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**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX NUMBERS ON BASE 2012=100 FOR RURAL,  
URBAN AND COMBINED FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2021**

The National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) is releasing All India Consumer Price Index (CPI) on Base 2012=100 and corresponding Consumer Food Price Index (CFPI) for Rural (R), Urban (U) and Combined (C) for the month of March 2021 (Provisional) in this press note. CPIs for Sub-Groups and Groups for both All India and all States/UTs are also being released.

2. The Price data are collected from representative and selected 1114 urban markets and 1181 villages covering all States/UTs through personal visits by field staff of Field Operations Division of NSO, MoSPI on a weekly roster. During the month of March 2021, NSO collected prices from 99.6% villages and 98.5% urban markets while the market-wise prices reported therein were 89.1% for rural and 93.6% for urban.

3. All India Inflation rates (*on point to point basis i.e. current month over same month of the last year, i.e. March 2021 over March 2020*), based on General Indices and CFPIs are given as follows:

**All India Inflation rates (%) based on CPI (General) and CFPI**

Indices	Mar. 2021 (Prov.)			Feb. 2021 (Final)		
	Rural	Urban	Comb.	Rural	Urban	Comb.
CPI (General)	4.61	6.52	5.52	4.19	5.96	5.03
CFPI	3.94	6.64	4.94	2.89	5.63	3.87

Notes: Prov. - Provisional, Comb. - Combined

4. Monthly changes in the General Indices and CFPIs are given below:

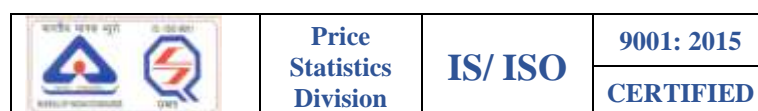
**Monthly changes (%) in All India CPI (General) and CFPI: Mar. 2021 over Feb. 2021**

Indices	Rural			Urban			Combined		
	Index Value		% Change	Index Value		% Change	Index Value		% Change
	Mar.21	Feb.21		Mar.21	Feb.21		Mar.21	Feb.21	
CPI (General)	156.7	156.7	0.00	156.9	156.5	0.26	156.8	156.6	0.13
CFPI	152.9	153.3	-0.26	159.0	159.6	-0.38	155.1	155.5	-0.26

Note: Figures of March 2021 are provisional.

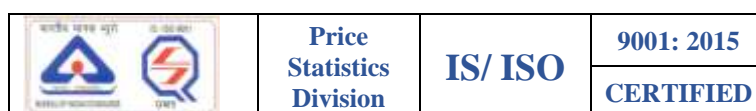
5. Price data for CPI are received through web portals, maintained by the National Informatics Centre.

Next date of release: 12<sup>th</sup> May 2021 (Wednesday) for April 2021.



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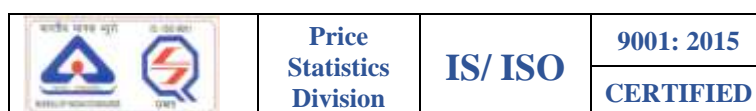


**All India Consumer Price Indices  
(Base: 2012=100)**

Group Code	Sub-group Code	Description	Rural			Urban			Combined		
			Weights	Feb. 21 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)	Weights	Feb. 21 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)	Weights	Feb. 21 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
	1.1.01	Cereals and products	12.35	142.8	142.5	6.59	147.6	147.5	9.67	144.3	144.1
	1.1.02	Meat and fish	4.38	184.2	189.4	2.73	191.3	197.5	3.61	186.7	192.2
	1.1.03	Egg	0.49	168.0	163.3	0.36	170.1	164.7	0.43	168.8	163.8
	1.1.04	Milk and products	7.72	154.5	154.5	5.33	155.1	155.6	6.61	154.7	154.9
	1.1.05	Oils and fats	4.21	163.1	168.2	2.81	151.5	156.4	3.56	158.8	163.9
	1.1.06	Fruits	2.88	147.2	150.5	2.90	153.9	157.4	2.89	150.3	153.7
	1.1.07	Vegetables	7.46	149.7	141.1	4.41	180.0	166.5	6.04	160.0	149.7
	1.1.08	Pulses and products	2.95	158.4	159.2	1.73	159.8	161.1	2.38	158.9	159.8
	1.1.09	Sugar and Confectionery	1.70	111.8	111.7	0.97	114.8	114.4	1.36	112.8	112.6
	1.1.10	Spices	3.11	165.0	164.0	1.79	162.6	162.6	2.50	164.2	163.5
	1.2.11	Non-alcoholic beverages	1.37	160.1	160.6	1.13	149.3	150.6	1.26	155.6	156.4
	1.1.12	Prepared meals, snacks, sweets etc.	5.56	165.8	166.4	5.54	169.4	170.2	5.55	167.5	168.2
<b>1</b>		<b>Food and beverages</b>	<b>54.18</b>	<b>154.7</b>	<b>154.5</b>	<b>36.29</b>	<b>160.8</b>	<b>160.5</b>	<b>45.86</b>	<b>156.9</b>	<b>156.7</b>
<b>2</b>		<b>Pan, tobacco and intoxicants</b>	<b>3.26</b>	<b>186.5</b>	<b>186.1</b>	<b>1.36</b>	<b>193.3</b>	<b>193.4</b>	<b>2.38</b>	<b>188.3</b>	<b>188.0</b>
	3.1.01	Clothing	6.32	159.2	159.6	4.72	154.3	155.1	5.58	157.3	157.8
	3.1.02	Footwear	1.04	154.0	154.4	0.85	138.3	138.7	0.95	147.5	147.9
<b>3</b>		<b>Clothing and footwear</b>	<b>7.36</b>	<b>158.4</b>	<b>158.9</b>	<b>5.57</b>	<b>151.8</b>	<b>152.6</b>	<b>6.53</b>	<b>155.8</b>	<b>156.4</b>
<b>4</b>		<b>Housing</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21.67</b>	<b>159.8</b>	<b>159.9</b>	<b>10.07</b>	<b>159.8</b>	<b>159.9</b>
<b>5</b>		<b>Fuel and light</b>	<b>7.94</b>	<b>154.4</b>	<b>156.1</b>	<b>5.58</b>	<b>149.2</b>	<b>154.8</b>	<b>6.84</b>	<b>152.4</b>	<b>155.6</b>
	6.1.01	Household goods and services	3.75	154.8	154.8	3.87	146.5	147.2	3.80	150.9	151.2
	6.1.02	Health	6.83	164.3	164.6	4.81	156.2	156.9	5.89	161.2	161.7
	6.1.03	Transport and communication	7.60	150.2	151.3	9.73	140.5	141.7	8.59	145.1	146.2
	6.1.04	Recreation and amusement	1.37	157.2	157.8	2.04	147.3	148.4	1.68	151.6	152.5
	6.1.05	Education	3.46	163.7	163.7	5.62	156.7	157.4	4.46	159.6	160.0
	6.1.06	Personal care and effects	4.25	155.2	153.1	3.47	156.8	154.9	3.89	155.9	153.8
<b>6</b>		<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>27.26</b>	<b>157.2</b>	<b>157.3</b>	<b>29.53</b>	<b>149.3</b>	<b>149.9</b>	<b>28.32</b>	<b>153.4</b>	<b>153.7</b>
<b>General Index (All Groups)</b>			<b>100.00</b>	<b>156.7</b>	<b>156.7</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>156.5</b>	<b>156.9</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>156.6</b>	<b>156.8</b>
<b>Consumer Food Price Index (CFPI)</b>			<b>47.25</b>	<b>153.3</b>	<b>152.9</b>	<b>29.62</b>	<b>159.6</b>	<b>159.0</b>	<b>39.06</b>	<b>155.5</b>	<b>155.1</b>

Notes:

1. Prov. : Provisional.
2. CFPI : Out of 12 sub-groups contained in 'Food and Beverages' group, CFPI is based on ten sub-groups, excluding 'Non-alcoholic beverages' and 'Prepared meals, snacks, sweets etc.'.
3. - : CPI (Rural) for housing is not compiled.



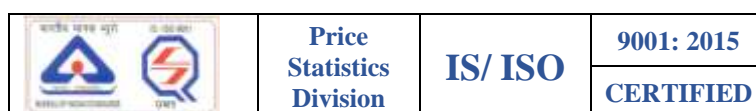
Annex II

All India year-on-year inflation rates (%) for March 2021 (Provisional)  
(Base: 2012=100)

Group Code	Sub-group Code	Description	Rural			Urban			Combined		
			Mar. 20 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)	Inflation Rate (%)	Mar. 20 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)	Inflation Rate (%)	Mar. 20 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)	Inflation Rate (%)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
	1.1.01	Cereals and products	144.4	142.5	-1.32	146.5	147.5	0.68	145.1	144.1	-0.69
	1.1.02	Meat and fish	166.8	189.4	13.55	167.5	197.5	17.91	167.0	192.2	15.09
	1.1.03	Egg	147.6	163.3	10.64	148.9	164.7	10.61	148.1	163.8	10.60
	1.1.04	Milk and products	151.7	154.5	1.85	151.1	155.6	2.98	151.5	154.9	2.24
	1.1.05	Oils and fats	133.3	168.2	26.18	127.5	156.4	22.67	131.2	163.9	24.92
	1.1.06	Fruits	141.8	150.5	6.14	143.3	157.4	9.84	142.5	153.7	7.86
	1.1.07	Vegetables	152.3	141.1	-7.35	167.0	166.5	-0.30	157.3	149.7	-4.83
	1.1.08	Pulses and products	141.8	159.2	12.27	139.7	161.1	15.32	141.1	159.8	13.25
	1.1.09	Sugar and Confectionery	112.6	111.7	-0.80	114.4	114.4	0.00	113.2	112.6	-0.53
	1.1.10	Spices	154.0	164.0	6.49	151.5	162.6	7.33	153.2	163.5	6.72
	1.2.11	Non-alcoholic beverages	140.1	160.6	14.63	131.9	150.6	14.18	136.7	156.4	14.41
	1.1.12	Prepared meals, snacks, sweets etc.	160.0	166.4	4.00	159.1	170.2	6.98	159.6	168.2	5.39
<b>1</b>		<b>Food and beverages</b>	<b>148.2</b>	<b>154.5</b>	<b>4.25</b>	<b>150.1</b>	<b>160.5</b>	<b>6.93</b>	<b>148.9</b>	<b>156.7</b>	<b>5.24</b>
<b>2</b>		<b>Pan, tobacco and intoxicants</b>	<b>170.5</b>	<b>186.1</b>	<b>9.15</b>	<b>173.3</b>	<b>193.4</b>	<b>11.60</b>	<b>171.2</b>	<b>188.0</b>	<b>9.81</b>
	3.1.01	Clothing	153.4	159.6	4.04	147.7	155.1	5.01	151.2	157.8	4.37
	3.1.02	Footwear	147.6	154.4	4.61	133.8	138.7	3.66	141.9	147.9	4.23
<b>3</b>		<b>Clothing and footwear</b>	<b>152.5</b>	<b>158.9</b>	<b>4.20</b>	<b>145.6</b>	<b>152.6</b>	<b>4.81</b>	<b>149.8</b>	<b>156.4</b>	<b>4.41</b>
<b>4</b>		<b>Housing</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>154.5</b>	<b>159.9</b>	<b>3.50</b>	<b>154.5</b>	<b>159.9</b>	<b>3.50</b>
<b>5</b>		<b>Fuel and light</b>	<b>153.4</b>	<b>156.1</b>	<b>1.76</b>	<b>141.4</b>	<b>154.8</b>	<b>9.48</b>	<b>148.9</b>	<b>155.6</b>	<b>4.50</b>
	6.1.01	Household goods and services	151.5	154.8	2.18	140.8	147.2	4.55	146.4	151.2	3.28
	6.1.02	Health	156.7	164.6	5.04	145.0	156.9	8.21	152.3	161.7	6.17
	6.1.03	Transport and communication	135.8	151.3	11.41	124.6	141.7	13.72	129.9	146.2	12.55
	6.1.04	Recreation and amusement	151.2	157.8	4.37	137.9	148.4	7.61	143.7	152.5	6.12
	6.1.05	Education	161.2	163.7	1.55	152.5	157.4	3.21	156.1	160.0	2.50
	6.1.06	Personal care and effects	145.1	153.1	5.51	145.3	154.9	6.61	145.2	153.8	5.92
<b>6</b>		<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>148.6</b>	<b>157.3</b>	<b>5.85</b>	<b>138.7</b>	<b>149.9</b>	<b>8.07</b>	<b>143.8</b>	<b>153.7</b>	<b>6.88</b>
<b>General Index (All Groups)</b>			<b>149.8</b>	<b>156.7</b>	<b>4.61</b>	<b>147.3</b>	<b>156.9</b>	<b>6.52</b>	<b>148.6</b>	<b>156.8</b>	<b>5.52</b>
<b>Consumer Food Price Index</b>			<b>147.1</b>	<b>152.9</b>	<b>3.94</b>	<b>149.1</b>	<b>159.0</b>	<b>6.64</b>	<b>147.8</b>	<b>155.1</b>	<b>4.94</b>

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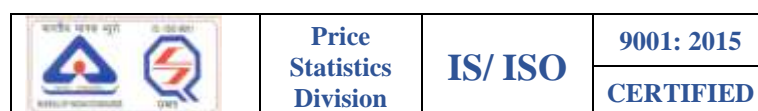
Annex III

State/UT wise General Consumer Price Indices  
(Base: 2012=100)

Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	Rural			Urban			Combined		
		Weights	Feb. 21 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)	Weights	Feb. 21 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)	Weights	Feb. 21 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
1	Andhra Pradesh	5.40	160.3	159.7	3.64	161.4	162.5	4.58	160.7	160.7
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0.14	163.2	162.3	0.06	--	--	0.10	163.2	162.3
3	Assam	2.63	157.4	157.2	0.79	159.7	159.2	1.77	157.9	157.6
4	Bihar	8.21	153.1	152.5	1.62	158.7	158.7	5.14	153.9	153.4
5	Chhattisgarh	1.68	154.6	153.9	1.22	153.8	154.4	1.46	154.3	154.1
6	Delhi	0.28	152.8	153.9	5.64	150.7	151.3	2.77	150.8	151.4
7	Goa	0.14	158.7	159.6	0.25	156.8	158.1	0.19	157.5	158.7
8	Gujarat	4.54	151.9	152.6	6.82	147.2	147.5	5.60	149.2	149.7
9	Haryana	3.30	150.4	151.0	3.35	149.7	150.3	3.32	150.1	150.7
10	Himachal Pradesh	1.03	150.6	151.1	0.26	155.2	155.5	0.67	151.4	151.9
11	Jharkhand	1.96	152.8	153.0	1.39	157.2	158.1	1.69	154.5	154.9
12	Karnataka	5.09	160.1	160.5	6.81	164.1	165.0	5.89	162.3	162.9
13	Kerala	5.50	166.8	166.9	3.46	163.6	163.9	4.55	165.7	165.8
14	Madhya Pradesh	4.93	153.2	153.7	3.97	158.6	158.8	4.48	155.4	155.8
15	Maharashtra	8.25	156.9	157.3	18.86	151.3	151.8	13.18	153.2	153.6
16	Manipur	0.23	179.8	182.9	0.12	169.2	168.6	0.18	176.4	178.4
17	Meghalaya	0.28	155.4	153.0	0.15	154.7	154.3	0.22	155.2	153.4
18	Mizoram	0.07	160.2	160.7	0.13	153.2	154.5	0.10	155.9	156.9
19	Nagaland	0.14	169.8	171.0	0.12	157.4	158.0	0.13	164.5	165.5
20	Odisha	2.93	158.5	157.7	1.31	155.1	155.1	2.18	157.5	157.0
21	Punjab	3.31	155.2	154.9	3.09	149.2	150.0	3.21	152.5	152.7
22	Rajasthan	6.63	153.9	153.5	4.23	154.1	154.3	5.51	154.0	153.8
23	Sikkim	0.06	168.6	171.3	0.03	159.6	160.5	0.05	165.7	167.8
24	Tamil Nadu	5.55	164.9	164.7	9.20	165.1	165.2	7.25	165.0	165.0
25	Telangana	3.16	162.0	162.6	4.41	159.9	161.0	3.74	160.8	161.7
26	Tripura	0.35	173.5	172.3	0.14	164.0	163.8	0.25	171.0	170.1
27	Uttar Pradesh	14.83	151.8	152.0	9.54	156.9	157.3	12.37	153.6	153.9
28	Uttarakhand	1.06	153.9	154.6	0.73	154.0	154.8	0.91	153.9	154.7
29	West Bengal	6.99	159.3	159.2	7.20	161.8	161.9	7.09	160.5	160.5
30	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0.05	170.6	172.5	0.07	156.5	156.2	0.06	163.4	164.2
31	Chandigarh	0.02	155.5	157.4	0.34	148.7	149.3	0.17	149.1	149.8
32	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0.02	142.3	143.2	0.04	149.7	150.3	0.03	147.2	147.9
33	Daman & Diu	0.02	160.4	161.2	0.02	155.0	155.3	0.02	158.1	158.7
34	Jammu & Kashmir*	1.14	165.5	166.2	0.72	165.1	165.4	0.94	165.4	165.9
35	Lakshadweep	0.01	171.1	168.2	0.01	153.1	155.1	0.01	161.9	161.5
36	Puducherry	0.08	167.8	166.3	0.27	163.9	163.8	0.17	164.9	164.4
	<b>All India</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>156.7</b>	<b>156.7</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>156.5</b>	<b>156.9</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>156.6</b>	<b>156.8</b>

Notes:

- Prov. : Provisional  
 -- : indicates the receipt of price schedules is less than 80% of allocated schedules and therefore indices are not compiled.  
 \* : Figures of this row pertain to the prices and weights of the combined Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh (erstwhile State of Jammu & Kashmir).



Annex IV

Major State/UT wise year-on-year inflation rates (%) for March 2021 (Provisional)  
(Base: 2012=100)

Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	Rural			Urban			Combined		
		Mar. 20 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)	Inflation Rate (%)	Mar. 20 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)	Inflation Rate (%)	Mar. 20 Index (Final)	Mar. 21 Index (Prov.)	Inflation Rate (%)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
1	Andhra Pradesh	146.6	159.7	8.94	149.3	162.5	8.84	147.6	160.7	8.88
2	Assam	151.3	157.2	3.90	150.5	159.2	5.78	151.1	157.6	4.30
3	Bihar	146.2	152.5	4.31	146.9	158.7	8.03	146.3	153.4	4.85
4	Chhattisgarh	144.5	153.9	6.51	144.0	154.4	7.22	144.3	154.1	6.79
5	Delhi	149.7	153.9	2.81	146.1	151.3	3.56	146.3	151.4	3.49
6	Gujarat	144.0	152.6	5.97	139.6	147.5	5.66	141.5	149.7	5.80
7	Haryana	145.2	151.0	3.99	142.4	150.3	5.55	143.9	150.7	4.73
8	Himachal Pradesh	144.0	151.1	4.93	147.6	155.5	5.35	144.7	151.9	4.98
9	Jharkhand	151.5	153.0	0.99	146.7	158.1	7.77	149.7	154.9	3.47
10	Karnataka	152.4	160.5	5.31	154.6	165.0	6.73	153.6	162.9	6.05
11	Kerala	159.7	166.9	4.51	154.1	163.9	6.36	157.7	165.8	5.14
12	Madhya Pradesh	145.5	153.7	5.64	147.4	158.8	7.73	146.3	155.8	6.49
13	Maharashtra	148.9	157.3	5.64	142.1	151.8	6.83	144.4	153.6	6.37
14	Odisha	149.7	157.7	5.34	144.8	155.1	7.11	148.3	157.0	5.87
15	Punjab	150.6	154.9	2.86	142.4	150.0	5.34	146.9	152.7	3.95
16	Rajasthan	150.1	153.5	2.27	147.9	154.3	4.33	149.3	153.8	3.01
17	Tamil Nadu	154.6	164.7	6.53	152.3	165.2	8.47	153.2	165.0	7.70
18	Telangana	150.9	162.6	7.75	150.1	161.0	7.26	150.5	161.7	7.44
19	Uttar Pradesh	148.7	152.0	2.22	150.2	157.3	4.73	149.2	153.9	3.15
20	Uttarakhand	147.2	154.6	5.03	142.5	154.8	8.63	145.4	154.7	6.40
21	West Bengal	152.8	159.2	4.19	150.4	161.9	7.65	151.7	160.5	5.80
22	Jammu & Kashmir*	157.2	166.2	5.73	151.8	165.4	8.96	155.3	165.9	6.83
	<b>All India</b>	<b>149.8</b>	<b>156.7</b>	<b>4.61</b>	<b>147.3</b>	<b>156.9</b>	<b>6.52</b>	<b>148.6</b>	<b>156.8</b>	<b>5.52</b>

Notes:

1. Prov. : Provisional.
2. \* : Figures of this row pertain to the prices and weights of the combined Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh (erstwhile State of Jammu & Kashmir).