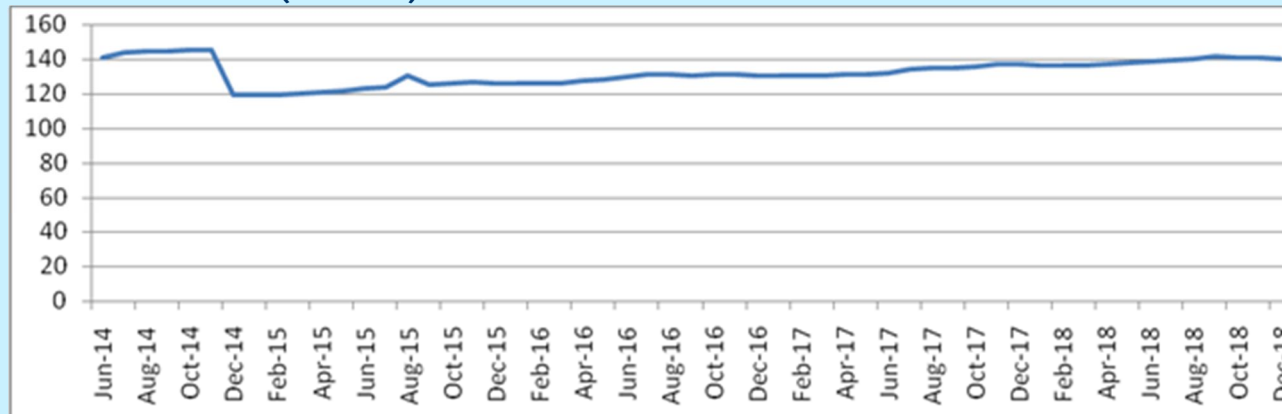


December 2018 CPI inflation falls to 2.19%

Rural India inflation stands at 1.65% in December 2018 as compared to 1.71% in November 2018 and Urban India inflation stands at 2.91% in December 2018 as compared to 3.12% in November 2018

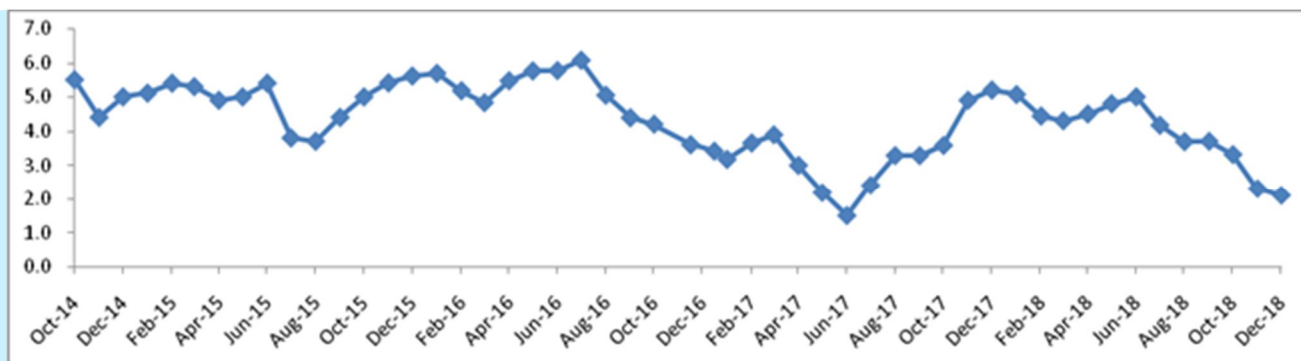
The all India general CPI inflation (Combined) for December 2018 (Prov.) falls to 2.19% from 2.33% in November 2018. The inflation rates for rural and urban areas for December 2018 (Prov.) are 1.65% and 2.91%, respectively, as compared to 1.71% and 3.12% respectively, for November 2018. Rate of inflation during December 2018 (Prov.) for fuel and light (4.54%), housing (5.32%), transport and communication (4.30%), education (8.38%) and health (9.02%) etc.

Consumer Price Index (combined)



Source: PHD Research Bureau, compiled from MOSPI

Consumer Price Inflation (Combined) (%)



Source: PHD Research Bureau, compiled from CSO

All India annual inflation rates (%)

Category	Annual inflation rate (December 2018)			Annual inflation rate (November 2018)		
	Rural	Urban	Combined	Rural	Urban	Combined
Food and Beverages	-1.91	-0.86	-1.49	-1.62	-1.70	-1.69
Pan, tobacco and intoxicants	6.07	4.84	5.77	6.44	5.25	6.14
Clothing and Footwear	2.58	5.07	3.52	2.44	5.24	3.53
Housing	-	5.32	5.32	-	5.99	5.99
Fuel and Light	4.63	4.42	4.54	6.66	8.75	7.39
Miscellaneous	7.51	5.28	6.45	6.38	5.84	6.15
General Index (All Groups)	1.65	2.91	2.19	1.71	3.12	2.33

Source: PHD Research Bureau, compiled from MOSPI

Note: CPI (Rural) for Housing is not available

Consumer Price Index for the month of December 2018 for rural, urban and combined stood at 142.1, 138 and 140.2 respectively. In addition to this, Consumer Food Price Indices (CFPI) of December 2018 for rural, urban and combined stands at 136.7, 135.2 and 136.2 respectively.

Provisional annual inflation rate based on all India CFPI (Combined) for the month of December 2018 stands at (-)2.51% as compared to (-)2.61% in the previous month. The corresponding provisional inflation rates on all India CFPI for rural and urban areas for December 2018 are (-)2.84% and (-)1.89% respectively as against November 2018 are (-)2.40% and (-)3.04% respectively.

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