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MONTHLY EXTERNAL MERCHANDISE TRADE STATISTICS

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1. Balance of Trade

Balance of Trade showed a deficit of TZS 48,266.8 million in November 2020, decreased by 23.4 percent compared to the corresponding month of 2019 and by 12.6 percent compared with the previous month. (Table 1).

Table 1: Summary of External Merchandise Trade

| Description | Value in Million TZS | | |
|--|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | November 2019 | October 2020 | November 2020 |
| A. Total Exports (f.o.b) | 1,944.7 | 3,372.2 | 1,984.2 |
| Domestic exports | 1,766.6 | 2,602.4 | 1,229.0 |
| Re-exports | 178.2 | 769.8 | 755.2 |
| B. Total Imports (c.i.f) | 64,954.8 | 58,578.0 | 50,251.1 |
| Total International Trade (A + B) | 66,899.5 | 61,950.2 | 52,235.3 |
| Trade Deficit (A - B) | -63,010.0 | -55,205.8 | -48,266.8 |

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

2. Exports Statistics

November 2020 recorded a total exports value of 1,984.2 million, increased by 2.0 percent compared to November 2019 and decreased by 41.2 percent compared to previous month. Food and live animals section contributed 55.5 percent of the total exports in November 2020 (table 2).

Table 2: Total Exports of goods by S.I.T.C section*Value in Million TZS*

| SITC DESCRIPTION | November 2019 | October 2020 | November 2020 |
|---|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Food and live animals | 1,578.9 | 1,834.8 | 1,102.1 |
| Beverages and tobacco | 28.0 | 1.0 | 19.4 |
| Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 33.0 | 588.9 | 91.0 |
| Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | - | - | - |
| Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes | 1.0 | - | - |
| Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify) | 55.2 | 3.2 | 4.3 |
| Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material | 23.8 | 151.9 | 7.2 |
| Machinery and transport equipment | 195.0 | 781.8 | 709.2 |
| Miscellaneous manufactured articles | 29.9 | 10.6 | 51.0 |
| Total | 1,944.7 | 3,372.2 | 1,984.2 |

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

3. Exports by Top Five Partner in November 2020

The top five trading partners for exported goods in the November 2020 accounted 89.9 percent of the total value of exported goods. Major export destination was Germany that accounted 36.6 percent of the total export in November 2020.

Table 3: Exports value by Top Five (5) Partners in November 2020*Value in Million TZS*

| Country | November 2019 | October 2020 | November 2020 |
|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Germany | 62.8 | 18.8 | 727.1 |
| Vietnam | 265.8 | - | 470.5 |
| Spain | 79.7 | - | 263.4 |
| China | 181.7 | 403.7 | 211.2 |
| United States of America | 121.4 | 109.7 | 112.6 |
| Other | 1,233.3 | 2,840.0 | 199.5 |
| Total | 1,944.7 | 3,372.2 | 1,984.2 |

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

4. Imports Statistics

November 2020 recorded a total import value of 50,251.1 million, which decreased by 22.6 percent compared to November 2019 and by 14.2 percent compared to previous month. Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials section contributed 37.0 percent of the total value

imported followed by food and live animals (14.8 percent). The performances of other sections are as shown in table 4.

Table 4: Total Imports of goods by S.I.T.C section

| SITC DESCRIPTION | <i>Value in Million TZS</i> | | |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | November 2019 | October 2020 | November 2020 |
| Food and live animals | 6,898.3 | 3,848.6 | 7,423.4 |
| Beverages and tobacco | 132.9 | 24.1 | 5.6 |
| Crude materials, inedible, except fuels | 1,246.9 | 45.4 | 1,018.0 |
| Mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials | 32,565.0 | 24,218.5 | 18,571.1 |
| Animals and vegetable oils, fats & waxes | 3,296.8 | 841.0 | 2,954.7 |
| Chemicals & related products, (not elsewhere specify) | 2,665.0 | 1,933.8 | 2,768.6 |
| Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material | 6,230.6 | 8,623.1 | 6,964.0 |
| Machinery and transport equipment | 7,960.4 | 15,119.8 | 5,980.0 |
| Miscellaneous manufactured articles | 3,958.9 | 3,923.7 | 4,565.6 |
| Total | 64,954.8 | 58,578.0 | 50,251.1 |

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

5. Imports by Top Five Partner in November 2020

The top five trading partners for imported goods in the November 2020 contributed 81.7 percent of the total import. Imports were mainly from United Arab Emirates (45.9 percent) and India (12.5 percent).

Table 5: Import value by Top Five Partner in November 2020

| Country | <i>Value in Million TZS</i> | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | November 2019 | October 2020 | November 2020 |
| United Arab Emirates | 35,405.0 | 26,042.3 | 23,056.6 |
| India | 3,714.7 | 3,630.7 | 6,280.5 |
| China | 5,288.8 | 14,801.0 | 5,474.0 |
| Pakistan | 1,660.7 | 2,417.8 | 3,663.3 |
| Malaysia | 1,731.1 | 468.2 | 2,605.1 |
| Others | 17,154.4 | 11,218.0 | 9,171.5 |
| Total | 64,954.8 | 58,578.0 | 50,251.1 |

Source: Tanzania Revenue Authority (TRA), Dar-es-Salaam

6. Import by Categories

November 2020 imported value of consumer goods was 15,809.5 which increased by 19.5 percent compared to November 2019 and by 44.0 percent compared to previous month. Imports value of capital goods was 8,246.8 which decreased by 15.1 compared with corresponding month of 2019 and by 54.5 percent compared to the previous month and Imported value of intermediary goods was 26,194.8 which decreased by 37.7 percent compared to corresponding month of 2019 and by 11.1 percent compared to previous month (Table 6).

Table 6: Import by Categories

| Categories | November 2019 | October 2020 | November 2020 |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Capital Goods | 9,710.5 | 18,133.6 | 8,246.8 |
| <i>Transport Equipment</i> | 3,907.1 | 2,819.6 | 2,971.7 |
| <i>Building and Construction material</i> | 1,869.2 | 2,973.2 | 2,223.0 |
| <i>Machinery</i> | 3,934.2 | 12,340.8 | 3,052.1 |
| Intermediate Goods | 42,017.3 | 29,466.7 | 26,194.8 |
| <i>Oil</i> | 33,309.0 | 24,218.5 | 18,571.1 |
| <i>Industrial raw materials</i> | 8,708.3 | 5,248.2 | 7,622.9 |
| Consumer Goods | 13,225.9 | 10,977.8 | 15,809.5 |
| <i>Food and food stuffs</i> | 6,176.9 | 3,642.7 | 7,389.1 |
| <i>All other consumer goods</i> | 7,049.0 | 7,335.1 | 8,420.3 |
| Total | 64,953.7 | 58,578.0 | 50,251.1 |

Note: - means Nil