00	35.20	35.20	35.20	0.0	0.0	-71.6
69	Doctor Fee (Specialist)	Per Patient	210.42	210.42	210.42	208.00	208.00	208.00	0.0	0.0	1.2
70	Chest X-Ray	Per X-Ray	126.25	136.25	136.25	150.67	149.33	149.33	0.0	0.0	-8.8

* Average Prices of Biratnagar, Birganj, Sidhharthanagar and Nepalganj., ** Average Prices of Purnia, Mujaffarpur, Gorakhpur and Baharaich.

Table 4
Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities in Border Market

Mid-August 2007

(Prices in NRs)

S.NO.	Description	Unit	Nepal*			India**			Percentage Change		
			Mid-Aug 06	Jun/Jul	Mid-Aug 07	Mid-Aug 06	Mid-Jul 07	Mid-Aug 07	3 Over 2	6 Over 5	3 Over 6
			1	2	3	4	5	6			
Food grains											
1	Paddy Coarse	Qtl.	1104.00	1363.33	1395.83	1024.67	1236.67	1292.00	2.4	4.5	8.0
2	Paddy Fine (Basmati)	Qtl.	2137.50	2087.50	2112.50	2050.67	2533.33	2533.33	1.2	0.0	-16.6
3	Maize	Qtl.	1010.00	1222.92	1289.58	870.67	1198.67	1253.33	5.5	4.6	2.9
4	Rice Fine (Basmati)	Kg.	42.00	42.71	43.71	39.33	40.33	41.14	2.3	2.0	6.3
5	Rice (Mansuli)	Kg.	24.09	24.75	25.75	19.93	21.00	21.80	4.0	3.8	18.1
6	Rice Coarse	Kg.	18.92	20.75	21.50	16.20	18.27	19.47	3.6	6.6	10.4
7	Beaten Rice	Kg.	23.67	25.25	25.50	20.80	23.33	24.53	1.0	5.1	3.9
8	Wheat Flour (Atta)	Kg.	20.92	23.08	23.17	18.20	18.67	20.53	0.4	10.0	12.8
9	Wheat Flour (Maida)	Kg.	23.75	26.00	27.00	19.87	21.60	23.07	3.8	6.8	17.0
Pulses											
10	Black Gram	Kg.	75.42	74.59	73.50	75.34	75.74	72.00	-1.5	-4.9	2.1
11	Arahar	Kg.	56.92	66.25	70.08	51.33	62.67	63.47	5.8	1.3	10.4
12	Mung	Kg.	88.67	83.58	85.08	78.67	72.87	71.82	1.8	-1.4	18.5
13	Musuro	Kg.	48.58	56.50	57.92	40.67	59.87	59.87	2.5	0.0	-3.3
14	Moog (Broken)	Kg.	85.75	86.00	86.00	63.80	74.73	72.00	0.0	-3.7	19.4
15	Chick Pea	Kg.	50.42	56.33	58.83	45.22	46.67	46.53	4.4	-0.3	26.4
Vegetables											
16	Red Potato	Kg.	17.50	20.09	22.92	13.20	14.67	16.40	14.1	11.8	39.7
17	White Potato	Kg.	16.00	18.75	21.83	12.94	13.60	15.60	16.4	14.7	40.0
18	Dry Onion	Kg.	15.42	24.75	28.33	11.87	20.80	23.80	14.5	14.4	19.0
19	Tomato	Kg.	23.50	28.25	46.50	35.60	37.45	41.07	64.6	9.7	13.2
20	Cabbage	Kg.	17.67	24.00	23.67	29.73	25.60	31.07	-1.4	21.4	-23.8
21	Cauli Flower	Kg.	49.83	43.33	45.92	68.80	56.10	61.33	6.0	9.3	-25.1
Fruits											
22	Banana (Harichhal)	Doz.	21.25	21.67	21.67	21.27	25.20	22.34	0.0	-11.4	-3.0
23	Apple (Chocolate)	Kg.	79.58	78.89	80.00	80.80	128.00	75.56	1.4	-41.0	5.9
24	Orange	Kg.	60.00						0.0	0.0	
25	Sweet Orange	Kg.	42.22	43.33	41.67	41.34	46.13	35.73	-3.8	-22.5	16.6
Spices											
26	Salt	Kg.	10.00	11.00	11.00	13.40	13.60	14.00	0.0	2.9	-21.4
27	Turmeric	250g	22.25	22.25	22.42	22.93	24.07	24.07	0.8	0.0	-6.9
28	Garlic	250g	19.83	18.25	18.50	18.53	14.74	16.93	1.4	14.9	9.2
29	Ginger	250g	9.25	10.09	10.25	10.27	9.53	12.53	1.6	31.5	-18.2
30	Cuminseed	Kg.	161.67	251.67	253.34	170.67	248.00	256.00	0.7	3.2	-1.0
31	Dry Chilli	250g	30.17	29.25	29.17	25.00	25.87	25.87	-0.3	0.0	12.8
32	Coriander	250g	17.84	17.50	17.92	15.07	16.60	18.67	2.4	12.5	-4.0
Milk & Milk Products											
33	Dairy Milk	Lit.	25.00	27.42	27.42	25.60	26.40	28.13	0.0	6.6	-2.6
34	Lactogen Refill Pack No.2	500g	227.50	236.59	240.34	213.60	228.80	229.20	1.6	0.2	4.9
35	Horlicks	500g	166.75	177.50	179.00	176.80	178.40	185.56	0.8	4.0	-3.5
Meat & Fish											
36	Mutton	Kg.	228.33	232.50	237.50	206.67	224.00	224.00	2.2	0.0	6.0
37	Chicken	Kg.	136.68	141.25	140.00	107.33	166.67	156.67	-0.9	-6.0	-10.6
38	Fish (Rahu)	Kg.	107.50	118.75	118.75	98.67	108.67	110.67	0.0	1.8	7.3
39	Egg	Piece	4.13	4.75	4.75	2.28	3.60	3.47	0.0	-3.7	37.0
Oil & Ghee											
40	Mustard Oil	Lit.	95.58	103.92	106.50	87.33	99.20	100.53	2.5	1.3	5.9
41	Vegetable Ghee	Lit.	58.67	74.67	74.67	74.13	85.20	84.93	0.0	-0.3	-12.1
42	Soyabean Oil	Lit.	71.25	81.75	81.25	74.67	89.87	90.67	-0.6	0.9	-10.4
43	Sunflower Oil	Lit.	92.58	96.78	95.89	109.69	117.33	117.33	-0.9	0.0	-18.3
Soap											
44	Lundry Soap	Piece	9.00	9.97	10.30	8.60	8.80	9.20	3.3	4.5	12.0
45	Bath Soap (Lux)	Piece	17.00	17.00	17.00	20.80	22.00	22.67	0.0	3.0	-25.0
Chemical Fertilizers											
46	Urea	50Kg.	977.92	992.50	1022.75	409.87	401.60	401.00	3.0	-0.1	155.0
47	D.A.P.	50Kg.	1298.75	1331.25	1331.25	766.00	774.00	769.60	0.0	-0.6	73.0
48	Potas	50Kg.	683.33	735.83	735.83	348.80	371.47	372.27	0.0	0.2	97.7
Construction Materials											
49	Cement (Indian)	50Kg.	408.89	462.22	496.67	311.60	369.60	372.53	7.5	0.8	33.3
50	Iron Rods (10 mm.)	Kg.	46.49	53.46	53.62	38.68	47.84	47.56	0.3	-0.6	12.7
51	Corrugated Sheet (26 Gage)	Bundle	4880.83	5749.17	5715.83	5456.00	6196.00	5934.80	-0.6	-4.2	-3.7
52	Bricks (Big Size)	Thou.	3729.17	4533.33	4708.34	3406.67	4100.00	4073.34	3.9	-0.7	15.6
53	Timber 3"x4"x12' (Sal Tree)	Cft.	1118.75	1122.92	1122.92	1233.25	1324.00	1390.00	0.0	5.0	-19.2
Wages											
54	Mason	Day	224.17	237.92	237.92	242.00	249.34	249.34	0.0	0.0	-4.6
55	Carpenter	Day	217.92	231.67	231.67	238.00	234.67	236.67	0.0	0.9	-2.1
56	Labourer (Male)	Day	122.08	130.42	130.42	142.00	144.00	148.00	0.0	2.8	-11.9
57	Labourer (Female)	Day	115.83	124.17	124.17	136.00	138.00	142.00	0.0	2.9	-12.6
Petroleum Products											
58	Kerosene (Open)	Lit.	47.63	47.25	47.25	44.91	43.87	43.87	0.0	0.0	7.7
59	Kerosene (Quota)	Lit.				17.90	17.61	17.63	0.0	0.1	0.0
60	Diesel	Lit.	52.39	52.39	52.39	56.90	53.44	53.45	0.0	0.0	-2.0
61	Petrol	Lit.	67.24	67.24	67.24	81.02	74.23	74.23	0.0	0.0	-9.4
62	L.P. Gas	Cylinder	900.00	900.00	900.00	484.72	494.72	479.78	0.0	-3.0	87.6
Other											
63	Sugar	Kg.	37.13	29.67	29.50	33.60	25.20	25.20	-0.6	0.0	17.1
64	Tea (Red Label)	250g	85.50	88.00	88.00	73.93	79.20	78.80	0.0	-0.5	11.7
Service Sector											
65	Electricity Tariff	30 Ampiar	664.00	664.00	664.00	155.20	168.00	184.00	0.0	9.5	260.9
66	Telephone Tariff	Minimum	248.60	248.60	248.60	310.64	311.60	311.60	0.0	0.0	-20.2
67	Drinking Water Tariff	Minimum	50.00	50.00	50.00	80.00	88.00	88.00	0.0	0.0	-43.2
68	Postal Stamp (Registry)	Minimum	10.00	10.00	10.00	35.20	35.20	35.20	0.0	0.0	-71.6
69	Doctor Fee (Specialist)	Per Patient	210.42	210.42	210.42	208.00	208.00	208.00	0.0	0.0	1.2
70	Chest X-Ray	Per X-Ray	126.25	136.25	136.25	150.67	149.33	149.33	0.0	0.0	-8.8

* Average Prices of Biratnagar, Birganj, Sidhharthanagar and Nepalganj, ** Average Prices of Purnia, Mujaffarpur, Gorakhpur and Baharaich.

Table -5.1

Weekly Average Retail Prices of Some Essential Commodities

Kathmandu

Mid - October 2007

(Prices in Rupees)

S. No.	Name	Unit	Sept.24	Jun/Jul	Oct.09	Oct.17	Percentage Change	
			Ashwin 7	Ashwin 15	Ashwin 22	Ashwin 30	Column 3	Column 4
			1	2	3	4	Over 2	Over 3
Food grains								
1	Rice Fine(Pokhrelai)	Kg.	40.00	40.67	41.33	41.33	1.6	0.0
2	Rice Mansuli(Terai)	Kg.	27.00	28.67	28.67	28.67	0.0	0.0
3	Rice Mansuli (Trishuli)	Kg.	32.00	33.33	33.33	33.33	0.0	0.0
4	Beaten Rice (Tikan)	Kg.	55.00	55.00	55.00	53.33	0.0	-3.0
5	Wheat Flour (Atta)	Kg.	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	0.0	0.0
6	Bread	Pound	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	0.0	0.0
Pulses								
7	Black Gram	Kg.	83.67	81.67	81.67	78.33	0.0	-4.1
8	Mung	Kg.	86.00	83.33	83.33	81.67	0.0	-2.0
9	Musuro	Kg.	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	0.0	0.0
10	Chick Pea	Kg.	75.00	78.33	78.33	78.33	0.0	0.0
Vegetables								
11	Cabbage	Kg.	25.00	28.33	28.67	29.33	1.2	2.3
12	Tomato	Kg.	38.33	41.67	35.00	36.67	-16.0	4.8
13	Beans Green	Kg.	35.00	40.00	38.33	26.67	-4.2	-30.4
14	Red Potato	Kg.	33.00	33.33	35.00	35.00	5.0	0.0
15	White Potato	Kg.	28.67	28.67	28.67	28.67	0.0	0.0
16	Dried Onion	Kg.	40.00	43.33	50.00	51.67	15.4	3.3
Fruits								
17	Apple	Kg.	66.67	66.67	68.33	68.33	2.5	0.0
18	Banana (Harichhal)	Doz.	30.00	30.00	30.00	36.67	0.0	22.2
Spices								
19	Salt	Kg.	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	0.0	0.0
20	Cuminseed	200g.	50.00	49.33	49.33	49.33	0.0	0.0
21	Turmeric	200g.	18.67	23.00	21.33	21.33	-7.3	0.0
22	Garlic	200g.	12.33	12.33	12.33	12.33	0.0	0.0
Milk & Milk Products								
23	Dairy Milk	500 ml.	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	0.0	0.0
24	Lactogen	500g	263.33	263.33	263.33	263.33	0.0	0.0
Oil and Ghee								
25	Mustard Oil	Lit.	111.67	111.67	113.33	113.33	1.5	0.0
26	Soybean Oil	Lit.	83.33	83.33	83.33	84.33	0.0	1.2
27	Vegetable Ghee	Lit.	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	0.0	0.0
Meat & Fish								
28	Mutton	Kg.	320.00	320.00	320.00	320.00	0.0	0.0
29	Fish(Rahu)	Kg.	140.00	140.00	140.00	140.00	0.0	0.0
Soap								
30	Bath Soap	100g.	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	0.0	0.0
31	Laundry Soap	200g.	11.11	11.11	11.11	11.11	0.0	0.0
Construction Materials								
32	Cement (Nepali -Everest)	50Kg.	530.00	530.00	530.00	530.00	0.0	0.0
33	Cement (Indian - Buland)	50Kg.	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00	0.0	0.0
34	Iron Rods (Himnal)	Kg.	56.78	56.78	56.78	56.78	0.0	0.0
35	Corrugated Sheets (Hulas)	Bundle	5596.00	5596.00	5596.00	5596.00	0.0	0.0
36	Bricks (Big Size)	Thou.	3700.00	3700.00	3700.00	3700.00	0.0	0.0
37	Timber 3"x4"x12'(Sal Tree)	C.F.	1300.00	1300.00	1300.00	1300.00	0.0	0.0
Others								
38	Sugar	Kg.	33.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	0.0	0.0
39	Tea	200g.	40.00	40.00	40.00	38.67	0.0	-3.3
40	Kerosene (Open market)	Lit.	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	0.0	0.0

Table -5.1

Weekly Average Retail Prices of Some Essential Commodities

Kathmandu
Mid - September 2007

(Prices in Rupees)

S. No.	Name	Unit	August24	Jun/Jul	Sept 09	Sept.17	Percentage Change	
			Bhadra 7	Bhadra16	Bhadra 23	Bhadra 31	Column 3	Column 4
			1	2	3	4	Over 2	Over 3
Food grains								
1	Rice Fine(Pokhrel)	Kg.	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	0.0	0.0
2	Rice Mansuli(Terai)	Kg.	27.33	27.33	27.33	27.67	0.0	1.2
3	Rice Mansuli (Trishuli)	Kg.	30.00	30.67	30.67	32.00	0.0	4.3
4	Beaten Rice (Tikan)	Kg.	54.00	54.00	54.00	54.00	0.0	0.0
5	Wheat Flour (Atta)	Kg.	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	0.0	0.0
6	Bread	Pound	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	0.0	0.0
Pulses								
7	Black Gram	Kg.	88.33	88.33	88.33	86.67	0.0	-1.9
8	Mung	Kg.	88.33	88.33	88.33	88.33	0.0	0.0
9	Musuro	Kg.	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	0.0	0.0
10	Chick Pea	Kg.	78.33	78.33	78.33	76.67	0.0	-2.1
Vegetables								
11	Cabbage	Kg.	24.33	24.33	21.33	25.00	-12.3	17.2
12	Tomato	Kg.	45.00	35.00	41.67	36.67	19.1	-12.0
13	Beans Green	Kg.	43.33	35.00	45.00	45.00	28.6	0.0
14	Red Potato	Kg.	29.33	32.00	32.00	32.67	0.0	2.1
15	White Potato	Kg.	26.67	28.00	28.00	28.00	0.0	0.0
16	Dried Onion	Kg.	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	0.0	0.0
Fruits								
17	Apple	Kg.	71.67	65.00	65.00	66.67	0.0	2.6
18	Banana (Harichhal)	Doz.	33.33	33.33	35.00	35.00	5.0	0.0
Spices								
19	Salt	Kg.	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	0.0	0.0
20	Cuminseed	200g.	50.67	50.67	50.67	50.67	0.0	0.0
21	Turmeric	200g.	19.33	19.33	19.33	19.33	0.0	0.0
22	Garlic	200g.	14.33	12.00	12.00	12.33	0.0	2.8
Milk & Milk Products								
23	Dairy Milk	500 ml.	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	0.0	0.0
24	Lactogen	500g	263.33	263.33	263.33	263.33	0.0	0.0
Oil and Ghee								
25	Mustard Oil	Lit.	110.00	110.00	110.00	111.67	0.0	1.5
26	Soybean Oil	Lit.	82.33	82.33	82.33	83.33	0.0	1.2
27	Vegetable Ghee	Lit.	79.33	79.33	79.33	78.33	0.0	-1.3
Meat & Fish								
28	Mutton	Kg.	320.00	320.00	320.00	320.00	0.0	0.0
29	Fish(Rahu)	Kg.	118.33	140.00	140.00	140.00	0.0	0.0
Soap								
30	Bath Soap	100g.	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	0.0	0.0
31	Lundry Soap	200g.	10.91	10.91	10.91	10.91	0.0	0.0
Construction Materials								
32	Cement (Nepali -Everest)	50Kg.	526.67	526.67	530.00	530.00	0.6	0.0
33	Cement (Indian - Buland)	50Kg.	555.00	555.00	550.00	550.00	-0.9	0.0
34	Iron Rods (Himal)	Kg.	56.56	56.56	56.78	56.78	0.4	0.0
35	Corrugated Sheets (Hulas)	Bundle	5596.00	5596.00	5596.00	5596.00	0.0	0.0
36	Bricks (Big Size)	Thou.	3700.00	3700.00	3700.00	3700.00	0.0	0.0
37	Timber 3"x4"x12'(Sal Tree)	C.F.	1300.00	1300.00	1300.00	1300.00	0.0	0.0
Others								
38	Sugar	Kg.	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.00	0.0	0.0
39	Tea	200g.	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	0.0	0.0
40	Kerosene (Open market)	Lit.	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	0.0	0.0

Table -5.1

Weekly Average Retail Prices of Some Essential Commodities

Kathmandu
Mid - August 2007

(Prices in Rupees)

S. No.	Name	Unit	23 July	Jun/Jul	7 August	15 August	Percentage Change	
			Srawan 07	Srawan 15	Srawan 22	Srawan 30	Column 3	Column 4
			1	2	3	4	Over 2	Over 3
Food grains								
1	Rice Fine(Pokhrelai)	Kg.	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	0.0	0.0
2	Rice Mansuli(Terai)	Kg.	23.33	23.33	23.33	23.33	0.0	0.0
3	Rice Mansuli (Trishuli)	Kg.	29.33	29.33	29.33	29.33	0.0	0.0
4	Beaten Rice (Tikan)	Kg.	52.33	52.33	52.33	52.33	0.0	0.0
5	Wheat Flour (Atta)	Kg.	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	0.0	0.0
6	Bread	Pound	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	0.0	0.0
Pulses								
7	Black Gram	Kg.	86.67	86.67	88.33	88.33	1.9	0.0
8	Mung	Kg.	86.67	86.67	86.67	86.67	0.0	0.0
9	Musuro	Kg.	70.00	70.00	70.00	70.00	0.0	0.0
10	Chick Pea	Kg.	78.33	78.33	78.33	78.33	0.0	0.0
Vegetables								
11	Cabbage	Kg.	20.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	0.0	0.0
12	Tomato	Kg.	43.33	51.67	41.67	26.67	-19.4	-36.0
13	Beans Green	Kg.	26.00	43.33	40.00	30.00	-7.7	-25.0
14	Red Potato	Kg.	25.33	28.67	29.33	29.33	2.3	0.0
15	White Potato	Kg.	22.67	26.00	26.00	26.00	0.0	0.0
16	Dried Onion	Kg.	28.00	29.33	29.33	29.33	0.0	0.0
Fruits								
17	Apple	Kg.	76.67	78.33	71.67	71.67	-8.5	0.0
18	Banana (Harichhal)	Doz.	33.33	33.33	33.33	33.33	0.0	0.0
Spices								
19	Salt	Kg.	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	0.0	0.0
20	Cuminseed	200g.	51.33	54.00	54.00	53.00	0.0	-1.9
21	Turmeric	200g.	19.33	19.33	19.33	19.33	0.0	0.0
22	Garlic	200g.	14.00	14.33	14.33	14.33	0.0	0.0
Milk & Milk Products								
23	Dairy Milk	500 ml.	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	0.0	0.0
24	Lactogen	500g	263.33	263.33	263.33	263.33	0.0	0.0
Oil and Ghee								
25	Mustard Oil	Lit.	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	0.0	0.0
26	Soybean Oil	Lit.	80.67	80.00	80.67	80.67	0.8	0.0
27	Vegetable Ghee	Lit.	75.00	76.00	76.00	77.67	0.0	2.2
Meat & Fish								
28	Mutton	Kg.	320.00	320.00	320.00	320.00	0.0	0.0
29	Fish(Rahu)	Kg.	118.33	118.33	118.33	118.33	0.0	0.0
Soap								
30	Bath Soap	100g.	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	0.0	0.0
31	Lundry Soap	200g.	10.91	10.91	10.91	10.91	0.0	0.0
Construction Materials								
32	Cement (Nepali -Everest)	50Kg.	520.00	526.67	526.67	526.67	0.0	0.0
33	Cement (Indian - Buland)	50Kg.	555.00	555.00	555.00	555.00	0.0	0.0
34	Iron Rods (Himal)	Kg.	56.56	56.56	56.56	56.56	0.0	0.0
35	Corrugated Sheets (Hulas)	Bundle	5789.00	5596.00	5596.00	5596.00	0.0	0.0
36	Bricks (Big Size)	Thou.	3600.00	3600.00	3700.00	3700.00	2.8	0.0
37	Timber 3"x4"x12'(Sal Tree)	C.F.	1300.00	1300.00	1300.00	1300.00	0.0	0.0
Others								
38	Sugar	Kg.	32.00	32.67	32.67	32.67	0.0	0.0
39	Tea	200g.	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	0.0	0.0
40	Kerosene (Open market)	Lit.	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	0.0	0.0

Table - 5.2

Weekly Average Retail Prices of Some Essential Commodities

Terai*

Mid - October 2007

(Prices in Rupees)

S.No.	Name	Unit	Sept.24	Jun/Jul	Oct.09	Oct.17	Percentage Change	
			Ashwin 7	Ashwin 15	Ashwin 22	Ashwin 30	Column 3	Column 4
			1	2	3	4	Over 2	Over 3
Foodgrains								
1	Rice Fine (Basmati)	Kg.	44.50	44.50	44.50	44.59	0.0	0.2
2	Rice Mansuli	Kg.	27.25	27.25	27.58	27.58	1.2	0.0
3	Beaten Rice	Kg.	26.67	26.67	26.92	26.92	0.9	0.0
4	Wheat Flour (Atta)	Kg.	25.33	25.33	25.33	25.33	0.0	0.0
5	Local Bread	Pound	19.17	19.17	19.17	19.17	0.0	0.0
Pulses								
6	Black Gram	Kg.	77.00	77.08	76.92	76.92	-0.2	0.0
7	Arahar	Kg.	69.84	70.09	69.75	70.00	-0.5	0.4
8	Musuro	Kg.	62.33	62.42	62.33	62.33	-0.1	0.0
9	Chick Pea	Kg.	63.58	63.58	62.92	63.58	-1.0	1.1
Vegetables								
10	Cabbage	Kg.	22.83	29.75	28.00	24.83	-5.9	-11.3
11	Local Tomato	Kg.	27.58	35.25	33.75	31.33	-4.3	-7.2
12	Green Beans	Kg.	44.44	54.44	47.78	45.11	-12.2	-5.6
13	Red Potato	Kg.	23.50	21.17	20.84	22.34	-1.6	7.2
14	White Potato	Kg.	22.67	22.00	22.33	22.33	1.5	0.0
15	Dried Onion	Kg.	40.42	44.08	45.92	47.08	4.2	2.5
Fruits								
16	Apple (Delicious)	Kg.	63.33	62.09	62.09	65.84	0.0	6.0
17	Banana (Harichhal)	Doz.	21.17	20.33	19.50	18.50	-4.1	-5.1
Spices								
18	Salt	Kg.	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	0.0	0.0
19	Turmeric	250g.	22.09	22.09	22.09	22.09	0.0	0.0
20	Cuminseed	250g.	62.00	60.75	60.75	60.75	0.0	0.0
21	Dry Chilli	250g.	28.84	31.34	31.34	31.34	0.0	0.0
Milk and Milk Products								
22	Dairy Milk (500 ml.)	Pound	14.13	14.00	14.00	14.00	0.0	0.0
23	Lactogen Refill Pack NO.2	500g	247.00	248.25	248.25	248.25	0.0	0.0
Oil and Ghee								
24	Mustard Oil	Lit.	108.11	107.00	107.00	107.00	0.0	0.0
25	Soybean Oil	Lit.	81.67	82.42	82.42	82.42	0.0	0.0
26	Vegetable Ghee	Lit.	76.00	76.00	75.92	75.92	-0.1	0.0
Meat and Fish								
27	Mutton	Kg.	241.67	241.67	241.67	241.67	0.0	0.0
28	Fish(Rahu)	Kg.	114.17	115.84	115.84	114.58	0.0	-1.1
Soap								
29	Bath Soap	100g.	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	0.0	0.0
30	Lundry Soap	200g.	10.23	10.23	10.23	10.23	0.0	0.0
Construction Materials								
31	Cement (Nepali)	50Kg.	428.75	428.33	427.08	426.67	-0.3	-0.1
32	Cement (Indian)	50Kg.	482.50	480.83	476.67	476.92	-0.9	0.1
33	Iron Rods	Kg.	53.66	53.73	53.73	53.84	0.0	0.2
34	Corrugated Sheets	Bundle	5760.84	5760.84	5760.84	5760.84	0.0	0.0
35	Bricks (Big Size)	Thou.	4700.00	4700.00	4716.67	4716.67	0.4	0.0
36	Timber 3"x4"x12' (Sal Tree)	C.F..	1118.75	1118.75	1118.75	1118.75	0.0	0.0
Others								
37	Sugar	Kg.	28.75	28.75	29.00	29.08	0.9	0.3
38	Tea Dust (Nepali)	100g.	20.96	20.96	20.96	20.96	0.0	0.0
39	Kerosene(open market)	Lit.	47.25	47.25	47.25	47.25	0.0	0.0

*Average Prices of Biratnagar, Birgunj, Sidhharthanagar and Nepalgunj.

Table - 5.2

Weekly Average Retail Prices of Some Essential Commodities

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Mid - September 2007

(Prices in Rupees)

S.No.	Name	Unit	August24	Jun/Jul	Sept 09	Sept.17	Percentage Change	
			Bhadra 7	Bhadra16	Bhadra 23	Bhadra 31	Column 3	Column 4
			4	4	4	4	Over 2	Over 3
Foodgrains								
1	Rice Fine (Basmati)	Kg.	44.09	44.09	44.50	44.50	0.9	0.0
2	Rice Mansuli	Kg.	26.09	27.00	27.04	27.21	0.1	0.6
3	Beaten Rice	Kg.	27.42	27.42	27.50	26.67	0.3	-3.0
4	Wheat Flour (Atta)	Kg.	25.25	25.25	25.25	25.33	0.0	0.3
5	Local Bread	Pound	19.17	19.17	19.17	19.17	0.0	0.0
Pulses								
6	Black Gram	Kg.	74.33	75.42	74.50	74.50	-1.2	0.0
7	Arahar	Kg.	70.00	70.17	70.25	69.84	0.1	-0.6
8	Musuro	Kg.	61.17	60.83	61.00	62.33	0.3	2.2
9	Chick Pea	Kg.	62.58	63.83	63.08	63.08	-1.2	0.0
Vegetables								
10	Cabbage	Kg.	25.92	26.09	25.00	24.33	-4.2	-2.7
11	Local Tomato	Kg.	44.67	41.67	34.17	26.42	-18.0	-22.7
12	Green Beans	Kg.	41.78	42.00	46.11	57.22	9.8	24.1
13	Red Potato	Kg.	25.00	24.50	24.67	25.67	0.7	4.1
14	White Potato	Kg.	22.67	23.00	22.75	22.75	-1.1	0.0
15	Dried Onion	Kg.	40.00	39.67	40.00	40.00	0.8	0.0
Fruits								
16	Apple (Delicious)	Kg.	71.67	70.00	65.42	62.92	-6.5	-3.8
17	Banana (Harichhal)	Doz.	21.00	20.58	20.17	21.17	-2.0	5.0
Spices								
18	Salt	Kg.	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	0.0	0.0
19	Turmeric	250g.	22.25	22.25	22.09	22.09	-0.8	0.0
20	Cuminseed	250g.	63.75	63.75	63.33	62.00	-0.7	-2.1
21	Dry Chilli	250g.	29.17	29.17	28.84	28.84	-1.1	0.0
Milk and Milk Products								
22	Dairy Milk (500 ml.)	Pound	14.25	14.25	14.25	14.25	0.0	0.0
23	Lactogen Refill Pack NO.2	500g	244.50	247.00	247.00	247.00	0.0	0.0
Oil and Ghee								
24	Mustard Oil	Lit.	107.44	107.44	108.22	108.22	0.7	0.0
25	Soybean Oil	Lit.	83.17	83.17	83.00	82.25	-0.2	-0.9
26	Vegetable Ghee	Lit.	76.50	76.25	76.00	76.00	-0.3	0.0
Meat and Fish								
27	Mutton	Kg.	236.67	237.50	236.67	241.67	-0.4	2.1
28	Fish(Rahu)	Kg.	115.84	116.25	115.84	115.84	-0.4	0.0
Soap								
29	Bath Soap	100g.	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	0.0	0.0
30	Lundry Soap	200g.	10.23	10.23	10.23	10.23	0.0	0.0
Construction Materials								
31	Cement (Nepali)	50Kg.	437.50	435.83	435.42	431.67	-0.1	-0.9
32	Cement (Indian)	50Kg.	496.67	501.25	496.25	488.75	-1.0	-1.5
33	Iron Rods	Kg.	53.70	53.51	53.85	53.85	0.6	0.0
34	Corrugated Sheets	Bundle	5732.50	5732.50	5732.50	5732.50	0.0	0.0
35	Bricks (Big Size)	Thou.	4700.00	4700.00	4700.00	4700.00	0.0	0.0
36	Timber 3"x4"x12' (Sal Tree)	C.F..	1122.92	1122.92	1118.75	1118.75	-0.4	0.0
Others								
37	Sugar	Kg.	29.83	29.50	29.25	29.25	-0.8	0.0
38	Tea Dust (Nepali)	100g.	20.88	20.88	20.88	20.88	0.0	0.0
39	Kerosene(open market)	Lit.	47.25	47.25	47.25	47.25	0.0	0.0

*Average Prices of Biratnagar, Birgunj, Sidhharthanagar and Nepalgunj.

Table - 5.2

Weekly Average Retail Prices of Some Essential Commodities**Terai*****Mid - August 2007**

(Prices in Rupees)

S.No.	Name	Unit	July.23	Jun/Jul	August.07	August.15	Percentage Change	
			Srawan 07	Srawan 15	Srawan 22	Srawan 30	Column 3	Column 4
			1	2	3	4	Over 2	Over 3
Foodgrains								
1	Rice Fine (Basmati)	Kg.	43.96	43.75	43.67	43.67	-0.2	0.0
2	Rice Mansuli	Kg.	25.67	25.92	25.92	25.92	0.0	0.0
3	Beaten Rice	Kg.	25.50	25.50	25.75	26.08	1.0	1.3
4	Wheat Flour (Atta)	Kg.	23.50	23.67	24.34	25.25	2.8	3.8
5	Local Bread	Pound	19.17	19.17	19.17	19.17	0.0	0.0
Pulses								
6	Black Gram	Kg.	72.42	71.58	73.08	74.33	2.1	1.7
7	Arahar	Kg.	67.84	68.84	69.58	70.50	1.1	1.3
8	Musuro	Kg.	57.83	57.83	58.67	59.17	1.4	0.9
9	Chick Pea	Kg.	61.08	61.08	61.25	62.58	0.3	2.2
Vegetables								
10	Cabbage	Kg.	19.50	25.50	25.67	25.92	0.7	1.0
11	Local Tomato	Kg.	32.33	48.17	49.00	41.09	1.7	-16.2
12	Green Beans	Kg.	40.22	59.44	50.56	38.56	-14.9	-23.7
13	Red Potato	Kg.	21.00	22.17	22.92	23.92	3.4	4.4
14	White Potato	Kg.	20.00	20.50	21.83	23.17	6.5	6.1
15	Dried Onion	Kg.	27.00	28.25	28.33	28.33	0.3	0.0
Fruits								
16	Apple (Delicious)	Kg.	86.67	81.67	79.92	75.00	-2.1	-6.2
17	Banana (Harichhal)	Doz.	21.58	22.42	22.42	21.42	0.0	-4.5
Spices								
18	Salt	Kg.	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	0.0	0.0
19	Turmeric	250g.	22.25	22.42	22.25	22.25	-0.7	0.0
20	Cuminseed	250g.	63.75	63.75	63.75	63.75	0.0	0.0
21	Dry Chilli	250g.	29.08	27.58	28.42	29.17	3.0	2.6
Milk and Milk Products								
22	Dairy Milk (500 ml.)	Pound	14.25	14.25	14.25	14.25	0.0	0.0
23	Lactogen Refill Pack NO.2	500g	241.59	241.59	242.84	244.50	0.5	0.7
Oil and Ghee								
24	Mustard Oil	Lit.	105.55	106.22	106.11	106.11	-0.1	0.0
25	Soybean Oil	Lit.	81.58	81.58	82.83	83.17	1.5	0.4
26	Vegetable Ghee	Lit.	74.50	74.50	75.92	75.00	1.9	-1.2
Meat and Fish								
27	Mutton	Kg.	237.50	237.50	237.50	237.50	0.0	0.0
28	Fish(Rahu)	Kg.	116.25	118.83	118.83	118.83	0.0	0.0
Soap								
29	Bath Soap	100g.	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	0.0	0.0
30	Laundry Soap	200g.	10.23	10.23	10.23	10.23	0.0	0.0
Construction Materials								
31	Cement (Nepali)	50Kg.	440.84	440.84	437.50	435.42	-0.8	-0.5
32	Cement (Indian)	50Kg.	495.25	497.92	498.75	494.58	0.2	-0.8
33	Iron Rods	Kg.	53.54	53.37	53.37	53.37	0.0	0.0
34	Corrugated Sheets	Bundle	5732.50	5732.50	5732.50	5732.50	0.0	0.0
35	Bricks (Big Size)	Thou.	4625.00	4625.00	4658.34	4725.00	0.7	1.4
36	Timber 3"x4"x12' (Sal Tree)	C.F..	1122.92	1122.92	1122.92	1122.92	0.0	0.0
Others								
37	Sugar	Kg.	29.50	30.00	30.00	30.00	0.0	0.0
38	Tea Dust (Nepali)	100g.	20.88	20.88	20.88	20.88	0.0	0.0
39	Kerosene(open market)	Lit.	47.25	47.25	47.25	47.25	0.0	0.0

*Average Prices of Biratnagar, Birgunj, Sidhharthanagar and Nepalgunj.

Table - 6

Average Wage Rates in Nepal

(Rupees)

	2034/35	2035/36	2036/37	2037/38	2038/39	2039/40	2040/41	2041/42	2042/43	2043/44	2044/45	2045/46	2046/47	2047/48	2048/49
	1977/78	1978/79	1979/80	1980/81	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	1986/87	1987/88	1988/89	1989/90	1990/91	1991/92
CARPENTER															
1.SKILLED	16.60	17.45	19.75	22.03	25.06	29.27	32.00	35.80	42.40	49.71	55.54	61.72	66.61	77.96	92.00
2.SEMI-SKILLED	14.40	15.17	17.45	19.53	21.62	25.40	28.37	31.77	35.50	40.63	45.54	52.85	56.71	68.71	80.21
MASON															
1.SKILLED	15.80	16.85	20.01	22.03	24.18	28.67	31.40	35.20	41.40	49.44	57.54	61.97	67.02	78.05	89.08
2.SEMI-SKILLED	14.00	14.85	17.36	19.53	21.51	25.07	28.05	31.13	35.48	40.63	45.54	53.10	57.50	68.71	77.71
INDUSTRIAL LABOURERS															
1.HIGH-SKILLED	320.00	507.00	507.00	507.00	507.00	507.00	507.00	598.00	598.00	636.33	669.93	864.95	873.00	1141.00	1141.00
2.SKILLED	257.40	293.74	306.04	325.78	342.94	371.74	392.26	438.10	452.08	484.93	523.53	683.73	690.00	958.00	958.00
3.SEMI-SKILLED	173.00	299.00	299.00	299.00	299.00	299.00	299.00	365.00	365.00	403.33	439.23	577.23	582.00	850.00	850.00
4.UN-SKILLED	198.00	216.76	214.84	232.36	247.96	270.46	271.00	310.70	324.92	363.33	403.23	528.40	532.00	800.00	800.00
AGRICULTURE LABOURERS															
1.MALE	7.50	8.17	8.75	10.25	11.60	13.22	14.87	16.10	18.27	20.80	24.49	28.60	30.93	35.69	40.26
2.FEMALE	6.50	6.83	7.09	8.85	10.12	11.33	12.78	14.00	16.18	18.87	23.65	26.25	29.13	32.17	35.02
LABOURERS															
1.MALE	-	-	-	-	-	-	12.50	12.50	14.58	19.50	25.58	28.33	30.00	36.85	41.83
2.FEMALE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.00	24.33	25.50	27.50	34.10	37.86
	2049/50	2050/51	2051/52	2052/53	2053/54	2054/55	2055/56	2056/57	2057/58	2058/59	2059/60	2060/61	2061/62	2062/63	2063/64
	1992/93	1993/94	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
CARPENTER															
1.SKILLED	107.33	116.33	124.75	134.42	142.17	146.17	159.75	195.00	205.33	214.00	223.94	234.06	234.06	247.53	266.50
2.SEMI-SKILLED	91.08	97.83	106.00	113.58	116.17	120.67	138.34	153.00	157.67	168.33	178.31	184.50	184.50	190.67	175.00
MASON															
1.SKILLED	105.26	112.33	123.08	133.42	142.17	146.17	159.75	192.00	202.67	210.33	217.28	229.25	229.25	242.53	262.33
2.SEMI-SKILLED	89.22	95.83	104.33	112.58	115.25	120.67	140.21	150.00	157.67	165.33	176.78	183.69	183.69	185.78	195.31
INDUSTRIAL LABOURERS															
1.HIGH-SKILLED	1355.99	1482.22	1527.22	1602.22	1692.22	1874.72	1950.55	3705.13	3739.13	3979.53	4159.60	4344.70	4344.70	5434.45	6012.84
2.SKILLED	1154.96	1275.25	1333.92	1403.58	1486.92	1669.42	1745.25	2968.60	3000.60	3261.39	3433.73	3523.53	3523.53	4302.72	4895.07
3.SEMI-SKILLED	1050.86	1153.42	1198.42	1273.42	1363.42	1545.92	1621.75	2359.00	2421.00	2567.59	2736.40	2889.73	2889.73	3689.06	4068.21
4.UN-SKILLED	996.32	1091.95	1136.95	1211.95	1301.95	1489.75	1560.28	1865.47	1893.47	2056.27	2222.83	2385.82	2385.82	3083.67	3652.33
AGRICULTURE LABOURERS															
1.MALE	45.67	47.25	52.08	55.83	59.33	64.83	65.92	80.00	84.60	87.33	89.33	97.03	97.03	111.53	124.92
2.FEMALE	37.71	40.17	44.08	47.54	51.63	59.83	60.92	56.60	61.67	66.00	70.32	80.86	80.86	91.17	99.80
LABOURERS															
1.MALE	46.42	53.42	59.08	62.42	68.50	73.67	79.75	91.00	98.33	104.00	106.86	109.00	109.00	120.94	132.39
2.FEMALE	42.58	48.75	53.08	55.50	62.08	69.67	75.75	84.00	90.27	95.40	97.58	101.00	101.00	111.19	122.17

Source : Nepal Rastra Bank