No. A-30012/03/2024-Coord. Government of India Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation

Khurshid Lal Bhavan, Janpath, New Delhi, dated: 1st May, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly summary to Cabinet for the month of March 2024 – Regarding.

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith the Monthly Summary of activities of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation for the month of March, 2024.

Encl: As above.

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- 1. All Members of Council of Ministers (As per list).
- 2. All Secretaries to the Government of India (As per list).
- 3. Cabinet Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 4. Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog, Yojana Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 5. The Secretary to Hon'ble President of India, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 6. The Secretary to Hon'ble Vice President of India, 6, Moulana Azad Road, New Delhi.
- 7. The Principal Information Officer, M/o Information and Broadcasting, 1st Floor, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

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- i. PS to Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), S&PI, S.P. Bhawan, New Delhi
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- v. PPS to DDG (PI Wing), R.K Puram, New Delhi.

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DIID (Including Computer Centre), Level-3, East Block-10, R.K. Puram, New Delhi with the request to upload the monthly summary on the official web site of the Ministry.

Major initiatives and achievements of the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation for the month of March 2024.

The Ministry released Price Movement of Sub-Groups/Groups of Consumer Price Index (CPI) on Base 2012=100 for All India Rural, Urban, Combined for the month of March, 2024 (Provisional) and for the month of February, 2024 (Final) on 12th April, 2024. The General Consumer Price Indices (CPI) for the month of March, 2024 (Provisional) for Rural, Urban and Combined sector were 187.7, 183.6 and 185.8 showing an annual inflation rate of 5.45%, 4.14%, 4.85% respectively. The corresponding inflation rates (Final) for Rural, Urban and Combined sector for the month of February, 2024 were 5.34%, 4.78% and 5.09% respectively.

2. All-India Consumer Food Price Index (CFPI) for the month of March, 2024 (Provisional) for Rural, Urban and Combined sector were 187.9, 193.3 and 189.8 respectively. All India year-on-year inflation rates for CFPI for the month of March, 2024 (Provisional) for Rural, Urban and Combined sector were 8.61%, 8.35% and 8.52% respectively. The corresponding inflation rates (Final) for Rural, Urban and Combined sector for Rural, Urban and Respectively. 2024 were 8.27%, 9.19% and 8.66% respectively.

The All-India Index of Industrial Production (IIP) for the month of February,
2024 (Quick Estimates) with the base year 2011-12 has been released on 12th April,
2024 and it stood at 147.2.

4. During the month of March 2024, Ministry has released Key Employment Unemployment Indicators' for the Calendar year 2023.

5. The Ministry has organized discussion of State Domestic Product (SDP) Estimates with Directorate of Statistics of States/UT for reconciliation from 11^{th} March – 10^{th} April, 2024.

6. The 55th session of the United Nations Statistical Commission was held from 27 February 2024 to 1 March 2024 in New York. The delegation of MoSPI participated in the session. In the aforesaid session, MoSPI delivered official oral statements that were prepared in consultation with MoSPI and other respective Ministries and Departments on various agenda items including Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics, national accounts, climate change statistics, Working methods of the statistical commission, Environmental economic accounting and Data and indicators for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

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7. The major highlights of Central Sector Projects monitored under Online Computerized Monitoring System (OCMS) by this Ministry for the month of March, 2024:

Total number of Ongoing Projects	1873
Number of Projects having Cost Overruns w.r.t. original	449
cost	
Number of Projects having Time Overruns	779
Number of Projects reported completion	32
Cumulative Expenditure till March 2023	Rs. 1289312.29 Crore
Expenditure during the current Month (March 2024)	Rs. 51241.84 Crore
Expenditure CFYR up to March 2024	Rs. 422336.70 Crore
Cumulative Expenditure till March 2024	Rs. 1711649 Crore

8. As per the latest Review Report on the Performance of the Infrastructure Sectors, the positive growth rate has been observed in April-Feb FY 23-24 over corresponding period of FY 22-23 across pertinent parameters viz. [Power] Power Generation (+6.90%), [Coal] Coal including lignite Production (+11.18%), [Steel] Production of Finished Steel (+13.26%), [Cement] Cement Production (+9.10%), [Fertilizers] Nitrogen, Phosphate and Urea Production (+9.00%), [Petroleum and Natural Gas] Crude Oil Production (+0.48%), [Petroleum and Natural Gas] Crude Oil Processed (+2.50%), [Petroleum and Natural Gas] Natural Gas Production (+5.73%), [Roads] Upgradation of Highways by NHAI (+24.96%), Upgradation of Highways by State PWD & Border Road Organization(BRO) (+12.82%), [Railways] Passenger Traffic handled (+8.34%), [Railways] Gauge Doubling and New Lines (+11.99%), [Railways] Revenue earning Freight Traffic (+4.86%), [Shipping] Coal handled at Major Ports (+2.35%), [Shipping] Total Cargo handled at Major Ports (+4.54%), [Civil Aviation] Export Cargo handled at Airports (+13.77%), [Civil Aviation] Import Cargo handled at Airports (+1.18%), [Civil Aviation] International Passenger Aviation] Domestic traffic traffic handled (+23.06%), [Civil Passenger handled (+14.40%), [Telecom] Net new Wireless connections (+1700.09%) and [Telecom] Towers including Base Transceiver Stations (+99.78%). However, the parameter namely [Telecom] Net new Wireline Telephone connection (-0.18%) has shown negative growth rate.
