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Consumer Price Index for Industrial Workers (CPI-IW) – September, 2017

The All-India CPI-IW for September, 2017 remained stationary at 285 (two hundred and eighty five). On 1-month percentage change, it remained static between August, 2017 and September, 2017 when compared with the decrease of (-) 0.36 per cent for the corresponding months of last year.

The maximum downward pressure to the change in current index came from Food group contributing (-) 1.26 percentage points to the total change. At item level, Fish Fresh, Onion, Bitter Gourd, Brinjal, Carrot, Gourd, Lady's Finger, Potato, Tomato, Torai, Cucumber, Apple, Banana, etc. are responsible for the decrease in index. However, this decrease was checked by Rice, Wheat Atta, Arhar Dal, Coconut Oil, Poultry (Chicken), Chillies Green, Cauliflower, Green Coriander Leaves, Peas, Coconut, Bidi, Cigarette, Cooking Gas, Petrol, Tailoring Charges, etc., putting downward pressure on the index.

The year-on-year inflation measured by monthly CPI-IW stood at 2.89 per cent for September, 2017 as compared to 2.52 per cent for the previous month and 4.14 per cent during the corresponding month of the previous year. Similarly, the Food inflation stood at (+) 1.30 per cent against (+) 1.61 per cent of the previous month and 4.05 per cent during the corresponding month of the previous year.

At centre level, Tiruchirapally, Varanasi, Lucknow, Quilon and Salem reported the maximum decrease of 4 points each followed by Giridih, Bhilwara, Raniganj, Bengaluru, Faridabad, Vishakhapatnam, Jamshedpur and Haldia (3 points each). Among others, 2 points decrease was observed in 12 centres and 1 point in 18 centres. On the contrary, Tripura recorded a maximum increase of 7 points followed by Bhilai (6 points), Siliguri and Doom-Dooma Tinsukia (5 points each). Among others, 4 points increase was observed in 2 centres, 3 points in 2 centres, 2 points in 4 centres and 1 point in 10 centres. Rest of the 13 centres' indices remained stationary.

The indices of 44 centres are below All-India Index and 33 centres' indices are above national average. The index of Tiruchirapally centre remained at par with All-India Index.

The next issue of CPI-IW for the month of October, 2017 will be released on Thursday, 30th November, 2017. The same will also be available on the office website www.labourbureaunew.gov.in.


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