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## PRESS RELEASE

### PRODUCER PRICE INDICES AND INFLATION MANUFACTURING AND UTILITIES – FEBRUARY 2023

#### 1.0 Annual Headline Inflation

The inflation as measured by the producer price index for manufactured goods and utilities for the 12 months to February 2023 slowed down to 5.3 percent compared to 7.0 percent registered for the year ended January 2023. This was mainly attributed to the 5.5 percent slow down in inflation of the manufacturing sector for the year ending February 2023 compared to 7.3 percent registered for the year ended January 2023 as shown in Figure 1.

The main drivers in the manufacturing sector were the manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products whose inflation decreased to 4.4 percent for the year ending February 2023 compared to 9.7 percent registered for the year ended January 2023. Particularly, inflation of manufacture of Clay Building Materials decreased to minus 1.8 percent for the year ending February 2023 compared as to 6.3 percent registered for the year ended January 2023.

Manufacture of food products registered 4.3 percent for the year ending February 2023 compared to 5.9 percent registered for the year ended January 2023 and manufacture of manufacture of chemicals & chemical products registered 18.7 percent for the year ending February 2023 compared to 12.4 percent registered for the year ended January 2023.

However, the inflation for utilities registered 1.1 percent for the year ending February 2023 compared to 1.0 percent registered for the year ended January 2022. This was attributed to the inflation of electricity power generation that registered 0.3 percent in February 2023 compared to 0.2 percent in January 2023.

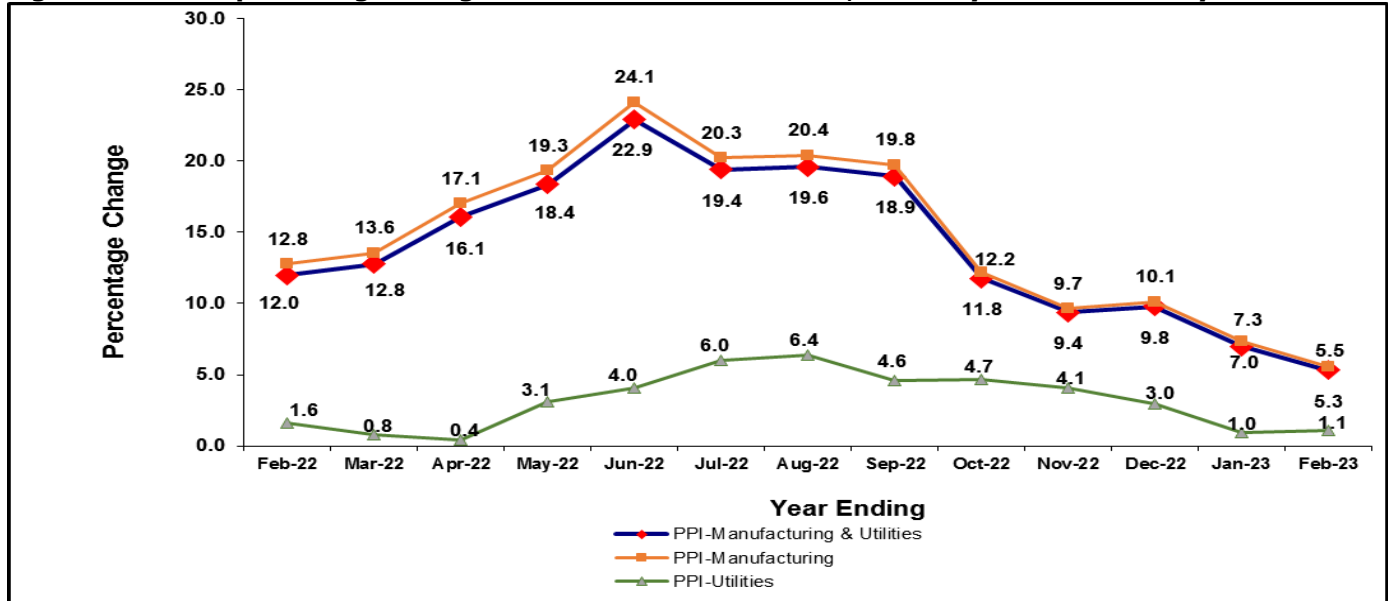
**Table 1: Overall PPI-Manufacturing & Utilities and Rates of Inflation (Base: 2009/10)**

Month	Overall Index (PPI-M&U)	Inflation
February-2023	233.78	5.3
January-2023	233.46	7.0
December-2022	235.64	9.8
November-2022	235.21	9.4
October-2022	237.34	11.8
September-2022	245.82	18.9
August-2022	243.85	19.6
July-2022	242.62	19.4
June-2022	244.28	22.8
May-2022	240.67	18.4
April-2022	238.23	16.1
March-2022	230.22	12.8
February-2022	221.99	12.0

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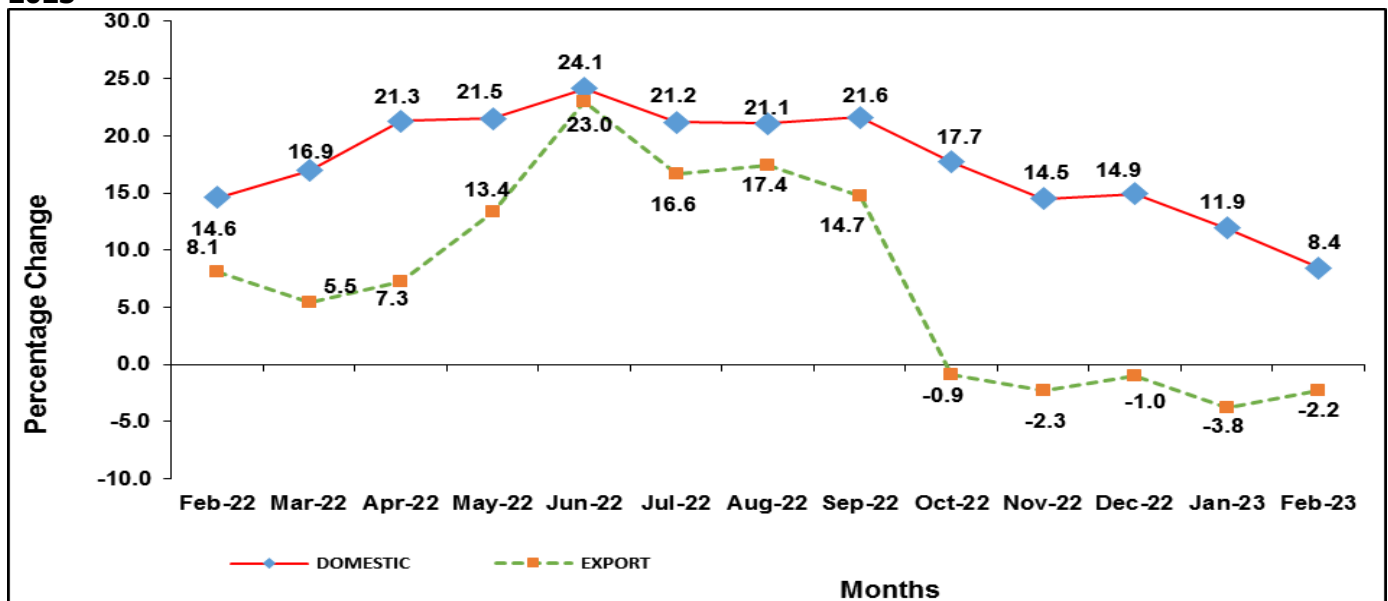
**Figure 1: Annual percentage changes in Producer Price Indices, February 2022 – February 2023**



The producer price index for manufactured goods is further disaggregated into goods produced for the local market (domestic) and for export. For the domestic market, the inflation as measured by the producer price index for the 12 months to February 2023 registered 8.4 percent compared to 11.9 percent registered in January 2023. This was mainly attributed to 9.9 percent slow down in inflation for manufacture of food products in February 2023 compared to 14.6 percent registered in January 2023 and manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products that registered 2.4 percent in February 2023 compared to 8.0 percent recorded in January 2023 as shown in Figure 2.

In addition, the inflation for exported manufactured products registered minus 2.2 percent for the 12 months to February 2023 compared to minus 5.4 percent registered in January 2023 as shown in Figure 2. The main drivers were manufacture of food products inflation which was registered at minus 4.0 percent compared to minus 5.4 percent registered in January 2023 and manufacture of chemicals & chemical products inflation registered 19.1 percent in February 2023 compared to 19.1 percent in January 2022 as shown in Figure 2.

**Figure 2: Annual Inflation in PPI-Manufacturing for Domestic and Export, February 2022 – February 2023**



## 2.0 Monthly Inflation

The monthly inflation for manufactured goods and utilities rose by 0.1 percent in February 2023 compared to 0.9 percent drop registered in January 2023. This was mainly attributed to a 0.2 percent rise in the commodities under the manufacturing sector in February 2023 compared to 0.1 percent drop in January 2023.

Inflation for commodities under manufacture of food products rose by 0.2 percent in February 2023 compared to 1.5 percent drop registered in January 2023. Specifically, inflation for Processing and Preserving of meat rose by 17.5 percent in February 2023 compared to 0.0 percent registered in January 2023,

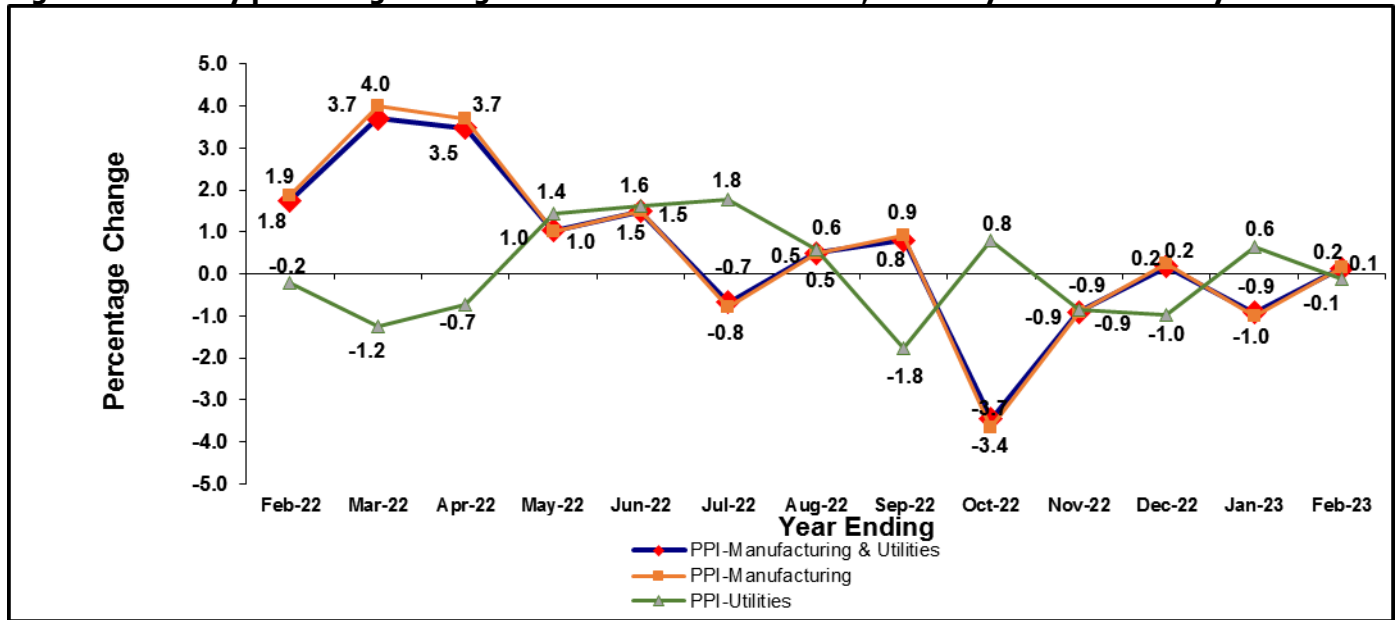
Manufacture of chemicals & chemical products rose by 0.6 percent in February 2023 compared to 1.5 percent drop registered in January 2023.

**Table 2: Monthly and Annual Changes in the Producer Price Indices in February 2023**

<b>18 ISIC Divisions</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Monthly % Change February 2023</b>	<b>Annual % Change February 2022/ February 2023</b>
MANUFACTURE OF FOOD PRODUCTS	364.96	0.2	4.3
MANUFACTURE OF BEVERAGES	77.51	-0.1	4.0
MANUFACTURE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS	25.34	-0.1	2.8
MANUFACTURE OF TEXTILES	19.23	0.0	0.0
MANUFACTURE OF WEARING APPAREL	55.24	0.0	6.7
MANUFACTURE OF LEATHER & RELATED PRODUCTS	15.92	0.0	6.5
MANUFACTURE OF WOOD AND PRODUCTS OF WOOD, CORK, EXCEPT FURNITURE	7.32	0.0	0.6
MANUFACTURE OF PAPER & PAPER PRODUCTS	15.86	-0.1	-13.1
PRINTING AND REPRODUCTION OF RECORDED MEDIA	25.33	0.0	2.2
MANUFACTURE OF CHEMICALS & CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	72.49	0.6	12.4
MANUFACTURE OF PHARMACEUTICALS, MEDICINAL CHEMICAL & BOTANICAL PRODUCTS	23.74	-0.1	9.3
MANUFACTURE OF RUBBER & PLASTIC PRODUCTS	26.45	0.0	2.7
MANUFACTURE OF OTHER NON-METALLIC MINERAL PRODUCTS	137.55	0.0	4.4
MANUFACTURE OF BASIC METALS	14.53	-0.5	8.6
MANUFACTURE OF FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS, EXCEPT MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	10.83	-0.2	2.5
MANUFACTURE OF ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT	15.24	0.0	3.3
MANUFACTURE OF FURNITURE	13.87	0.0	-0.6
UTILITIES	78.60	-0.1	1.1
<b>Overall</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>5.3</b>

In addition, the inflation for utilities dropped by 0.1 percent in February 2023 compared to 0.6 percent rise registered in January 2023 as shown in Table 2 and Figure 2. This was attributed to electricity power generation inflation that dropped by 0.1 percent in February 2023 compared to 0.8 percent rise registered in January 2023.

**Figure 3: Monthly percentage changes in Producer Price Indices, February 2022 – February 2023**



The monthly inflation for exported manufactured products dropped by 0.1 percent in February 2023 compared to 2.5 percent drop registered in January 2023. This was mainly attributed to the drop in inflation of commodities under manufacture of food products by 0.5 percent in February 2023 compared to 2.3 percent rise registered in January 2023.

In addition, the monthly inflation for goods produced for domestic market rose by 0.3 percent in February 2023 compared to 0.5 percent drop registered in January 2023. This was mainly attributed to a rise in inflation of manufacture of food products by 0.5 percent in February 2023 compared to 1.1 percent drop in January 2023.

**Figure 4: Monthly changes in PPI-Manufacturing for Domestic and Export, February 2022 – February 2023**

