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ZANZIBAR CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (ZCPI) FOR JANUARY 2026

ANNUAL HEADLINE INFLATION RATE RECORDED 4.25 PERCENT

The Inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index for Zanzibar for the 12 months to January 2026 increased to 4.25 percent from 3.81 percent registered in December 2025. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate increased to 9.05 percent in January 2026 compared to 6.18 percent in December 2025. The overall Index increased to 119.74 in January 2026 compared to 114.86 recorded in January 2025 (Table 1).

TABLE 1: CHANGES IN CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR JANUARY 2026

(BASE JULY, 2022 = 100)

Description	Weights 2019/20	Indices			% Annually December 2025	% Monthly	% Annually
		January 2025	December 2025	January 2026			
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	41.856	123.95	129.16	135.18	6.18	4.65	9.05
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	0.183	120.94	128.98	128.93	10.95	-0.04	6.61
Clothing and Footwear	6.321	106.75	109.47	109.97	4.03	0.46	3.01
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	25.801	107.86	105.88	105.39	0.64	-0.47	-2.29
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	4.832	112.35	113.67	115.72	2.68	1.80	2.99
Health	1.295	107.61	109.08	109.08	2.16	0.00	1.37
Transport	9.125	109.81	111.20	111.99	3.09	0.72	1.99
Information And Communication	4.215	105.01	105.21	104.89	0.11	-0.31	-0.12
Recreation, Sport and Culture	1.132	106.52	110.98	110.87	5.32	-0.09	4.09
Education	1.603	108.34	109.25	110.43	1.09	1.08	1.93
Restaurants And Accommodation Services	1.445	113.86	115.70	121.91	2.23	5.37	7.07
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	107.48	109.38	109.46	4.76	0.08	1.84
ALL ITEMS	**100.00**	**114.86**	**117.05**	**119.74**	**3.81**	**2.30**	**4.25**

ANNUAL FOOD AND NON-FOOD INFLATION RATES

Annual Inflation Rate for food increased to 9.18 percent for the year ended January 2026 compared to 5.44 percent recorded for the year ended December 2025. The overall index for food increased to 135.09 in January 2026 from 123.73 recorded in January 2025, while Annual inflation rate for non-food decreased to 0.44 percent in January 2026 compared to 2.54 percent in December 2025, overall index for non-food increased to 109.29 in January 2026 compared to 108.81 in January 2025, (Table 2). Products contribute to increase annual inflation rate were Mbeya Rice 8.17%, Maize Flour 1.08%, Flat bread 3.79%, Fish 19.98%, Sunflower Cooking Oil 1.52%, Edible cooking Oil (OKI) 2.52%, Yellow Cooking Banana 13.92%, Green Cooking Banana 21.05%, Gas in Cylinder 0.32% and Petrol 1.37% (Table 3).

TABLE 2: FOOD AND NON-FOOD STATISTICS

Group	Weights	INDICES			% Annually December 2025	% Monthly	% Annually
		January 2025	December 2025	January 2026			
Food	40.53	123.73	128.88	135.09	5.44	4.82	9.18
Non-Food	59.47	108.81	109.00	109.29	2.54	0.26	0.44
All Item	**100.00**	**114.86**	**117.05**	**119.74**	**3.81**	**2.30**	**4.25**

MONTHLY HEADLINE INFLATION IN JANUARY 2026

During January 2026 the monthly headline inflation rate increased to 2.30 percent compared to 0.82 percent recorded for the month ended December 2025. The monthly Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate for the month ended January 2026 increased to 4.82 percent compared to 2.04 percent for the month ended December 2025 **(Table 1).**

The products that contribute to increase monthly inflation rate are Thailand Rice 0.91%, Mbeya Rice 0.49%, Wheat Flour 1.25%, Maize Flour 3.44%, Fish 7.35%, Edible Cooking Oils (OKI) 0.41%, Green Cooking Banana 9.18% and Brown Sugar 0.23% (Table3).

Table 3: Monthly Average Prices for Selected Items 2025 – 2026

Items	Unit	AVERAGE PRICES			% Monthly	% Annually
		January 2025	December 2025	January 2026		
Thailand Rice	1 kg	2,281	2,007	2,025	0.91	-11.20
Mbeya Rice	1 kg	2,769	2,981	2,996	0.49	8.17
Basmat Rice	1 kg	4,768	4,712	4,712	0.00	-1.16
Jasmin Rice	1 kg	3,007	2,897	2,891	-0.21	-3.85
Wheat Flour	1 kg	2,100	1,943	1,967	1.25	-6.32
Maize Flour	1kg	1,854	1,812	1,874	3.44	1.08
Flatbread	1 pc	528	548	548	0.00	3.79
Fish	1 kg	9,636	10,769	11,561	7.35	19.98
Sunflower oil	1 litre	7,389	7,501	7,501	0.00	1.52
Edible Cooking Oils (OKI)	2 litre	6,766	6,908	6,936	0.41	2.52
Yellow cooking banana	1kg	2,400	3,337	2,734	-18.08	13.92
Green cooking banana	1kg	1,278	1,417	1,547	9.18	21.05
Brown sugar	1kg	2,655	2,482	2,488	0.23	-6.31
White sugar	1kg	2,681	2,552	2,548	-0.16	-4.96
Gas in cylinder	6kg	25,413	25,495	25,495	0.00	0.32
Kerosene	1 litre	3,200	3,000	2,900	-3.33	-9.38
Diesel	1 litre	2,892	2,944	2,858	-2.92	-1.18
Petrol	1 litre	2,775	2,815	2,813	-0.07	1.37

Chart 1: Zanzibar Inflation Rate from January 2024 – January 2026

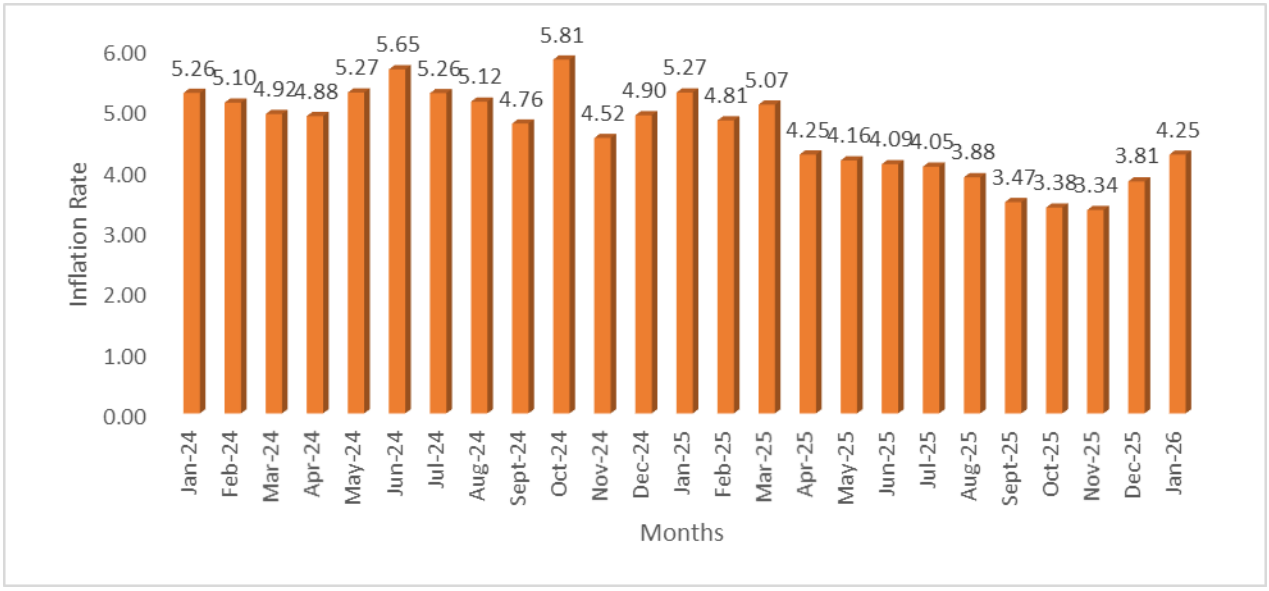
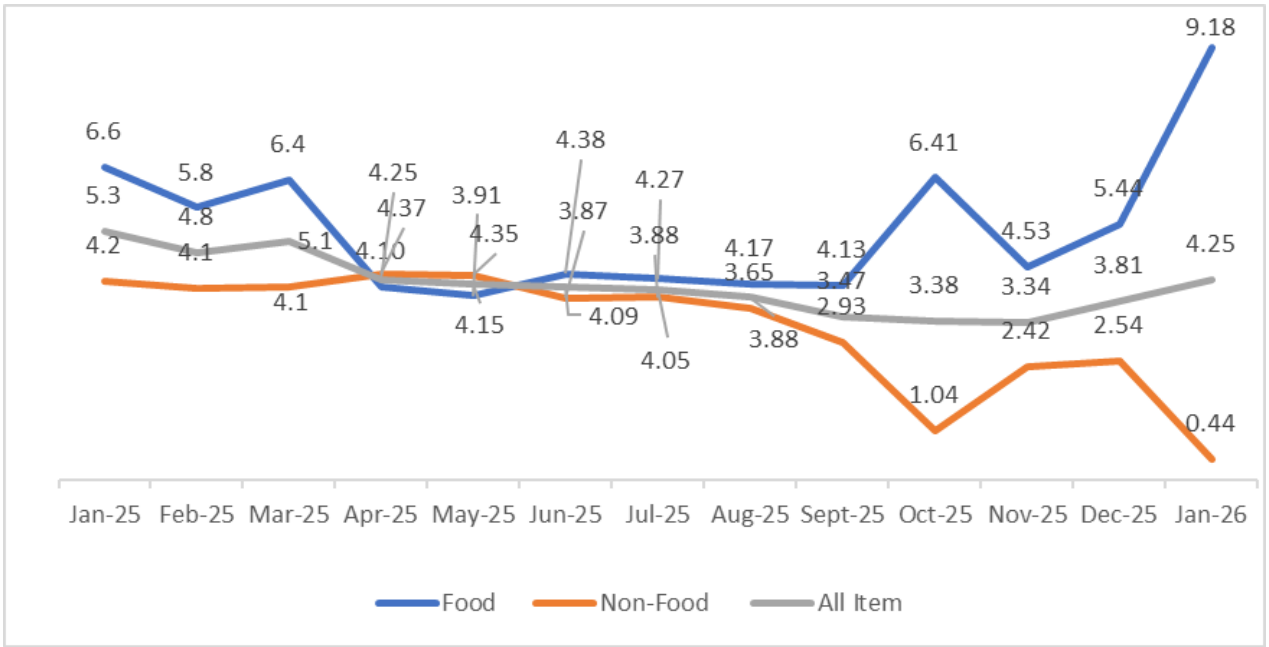


Chart 2: Zanzibar Inflation Rate for Food, Nonfood and All Items from January 2025 – January 2026



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**								
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
	Sep	129.20	112.03	107.92	117.05	0.63	-2.04	0.17	9,39	4.63	-4.75	3,80	3.67
	Oct	129.96	108.39	107.86	101.60	0.7	-3.25	-0.05	-13.20	6.94	-11.54	2.65	-6,72
	Nov	126.31	111.02	107.96	104.65	-2.65	2.43	0.09	3.00	5.17	-1.68	2.40	14.22
	Dec	128.88	109.22	108.02	107.05	1.96	-1.62	0.06	2.43	6.06	0.38	2.11	9.10
2026	Jan	135.09	107.49	108.48	107.91	4.70	-1.58	0.42	0.67	9.04	-7.19	1.44	9.28

[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