

Government of Pakistan
Statistics Division
Federal Bureau of Statistics

SUB:- ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2011.

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Federal Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during May, 2011 amounted to Rs.196,688 million (provisional) as against Rs. 201,159 million (provisional) in April, 2011 and Rs.146,424 million during May, 2010 showing a decrease of 2.22% over April,2011 but an increase of 34.33% over May, 2010.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in May, 2011 was \$ 2,308 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 2,377 million (provisional) in April, 2011 showing a decrease of export by 2.90% but increased of exports by 32.95% as compared to \$ 1,736 million in May, 2010.

3. Exports during July-May, 2010 - 2011 totalled Rs.1,915,063 million (provisional) as against Rs.1,465,600 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 30.67%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July - May, 2010 - 2011 totalled \$ 22,412 million (provisional) as against \$ 17,509 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 28.00%.

5. Main commodities of exports during May, 2011 were Cotton cloth (Rs.20,025 million), Knitwear (Rs.17,317 million), Bedwear (Rs.16,715 million), Readymade garments (Rs.15,031 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.12,939 million), Rice others (Rs.8,673 million), Rice basmati (Rs.7,190 million), Towels (Rs.6,691 million), Petroleum products (excl. top naphta) (Rs.6,569 million) and Art, silk & synthetic textile (Rs.6,460 million).

6. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during May, 2011 over April, 2011 and May, 2010 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in May, 2011 over	
		April, 2011	May, 2010
1.	Cotton cloth	-3.96	46.41
2.	Knitwear	5.97	27.96
3.	Bedwear	7.98	20.57
4.	Readymade garments	4.76	69.94
5.	Cotton yarn	-10.21	111.25
6.	Rice others	-6.90	0.83
7.	Rice basmati	10.38	23.58
8.	Towels	11.42	22.57
9.	Petroleum products (excl. top naphta)	-3.04	17.07
10.	Art, silk & synthetic textile	-5.43	50.83

IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during May, 2011 amounted to Rs.365,404 million (provisional) as against Rs. 274,757 million (provisional) in April, 2011 and Rs.283,635 million during May, 2010 showing an increase of 32.99% over April, 2011 and of 28.83% over May, 2010.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in May, 2011 was \$ 4,288 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,247 million (provisional) in April, 2011 showing an increase of imports by 32.06% and by 27.51% as compared to \$ 3,363 million in May, 2010.

9. Imports during July -May, 2010 - 2011 totalled Rs.3,123,930 million (provisional) as against Rs.2,635,999 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 18.51%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July -May, 2010 - 2011 totalled \$ 36,551 million (provisional) as against \$ 31,486 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 16.09%.

11. Main commodities of imports during May, 2011 were Petroleum products (Rs.106,382 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.38,223 million), Palm oil (Rs.19,579 million), Plastic materials (Rs.11,477 million), Iron & steel (Rs.10,391 million), Raw cotton (Rs.6,288 million), Synthetic & artificial yarn (Rs.5,130 million), Medicinal products (Rs.5,013 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.4,547 million) and Synthetic fibre (Rs. 4,418 million).

12. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities imported during May, 2011 over April, 2011 and May, 2010 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in May, 2011 over	
		April, 2011	May, 2010
1.	Petroleum products	446.47	51.27
2.	Petroleum crude	1.00	26.22
3.	Palm oil	4.60	75.98
4.	Plastic materials	-8.38	31.66
5.	Iron & Steel	13.40	0.03
6.	Raw cotton	14.56	41.72
7.	Synthetic & artificial yarn	39.63	45.53
8.	Medicinal products	-8.84	25.23
9.	Power generating machinery	-38.54	-33.98
10.	Synthetic fibre	-19.80	45.47

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in May, 2011 was (-) 168,716 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 1,980 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July-May, 2010 - 2011 were (-)1,208,867 million in terms of Rupees and (-)14,139 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of May, 2011 and July-May, 2010 -2011 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period are enclosed.