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ZANZIBAR CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (ZCPI) FOR OCTOBER 2026

ANNUAL HEADLINE INFLATION RATE RECORDED 5.06 PERCENT

The Inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index for Zanzibar for the 12 months to October 2026 increased to 5.06 percent compare to 4.33 percent registered in September 2026 while in October 2025 inflation rate stood 3.38 percent. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate increased to 7.40 percent in October 2026 compared to 6.84 percent in September 2026, while October 2025 registered 7.09 percent. The overall Index increased to 123.26 in October 2026 compared to 117.32 recorded in October 2025 (Table 1).

TABLE 1: CHANGES IN CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR OCTOBER 2026

(BASE JULY, 2022 = 100)

Description	Weights 2019/20	Indices			% Annually September 2026	% Annually October 2025	% Monthly	% Annually
		October 2025	September 2026	October 2026				
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	41.856	130.18	138.10	139.81	6.84	7.09	1.23	7.40
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	0.183	128.64	134.34	134.34	4.21	2.06	0.00	4.44
Clothing and Footwear	6.321	109.43	110.73	110.66	1.51	5.79	-0.07	1.12
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	25.801	105.56	107.92	107.98	1.25	-3.29	0.05	2.28
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	4.832	113.19	118.83	120.97	4.77	3.20	1.80	6.87
Health	1.295	108.32	109.47	109.47	0.93	1.45	0.00	1.06
Transport	9.125	111.15	116.70	118.07	4.70	2.39	1.17	6.22
Information And Communication	4.215	105.12	105.79	105.79	0.28	2.32	0.00	0.63
Recreation, Sport and Culture	1.132	108.99	110.83	110.94	1.15	5.65	0.10	1.79
Education	1.603	109.09	110.92	110.92	1.06	3.13	0.00	1.68
Restaurants And Accommodation Services	1.445	115.29	122.05	122.05	6.19	1.86	0.00	5.87
Insurance And Financial Services	0.485	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.706	109.48	110.85	109.32	0.84	5.38	-1.38	-0.14
ALL ITEMS	**100.00**	**117.32**	**122.34**	**123.26**	**4.33**	**3.38**	**0.76**	**5.06**

ANNUAL FOOD AND NON-FOOD INFLATION RATES

Annual Inflation Rate for food increased to 7.60 percent for the year ended October 2026 compared to 6.87 percent recorded for the year ended September 2026, however for the year ended October 2025 annual Inflation rate for food recorded 3.38 percent. The overall index for food increased to 139.84 in October 2026 from 129.96 recorded in October 2025, while Annual inflation rate for non-food increased to 2.29 percent for the year ended October 2026 compared to 2.28 percent for the year ended September 2026, however in October 2025 annual inflation rate for non-food recorded 1.04 percent, the overall index for non-food increased to 111.96 in October 2026 compared to 108.71 in October 2025, (Table 2). Products contribute to increase annual inflation rate were Mbeya Rice 3.48%, Maize Flour 1.56%, Flatbread 12.25%, Fish 17.52%, Green Cooking Banana 6.17%, Brown Sugar 23.39%, White Sugar 18.09%, Gas in cylinder 6.85%, Kerosene 32.33%, Diesel 34.85% and Petrol 40.98%, (Table3).

TABLE 2: FOOD AND NON-FOOD STATISTICS

Group	Weights	INDICES			% Annually September 2026	% Annually October 2025	% Monthly	% Annually
		October 2025	September 2026	October 2026				
Food	40.53	129.96	138.08	139.84	6.87	6.41	1.28	7.60
Non-Food	59.47	108.71	111.61	111.96	2.28	1.04	0.32	2.99
All Item	**100.00**	**117.32**	**122.34**	**123.26**	**4.33**	**3.38**	**0.76**	**5.06**

MONTHLY HEADLINE INFLATION IN OCTOBER 2026

During October 2026 the monthly headline inflation rate increased to 0.76 percent compared to negative 0.96 percent recorded for the month ended September 2026. The monthly Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate for the month ended October 2026 increased to 1.23 percent compared to negative 1.91 percent for the month ended September 2026 **(Table 1).** The products that contribute to increase monthly inflation rate are Thailand Rice (1.77%), Flatbread 12.25%, Fish (12.01%), Green Cooking Banana (14.27%), Kerosene 3.39%, Diesel 3.39% and Petrol (5.88%) (Table3).

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

Items	Unit	AVERAGE PRICES			% Monthly	% Annually
		October 2025	September 2026	October 2026		
Thailand Rice	1 kg	2,086	1,832	1,864	1.77	-10.64
Mbeya Rice	1 kg	3,029	3,143	3,134	-0.28	3.48
Basmat Rice	1 kg	4,712	4,691	4,691	0.00	-0.45
Jasmin Rice	1 kg	2,919	2,876	2,876	0.00	-1.48
Wheat Flour	1 kg	2,012	1,935	1,935	0.00	-3.84
Maize Flour	1kg	1,878	1,918	1,907	-0.58	1.56
Flatbread	1 pc	548	548	615	12.25	12.25
Fish	1 kg	10,192	10,694	11,979	12.01	17.52
Sunflower oil	1 litre	7,584	7,539	7,483	-0.74	-1.33
Edible Cooking Oils (OKI)	2 litre	6,936	6,823	6,823	0.00	-1.64
Yellow cooking banana	1kg	3,797	3,155	3,100	-1.75	-18.38
Green cooking banana	1kg	1,617	1,502	1,716	14.27	6.17
Brown sugar	1kg	2,475	3,119	3,054	-2.06	23.39
White sugar	1kg	2,541	3,266	3,000	-8.14	18.09
Gas in cylinder	6kg	25,495	27,580	27,241	-1.23	6.85
Kerosene	1 litre	3,000	3,840	3,970	3.39	32.33
Diesel	1 litre	2,944	3,840	3,970	3.39	34.85
Petrol	1 litre	2,809	3,740	3,960	5.88	40.98

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

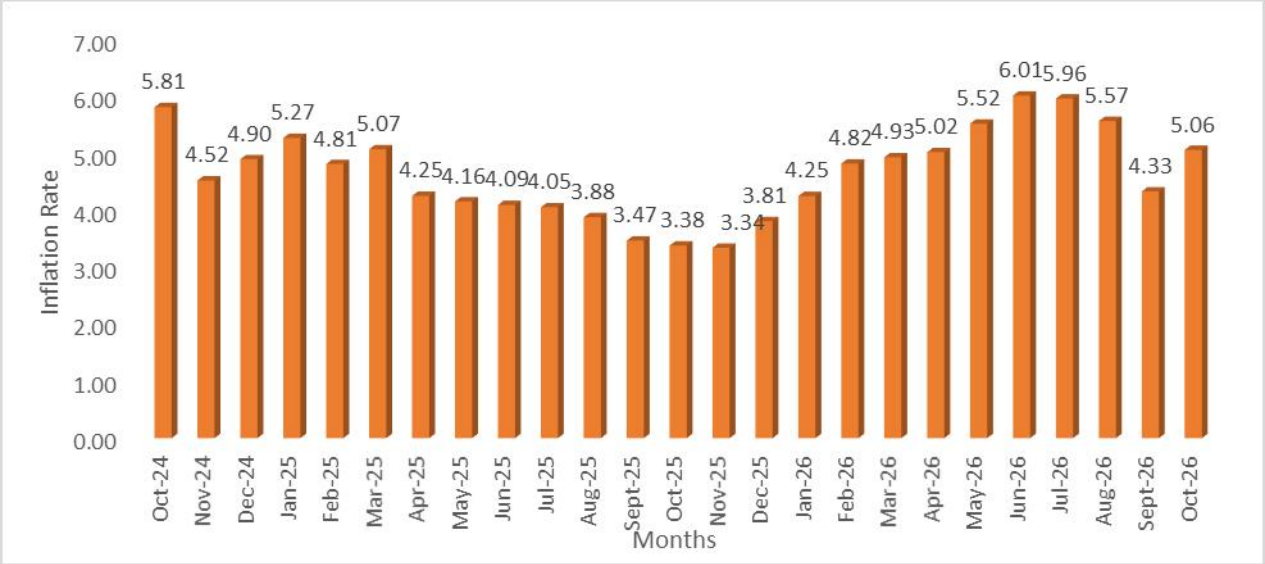
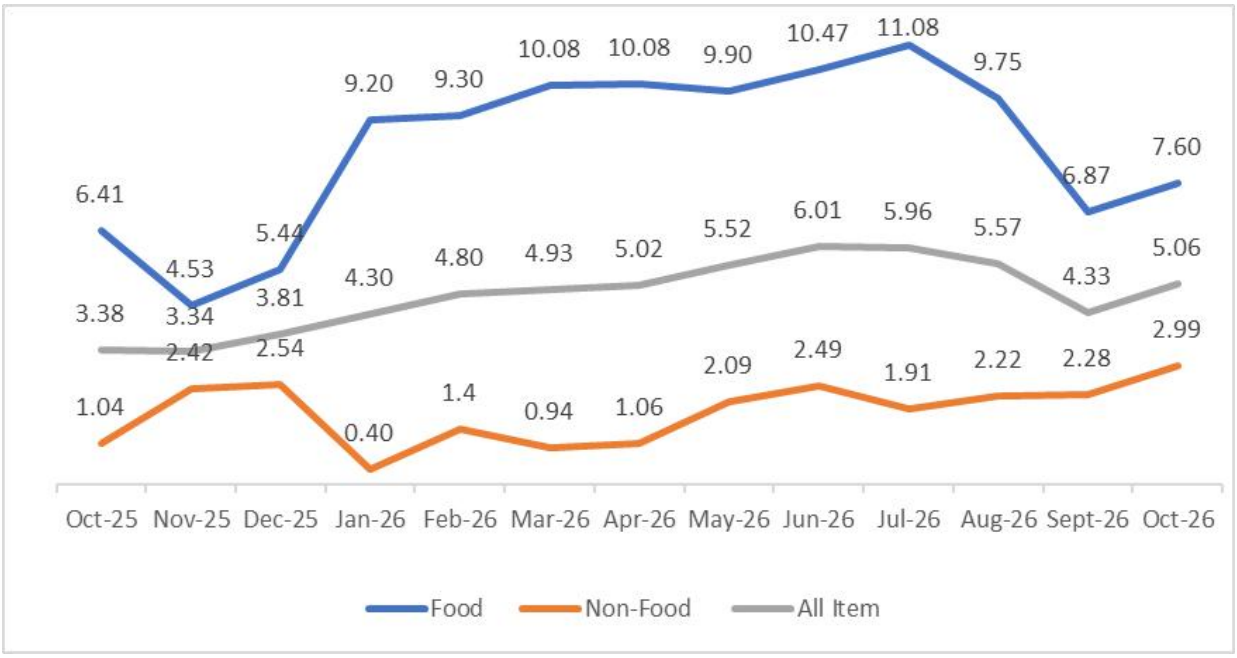


Chart 2: Zanzibar Inflation Rate for Food, Nonfood and All Items from October 2025 – October 2026



Annual Inflation Rate

Month	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Total	**3.4**	**1.7**	**5.1**	**6.9**	**5.1**	**4.1**	
January	4.9	0.5	2.8	8.3	5.3	5.3	4.3
February	6.2	0.7	2.9	7.8	5.1	4.8	4.8
March	5.0	1.5	3.5	7.1	4.9	5.1	4.9
April	4.7	1.9	4.1	7.5	4.9	4.3	5.0
May	5.3	0.8	3.7	6.4	5.3	4.2	5.5
June	3.4	1.9	4.2	6.4	5.7	4.1	6.0
July	3.6	2.2	4.5	6.7	5.3	4.1	6.0
August	2.4	2.1	5.4	6.8	5.1	3.9	5.6
September	2.1	2.4	7.0	7.5	4.8	3.5	4.3
October	1.6	2.1	7.3	6.5	5.8	3.4	5.1
November	1.0	2.2	7.8	6.3	4.5	3.3	
December	0.5	2.4	8.1	5.5	4.9	3.8	
Food	**5.8**	**0.6**	**6.1**	**11.1**	**8.4**	**5.0**	
January	7.9	1.3	0.6	11.6	9.2	6.6	9.2
February	9.5	0.3	2.2	10.4	8.9	5.8	9.3
March	8.1	2.5	3.0	10.3	7.6	6.4	10.1
April	8.2	1.8	4.3	11.5	8.0	4.1	10.1
May	9.0	0.4	3.2	9.5	8.9	3.9	9.9
June	6.3	0.2	3.0	10.7	10.6	4.4	10.5
July	6.8	1.3	4.0	11.8	9.2	4.3	11.1
August	4.9	-0.4	6.4	12.0	8.9	4.2	9.8
September	4.1	-0.5	10.8	14.4	7.3	4.1	6.9
October	2.3	0.1	10.8	11.6	8.2	6.4	7.6
November	1.4	0.6	11.5	10.9	6.6	4.5	
December	0.8	0.0	12.7	8.8	8.1	5.4	
Non-Food	**1.7**	**2.5**	**4.5**	**4.0**	**2.7**	**3.4**	
January	7.9	-0.2	4.4	6.1	2.5	4.2	0.4
February	9.5	0.9	3.4	6.0	2.4	4.1	1.4
March	8.1	0.8	3.9	4.9	3.0	4.1	0.9
April	8.2	2.0	4.0	4.8	2.6	4.4	1.1
May	9.0	1.0	4.1	4.3	2.6	4.3	2.1
June	6.3	3.2	5.0	3.6	2.1	3.9	2.5
July	6.8	2.9	4.8	3.2	2.4	3.9	1.9
August	4.9	4.0	4.6	3.2	2.3	3.6	2.2
September	4.1	4.5	4.4	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.3
October	2.3	3.6	4.9	3.0	4.1	1.0	3.0
November	1.4	3.4	5.1	3.0	3.0	2.4	
December	0.8	4.2	4.9	3.2	2.5	2.5	

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
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
	Feb	135.07	114.51	108.57	111.03	-0.02	6.53	0.08	2.89	9.13	-0.78	1.44	6.44
	March	136.08	114.19	108.42	103.57	0.70	-0.29	-0.13	-6.72	9.87	-1.40	1.04	1.47
	April	138.39	119.28	108.40	118.54	1.60	4.46	-0.02	14.45	9.87	0.55	0.83	20.22
	May	138.21	124.15	108.73	100.60	-0.10	4.08	0.31	-15.13	9.72	6.39	1.05	-2.89
	June	140.55	126.16	108.87	114.60	1.60	1.62	0.12	13.92	10.26	8.60	1.13	13.31
	July	141.41	123.12	108.95	120.85	0.60	-2.41	0.08	5.46	10.83	5.12	1.05	28.34
	Aug	140.85	120.98	109.16	118.49	-0.37	-1.74	0.19	-1.96	9.58	5.79	1.32	10.73
	Sep	138.08	119.79	109.22	115.10	-1.86	-0.98	0.06	-2.86	6.87	6.93	1.21	-1.67
	Oct	139.84	120.70	109.50	117.86	1.20	0.76	0.26	2.40	7.40	11.36	1.52	16.01

[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