

Review on Some Selected Economic Indicators

Broad Money (M₂):

Broad money (M₂) increased by Tk. 6380.0 crore or 1.95 percent to Tk. 334371.1 crore in February 10 compared to the same in the previous month. During July 09 – February 10 broad money (M₂) increased by Tk. 37871.3 crore or 12.77 percent compared to an increase of Tk. 25515.3 crore or 10.26 percent during the same period of the last year. This was due to an increase of Tk. 20571.4 crore or 8.26 percent in net domestic assets and an increase of Tk. 17299.9 crore or 36.45 percent in net foreign assets (figure-1, table IIA, page-13).

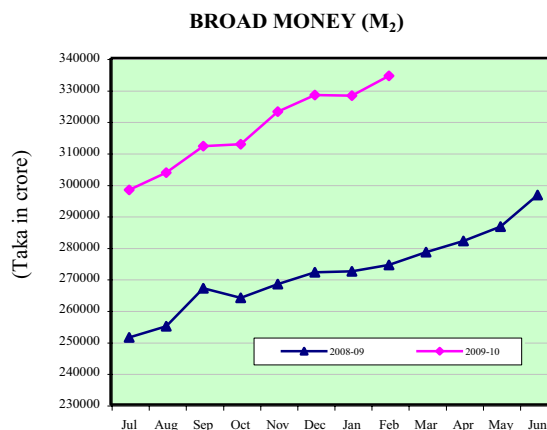


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Domestic Credit:

Domestic credit increased by Tk. 2877.5 crore or 0.93 percent to Tk. 311791.3 crore during February 10 compared to the same in the previous month. Domestic credit increased by Tk. 23238.9 crore or 8.05 percent during July 09 - February 10 as against an increase of Tk. 26450.2 crore or 10.64 percent during the same period of the previous year. The increase in domestic credit during the period under report was mainly due to a significant increase of credit to the private sector by Tk. 30075.1 crore or 13.80 percent compared to an increase of Tk. 17361.6 crore or 9.13 percent during the same period of the previous year. In the components of credit to the public sector, credit to the 'Government (net)' decreased by Tk. 8788.8 crore or 15.10 percent compared to an increase by Tk. 6323.3 crore or 13.48 percent during the same period of the last year. Credit to the 'other public sector' increased by Tk. 1952.6 crore or 15.70 percent compared to an increase by Tk. 2765.3 crore or 23.77 percent during the same period of the previous year (figure-2, table IIA, page-13).

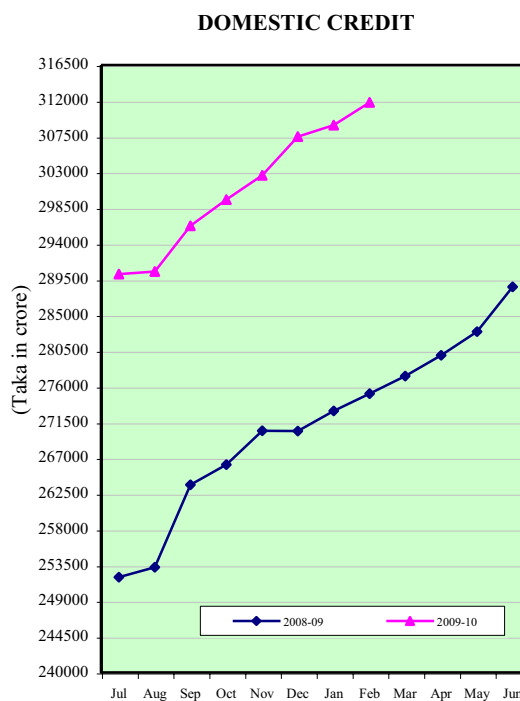


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Revenue Collection (NBR Portion):

Revenue collection (NBR portion) in February 10 decreased by Tk. 1.43 crore or 0.03 percent to Tk. 4665.21 crore compared to Tk. 4666.64 crore in January 10. During July 09 – February 10 revenue collection increased by Tk. 5216.32 crore or 17.07 percent to Tk. 35767.41 crore compared to Tk 30551.09 crore during July 08 - February 09 (figure-3, table XXVI, page-101).

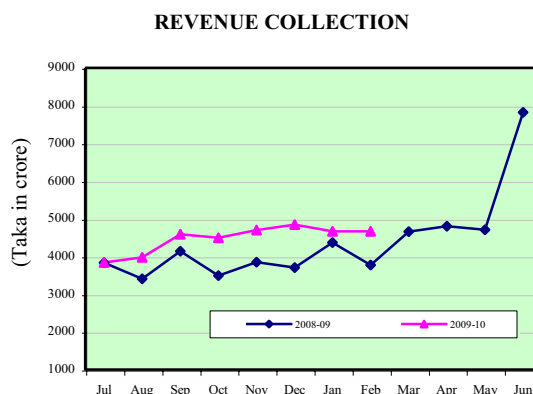


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Exports (f.o.b):

Export receipts in February 10 amounted to US\$ 1315.1 million which is higher by US\$ 97.7 million or 8.03 percent compared to export receipts in February 09. During July 09 - February 10 export decreased by US\$ 332.7 million or 3.21 percent to US\$ 10020.4 million compared to US\$ 10353.1 million during July 08 - February 09 (figure-4, table-IB, page-11, Source: EPB).

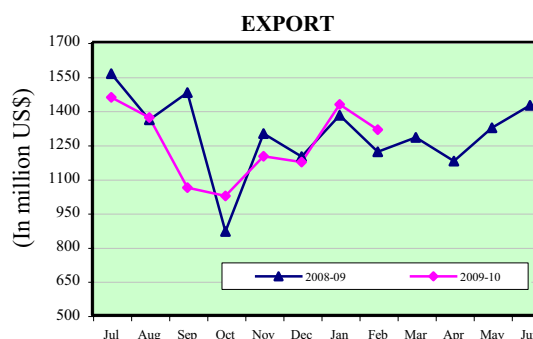


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Imports (f.o.b):

Import payments in February 10 amounted to US\$ 1658.2 million which is higher by US\$ 223.6 million or 15.59 percent compared to the same in February 09. During July 09 - February 10 import decreased by US\$ 598.4 million or 4.29 percent to US\$ 13363.6 million compared to US\$ 13962.0 million during July 08 - February 09 (figure-5, table-IB, page-11).



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Foreign Exchange Reserves:

Foreign exchange reserves held by the Bangladesh Bank stood at US\$ 10142.0 million at the end of March 10 compared to US\$ 7470.9 million at the end of June 09. This was higher by US\$ 2671.1 million or 35.75 percent compared to US\$ 7470.9 million at the end of June 09 (figure-6, table-IB, page-11).

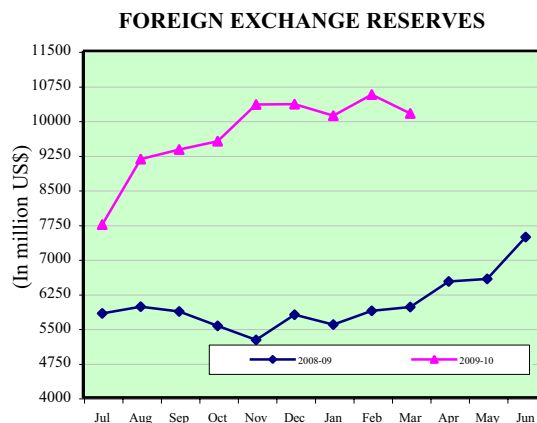


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Workers' Remittances:

The foreign exchange remittances from Bangladeshi nationals working abroad increased by US\$ 128.53 million or 15.52 percent to US\$ 956.49 million during March 10 compared to US\$ 827.96 million at the end of February 10. During July 09 - March 10 remittances increased by US\$ 1236.17 million or 17.57 percent to US\$ 8270.04 million compared to US\$ 7033.87 million during the same period of last year (figure-7, table-XXI, page-79).

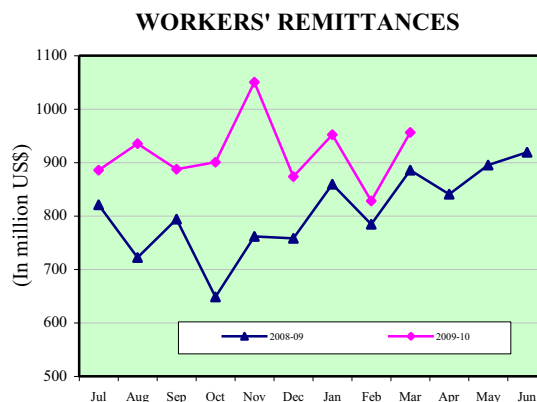


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Inflation:

The annual rate of inflation (12-month annual average CPI, 1995-96=100) decreased to 5.95 percent at the end of February 10 from 8.10 percent at the end of February 09.

The rate of inflation on point-to-point basis increased to 9.06 percent at the end of February 10 from 5.81 percent at the end of February 09 (figure-8, table-IB, page-10).

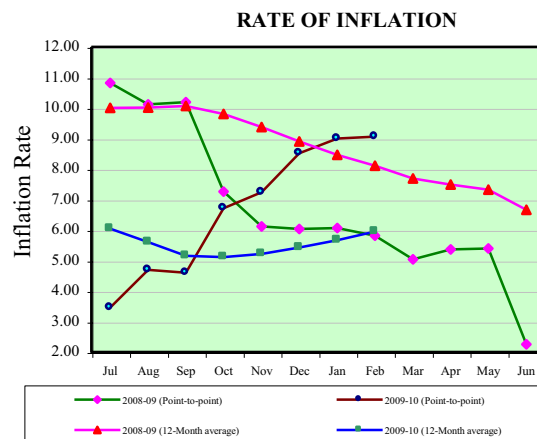


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