

National Accounting Wing

National Accounting Wing of BBS is mainly entrusted with the responsibility of collecting, collating and disseminating of statistical data on Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and other related aggregates, Price and Wage Rates, Foreign Trade, and Quantum Index of Industrial Production (QIP). All these activities are elaborated below:

1. Gross Domestic Product and other related macro aggregates: National Accounting Wing of BBS produces and disseminates estimates of fiscal year based (July-June)

- i. Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by industrial origin at both current and constant prices (base year is 1995-96).
- ii. Complementing estimates of GDP by production approach, this wing also estimates expenditure based GDP in market as well as in constant prices.
- iii. In addition, BBS compiles and disseminates data on Gross National Income (GNI), Gross Disposable Income (GDI), saving and Investment.

2. Price Statistics and related deflators: National Accounting Wing regularly collects price of selected commodities (1252 items) from a total of 143 outlays of which 64 from rural and 79 from urban outlays. A total of 5 price schedules are used to collect the prices. National Accounting Wing produces the following indices:

Consumer Price Index (CPI)

(a) **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** on monthly basis pertaining to (i) national, (ii) all urban and (iii) and all rural (Base: 1995-96=100)

(b) **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** for middle income govt. employees, Dhaka (Base: 1973-74=100)

(c) **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** for industrial workers at national level as well as for industrial areas of Chittagong, Narayanganj, Khulna (Base: 1969-70=100)

(d) **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** of rural population at Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi and Khulna Division (Base: 1973-74=100)

Other Price indices

(a) Wholesale Price Index of Agricultural and Industrial Products (Base: 1973-74=100)

(b) Price Index of building materials, transport cost and wages of construction of Labor at national level as well as for Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi and Khulna Division (Base: 1969-70=100)

(c) House rent indices of various categories of private residential houses at divisional head quarters of Dhaka, Chittagong, Khulna and Rajshahi Division (Base: 1973-74).

3. Wage Rate Statistics: This wing produces and disseminates wage statistics for selected industry and agriculture. Wage Rate Index (WRI) is also produced and disseminated by this wing.

4. Quantum Index of Industrial Production (QIP): Quantum Index of Industrial Production (QIP) is also produced and disseminated by this wing.

5. Quarterly National Accounts: BBS compiles the GDP of Bangladesh on annual basis. However, for short-term analysis, annual accounts are not sufficient, since short-term movements having less than twelve month duration are not revealed/expressed in the annual data on which the annual compilation are based. To overcome this difficulty, Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics has started compiling Quarterly National Accounts on an experimental basis which can also supplement annual compilation of GDP. With the objective of providing policy makers and other users a shorter term macro indicator BBS compiled a historical series of Quarterly GDP from the fiscal year 1995-96 to fiscal 2001-2002. Quarterly GDP series has been compiled within the Bangladesh National Account Framework applying the general concepts, methodology and classification of the SNA-93 of the United Nations.

6. Foreign Trade Statistics: National Accounting Wing regularly collects and compiles foreign trade statistics of Bangladesh. This wing has been compiling statistics on exports and imports on a regular basis and disseminates data in selected publications of BBS.

In addition, National Accounting Wing compiles and disseminates on monthly and annual basis the following trade indices:

- Index number of export prices
- Index number of import prices
- Index number of terms of trade

7. International Comparison Programme (ICP): This programme under RETA of ADB has also been implementing under this wing.

8. General data dissemination system of IMF: This wing has been working for improving general data dissemination system under the framework of IMF.

9. Publications: National Accounting Wing prepares and publishes the following publications on regular basis:

1.	Consumer Price Index (CPI) and Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities in Dhaka City - Monthly Publication
2.	Industrial Production Statistics (IPS)- Monthly Publication
3.	Monthly Statistical Bulletin- Monthly Publication
4.	National Accounts Statistics- Annual Publication
5.	Statistical Yearbook of Bangladesh – Annual Publication
6.	Statistical Pocketbook of Bangladesh – Annual Publication
7.	Foreign Trade Statistics Of Bangladesh- Annual Publication