

Review on Some Selected Economic Indicators

Broad Money (M_2):

Broad money (M_2) increased by Tk. 3208.2 crore or 0.96 percent to Tk. 337579.2 crore in March 10 compared to the same in the previous month. Broad money (M_2) increased by Tk. 41079.4 crore or 13.85 percent during March 10 over June 09 as compared to an increase of Tk. 29518.6 crore or 11.86 percent during the same period of the last year. This was due to an increase of Tk. 24600.1 crore or 9.88 percent in net domestic assets and an increase of Tk. 16479.3 crore or 34.72 percent in net foreign assets (figure-1, table IIA, page-13).

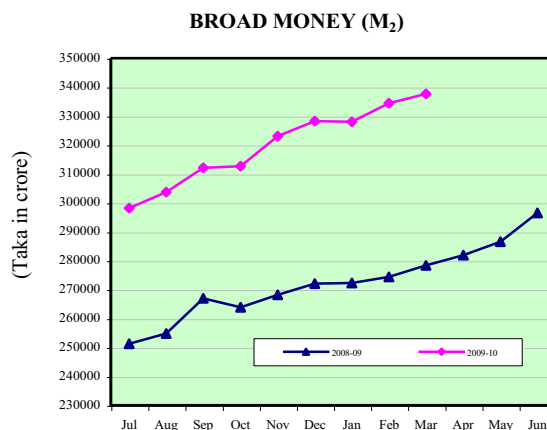


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Domestic Credit:

Domestic credit increased by Tk. 2353.0 crore or 0.75 percent to Tk. 314144.4 crore in March 10 compared to the same in the previous month. Domestic credit increased by Tk. 25592.0 crore or 8.87 percent during March 10 over June 09 as against an increase of Tk. 28658.0 crore or 11.52 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. 33155.5 crore or 15.21 percent compared to an increase of Tk. 20056.9 crore or 10.55 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. 10314.0 crore or 17.73 percent compared to an increase by Tk. 6609.7 crore or 14.09 percent during the same period of the last year. Credit to the 'other public sector' increased by Tk. 2750.5 crore or 22.11 percent compared to an increase by Tk. 1991.4 crore or 17.12 percent during the same period of the previous year (figure-2, table IIA, page-13).

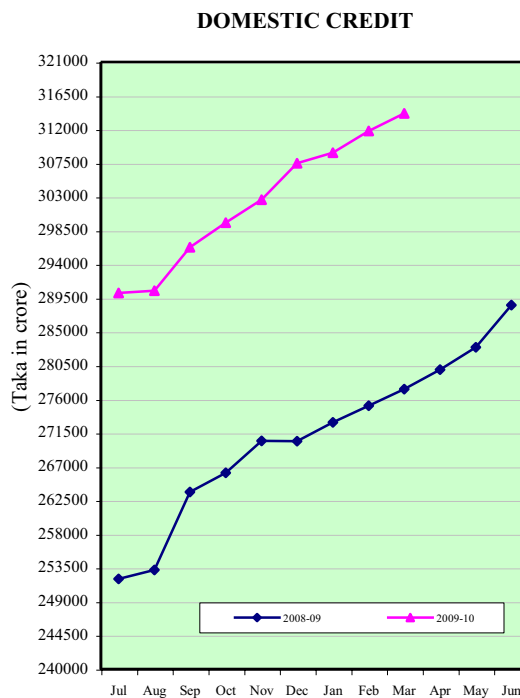


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Revenue Collection (NBR Portion):

Revenue collection (NBR portion) in March 10 increased by Tk. 1249.93 crore or 26.81 percent to Tk. 5912.76 crore compared to Tk. 4662.83 crore in February 10. During July 09 – March 10 revenue collection increased by Tk. 6444.89 crore or 18.31 percent to Tk. 41648.23 crore compared to Tk 35203.34 crore during July 08 - March 09 (figure-3, table XXVI, page-101).

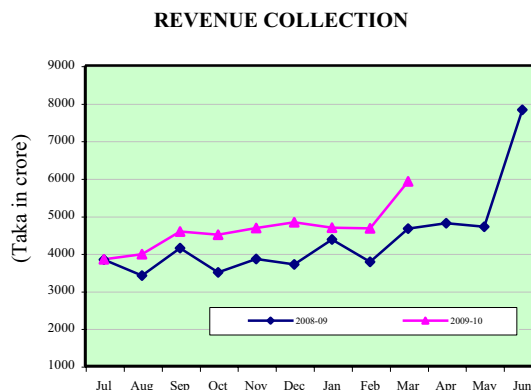


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Exports (f.o.b):

Export receipts in March 10 amounted to US\$ 1515.8 million which is higher by US\$ 235.4 million or 18.38 percent compared to export receipts in March 09. During July 09 - March 10 export decreased by US\$ 92.3 million or 0.79 percent to US\$ 11541.2 million compared to US\$ 11633.5 million during July 08 - March 09 (figure-4, table-IB, page-11, Source: EPB).

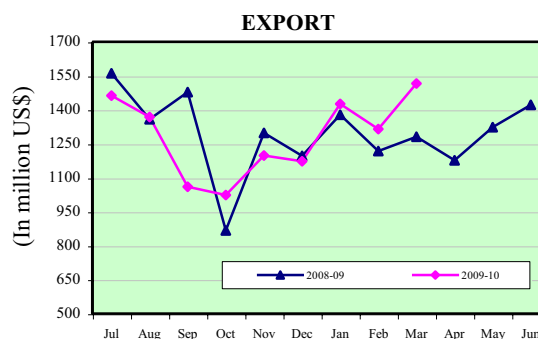


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Imports (f.o.b):

Import payments in March 10 amounted to US\$ 2121.4 million which is higher by US\$ 361.7 million or 20.55 percent compared to the same in March 09. During July 09 - March 10 import decreased by US\$ 236.7 million or 1.51 percent to US\$ 15485.0 million compared to US\$ 15721.7 million during July 08 - March 09 (figure-5, table-IB, page-11).

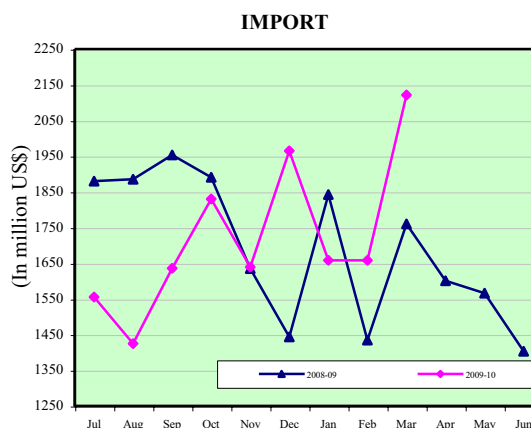


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Foreign Exchange Reserves:

Foreign exchange reserves held by the Bangladesh Bank stood at US\$ 10602.1 million at the end of April 10 compared to US\$ 7470.9 million at the end of June 09. This was higher by US\$ 3131.2 million or 41.91 percent compared to US\$ 7470.9 million at the end of June 09 (figure-6, table-IB, page-11).

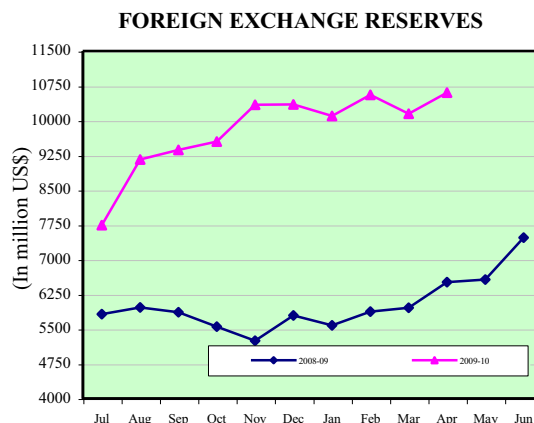


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Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Inflows:

Foreign direct investment (FDI) inflows during January-June 09 decreased by US\$ 244.71 million or 40.61 percent to US\$ 357.94 million as compared to the previous half year. This was also lower by US\$ 125.72 million or 25.99 percent as compared to January-June, 2008 (figure-7, table-IIIB, page-26).

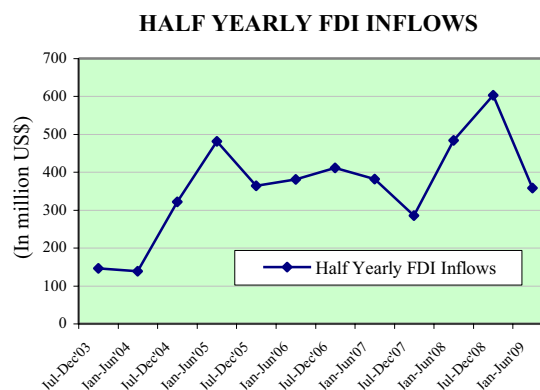


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Foreign direct investment (FDI) inflows during FY 2008-09 increased by US\$ 191.90 million or 24.96 percent to US\$ 960.59 million as compared to the same period of the previous year (figure-8, table-IIIB, page-26).

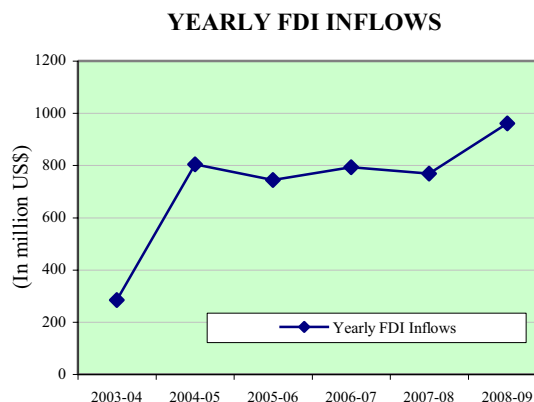


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Workers' Remittances:

The foreign exchange remittances from Bangladeshi nationals working abroad decreased by US\$ 34.33 million or 3.59 percent to US\$ 922.16 million during April 10 compared to US\$ 956.49 million at the end of March 10. During July 09 - April 10 remittances increased by US\$ 1317.34 million or 16.73 percent to US\$ 9192.20 million compared to US\$ 7874.86 million during the same period of last year (figure-9 table-XXI, page-80).

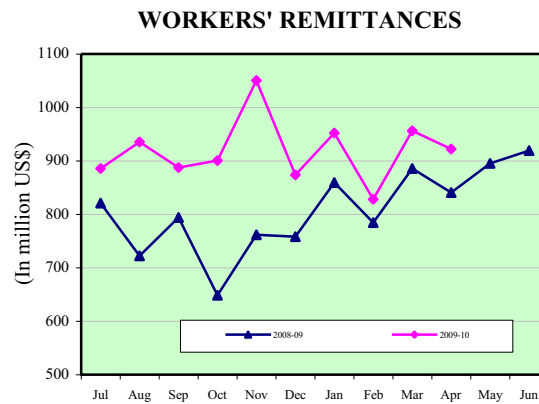


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Inflation:

The annual rate of inflation (12-month average CPI, 1995-96=100) decreased to 6.26 percent at the end of March 10 from 7.69 percent at the end of March 09.

The rate of inflation on point-to-point basis increased to 8.78 percent at the end of March 10 from 5.04 percent at the end of March 09 (figure-10 table-IB, page-10).

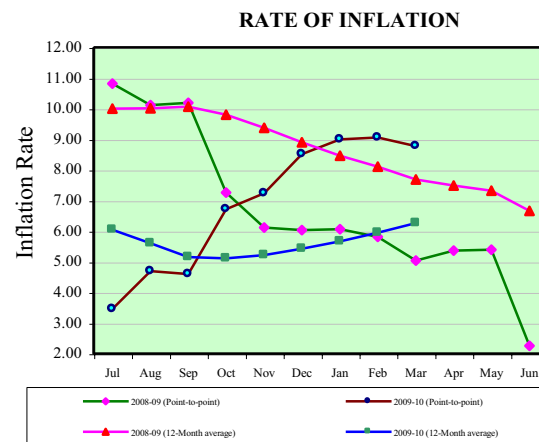


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