Fortnightly Trends of Major Economic Indicators: Updates on 15 September 2020

As per the latest available information, **broad money** increased by Tk. 31143.30 crore or 2.27 percent in July 2020 over end June 2020 against the increase of Tk. 9960.80 crore or 0.82 percent during the same period of the preceding fiscal year.

Reserve money stood at Tk 286643.90 crore as on 15 September 2020 over end June 2020 which was Tk. 281511.10 crore as on 31 August 2020. Reserve money increased by 0.98 percent as on 15 September 2019 over end June 2020 as compared to the increase of 0.73 percent during the same period of the preceding fiscal year.

Domestic credit increased by 1.02 percent and stood at TK. 1320955.0 crore in July 2020 over end June 2020 against the increase of 0.91 percent to Tk. 1157351.70 crore during the same period of the previous fiscal year. Domestic credit slightly increased over the reported period due to increase in credit to public sector along with lower decrease in credit to private sector. Credit to public sector increased by 7.31 percent in July 2020 over end June 2020 against the increase of 13.00 percent during the same period of previous fiscal year. However, credit to private sector marginally declined by 0.19 in July 2020 over end June 2020 which declined by 0.72 percent in the same period of the preceding fiscal year.

Government borrowing from the banking system including BB increased by Tk. 2023.13 crore during the period of 01-15 September 2020 as compared to the increase of Tk. 1695.98 crore during the same period of the last year. However, as per the latest available data, government overall borrowing from the banking system increased by Tk. 5552.93 crore during the period of 01 July-15 September, 2020 as compared to the increase of Tk. 26936.90 crore during the same period of the preceding fiscal year.

NBR tax revenue collection decreased by 6.83 percent (y-o-y) and stood at Tk. 14745.58 crore in July 2020 as compared to the increase of 15.41 percent to Tk.15826.38 crore in July 2019.

Inward Remittances increased by 49.95 percent and stood at US\$ 4562.15 million during July-August 2020 against the increase of 11.48 percent to US\$ 3042.44 million during the same month of the last fiscal year.

Exports increased by 2.17 percent and stood at US\$ 6878.08 million during July-August 2020-21 against the decrease of 0.92 percent to US\$ 6732.17 million in the same period of the preceding fiscal year.

Current account balance recorded significant surplus of US\$ 1965 million in FY 2020-21 as compared to the deficit of US\$ 108 million in FY2019-20. Surplus in current account balance emerged from larger inflows of remittances and significantly lower deficit in trade account.

Despite having deficit in financial account with the support of higher surplus in current account balance, **foreign exchange reserves** of BB increased by US\$ 21.68 billion and stood at US\$ 38.69 billion as on 15 September 2020 from US\$ 31.80 billion as on 15 September 2019.

Inflation on twelve-month average basis (Base: FY2005-06=100) increased to 5.65 percent in August 2020 from 5.64 percent in July 2020. Similarly, point to point general inflation also increased to 5.68 percent in August 2020 from 5.53 percent in July 2020. Both twelve-month average inflation as well as point to point general inflation increased in August 2020 from the last month due to rise in food inflation.

Detailed fortnightly information upto 15 September 2020 are given at annex-1.

Detailed Information on Trends of Major Economic Indicators upto 15 September 2020

I. Money and Credit

(Taka in crore)

Particulars	July 2019	June 2020 R	July 2020 ^P
1. Broad money (M2)	1229572.30	1373735.00	1404878.30
	(+0.82)	(+12.64)	(+2.27)
2. Reserve money @	247186.80 ***	281511.10 **	286643.90 *
	(+0.73)	(-0.83)	(+0.98)
3. Bank deposits##	1071741.20	1181620.60	1193894.40
	(+0.60)	(+10.92)	(+1.04)
4. Domestic credit (A+B)	1157351.70	1307633.80	1320955.00
	(+0.91)	(+14.02)	(+1.02)
A. Public sector (including govt.) (a+b)	154385.70	210365.90	225753.10
i. Net credit to govt. sector	(+13.00)	(+53.97)	(+7.31)
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	(+14.73)	(+59.92)	(+8.58)
ii. Credit to other public sector	24423.20	29215.10	29058.30
	(+4.57)	(+25.09)	(-0.54)
B. Credit to private sector	1002966.00	1097267.90	1095201.80
	(-0.72)	(+8.61)	(-0.19)

Source: Statistics Department, BB.

Note: Figures in the parenthesis indicate percentage changes over corresponding end June.

P= Provisional, @=excluding F.C. clearing account

^{*}Figure is as of 15th September 2020, **Figure is as of 31thAugust 2020, ***Figure is as of 15th September 2019.

[#] Advances, import and inland bills. ## Demand and time deposits (excluding inter-bank)

II. Government Financing (Taka in crore)

Particulars	As on		Flow for the period of			
1 at ucuiats	15 September 2019	15 September 2020	01-15 September 2019	01-15 September 2020	01 July-15 September 2019	01 July-15 September 2020
1. A. Net outstanding position of govt. borrowing from Bangladesh Bank	37272.69	28649.37	1628.36	852.36	3327.96	-15704.13
B. Net outstanding position of govt. borrowing from banking sector(including BB)	135032.60	183375.94	1695.98	2023.13	26936.90	5552.93
	As of end		Flow for the month of		Flow for the period of	
	July 2019	July 2020 ^P	June 2019	June 2020 ^P	July-June 2018-19	July-June 2019-20 ^p
2. Net outstanding position of non-bank borrowing of the govt.*	320143.71	346156.65	(+)2140.63	(+)5167.30	(+)53928.68	(+)22986.27
	July 2019	July 2020 ^P	July-June 2018-19 223892.42 (+10.67)		July-June 2019-20 ^P	
3. Govt.revenue collection (NBR portion)	15826.38 (+15.41)	14745.58 (-6.83)			218406.05 (-2.45)	

Source: Research Department & Statistics Department, BB and National Board of Revenue.

Note: Figures in the parenthesis indicate percentage changes over the same period of the previous year P= Provisional

^{*} Excludes saving certificates held by the banks and includes T.bills & T.bonds held by non-bank financial institutions.

(In million US\$)

Particulars	July 2019	July 2020	July-June 2019	July-June 2020 ^P	
1.Custom based import (c&f)	5247.10	4228.00	59914.70	54784.70	
	(+3.31)	(-19.42)	(+1.78)	(-8.56)	
Particulars	July 2019	July 2020	July-June 2019	July-June 2020 ^P	
2. Opening of Import L/C	5094.80	4357.23	58703.38	53119.86	
	(+0.59)	(-14.48)	(-16.81)	(-9.51)	
3. Settlement of Import L/C	4888.78	3685.25	57328.19	51091.47	
-	(+4.32)	(-24.62)	(-6.03)	(-10.88)	
	August 2019	August 2020 ^P	July-August 2019-20	July-August 2020-21 ^P	
4. Inward Remittances	1444.75	1963.94	3042.44	4562.15	
	(+2.39)	(+35.94)	(+11.48)	(+49.95)	
	August 2019	August 2020	July-August 2019-20	July-August 2020-21 ^P	
5. Exports	2844.31	2967.16	6732.17	6878.08	
	(-11.49)	(+4.32)	(-0.92)	(+2.17)	
		July 2019-20		July 2020-21 ^P	
6. Current Account Balance		-108.00		1965.00	
	15 September 2019 31 August 2020 15		15 Septe	mber 2020	
7. Foreign Exchange Reserve [#]	31799.36	39040.14	38693.81		
	(-2.80)	(+8.33)	(+21.68)		

IV. Price Index

III. External Sector

1. CPI inflation at national level (Base : FY 2005-06=100)	August 2019	July 2020	August 2020
a. Twelve month average basis	5.48	5.64	5.65
b. Twelve month point to point basis	5.49	5.53	5.68

Source: Statistics Department and Accounts & Budgeting Department, BB and Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics.

Note: Figures in the parenthesis indicate percentage changes over the same period of the preceding year.

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