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## **ZANZIBAR CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) FOR APRIL, 2016**

**ANNUAL HEADLINE INFLATION RATE INCREASED TO 10.1 PERCENT** Zanzibar Annual Headline Inflation rate for the year ended April, 2016 increased to 10.1 percent compared to 9.7 percent recorded in March, 2016. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate increased to 14.4 percent in April 2016 from 11.3 percent recorded in March 2016. The overall Index increased to 121.4 in March, 2016 compared to 110.3 recorded in April, 2015 (**Table 1 and chart 2**).

# TABLE 1: CHANGES IN CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR APRIL, 2016 (BASE AUC. 2012 – 100)

						$UG.\ 2012 = 100)$
			March 2016 to			
					April 2016 %	April 2015 to April
Description	Weights	Apr-15	Mar-16	Apr-16	Change	2016 % Change
Food and Non-Alcoholic						
Beverages	49.5	104.4	115.7	119.4	3.2	14.4
Alcohol Beverages, Tobacco						
and Narcotics	0.3	112.8	115.4	115.4	0.0	2.4
Clothing and Footwear	9.3	119.4	129.8	129.9	0.0	8.8
Housing, Water, Electricity,						
Gas, and Other Fuels	17.1	117.1	116.2	118.1	1.7	0.8
Furnishing, Household						
Equipment and Routine						
Household Maintenance	4.6	110.4	117.2	117.4	0.2	6.4
Health	2.8	105.8	117.9	118.0	0.1	11.6
Transport	6.3	95.7	98.7	100.0	1.3	4.6
Communication	2.6	184.1	199.4	199.4	0.0	8.3
Recreation and Culture	0.8	126.0	130.3	130.3	0.0	3.4
Education	1.3	138.1	150.6	150.6	0.0	9.1
Restaurants and Hotels	2.1	102.7	134.7	134.5	-0.1	31.0
Miscellaneous Goods and						
Services	3.2	123.0	131.9	133.2	1.0	8.3
All Items	100.0	110.3	119.0	121.4	2.0	10.1

Source: Office of Chief Government Statistician, Zanzibar

Annual Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages group increased to 14.4 percent driven by Thailand Rice (13.7%), Mbeya Rice (10.4%), Jasmin Rice (9.9%), Basmat Rice (4.6%), Maize Flour (19.1%), Wheat Flour (16.4%), Fish (22.6%), Octopus (42.1%), and Squid (13.7%).

Annual Transport group increased to 4.6% driven by Petrol (12.7%), Transport by Air ZNZ/DSM (4.4%) and Transport by Sea ZNZ/DSM (8.7%).

ANNUAL INFLATION RATE FOR OTHER DERIVED STATISTICS

Annual Inflation Rate for all items exclude food consumed at home and at restaurants (S1) decreased to 5.1 percent in April 2016 compared to 7.2 percent recorded in March 2016. Annual inflation rate for food consumed at home and at restaurants (S2) increased to 15.0 percent in April, 2016 from 12.1 percent recorded in March 2016. Annual inflation rate for Energy and Fuels (S3) (Petrol, Diesel, Kerosene, Charcoal, Electricity, Gas and Firewood) increased to 3.1 percent in April 2016 compared to -0.3 recorded in March 2016. Annual Core inflation rate (S4) (Exclude Rice, Wheat Flour, Sugar, Petrol, Diesel, kerosene, and Charcoal) increased to 10.1 percent in April, 2016 from 9.8 percent in March 2016. Annual inflation rate for Fish (S5) increased to 18.9 percent in April, 2016 compared to 1.4 percent recorded in March, 2016. Annual Inflation rate for Rice, Wheat Flour, and Sugar (S6) is 12.6 percent in April, 2016 compared to 13.9 percent in March, 2016 (**Table 2**)

			March 2016 to	April 2015 to		
Description	Weights	Apr-15	Mar-16	Apr-16	April 2016 % Change	April 2016 % Change
All Item Exclude Food (S1)	48.4	116.9	121.9	122.9	0.8	5.1
Food (S2)	51.6	104.4	116.4	120.0	3.1	15.0
Energy and Fuels (S3)	10.6	96.4	96.0	99.4	3.6	3.1
Core Exclude Food and Energy (S4)	78.7	115.3	124.4	127.0	2.1	10.1
Fish Index (S5)	6.5	89.8	100.0	106.8	6.8	18.9
Rice, Wheat Flour and Sugar Index (S6)	14.6	97.6	110.1	109.9	-0.2	12.6

#### **TABLE 2: OTHER DERIVED STATISTICS**

Source: Office of Chief Government Statistician, Zanzibar

# MONTHLY INFLATION RATE INCREASED TO 2.0 PERCENT IN APRIL, 2016

During April, 2016 the Monthly Inflation rate increased to 2.0 percent compared to -1.3 percent recorded in March, 2016. The monthly Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate in April, 2016 was 3.2 percent compared to -1.7 percent in March, 2016 (**Table 1**)

Monthly Inflation Rate for all items exclude food consumed at home and at restaurants (S1) increased to 0.8 percent in April 2016 compared to -0.9 percent registered in March, 2016. Monthly inflation rate for food consumed at home and at restaurants (S2) increased to 3.1 percent in April, 2016 compared to -1.6 percent registered in March, 2016. Monthly inflation rate for energy and fuels (S3) (Petrol, Diesel, kerosene, electricity, gas, Charcoal and Firewood) increased to 3.6 percent in April, 2016 compared to -4.2 percent registered in March, 2016. Monthly Core inflation rate (S4) (Exclude Rice, Wheat Flour, Sugar, Petrol, Diesel, kerosene, and Charcoal) increased to 2.1 percent in April, 2016 compared to -1.1 percent recorded in March, 2016. Monthly inflation rate for fish (S5) increased to 6.8 percent in April, 2016 compared to -7.9 percent registered in March, 2016. Monthly Inflation rate for Rice, Wheat Flour and Sugar (S6) decreased to -0.2 percent in April, 2016 compared to 0.2 percent in March, 2016. (Table 2)

### **MOVEMENT OF AVERAGE PRICES FOR SELECTED ITEMS**

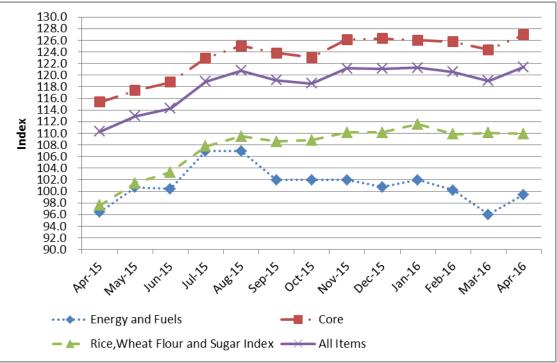
The increasing of Monthly inflation rate to 2.0 percent for the month of April, 2016 was contributed by increasing prices of items such as Fish (5.8%), Green Cooking Banana (9.4%), Yellow Cooking Banana (13.2%), Octopus (11.4%), Coconut (6.2%), Tomatoes (41.3%), Potatoes (11.5%), Cement (10.2%), Kerosene (13.9%), Diesel (8.4%) and Petrol (1.1%).(**Table 3**)

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Items	Unit	Apr-15	Mar-16	Apr-16	Monthly	Annually
Thailand rice (Mapembe)	1 kg	1,113	1,266	1,266	0.0	13.7
Mbeya	1 kg	2,081	2,331	2,298	-1.4	10.4
Jasmi	1 kg	1,697	1,864	1,864	0.0	9.9
Basmat	1 kg	3,143	3,143	3,286	4.6	4.6
Flatbread (Boflo)	0.5kg	903	952	927	-2.6	2.7
Maize Flour	1kg	1,047	1,248	1,248	0.0	19.1
Wheat Flour	1kg	1,129	1,315	1,315	0.0	16.4
Fish	1kg	6,624	7,671	8,118	5.8	22.6
Edible cooking Oils (OKI)	2 litre	7,021	7,613	7,613	0.0	8.4
Green Cooking Bananas	1kg	981	1,020	1,115	9.4	13.7
Yellow Cooking Bananas	1kg	1,823	2,108	2,387	13.2	30.9
Sugar	1kg	1,348	1,533	1,533	0.0	13.7
Cement	50 kg	15,107	15,410	16,986	10.2	12.4
Kerosene	1 litre	1,160	1,005	1,145	13.9	-1.3
Charcoal	1Polo	12,301	13,287	13,263	-0.2	7.8
Diesel	1 litre	1,700	1,545	1,675	8.4	-1.5
Petrol	1 litre	1,610	1,795	1,815	1.1	12.7

 Table 3: Monthly Average Prices for Selected Items 2015 - 2016

Source: Office of Chief Government Statistician, Zanzibar

Chart 1: Development of Inflation Rate for Selected groups from April, 2015 – April, 2016



Source: Office of Chief Government Statistician, Zanzibar



Chart 2: Zanzibar Inflation Rate 2014 – 2016

**Source:** Office of Chief Government Statistician, Zanzibar

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 269 items collected in 316 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 12 divisions.

The ZCPI weights are based on both monetary and non-momentary expenditures relating to consumption for households in Zanzibar for the 2009/10 Household Budget Survey (HBS). The weight is based on expenditures of both urban and rural households and was updated in August 2012. Both base price and index has reference period of August (2012=100).

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	Indices			Monthly % Change			Annually % Change			
		Energy and Fuels	Core Exclude Food and Energy	Rice, Wheat Flour and Sugar Index	Energy and Fuels	Core Exclude Food and Energy	Rice, Wheat Flour and Sugar Index	Energy and Fuels	Core Exclude Food and Energy	Rice, Wheat Flour and Sugar Index
	Share	10.6	78.7	14.6						
	Share	10.0	78.7	14.0						
2013	Jan	103.7	100.2	103.2						
	Feb	101.3	101.2	103.1	-2.3	1.0	0.0			
	Mar	101.6	101.6	103.3	0.3	0.4	0.2			
	Apr	104.2	103.5	102.2	2.6	2.0	-1.1			
	May	105.7	102.6	100.9	1.4	-0.9	-1.3			
	Jun	102.9	102.5	98.2	-2.7	-0.2	-2.6			
	Jul	103.6	107.0	97.7	0.8	4.4	-0.5			
	Aug	104.9	106.9	97.5	1.2	-0.1	-0.2			
	Sep	106.5	105.3	96.8	1.5	-1.4	-0.8			
	Oct	107.3	106.5	96.8	0.8	1.1	0.0			
	Nov	107.2	107.0	96.4	-0.1	0.4	-0.4			
	Dec	107.0	105.2	96.9	-0.2	-1.7	0.5			
2014	Jan	107.0	109.1	95.8	0.0	3.8	-1.1	3.2	9.0	-7.2
	Feb	106.8	109.3	95.9	-0.1	0.2	0.1	5.5	8.0	-7.1
	Mar	107.1	110.1	96.2	0.3	0.7	0.3	5.5	8.4	-6.9
	Apr	107.1	112.0	96.0	0.0	1.8	-0.2	2.8	8.2	-6.1
	May	108.1	113.1	95.6	0.9	0.9	-0.4	2.2	10.2	-5.2
	Jun	113.5	112.9	95.6	5.0	-0.2	0.0	10.3	10.2	-2.7
	Jul	113.5	114.9	95.6	0.0	1.7	0.0	9.5	7.4	-2.2
	Aug	112.4	114.8	95.6	-0.9	0.0	0.0	7.2	7.4	-2.0
	Sep	111.1	113.6	95.6	-1.2	-1.1	0.0	4.3	7.8	-1.2
	Oct	111.1	111.9	96.3	0.0	-1.4	0.7	3.5	5.1	-0.4
	Nov	111.1	111.7	97.6	0.0	-0.2	1.3	3.6	4.5	1.2
	Dec	111.5	110.9	97.5	0.3	-0.8	0.0	4.2	5.4	0.7
2015	Jan	105.4	114.3	98.0	-5.4	3.1	0.5	-1.4	4.7	2.4
	Feb	104.7	112.3	96.5	-0.7	-1.7	-1.5	-2.0	2.7	0.7
	Mar	96.2	113.3	96.6	-8.1	0.9	0.1	-10.1	2.9	0.5
	Apr	96.4	115.3	97.6	0.2	1.8	1.0	-10.0	3.0	1.7
	May	100.7	117.4	101.4	4.4	1.7	4.0	-6.8	3.8	6.1
	Jun	100.4	118.8	103.3	-0.3	1.2	1.8	-11.5	5.2	8.0
	Jul	106.9	122.9	107.8	6.5	3.5	4.3	-5.8	7.0	12.7
	Aug	106.9	125.0	109.4	0.0	1.7	1.6	-4.9	8.9	14.5
	Sep	102.0	123.8	108.6	-4.6	-1.0	-0.8	-8.2	9.0	13.6
	Oct	102.0	123.0	108.8	0.0	-0.6	0.2	-8.2	9.9	13.0
	Nov	102.0	126.2	110.2	0.0	2.5	1.2	-8.2	12.9	12.9
	Dec	100.7	126.3	110.2	-1.2	0.1	0.0	-9.7	13.9	12.9
2016	Jan	102.0	126.0	111.6	1.2	-0.2	1.3	-3.3	10.3	13.8
	Feb	100.2	125.7	109.9	-1.7	-0.2	-1.5	-4.3	12.0	13.8
	Mar	96.0	124.4	110.1	-4.2	-1.1	0.2	-0.3	9.8	13.9
	Apr	99.4	127.0	109.9	3.6	2.1	-0.2	3.1	10.1	12.6

# Appendix 1