

### **Fortnightly Trends of Major Economic Indicators: Updates on 15 February 2022**

**Broad money** increased by Tk 59739.70 crore or 3.83 percent over end June 2021 to Tk 1620635.00 crore in December 2021 against the increase of Tk 104949.50 crore or 7.64 percent over end June 2020 to Tk 1478684.50 crore in December 2020. Broad money increased during the reported period mainly due to the higher contribution of Net Domestic Assets (NDA).

**Domestic credit** increased by 6.41 percent over end June 2021 to Tk 1532188.00 crore in December 2021 against the increase of 4.28 percent over end June 2020 to Tk 1363575.60 crore in December 2020. Domestic credit growth is higher as compared to the previous year due to a higher growth of both credit to the public and the private sector. Credit to public sector growth (7.13%) is higher as compared to the previous year (5.66%) due to a higher growth of both net credit to government sector and credit to other public sector. As per the latest available data, government overall borrowing from the banking system increased by Tk 12865.25 crore from 01 July 2021 to 15 February 2022 against the decrease of Tk 8147.37 crore during the same period of the preceding fiscal year. Credit to private sector increased by 6.26 percent in December 2021 over end June 2021 against the increase of 4.01 percent in December 2020 over end June 2020. Credit to private sector increased due to come back normalcy in economic activities of the country.

**Reserve money** stood at Tk 323399.20 crore as on 15 February 2022 which was Tk 322704.40 crore as on 31 January 2022. Reserve money decreased by 6.93 percent as on 15 February 2022 over end June 2021 against the increase of 7.30 percent during the same period of the preceding fiscal year. Reserve money decreased due to the less contribution of Net Foreign Assets (NFA) of Bangladesh Bank during the reported period.

**NBR tax revenue** collection stood at Tk 27512.71 crore in December 2021 which was Tk 23306.32 crore in December 2020. NBR tax revenue increased by Tk 4206.39 crore or 18.05 percent in December 2021 which was also increased by 6.72 percent in December 2020. Again NBR tax revenue collection stood at Tk 129090.11 crore in July-December 2021 against the collection of Tk 110501.00 crore in July-December 2020.

**Inward Remittances** decreased by 19.87 percent to US\$ 11943.98 million in July-January 2022 against the increase of 34.95 percent to US\$ 14906.66 million in July-January 2021. Remittance declined due to the second wave of Covid-19 pandemic situation. During this period, many Bangladeshi migrants have lost their jobs, some migrants have been laid off by their companies and many others who returned to Bangladesh couldn't go back due to suspended international flights. Also, after the resumption of international flights many migrants could have sent their hard earned money through informal channels.

**Exports** increased by 30.34 percent to US\$ 29548.92 million in July-January 2022 against the decrease of 1.09 percent to US\$ 22670.24 million in July-January 2021. Exports increased with the reopening of economic activities home & abroad and also getting orders from abroad.

**Current account balance** recorded a deficit of US\$ 8183.00 million in July-December 2021 against the surplus of US\$ 3515.00 million in July-December 2020. Current account balance is in deficit mainly for the larger deficit in trade balance which means import is higher than export and lower workers' remittances.

The **foreign exchange reserves** of BB stood at US\$ 45.66 billion as on 15 February 2022 which was US\$ 43.29 billion as on 15 February 2021. As per latest data, foreign exchange reserves of BB stood at US\$ 45.88 billion as on 23 February 2022.

**Inflation** on twelve-month average basis (Base: FY2005-06=100) increased to 5.62 percent in January 2022 from 5.54 percent in December 2021 due to higher commodity prices & supply disruptions in the global market, oil price hike and depreciation of Bangladesh Taka against US dollar. However, point to point general inflation decreased to 5.86 percent in January 2022 from 6.05 percent in December 2021 due to decrease in non food inflation.

Detailed fortnightly information available up to 15 February 2022 are annexed herewith.

**Detailed Information on Trends of Major Economic Indicators upto 15 February 2022****I. Money and Credit**

(Taka in crore)

Particulars	June 2020	December 2020	June 2021	November 2021 <sup>R</sup>	December 2021 <sup>P</sup>	July-December 2021 <sup>P</sup>	July-December 2020 <sup>R</sup>
<b>1. Broad money (M2)</b>	<b>1373735.00</b>	<b>1478684.50</b>	<b>1560895.30</b>	<b>1602532.30</b>	<b>1620635.00</b>	<b>59739.70</b>	<b>104949.50</b>
		(+7.64)		(+2.67)	(+3.83)	(-43.08)	(+40.26)
<b>2. Bank deposits<sup>#</sup></b>	<b>1181620.60</b>	<b>1291221.50</b>	<b>1351377.60</b>	<b>1394235.90</b>	<b>1409911.90</b>	<b>58534.30</b>	<b>109600.90</b>
		(+9.28)		(+3.17)	(+4.33)	(-46.59)	(+51.12)
<b>3. Domestic credit (A+B)</b>	<b>1307633.80</b>	<b>1363575.60</b>	<b>1439899.10</b>	<b>1507410.20</b>	<b>1532188.00</b>	<b>92288.90</b>	<b>55941.80</b>
		(+4.28)		(+4.69)	(+6.41)	(+64.97)	(-40.31)
<b>A. Public sector (including govt.) (i+ii)</b>	<b>210365.90</b>	<b>222272.50</b>	<b>251043.70</b>	<b>273164.50</b>	<b>268940.50</b>	<b>17896.80</b>	<b>11906.60</b>
		(+5.66)		(+8.81)	(+7.13)	(+50.31)	(-76.57)
<b>i. Net credit to govt. sector</b>	<b>181150.80</b>	<b>191282.60</b>	<b>221025.90</b>	<b>240082.20</b>	<b>234544.10</b>	<b>13518.20</b>	<b>10131.80</b>
		(+5.59)		(+8.62)	(+6.12)	(+33.42)	(-76.76)
<b>ii. Credit to other public sector</b>	<b>29215.10</b>	<b>30989.90</b>	<b>30017.80</b>	<b>33082.30</b>	<b>34396.40</b>	<b>4378.60</b>	<b>1774.80</b>
		(+6.07)		(+10.21)	(+14.59)	(+146.71)	(-75.45)
<b>B. Credit to private sector</b>	<b>1097267.90</b>	<b>1141303.00</b>	<b>1188855.30</b>	<b>1234245.70</b>	<b>1263247.50</b>	<b>74392.20</b>	<b>44035.10</b>
		(+4.01)		(+3.82)	(+6.26)	(+68.94)	(+2.66)
<b>4. Reserve money @</b>	<b>283862.40</b>	<b>304582.30<sup>***</sup></b>	<b>347485.30</b>	<b>322704.40<sup>**</sup></b>	<b>323399.20<sup>*</sup></b>	<b>-24086.10</b>	<b>20719.90</b>
		(+7.30)		(-7.13)	(-6.93)	(-216.25)	(+346.53)

Source: Statistics Department, BB.

Note: Figures in the parenthesis of column no two, four and five of data from left indicate percentage changes over the previous June.

Figures in the parenthesis of last two columns of data from left indicate percentage changes over July to December.

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

\*Figure as of 15 February 2022, \*\*Figure as of 31 January 2022, \*\*\*Figure as of 15 February 2021.

# Including both demand and time deposits (excluding inter-bank)

**II. Government Financing****(Taka in crore)**

Particulars	As on		Flow for the period of			
	15 February 2021	15 February 2022 <sup>P</sup>	01-15 February 2021	01-15 February 2022	01 July 2020 to 15 February 2021	01 July 2021 to 15 February 2022
<b>1. A. Net outstanding position of govt. borrowing from Bangladesh Bank</b>	10368.42	10101.20	3595.66	32.27	-33985.07	-14440.94
<b>B. Net outstanding position of govt. borrowing from banking sector(including BB)</b>	169675.63	214980.34	-2517.28	184.22	-8147.37	12865.25
<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	
	December 2020	December 2021 <sup>P</sup>	December 2020	December 2021 <sup>P</sup>	July-December 2020-21	July-December 2021-22
	363933.50	396843.98	(+)40295.06	(+)3050.38	(+)22944.16	(+)11774.03
<b>3. Govt. tax revenue collection (NBR portion)</b>	December 2020	December 2021 <sup>P</sup>	July-December 2020-21		July-December 2021-22 <sup>P</sup>	
	23306.32 (+6.72)	27512.71 (+18.05)	110501.00 (+4.01)		129090.11 (+16.82)	

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.

(In million US\$)

**III. External Sector**

Particulars	December 2020	December 2021	July-'December 2020-21R	July-'December 2021-22P
1. Custom based import (c&f)	5388.50 (+2.56)	8436.70 (+56.57)	27269.20 (-6.77)	42122.50 (+54.47)
2. Opening of Import L/C <sup>R#</sup>	5502.54 (-3.91)	7739.04 (+40.64)	28691.54 (-0.93)	44075.43 (+53.15)
3. Settlement of Import L/C <sup>R#</sup>	5135.92 (-2.72)	7821.56 (+52.29)	25030.65 (-9.30)	38390.00 (+52.91)
	January 2021	January 2022	July-January 2020-21 <sup>R</sup>	July-January 2021-22 <sup>P</sup>
4. Inward Remittances	1961.91 (+19.74)	1704.45 (-13.12)	14906.66 (+34.95)	11943.98 (-19.87)
	January 2021	January 2022	July-January 2020-21 <sup>R</sup>	July-January 2021-22 <sup>P</sup>
5. Exports	3436.79 (-4.99)	4850.37 (+41.13)	22670.24 (-1.09)	29548.92 (+30.34)
	July-December 2020-21 <sup>R</sup>		July-December 2021-22 <sup>P</sup>	
6. Current Account Balance	3515.00		-8183.00	
	15 February 2021	31 January 2022	15 February 2022	
7. Foreign Exchange Reserve <sup>@</sup>	43290.69 (+20.13)	44951.22 (-3.10)	45660.86 (-1.57)	
<b>IV. Price Index</b>				
1. CPI inflation at national level (Base : FY 2005-06=100)	January 2021	December 2021	January 2022	
a. Twelve month average basis	5.64	5.54	5.62	
b. Twelve month point to point basis	5.02	6.05	5.86	

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.

P=Provisional, @ Figures in the parenthesis indicate percentage changes over the previous June.

NA= Not Available, due to the general holiday; R#=Revised by FEOD due to system generated data from "Online Import Monitoring System" for FY 20 and FY 19.