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ZANZIBAR CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) FOR MARCH 2022

ANNUAL HEADLINE INFLATION RATE RECORDED 2.9 PERCENT

The Inflation as measure by the Consumer Price Index for Zanzibar for the 12 months to March 2022 increased to 3.5, up from 2.9 percent register January in 2022.

This was mainly driven by the increases in the prices of commodities under; Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate are increased 2.2 percent in February 2022 from 0.6 percent recorded in January 2022. The overall Index increased to 118.5 in February 2022 compared to 115.2 recorded in February 2021 (**Table 1**).

TABLE 1: CHANGES IN CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR FEBRUARY 2022

(BASE JAN. 2017 = 100)

Description	Weights	INDICES			% Monthly	% Annually	Monthly Point Contribution	Yearly Point Contribution
		February 2021	January 2022	February 2022				
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	43.6	115.6	115.9	118.1	2.0	2.2	0.9	0.9
Alcohol Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	0.2	135.1	135.1	135.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Clothing and Footwear	6.9	108.2	109.9	109.9	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.1
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and Other Fuels	18.4	117.4	119.5	121.3	1.5	3.4	0.3	0.6
Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	5.5	122.3	126.3	126.8	0.4	3.7	0.0	0.2
Health	2.1	126.9	129.5	129.5	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
Transport	9.6	110.6	118.1	117.3	-0.7	6.0	-0.1	0.6
Communication	4.2	114.9	116.9	116.9	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.1
Recreation and Culture	1.3	112.3	115.4	115.4	0.0	2.7	0.0	0.0
Education	1.9	125.3	125.3	125.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and Hotels	3.9	107.1	107.7	107.7	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	2.3	110.0	121.7	121.7	0.0	10.7	0.0	0.2
All Items	100.0	115.2	117.3	118.5			1.1	2.9

Source: Office of the Chief Government Statistician, Zanzibar

ANNUAL FOOD AND NON-FOOD INFLATION RATES

Annual Inflation Rate for food is 2.2 percent for the year ended February 2022 compared to 0.6 percent recorded for the year ended January 2022. The overall index for food is increased to 118.3 in February 2022 from 115.7 recorded in February 2021, while overall index for non-food increased to 118.7 in February 2022 compared to 114.9 in February 2021. Annual inflation rate for non-food decreased to 3.4 percent in February 2022 compared to 4.4 percent in January 2021 (**Table 2**). Products contribute to increase for Annual inflation rate were Thailand Rice (6.2%), Mbeya Rice (4.7%), Jasmin Rice (9.1%), Flatbread (9.6%), Wheat Flour (9.9%), Edible cooking Oils (OKI) (5.4%), Green Cooking Bananas (27.8%), Yellow Cooking Bananas (1.3%), White Sugar (8.1%), Cement (3.0%), Kerosene (37.4%), Petrol (18.8%), Diesel (19.6%), (**Table 3**).

TABLE 2: FOOD AND NON-FOOD STATISTICS

Group	Weights	INDICES			% Monthly	% Annually
		February 2021	January 2022	February 2022		
Food	42.7	115.7	115.9	118.3	2.0	2.2
Non-Food	57.3	114.9	118.3	118.7	0.4	3.4
All Item	100.0	115.2	117.3	118.5	1.1	2.9

Source: Office of the Chief Government Statistician, Zanzibar

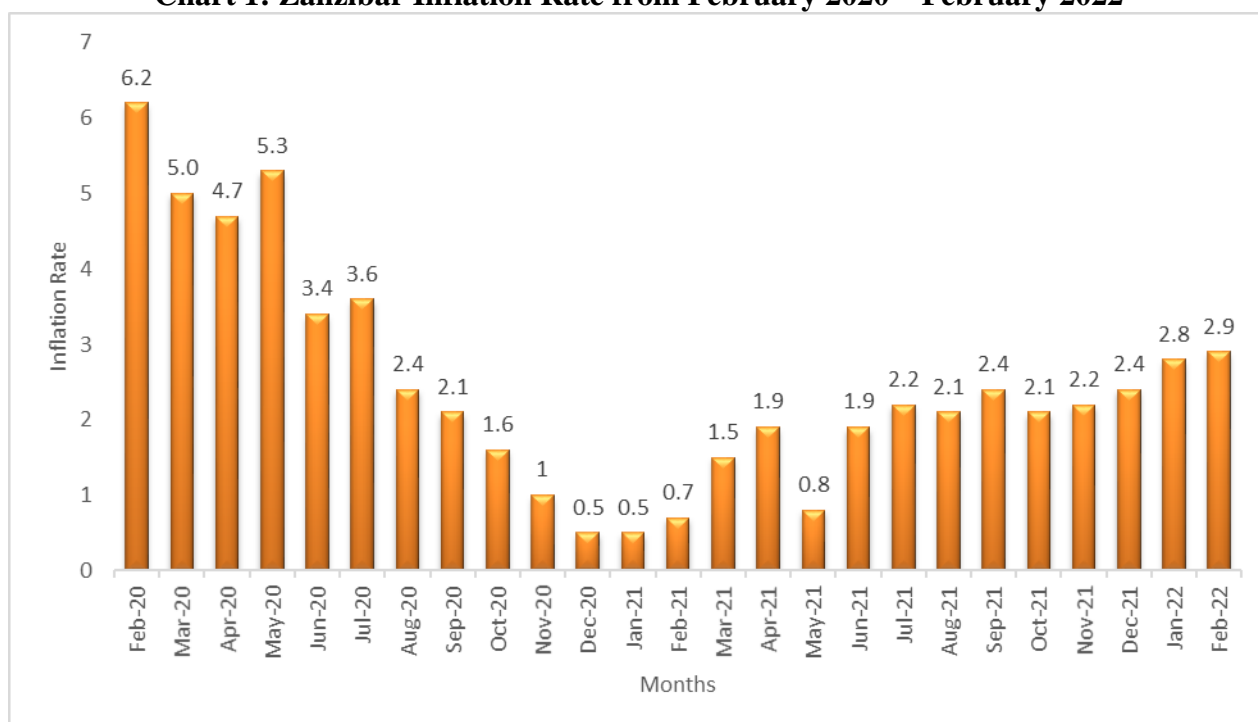
MONTHLY HEADLINE INFLATION IN FEBRUARY 2022

During February 2022 the monthly headline inflation rate is decreased to 1.1 percent compared to 1.5 percent recorded for the month ended January 2022. The monthly Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate for the month ending February 2022 is decreased to 2.0 percent compared to 3.2 percent for the month ended January 2022 (**Table 1**). The products that contribute monthly inflation rate to decrease are Thailand Rice (0.6%), Flatbread (3.7%), Maize Flour (3.2%), Yellow Cooking Bananas (12.0%), white sugar (1.6%), Cement (0.4%), Kerosene (2.4%), Petrol (5.0%) Diesel (2.9%). (**Table 3**).

Table 3: Monthly Average Prices for Selected Items 2021 - 2022

Items	Unit	AVERAGE PRICES			% Monthly	% Annually
		February 2021	January 2022	February 2022		
Thailand rice	1 kg	1,591	1,701	1,690	-0.6	6.2
Mbeya	1 kg	2,100	2,164	2,199	1.6	4.7
Jasmi	1 kg	2,053	2,239	2,240	0.0	9.1
Basmat	1 kg	3,663	3,719	3,637	-2.2	-0.7
Flatbread (Boflo)	1pc	423	482	464	-3.7	9.6
Maize Flour	1kg	1,386	1,363	1,319	-3.2	-4.9
Wheat Flour	1kg	1,460	1,598	1,603	0.3	9.9
Fish	1kg	10,128	9,053	9,325	3.0	-7.9
Edible cooking Oils (OKI)	2 litre	8,410	8,867	8,867	0.0	5.4
Green Cooking Bananas	1kg	1,348	1,124	1,722	53.2	27.8
Yellow Cooking Bananas	1kg	2,323	2,676	2,353	-12.0	1.3
White Sugar	1kg	1,909	2,097	2,064	-1.6	8.1
Cement	50 kg	13,786	14,257	14,204	-0.4	3.0
Kerosene	1 litre	1,376	1,936	1,890	-2.4	37.4
Petrol	1 litre	1,934	2,418	2,298	-5.0	18.8
Diesel	1 litre	1,960	2,415	2,345	-2.9	19.6

Chart 1: Zanzibar Inflation Rate from February 2020 – February 2022



Source: Office of the Chief Government Statistician, Zanzibar

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 343 items collected in 641 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 2014/15 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 January 2017.

The computation of indices at elementary level based on geometric mean of the price relative while at higher level the Laspeyres formula was 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	46.7	7.3	45.1	6.9									
2020	Jan	113.2	119.1	113.2	120.4	2.1	0.1	0.5	1.6	7.3	3.3	3.0	21.5
	Feb	114.6	120.0	113.5	115.6	1.2	0.7	0.3	-4.0	8.7	5.4	3.8	14.1
	Mar	112.5	121.3	113.6	119.1	-1.9	1.1	0.1	3.1	7.5	4.2	2.7	25.2
	Apr	114.3	119.3	113.3	118.9	0.5	1.6	-0.3	-0.1	7.6	3.3	2.1	22.6
	May	118.2	125.2	114.0	125.4	3.4	5.0	0.7	5.4	8.3	5.2	2.2	8.8
	June	116.6	119.3	112.9	126.1	-1.3	-4.7	-1.0	0.6	5.8	2.3	1.1	5.5
	July	108.2	117.5	112.5	118.9	-1.4	2.9	0.5	-0.5	6.3	4.6	0.8	5.5
	Aug	110.2	117.8	122.3	123.1	0.2	-9.2	0.4	8.2	4.6	-5.4	1.4	10.3
	Sep	107.2	116.8	112.7	122.6	-3.4	1.5	0.2	-10.4	3.9	-3.1	1.2	-0.8
	Oct	108.4	118.0	112.4	122.6	1.2	1.1	-0.3	0.2	2.2	-1.8	3.3	9.0
	Nov	110.6	116.5	114.0	113.9	-0.2	0.6	0.0	-1.6	1.4	-1.7	1.1	-1.3
	Dec	111.8	113.7	113.8	118.6	1.1	-2.4	-0.1	4.1	0.8	-4.5	1.0	0.1
2021	Jan	114.6	110.2	114.3	124.2	2.5	-3.1	0.4	4.7	1.2	-7.5	1.0	3.1
	Feb	115.0	120.3	114.7	124.9	0.4	9.2	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.3	1.1	8.1
	Mar	115.1	118.9	115.1	114.6	0.1	-1.2	0.3	-8.2	2.3	-2.0	1.3	-3.7
	Apr	116.2	120.7	115.9	123.6	1.0	1.6	0.7	7.8	1.6	1.2	2.3	3.9
	May	118.7	121.3	116.2	128.8	2.1	0.5	0.2	4.2	0.4	-3.1	1.9	2.7
	June	116.8	126.3	116.5	135.0	-1.6	4.1	0.2	4.8	0.2	5.8	3.2	7.0
	July	116.3	129.1	116.7	148.3	-0.4	2.2	0.2	10.3	1.2	5.1	2.9	18.3
	Aug	114.9	125.5	117.3	118.5	-1.2	-2.8	0.5	-20.4	-0.3	12.6	3.0	-12.7
	Sept	110.9	128.9	117.9	124.8	-3.5	2.7	0.6	5.3	-0.4	13.9	3.4	2.6
	Oct	110.9	126.0	117.9	122.9	0.0	-2.2	-0.3	-1.5	0.0	8.9	3.2	2.6
	Nov	111.2	125.1	117.8	120.8	0.3	-0.8	0.0	-1.7	0.5	7.4	3.1	6.0
	Dec	111.9	124.3	118.1	122.9	0.7	-0.6	0.4	1.7	0.1	9.3	3.7	3.6
2022	Jan	115.7	124.7	118.2	122.5	3.0	0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.6	13.2	3.4	-1.1
	Feb	117.4	129.3	118.1	127.2	1.9	3.7	-0.1	3.6	2.1	7.5	2.9	1.9

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