# THE INFORMAL SECTOR

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# Coverage

- The 2009/10 UNHS survey had a module on informal sector
- Objective was to established the current status and the extent of informal sector.
- 5 questionnaires were designed to cover:
  - Agriculture & Fishing
  - Forestry
  - Manufacturing, Mining & Quarrying
  - Trade & Services
  - Restaurants

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- Information was collected on:
  - General information about the business
  - Credit and Market Information
  - Capital Expenditure
  - Employment
  - Expenditure and Income

# Findings

Structure of the Informal sector

# Households with Businesses

21% hh with Businesses

(1.3 million)

Rural (87%)

Urban

(13%)

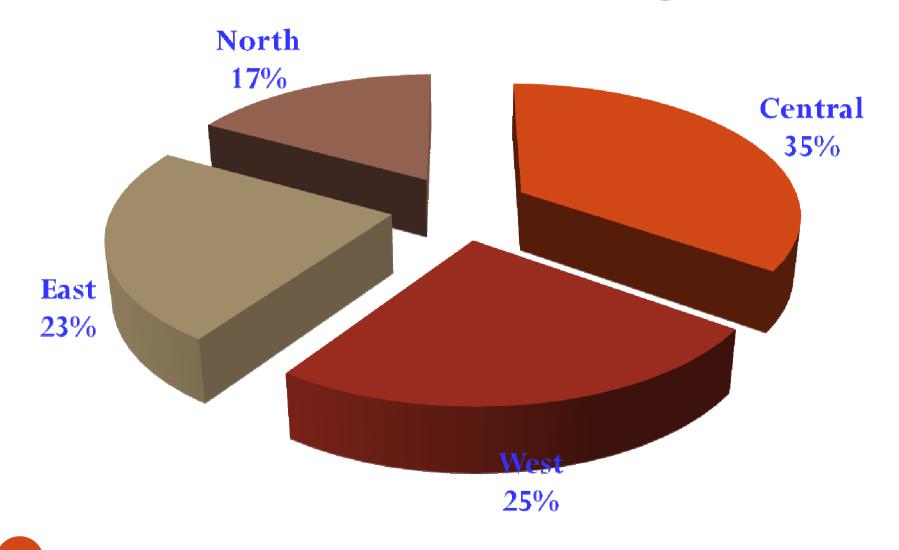
79% hh without businesses

(4.9 million)

Rural (80%)

**Urban** (20%)

# HH with businesses by region



- •There were a total of 1.8 million informal businesses
- •86% were household based



### The Central region had the majority of informal businesses, 36%

Region	Businesses ('000s)	%
Central	643	36
West	469	26
East	424	24
North	254	14
Total	1,791	

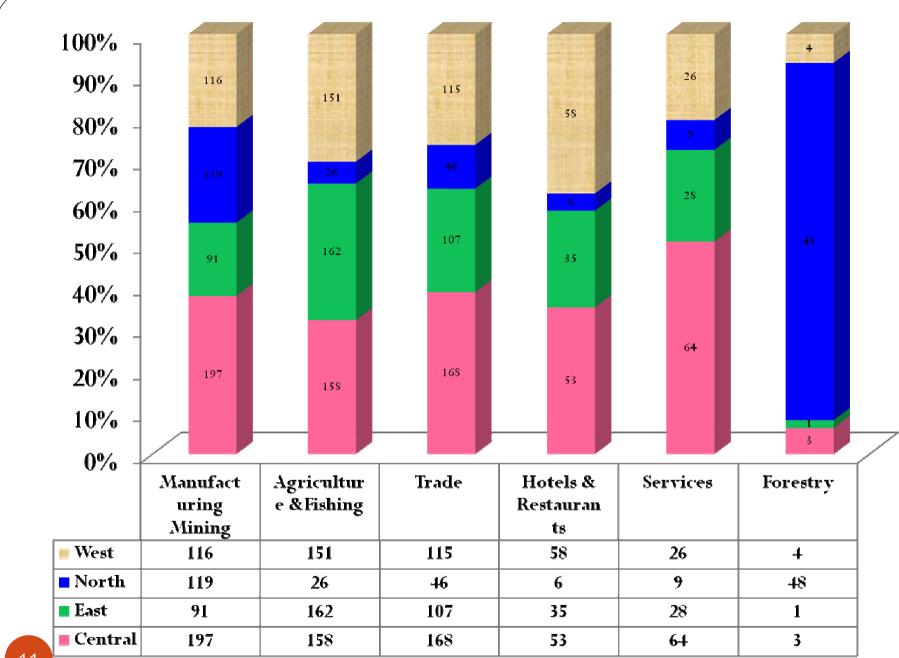
Each hh had at least 1 business

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- 51% of business were less than 6 years old
- However, 13% of the businesses had been in operation for more than 20years
- 33% of the businesses were operated at home with no special working space
- Hawkers accounted for only 1% of the businesses
- 94% of the businesses were sole proprietorships

# **Businesses by Industry**

Industry	No. ('000s)	%
Manufacturing, Mining & Quarrying	523	29.2
Agriculture & Fishing	497	27.7
Trade	436	24.3
Hotels & Restaurants	153	8.6
Services	126	7.0
Forestry	56	3.1
Total	1791	100



# **EMPLOYMENT**

Data provided includes both household and non-household based businesses

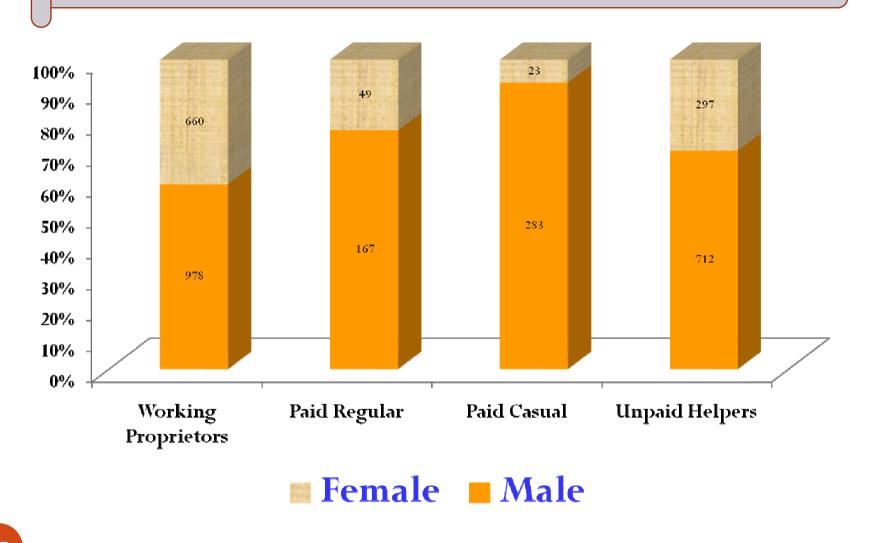
# **Employment**

- A total of 3.5 people were engaged in informal businesses
- Paid Employees were 2.4 million
  - Working Proprietors (78%)
  - Casual Paid employees (13%)
  - Regular Paid Employees (9)
- Unpaid Employees were 1.1 million
  - Family workers/helpers

# Employees by industry ('000s)

Industry	Paid	Unpaid	Total	%
Manufacturing & Mining	660	205	866	24.6
Agriculture & Fishing	777	672	1449	41.3
Trade	493	171	664	18.9
Hotels & Restaurants	199	69	267	7.6
Services	170	11	181	5.2
Forestry	64	20	84	2.4
Total	2363	1149	3512	100.0
14	<b>67%</b>	<b>33</b> %		/

# Male employees were more likely to work on casual terms than their female counterparts

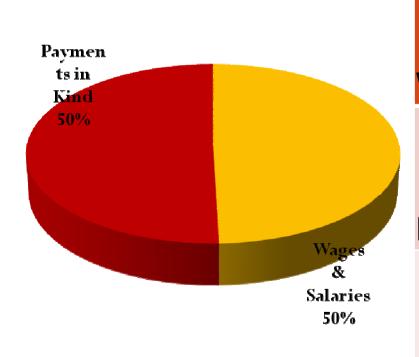


# Age of Employees

- 67% of the employees were adults (aged 18+)
- 985 thousand employees worked for more than
  25 days each month
  - Of this, 50% were working proprietors
  - Information may imply that a majority of the informal employees work almost all the days in a month

# **Emoluments**

### Total emoluments were 2.0 trillion shillings



Wages & Salaries 1,014

Payments in Kind 1,032

**Total Emoluments 2,046** 

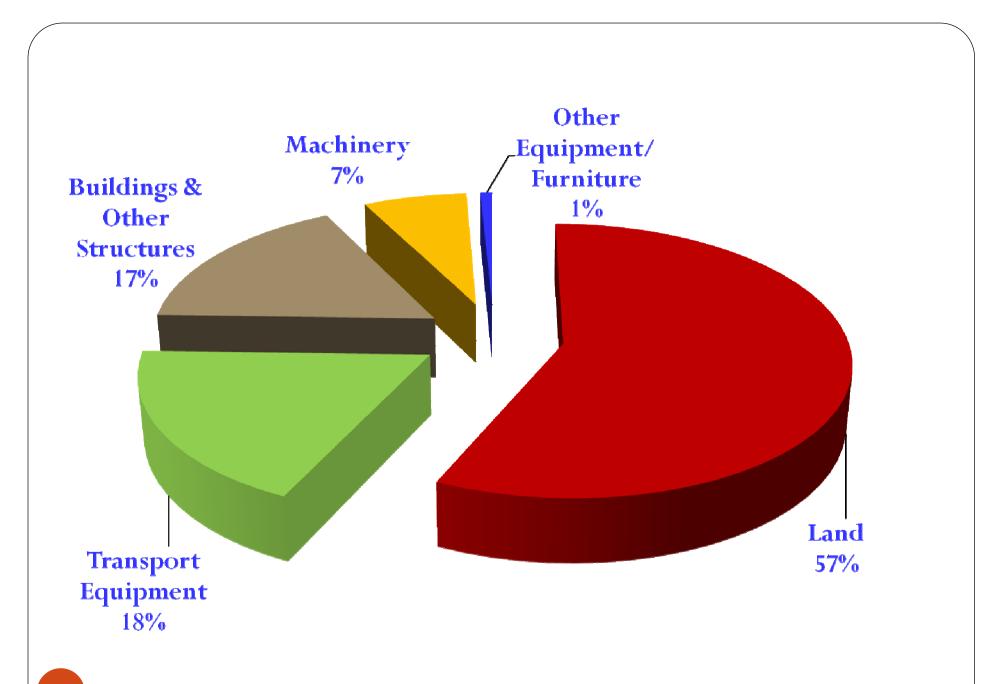
# Average monthly earnings were 49 thousand shillings per employees

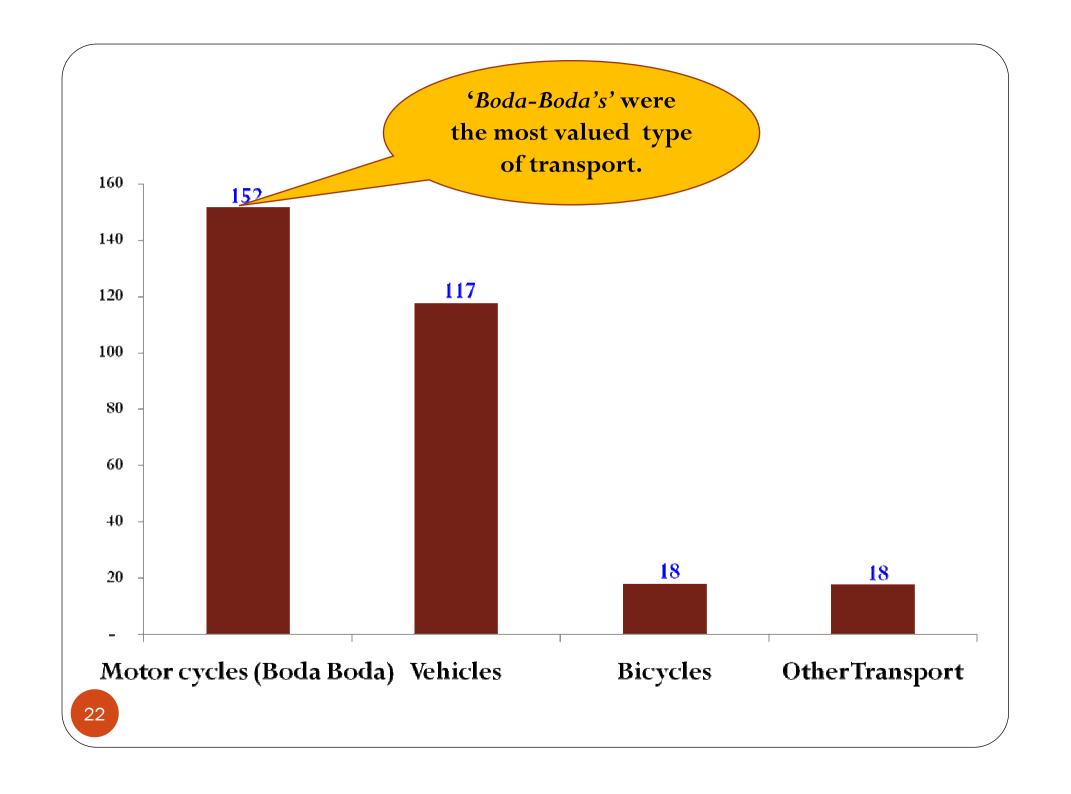
Industry	Wages & Salaries (bill shs)	Payment s in Kind (bill shs)	Total (bill shs)	Average Earnings ('000shs)
Agriculture & Fishing	305	447	752	43.3
Trade	160	355	515	64.6
Hotels & Restaurants	39	57	96	29.9
Services	281	80	361	165.8
Forestry	12	2	13	13.4
Manufacturing & Mining	217	91	308	29.7
Total	1014	1032	2046	48.5

# NON CURRENT ASSETS (NCA) or FIXED ASSETS (FA)

# Non Current Assets (NCA)

- These include:
  - Land
  - Buildings
  - Other Structure
  - Transport Equipment &
  - Other Office Equipment
- The NCA owned by informal businesses were valued at 1.64 trillion
- Land was the most valued NCA accounting for 57% of the total value
- Other equipment was the least valued at only 1% of the total value





# **ACCESS TO CREDIT**

- 10% of the informal businesses used own savings to start and run a business
- 8% obtained loans
  - Starting a business-29 billion shillings
  - Running a business-12 billion shillings
- Main source of loans
  - relatives
  - commercial institutions (MFIs)
- Main security for the loans was land

# CONCLUSION

- Other detailed information on informal sector is in the report
- However, a comprehensive report for the informal sector shall be produced after the completion of the Census of Business Establishments (COBE), currently on-going
- This will provide additional information informal nonhousehold based businesses
- Report expected in the first quarter of 2011

# THANK YOU