

Fortnightly Trends of Major Economic Indicators: Updates on 31 October 2018

As per the latest available information, **broad money** increased by Tk. 8913.60 crore or 0.80 percent and stood at Tk.1118894.60 crore in September 2018 over end June 2018 against the increase of Tk.12624.70 crore or 1.24 percent during the same period of the previous fiscal year. Broad money slightly slowed down due to subdued growth in net domestic assets during the period under review.

Reserve money stood at Tk. 227405.70 crore as on 31 October 2018 which was Tk. 230099.60 crore as on 15 October 2018. Reserve money decreased by 2.39 percent as on 31 October 2018 over end June 2018 as compared to the decrease of 6.43 percent during the same period of the previous fiscal year.

Domestic credit increased by 1.22 percent and stood at TK. 1034072.80 crore in September 2018 over end June 2018 as compared to the increase of 2.55 percent to Tk. 913341.00 crore during the same period of the previous fiscal year. Domestic credit growth slowed down during the reported period due to decrease in credit to private sector credit. Credit to Private sector increased by only 1.24 percent in September 2018 over the end June 2018 as compared to the increase of 3.24 percent during the same period of the previous fiscal year. However, Public sector credit growth increased by 1.08 percent in September 2018 over the end June 2018 which decreased by 2.18 percent during the same period of the previous fiscal year.

Government borrowing from the banking system including BB decreased by Tk. 20.63 crore during the period of 16-31 October 2018-19 as compared to the decrease of Tk. 4911.15 crore in the same period of the previous year. However, as per the latest data, government overall borrowing from the banking system increased by Tk. 3667.70 crore during the period of 01 July-31 October 2018-19 while it was decreased by Tk. 6220.23 crore during the same period of the previous fiscal year.

NBR tax revenue collection increased by 1.58 percent (y-o-y) and stood at Tk. 28316.16 crore during July-August 2018-19 as compared to the increase of 27.39 percent during the same period of the previous year.

Inward Remittances increased by 12.17 percent and stood at US\$ 5108.00 million during July-October 2018-19 against the increase of 6.98 percent during the same period of the previous fiscal year.

Exports increased by 18.65 percent and stood at US\$ 13651.78 million during July-October 2018-19 against the increase of 7.03 percent during the same period of the previous fiscal year.

Current account balance recorded a deficit of US\$ 60 million in July-August 2018 as compared to the deficit of US\$ 369 million during the same period of the previous year. Current account deficit decreased in the reported period due to decrease in deficit in service account as well as increased remittance inflows.

Foreign exchange reserves of BB increased by US\$ 0.01 billion and stood at US\$ 32.08 billion as on 31 October 2018 from US\$ 32.07 billion as on 15 October 2018.

Inflation on twelve-month average basis (Base: FY2005-06=100) marginally decreased to 5.63 percent in October 2018 from 5.68 percent in September 2018. Similarly, point to point general inflation decreased marginally to 5.40 percent in October 2018 from 5.43 percent in September 2018. Both twelve-month average and point to point general inflation decreased in October 2018 as compared to the previous month due to decrease in food inflation.

Detailed fortnightly information upto 31 October 2018 are given at annex-1.

Detailed Information on Trends of Major Economic Indicators upto 31 October 2018

I. Money and Credit

(Taka in crore)

Particulars	September 2017	August 2018 ^R	September 2018 ^P
1. Broad money (M2)	1028700.80	1123954.30	1118894.60
	(+1.24)	(+1.26)	(+0.80)
2. Reserve money @	209598.40 ***	230099.60 **	227405.70 *
	(-6.43)	(-1.24)	(-2.39)
3. Bank deposits^{##}	895877.60	970559.60	977875.70
	(+1.97)	(+0.15)	(+0.91)
4. Domestic credit (A+B)	913341.00	1031284.70	1034072.80
	(+2.55)	(+0.95)	(+1.22)
A. Public sector (including govt.) (a+b)	112115.50	121118.70	115327.20
i. Net credit to govt. sector	94438.20	101691.90	95695.10
	(-2.18)	(+6.16)	(+1.08)
ii. Credit to other public sector	17677.30	19426.80	19632.10
	(-2.97)	(+7.16)	(+0.84)
B. Credit to private sector	801225.50	910166.00	918745.60
	(+2.30)	(+1.18)	(+2.25)
	(+3.24)	(+0.29)	(+1.24)
Particulars	August 2017	July 2018 ^R	August 2018 ^P
5. Bank credit[#]	781926.20	893967.30	902186.20
	(+1.24)	(-0.61)	(+0.30)

Source: SBS from 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 2018, **Figure is as of 15th October 2018, ***Figure is as of 31st October 2017 .

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

II. Government Financing

Particulars	As on		Flow for the period of			
	31 October 2017	31 October 2018	16-31 October 2017-18	16-31 October 2018-19	01 July -31 October 2017-18	01 July -31 October 2018-19
1. A. Net outstanding position of govt. borrowing from Bangladesh Bank	12100.99	17915.17	-3447.39	132.11	-3627.82	-5730.47
B. Net outstanding position of govt. borrowing from banking sector(including BB)	83496.27	91925.37	-4911.15	-20.63	-6220.23	3667.70
2. Net outstanding position of non-bank borrowing of the govt.*	As of end		Flow for the month of		Flow for the period of	
	September 2017	September 2018 ^P	September 2017	September 2018 ^P	July-September 2017-18	July-September 2018-19 ^P
	230085.20	277728.23	(+)4274.27	(+)4561.80	(+)13503.41	(+)13653.84
3. Govt.revenue collection (NBR portion)	August 2017	August 2018 ^P	July-August 2017-18		July-August 2018-19 ^P	
	14650.48 (+21.78)	14913.11 (+1.79)	27876.13 (+27.39)		28316.16 (+1.58)	

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\$)

III. External Sector

Particulars	August 2017-18 ^P	August 2018-19 ^P	July-August 2017- 18	July-August 2018-19 ^P
1.Custom based import (c&f)	4701.20 (+23.83)	4458.90 (-5.15)	9026.80 (+33.97)	9538.00 (+5.66)
Particulars	September 2017-18	September 2018-19 ^P	July-September 2017- 18	July-September 2018-19 ^P
2. Opening of Import L/C	4571.17 (+31.68)	4736.59 (+3.62)	14703.16 (+36.49)	14754.62 (+0.35)
3. Settlement of Import L/C	3785.62 (-14.96)	4307.33 (+13.78)	11826.61 (+1.87)	12831.59 (+8.50)
	October 2017-18	October 2018-19 ^P	July-October 2017- 18	July-October 2018-19 ^P
4. Inward Remittances	1162.77 (+15.01)	1239.11 (+6.57)	4553.79 (+6.98)	5108.00 (+12.17)
5. Exports	2843.07 (+5.29)	3711.18 (+30.53)	11505.80 (+7.03)	13651.78 (+18.65)
	July-August 2017-18 ^P		July-August 2018-19 ^P	
6. Current Account Balance	-369.00		-60.00	
	31 October 2017	15 October 2018	31 October 2018	
7. Foreign Exchange Reserve [#]	33452.90 (-0.12)	32067.19 (-2.66)	32077.96 (-2.63)	

IV. Price Index

1. CPI inflation at national level (Base : FY 2005-06=100)	October 2017	September 2018	October 2018 ^P
a. Twelve month average basis	5.59	5.68	5.63
b. Twelve month point to point basis	6.04	5.43	5.40

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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