

### **Fortnightly Trends of Major Economic Indicators: Updates on 31 October 2019**

As per the latest available information, **broad money** increased by 2.65 percent and stood at Tk.1251880.90 crore in September 2019 over end June 2019 against the increase of 0.80 percent during the same period of the previous fiscal year. Broad money increased over the reported period due mainly to increase in net domestic asset (NDA).

**Reserve money** stood at Tk. 249219.60 crore as on 31 October 2019 which was Tk. 247620.30 crore as on 15 October 2019. Reserve money increased by 1.56 percent as on 31 October 2019 over end June 2019 as compared to the decrease of 2.40 percent during the same period of the previous fiscal year.

**Domestic credit** increased by 3.17 percent and stood at TK. 1183225.50 crore in September 2019 over end June 2019 as compared to the increase of 1.22 percent to Tk. 1034072.80 crore during the same period of the previous fiscal year. Domestic credit increased over the reported period due mainly to significant increase in credit to public sector including government. Public sector credit increased by 21.88 percent in September 2019 over end June 2019 against the increase of 1.08 percent during the same period of the previous fiscal year. Similarly, Credit to private sector increased by 0.64 percent in September 2019 over end June 2019 which was increased by 1.24 percent in the same period of the previous fiscal year.

**Government borrowing from the banking system** including BB increased by Tk. 8834.24 crore during the period of 16-31 October 2019 which was decreased by Tk. 3306.28 crore during the same period of the previous year. Similarly, as per the latest available data, government overall borrowing from banking system increased by Tk. 38696.81 crore during the period from 01 July to 31 October 2019 which was increased by Tk. 301.48 crore during the same period of the previous fiscal year.

**NBR tax revenue** collection increased by 3.35 percent (y-o-y) and stood at Tk. 29620.39 crore during July-August 2019 which was increased by 1.88 percent during the same period of the previous fiscal year.

**Inward Remittances** increased by 20.48 percent and stood at US\$ 6154.22 million during July-October 2019 against the increase of 12.17 percent to US\$ 5108.00 million during the same period of the previous fiscal year. Inward Remittances increased over the reported period due to a number of factors including government's announcement to provide cash incentive at 2 percent on money to be remitted through the legal channel, increase in manpower exports as well as steady rise in fuel price in the global market etc.

**Exports** decreased by 6.82 percent and stood at US\$ 12721.25 million during July- October 2019 against the increase of 18.65 percent to US\$ 13651.78 million in the same period of the previous fiscal year. Exports decreased over the reported period due mainly to lower shipments of apparel items and RMG sector and the depreciation of Bangladeshi currency against the US dollar.

**Current account balance** recorded a surplus of US\$ 313 million during July-August 2019 against the deficit of US\$ 7 million during the same period of the previous fiscal year. Surplus in current account balance emerged from the increased remittance inflows as well as subdued deficit from trade balance.

**Foreign exchange reserves** of BB increased by US\$ 0.29 billion and stood at US\$ 32.44 billion as on 31 October 2019 from US\$ 32.15 billion as on 15 October 2019.

**Inflation** on twelve-month average basis (Base: FY2005-06=100) increased marginally by 5.50 percent in October 2019 from 5.49 percent in September 2019 due to increase in food inflation. However, point to point general inflation decreased to 5.47 percent in October 2019 from 5.54 percent in September 2019 due to decrease in non-food inflation.

Detailed fortnightly information upto 31 October 2019 are given at annex-1.

## Detailed Information on Trends of Major Economic Indicators upto 31 October 2019

### I. Money and Credit

(Taka in crore)

Particulars	September 2018	August 2019 <sup>R</sup>	September 2019 <sup>P</sup>
<b>1. Broad money (M2)</b>	<b>1118894.60</b>	<b>1246305.30</b>	<b>1251880.90</b>
	(+0.80)	(+2.19)	(+2.65)
<b>2. Reserve money @</b>	<b>227403.90 ***</b>	<b>247620.30 **</b>	<b>249219.60 *</b>
	(-2.40)	(+0.91)	(+1.56)
<b>3. Bank deposits<sup>##</sup></b>	<b>977875.70</b>	<b>1081134.70</b>	<b>1093973.20</b>
	(+0.91)	(+1.48)	(+2.69)
<b>4. Domestic credit (A+B)</b>	<b>1034072.80</b>	<b>1170178.20</b>	<b>1183225.50</b>
	(+1.22)	(+2.03)	(+3.17)
<b>A. Public sector (including govt.) (a+b)</b>	<b>115327.20</b>	<b>162780.30</b>	<b>166528.70</b>
<b>i. Net credit to govt. sector</b>	<b>95695.10</b>	<b>138377.70</b>	<b>140781.70</b>
	(+1.08)	(+19.14)	(+21.88)
	(+0.84)	(+22.16)	(+24.28)
<b>ii. Credit to other public sector</b>	<b>19632.10</b>	<b>24402.60</b>	<b>25747.00</b>
	(+2.25)	(+4.48)	(+10.24)
<b>B. Credit to private sector</b>	<b>918745.60</b>	<b>1007398.00</b>	<b>1016696.80</b>
	(+1.24)	(-0.28)	(+0.64)

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 31st October 2019, \*\*Figure is as of 15th October 2019, \*\*\*Figure is as of 31st October 2018.

# 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			
	31 October 2018	31 October 2019	16 -31 October 2018	16 -31 October 2019	01 July-31 October 2018	01 July-31 October 2019
<b>1. A. Net outstanding position of govt. borrowing from Bangladesh Bank</b>	17861.08	42029.89	78.02	4017.15	-5784.56	8085.15
<b>B. Net outstanding position of govt. borrowing from banking sector(including BB)</b>	88559.15	146792.51	-3306.28	8834.24	301.48	38696.81
<b>2. Net outstanding position of non-bank borrowing of the govt.*</b>	As of end		Flow for the month of		Flow for the period of	
	August 2018	August 2019 <sup>P</sup>	August 2018	August 2019 <sup>P</sup>	July-August 2018-19	July-August 2019-20 <sup>P</sup>
	28502.83	32847.34	(-)114.43	(+)461.94	(+)34.79	(+)390.10
<b>3. Govt.revenue collection (NBR portion)</b>	August 2018	August 2019 <sup>P</sup>	July-August 2018-19		July-August 2019-20 <sup>P</sup>	
	14948.52 (+2.98)	14189.62 (-5.08)	28661.12 (+1.88)		29620.39 (+3.35)	

Source: Research Department &amp; 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 &amp; T.bonds held by non-bank financial institutions.

**III. External Sector**

(In million US\$)

Particulars	August 2018 <sup>R</sup>	August 2019 <sup>P</sup>	July-August 2018-19	July-August 2019-20 <sup>P</sup>
1. Custom based import (c&f)	4458.90 (-5.15)	4072.70 (-8.66)	9538.00 (+5.66)	9319.80 (-2.29)
2. Opening of Import L/C	4952.94 (-8.66)	4337.32 (-12.43)	10018.03 (-1.12)	9026.03 (-9.90)
3. Settlement of Import L/C	3837.81 (-3.93)	3896.27 (+1.52)	8524.27 (+6.01)	8467.26 (-0.67)
	October 2018	October 2019 <sup>P</sup>	July-October 2018-19	July-October 2019-20 <sup>P</sup>
4. Inward Remittances	1239.11 (+6.57)	1639.62 (+32.32)	5108.00 (+12.17)	6154.22 (+20.48)
	October 2018	October 2019 <sup>P</sup>	July-October 2018-19	July-October 2019-20 <sup>P</sup>
5. Exports	3711.18 (+30.53)	3073.23 (-17.19)	13651.78 (+18.65)	12721.25 (-6.82)
	July-August 2018 <sup>R</sup>		July-August 2019 <sup>P</sup>	
6. Current Account Balance	-7.00		313.00	
	31 October 2018	15 October 2019	31 October 2019	
7. Foreign Exchange Reserve <sup>#</sup>	32077.96 (-2.63)	32146.31 (-1.74)	32437.74 (-0.85)	

**IV. Price Index**

1. CPI inflation at national level (Base : FY 2005-06=100)	October 2018	September 2019	October 2019
a. Twelve month average basis	5.63	5.49	5.50
b. Twelve month point to point basis	5.40	5.54	5.47

Source: Statistics Department and Accounts &amp; 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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