Inflation Report, November 2017

A. Domestic Inflation

In November 2017, Phnom Penh Consumer Price Index increased by 0.2% compared to previous month and increased by 2.3% compared to previous year.

In November 2017, most price level of product groups continued to increase compared to November 2016, such as restaurant, transport, clothing and footwear, food and nonalcholic beverages, and alcoholic beverage and tobacco. Price level of transport rose by 4.3%, in which gasoline price and diesel price increased 9.5% and 8.3%, respectively;retail gasoline price in Cambodia is 3,850riels/litre (in October was 3,750riels/litre). The increasing trend of Consumer Price Index at the end of this year is lower than the previous year trend regarding the moderate increase of food price, alcoholic beverage and clothing.

By the estimation till December 2017, inflation rate year-on-year is approximately 1.9%, and year average inflation rate is approximately 2.9%.

| Table 1: Changes of price index of 12 product groups in November 2017 | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Compared with last month | Compared with last year | | | | | | |
| Item of goods & service | 0.2% | 2.3% | | | | | | |
| 1. Foods and Nonalcoholic beverages | 0.4% | 2.0% | | | | | | |
| 2. Alcoholic beverages, and Tobacco | -0.8% | 0.6% | | | | | | |
| 3. Clothing and Footwear | -0.1% | 2.5% | | | | | | |
| 4. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels | -0.2% | -0.1% | | | | | | |
| 5. Furnishings, Household Maintenance | 0.0 | 0.2% | | | | | | |
| 6. Health | 0.0 | 1.3% | | | | | | |
| 7. Transport | 0.1% | 4.3% | | | | | | |
| 8. Communication | 0.0 | - 0.4% | | | | | | |
| 9. Recreation and Culture | -0.4% | - 1.1% | | | | | | |
| 10. Education | 0.0 | - 0.7% | | | | | | |
| 11. Restaurants | 0.3% | 8.4% | | | | | | |
| 12. Miscellaneous Goods and Services | 0.4% | 1.6% | | | | | | |

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| Table 2: Price level changes of some food items (%) | | | | | | | |
|---|------|-------------|-------|------------------------------|------|------|--|
| Food items | | 2017 | | 2017 Compare to last year | | | |
| | Comp | are to last | month | | | | |
| | Sep | Oct | Nov | Sep | Oct | Nov | |
| Rice | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 2.0 | |
| Beef | 0.7 | -0.1 | 0.4 | 2.8 | 2.4 | 2.5 | |
| Chicken | -0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 1.2 | 1.2 | |
| Duck | -0.8 | 0.6 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 0.7 | 0.9 | |
| Pork | 0.1 | -0.7 | 0.4 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 1.0 | |
| Freshwater and sea fish | 1.9 | -0.8 | 1.2 | 5.8 | 4.3 | 4.9 | |
| Fresh fish | 2.2 | -1.1 | 1.4 | 6.0 | 4.1 | 5.2 | |
| Fruit | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 | |
| Fresh fruit | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.4 | 0.0 | -0.8 | 0.0 | |
| Vegetable | 0.0 | -0.9 | 0.0 | 2.9 | -0.1 | -1.3 | |
| Leaf vegetable | -0.6 | -1.3 | 1.3 | 3.4 | -1.3 | -1.7 | |
| Fruit vegetable | -0.6 | -0.1 | 1.5 | -0.8 | -1.9 | -4.5 | |

B. Annual Inflation of Neighbor Countries:

Table 3: Annual inflation (%)

| Country | 2016 | 2017 | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov |
| Cambodia | 3.9 | 4.4 | 4.0 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 2.7 | 2.1 | 2.3 |
| Vietnam | 4.7 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 4.7 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.0 | 2.6 |
| Thailand | 1.1 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 0.8 | 0.4 | -0.04 | -0.05 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.99 |
| Malaysia | 1.8 | 3.2 | 4.5 | 5.1 | 4.4 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 3.7 | 4.3 | 3.7 | 3.4 |
| Indonesia | 3.0 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 4.2 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.6 | 3.3 |
| Philippine | 2.6 | 2.7 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.3 |
| China | 2.1 | 2.5 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 1.7 |
| South Korea | 1.3 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 2.6 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 1.3 |
| Japan | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.2 | 0.6 |

Sources:

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⁽¹⁾ Cambodia: National Institute of Statistics (NIS)

⁽²⁾ Other countries: http://www.tradingeconomics.com;

Note

Compiling Consumer Price Index (CPI) in Phnom Penh:

- There are 259 selected items of goods
- The prices are collected from five major markets in Phnom Penh
- Generally, the prices are collected from four sample stands in each market
- For items that are not sold in the market, prices are collected from nearby stores
- The Price Indices are compiled by geometric average

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