

PRICE SECTION

Activities: -

- a) Collection of weekly and monthly Price Statistics:- Wholesale price from 7 centres and Retail prices from 7 Urban Centres and 18 selected Rural Centres across the State.
- b) Maintenance of monthly Consumer Price Indices of:- (1) CPI-IW (Industrial Workers) (2) CPI-Rural, Urban and Combined and (3) CPI-(AL & RL) Agricultural Labourers and Rural Labourers. An average from 12 monthly CPI-IW indices for the period ending December and June respectively is used for fixation of Dearness Allowance of State Government Employees. An average from 6 monthly CPI-IW indices for the period ending December and June Each year is also used for fixation of Variable Allowance (VDA) and revision of Minimum Wages payable to employees under 28 Schedule of Employments.

The collection of price data for the year 2020 has been partially disturbed as data for certain months were not available due to the pandemic but is progressing smoothly after the lock down. Scrutiny on price returns for necessary check on inter-period/inter-region variation is also undertaken to ensure consistency in price data for preparation of bulletins.

Price Bulletin for the year 2019 is on the anvil and will be published soon.