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ZANZIBAR CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (ZCPI) FOR AUGUST 2025

ANNUAL HEADLINE INFLATION RATE RECORDED 3.88 PERCENT

The Inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index for Zanzibar for the 12 months to August 2025 decreased to 3.88 percent from 4.05 percent registered in July 2025. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate decrease to 4.76 percent in August 2025 compared to 4.87 percent in July 2025. The overall Index increased to 117.01 in August 2025 compared to 112.64 recorded in August 2024 (Table 1).

TABLE 1: CHANGES IN CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR AUGUST 2025

(BASE JULY, 2022 = 100)

Description	Weights 2019/20	Indices			% Annually July 2025	% Monthly	% Annually
		August 2024	July 2025	August 2025			
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	41.856	122.59	127.42	128.43	4.87	0.79	4.76
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	0.183	125.57	129.67	128.92	3.35	-0.57	2.67
Clothing and Footwear	6.321	103.44	109.07	109.08	5.06	0.01	5.45
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	25.801	104.14	108.19	107.25	3.37	-0.87	2.99
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	4.832	109.42	113.76	113.43	4.29	-0.30	3.66
Health	1.295	106.78	108.46	108.46	1.58	0.00	1.58
Transport	9.125	108.90	111.20	111.00	2.32	-0.18	1.94
Information And Communication	4.215	102.73	105.48	105.48	2.73	0.00	2.67
Recreation, Sport and Culture	1.132	103.16	107.58	107.58	4.28	0.00	4.28
Education	1.603	105.77	109.76	109.76	3.77	0.00	3.77
Restaurants And Accommodation Services	1.445	113.18	114.94	114.94	1.56	0.00	1.56
Insurance And Financial Services	0.485	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.706	103.89	109.03	109.51	4.95	0.44	5.41
ALL ITEMS	100.00	112.64	116.86	117.01	4.05	0.13	3.88

ANNUAL FOOD AND NON-FOOD INFLATION RATES

Annual Inflation Rate for food decreased to 4.17 percent for the year ended August 2025 compared to 4.27 percent recorded for the year ended July 2025. The overall index for food increased to 128.34 in August 2025 from 123.20 recorded in August 2024, while Annual inflation rate for non-food decrease to 3.65 percent in August 2025 compared to 3.88 percent in July 2025, overall index for non-food increased to 109.29 in August 2025 compared to 105.44 in August 2024, (Table 2). Products contribute to decrease annual inflation rate were Thailand Rice 11.01%, Basmat Rice 1.16%, Jasmin Rice 3.93%, Wheat Flour 0.18%, Maize Flour 0.84%, Fish 5.67%, Brown Sugar 16.17%, White Sugar 15.70%, Kerosene 6.25% Petrol 2.74%, and Diesel 5.62% (Table 3).

TABLE 2: FOOD AND NON-FOOD STATISTICS

Group	Weights	INDICES			% Annually July 2025	% Monthly	% Annually
		August 2024	July 2025	August 2025			
Food	40.53	123.20	127.30	128.34	4.27	0.81	4.17
Non-Food	59.47	105.44	109.74	109.29	3.88	-0.41	3.65
All Item	100.00	112.64	116.86	117.01	4.05	0.13	3.88

MONTHLY HEADLINE INFLATION IN AUGUST 2025

During August 2025 the monthly headline inflation rate decreased to 0.13 percent compared to 0.18 percent recorded for the month ended July 2025. The monthly Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate for the month ended August 2025 increased to 0.79 percent compared to 0.05 percent for the month ended July 2025 (**Table 1**).

The products that contribute to decrease monthly inflation rate are Mbeya Rice 0.15%, Sunflower Oil 3.03%, Edible Cooking Oils (OKI) 1.91% Yellow Cooking Banana 1.06%, Brown Sugar 2.72%, White Sugar 1.28% and Petrol 0.60% (Table3).

Table 3: Monthly Average Prices for Selected Items 2024 – 2025

Items	Unit	AVERAGE PRICES			% Monthly	% Annually
		August 2024	July 2025	August 2025		
Thailand Rice	1 kg	2,338	2,079	2,080	0.04	-11.01
Mbeya Rice	1 kg	2,766	2,928	2,923	-0.15	5.70
Basmat Rice	1 kg	4,768	4,712	4,712	0.00	-1.16
Jasmin Rice	1 kg	3,027	2,897	2,908	0.40	-3.93
Wheat Flour	1 kg	1,991	1,982	1,987	0.27	-0.18
Maize Flour	1kg	1,881	1,860	1,865	0.27	-0.84
Flatbread	1 pc	528	548	548	0.00	3.79
Fish	1 kg	11,720	10,011	11,055	10.43	-5.67
Sunflower oil	1 litre	6,397	7,822	7,584	-3.03	18.56
Edible Cooking Oils (OKI)	2 litre	6,032	7,071	6,936	-1.91	14.99
Yellow cooking banana	1kg	2,930	3,395	3,359	-1.06	14.64
Green cooking banana	1kg	1,185	1,226	1,450	18.20	22.28
Brown sugar	1kg	2,928	2,523	2,454	-2.72	-16.17
White sugar	1kg	3,012	2,572	2,539	-1.28	-15.70
Kerosene	1 litre	3,200	3,000	3,000	0.00	-6.25
Diesel	1 litre	3,259	2,907	3,076	5.81	-5.62
Petrol	1 litre	3,062	2,996	2,978	-0.60	-2.74

Chart 1: Zanzibar Inflation Rate from August 2023 – August 2025

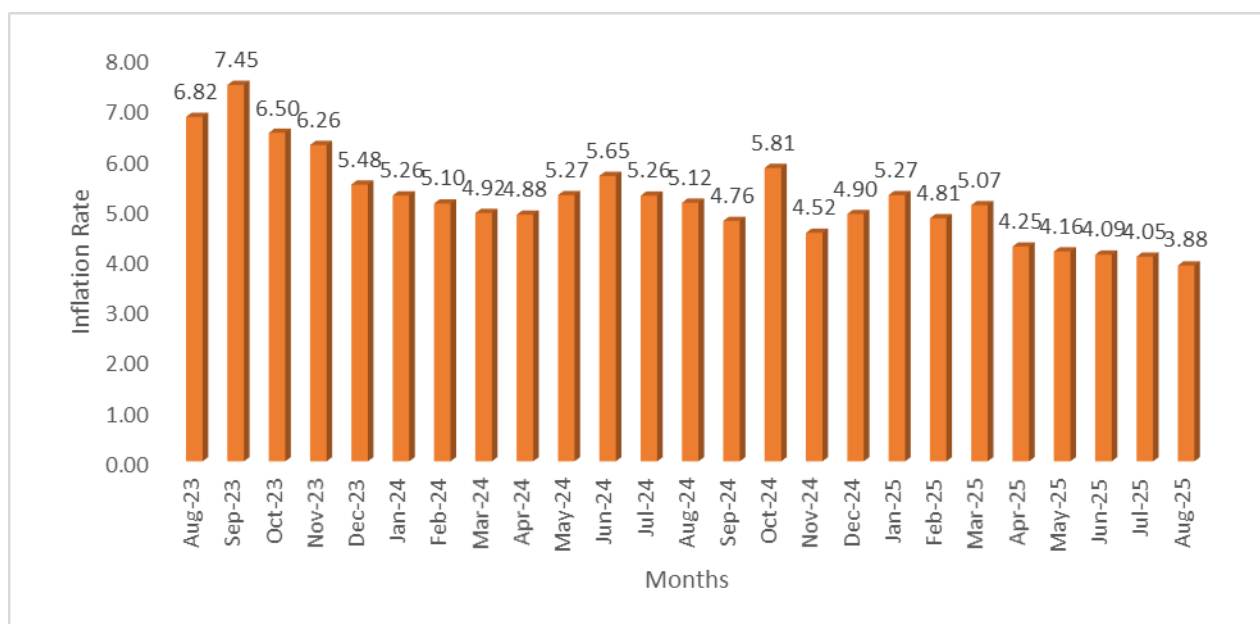
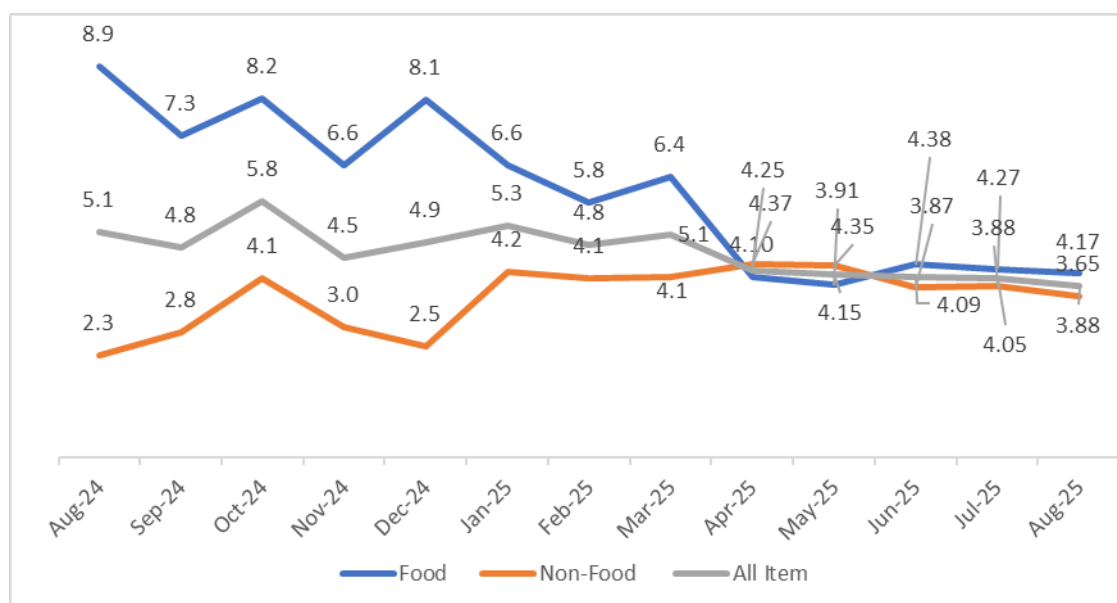


Chart 2: Zanzibar Inflation Rate for Food, Nonfood and All Items from August 2024 – August 2025



Explanatory Note

The CPI measures the average percentage changes over time (between two time periods) in the prices of a “basket” of consumer goods and services acquired by households (the market basket) in Zanzibar. The Zanzibar CPI covers prices of 398 items collected in 670 outlets in Unguja and Pemba urban Centers. The goods and services included in the ZCPI basket are classified according to the UN COICOP (Classification of Individual Consumption According by Purpose) with 13 divisions.

The ZCPI weights are based on both monetary and non-momentary expenditures relating to consumption for households in Zanzibar for the 2019/20 Household Budget Survey (HBS). The weight is based on expenditures of both urban and rural households. Both base price and index has reference period of July 2022.

The computation of indices at elementary level based on geometric mean of the price relative while at higher level the Laspeyres formula was used to compute the aggregate indices.

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Appendix 1

		Indices				Monthly % Change				Annually % Change			
		Food ¹	Energy ² and Fuels	Core Exclude Food and Energy	Fish and Sea Food	Food	Energy and Fuels	Core Exclude Food and Energy	Fish and Sea Food	Food	Energy and Fuels	Core Exclude Food and Energy	Fish and Sea Food
	Share	43.08	8.12	48.8	6.32								
2023	Jan	105.98	101.71	101.93	97.27	2	2.2	1.36	0.91	10.94	11.68	5.57	10.23
	Feb	106.97	102.65	102.04	89.91	0.94	0.11	0.92	-7.57	9.92	8.71	5.8	-1.68
	Mar	107.67	100.62	101.95	88.51	0.66	-1.97	-0.09	-1.55	9.71	7.03	4.82	-0.17
	April	111.21	101.94	102.56	95.53	3.28	1.31	0.59	7.93	10.95	8.69	4.32	0.76
	May	110.59	100.55	102.58	86.61	-0.56	-1.36	0.02	-9.35	9.11	8.41	3.75	-4.96
	June	109.72	107.1	102.67	91.79	-0.78	6.51	0.09	5.99	10.13	6.67	3.17	-7.55
	July	111.23	103.25	103.28	101.56	1.37	-3.59	0.59	10.65	11.23	3.25	3.28	1.56
	Aug	112.47	104.08	102.97	99.47	1.12	0.81	-0.3	-2.06	11.37	5	3.06	-3.2
	Sep	114.68	105.38	102.9	99.94	1.96	1.25	-0.06	0.47	13.47	3.84	2.7	0.64
	Oct	112.14	105.91	103.17	97.06	-2.22	0.51	0.26	-2.88	10.72	6.25	2.79	7.89
	Nov	112.51	106.36	103.24	96.23	0.33	0.42	0.07	-0.86	10.04	7.01	2.74	-0.15
	Dec	112.3	107.47	103.26	94.21	-0.19	1.04	0.02	-2.1	8.08	7.98	2.69	-2.26
2024	Jan	115.53	107.00	103.79	97.32	2.88	-0.43	0.51	3.3	9.02	5.2	1.83	0.05
	Feb	116.29	107.28	103.94	107.38	0.66	0.26	0.15	10.34	8.71	4.52	1.86	19.43
	March	115.72	108.68	104.02	107.25	-0.49	1.3	0.08	-0.12	7.47	8.01	2.03	21.17
	April	119.99	109.79	104.13	106.49	3.69	1.03	0.1	-0.7	7.89	7.71	1.53	11.47
	May	120.26	110.26	103.86	117.28	0.22	0.42	-0.26	10.13	8.74	9.65	1.25	35.42
	June	121.07	112.99	103.96	119.06	0.68	2.48	0.09	1.51	10.35	5.50	1.25	29.71
	July	121.25	114.94	103.97	103.20	0.15	1.72	0.02	-13.32	9.01	11.32	0.67	1.61
	Aug	122.31	113.39	103.98	111.69	0.87	-1.35	0.01	8.22	8.75	8.94	0.99	12.28
	Sep	123.12	117.61	103.97	112.91	0.66	3.73	-0.01	1.10	7.36	11.61	1.04	12.98
	Oct	121.30	122.52	105.08	108.91	1.47	4.18	1.07	3.54	8.18	15.68	1.85	12.21
	Nov	120.08	112.91	105.44	91.62	-1.01	-7.85	0.34	-15.88	6.73	6.15	2.12	-4.80
	Dec	121.40	108.81	105.79	98.25	1.10	-3.63	0.34	7.24	8.11	1.25	2.45	4.29
2025	Jan	123.64	115.82	106.94	98.75	1.84	6.44	1.09	0.51	7.01	8.24	3.04	1.04
	Feb	123.50	115.42	107.03	104.31	-0.11	-0.35	0.08	5.63	6.20	7.58	2.97	-2.86
	March	123.53	115.80	107.31	102.07	0.03	0.33	0.26	-2.15	6.76	6.56	3.16	-4.83
	April	125.50	118.63	107.50	98.60	1.59	2.44	0.18	-3.40	4.59	8.05	3.24	-7.41
	May	125.55	116.67	107.61	103.59	0.03	-1.65	0.10	5.06	4.40	5.82	3.61	-11.68
	June	126.94	116.16	107.65	101.14	1.11	-0.44	0.04	-2.36	4.84	2.81	3.55	-15.05
	July	127.04	117.13	107.82	94.17	0.08	0.83	0.16	-6.89	4.77	1.90	3.71	-8.75
	Aug	128.02	114.35	107.73	107.00	0.77	-2.37	-0.08	13.63	4.67	0.85	3.61	-4.19

¹ Food - combining food consumed at home and food consumed in restaurants

² Energy and Fuels - Combining Electricity and other Fuels for use at Home with Petrol and Diesel