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ZANZIBAR CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (ZCPI) FOR MAY 2024

ANNUAL HEADLINE INFLATION RATE RECORDED 5.27 PERCENT The Inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index for Zanzibar for the 12 months to May 2024 increased to 5.27 percent from 4.88 percent registered in April 2024. This was mainly driven by the increased in the prices of commodities under; Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate increase by 8.70 percent in May 2023 compared to 7.82 percent in April 2023. The overall Index increased to 111.44 in May 2024 compared to 105.86 recorded in May 2023 (Table 1).

TABLE 1: CHANGES IN CONSUMER PRICE INDICES FOR MAY 2024

		(BASE JULY, 2022 = 100)							
			Indices		% Annually				
Description	Weights 2019/20	May 2023	April 2024	May 2024	April 2024	% Monthly	% Annually		
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	41.856	110.83	120.20	120.48	7.82	0.23	8.70		
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	0.183	100.00	123.84	123.84	23.84	0.00	23.84		
Clothing and Footwear	6.321	103.33	104.55	103.47	1.25	-1.04	0.13		
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	25.801	100.40	102.94	103.04	2.09	0.10	2.64		
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	4.832	106.06	109.38	108.85	2.86	-0.48	2.64		
Health	1.295	110.54	108.03	106.78	-1.53	-1.16	-3.40		
Transport	9.125	104.82	109.01	108.99	4.00	-0.02	3.98		
Information And Communication	4.215	101.05	102.42	102.52	1.36	0.10	1.45		
Recreation, Sport and Culture	1.132	98.66	103.03	103.03	4.43	0.00	4.43		
Education	1.603	103.43	105.77	105.77	2.27	0.00	2.27		
Restaurants And Accommodation Services	1.445	101.93	113.18	113.18	11.27	0.00	11.04		
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	102.19	104.64	103.81	2.88	-0.80	1.59		
ALL ITEMS	100.000	105.86	111.42	111.44	4.88	0.02	5.27		

ANNUAL FOOD AND NON-FOOD INFLATION RATES

Annual Inflation Rate for food is increased to 8.90 percent for the year ended May 2024 compared to 8.01 percent recorded for the year ended April 2024. The overall index for food increased to 121.03 in May 2024 from 114.14 recorded in May 2023, while Annual inflation rate for non-food increase to 2.58 percent in May 2024 compared to 2.56 percent in April 2024, overall index for non-food decreased to 104.92 in May 2024 compared to 102.27 in May 2023, (Table 2). Products contribute to increase annual inflation rate were Thailand Rice 19.0%, Jasmin Rice 10.3%, Fish 16.5%, Brown sugar 20.5%, White sugar 20.2%, Kerosene 9.6%, Diesel 8.5% and Petrol 14.5% (Table 3).

			INDICES		%		% Annually	
Group	Weights	May 2023	April 2024	May 2024	Annually April 2024	% Monthly		
Food	40.53	111.14	120.76	121.03	8.01	0.22	8.90	
Non-Food	59.47	102.27	105.06	104.92	2.56	-0.14	2.58	
All Item	100.00	105.86	111.42	111.44	4.88	0.02	5.27	

TABLE 2: FOOD AND NON-FOOD STATISTICS

MONTHLY HEADLINE INFLATION IN MAY 2024

During May 2024 the monthly headline inflation rate is decreased to 0.02 percent compared to 1.81 percent recorded for the month ended April 2024. The monthly Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation rate for the month ended May 2024 increased to percent 0.23 compared to negative 3.80 percent for the month ended April 2024 (**Table 1**).

The products that contribute monthly inflation rate to decrease are Thailand Rice 1.9%, Mbeya Rice 0.5%, Jasmin Rice 0.2%, Maize Flour 1.2%, Brown Sugar 0.7% and Diesel 0.6% (Table3).

	Unit	AVE	RAGE PRIC	0/	%	
Items		May-23	Apr-24	May-24	% Monthly	Annually
Thailand Rice	1 kg	1,965	2,382	2,338	-1.9	19.0
Mbeya Rice	1 kg	3,428	3,153	3,139	-0.5	-8.4
Basmat Rice	1 kg	4,848	4,743	4,768	0.5	-1.6
Jasmin Rice	1 kg	2,874	3,175	3,169	-0.2	10.3
Wheat Flour	1 kg	2,000	1,960	1,991	1.6	-0.4
Maize Flour	1kg	2,099	1,994	1,969	-1.2	-6.2
Flatbread	1 pc	548	548	528	-3.7	-3.7
Fish	1 kg	9,265	10,263	10,797	5.2	16.5
Edible Cooking Oils (OKI)	2 litre	5,894	5,809	5,783	-0.4	-1.9
Yellow cooking banana	1kg	4,328	3,229	2,891	-10.5	-33.2
Green cooking banana	1kg	1,913	1,347	1,342	-0.4	-29.9
Brown sugar	1kg	2,515	3,044	3,024	-0.7	20.2
White sugar	1kg	2,526	3,044	3,044	0.0	20.5
Kerosene	1 litre	2,921	3,200	3,200	0.0	9.6
Diesel	1 litre	2,900	3,165	3,146	-0.6	8.5
Petrol	1 litre	2,780	3,133	3,182	1.6	14.5

 Table 3: Monthly Average Prices for Selected Items 2023 - 2024



Chart 1: Zanzibar Inflation Rate from May 2022 – May 2024

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.

For more clarifications please contact: Director: Economic Statistics Section OFFICE OF THE CHIEF GOVERNMENT STATISTICIAN Zanzibar.

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								
	Jan	95.53	91.08	96.55	88.24	2.99	0.37	0.14	-0.11	0.57	13.2	3.43	-1.14
	Feb	97.32	91.08	96.45	91.44	1.87	3.67	-0.11	3.63	2.09	7.49	2.95	1.87
	Mar	97.32 98.14	94.42 94.01	90.45 97.27	88.67	0.85	-0.44	0.85		2.09		3.49	7.59
		100.24		97.27	88.07 94.81				-3.03 6.93	2.9 4.07	8.31 6.4		6.73
	April	100.24	93.79	98.31 98.87	94.81 91.13	2.13	-0.23	1.07	-3.89	3.05		3.88 4.23	-1.56
	May	99.63	92.75 100.4	98.87 99.52	91.15 99.29	1.11 -1.7	-1.11 8.25	0.57	-3.89 8.96	2.9	4.69 8.89	4.25	2.31
2022	June	99.03 100	100.4	99.32 100	99.29 100	-1.7	-0.4	0.66	0.72	3.74	6.08	4.00	-6.54
	July		99					0.48					
	Aug	100.98 101.06	99 101.48	99.92 100.2	102.76 100.58	0.98 0.08	-1 2.38	-0.08	2.76	6.04 9.99	8.03 7.82	4.31 4.03	20.64 12.11
	Sept							2.12	0.28				
	Oct	100.37	101.02	99.68	89.97	0.17	0.21	-1.77	-10.55	10.21	8.26	4.5	1.85
	Nov	102.24	99.4	100.49	96.38	0.95	-0.28	0.12	7.12	10.94	8.84	4.67	11
	Dec	103.9	99.52	100.56	96.39	1.63	0.12	0.07	0.02	12.01	9.68	4.29	9.12
	Jan	105.98	101.71	101.93	97.27	2	2.2	1.36	0.91	10.94	11.68	5.57	10.23
	Feb	106.97	102.65	102.04	89.91	0.94	0.11	0.92	-7.57	9.92	8.71	5.8	-1.68
	Mar	107.67	100.62	101.95	88.51	0.66	-1.97	-0.09	-1.55	9.71	7.03	4.82	-0.17
	April	111.21	101.94	102.56	95.53	3.28	1.31	0.59	7.93	10.95	8.69	4.32	0.76
	May	110.59	100.55	102.58	86.61	-0.56	-1.36	0.02	-9.35	9.11	8.41	3.75	-4.96
	June	109.72	107.1	102.67	91.79	-0.78	6.51	0.09	5.99	10.13	6.67	3.17	-7.55
2023	July	111.23	103.25	103.28	101.56	1.37	-3.59	0.59	10.65	11.23	3.25	3.28	1.56
	Aug	112.47	104.08	102.97	99.47	1.12	0.81	-0.3	-2.06	11.37	5	3.06	-3.2
	Sep	114.68	105.38	102.9	99.94	1.96	1.25	-0.06	0.47	13.47	3.84	2.7	0.64
	Oct	112.14	105.91	103.17	97.06	-2.22	0.51	0.26	-2.88	10.72	6.25	2.79	7.89
	Nov	112.51	106.36	103.24	96.23	0.33	0.42	0.07	-0.86	10.04	7.01	2.74	-0.15
	Dec	112.3	107.47	103.26	94.21	-0.19	1.04	0.02	-2.1	8.08	7.98	2.69	-2.26
	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
2024	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

 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