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## PRESS RELEASE

## QUARTERLY GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT, 3TH QUARTER 2019/2020

## HIGHLIGHTS

# ORIGINAL UNADJUSTED ESTIMATES CONSTANT PRICES (2016/17)

Year on Year Quarterly Gross Domestic Product (QGDP) for the Third Quarter (Q3) of 2019/2020 grew by 1.8 percent compared to the growth of 7.3 percent (revised) registered in Q3 of the previous year.

#### **Sectoral Performance**

The Agriculture sector grew by 1.3 percent in Q3 of 2019/2020 compared to a growth of 8.1 percent (revised) in Q3 of the previous year. Cash Crops and Livestock activities registered 9.5 and 7.7 percent growth in Q3 2019/2020 respectively.

Year on Year Value added in Industry sector declined by 1.5 percent in Q3 of 2019/2020 compared to a growth of 10.7 percent (revised) in Q3 of the previous year. The manufacturing sector registered a decline of 3.1 percent in Q3 2019/2020 compared to 7.4 percent (revised) in Q3 2018/19.

The Services sector overall Value added grew by 2.5 percent in Q3 of 2019/2020 compared to a growth of 6.1 percent (revised) in Q3 of the previous year. This growth was mainly driven by increases in Public Administration, and Information & Communication activities which registered a growth of 12.7 percent and 35.1 percent in Q3 2019/2020 respectively. The GDP growth for Q3 2019/2020 and previous quarters is shown in Graph 1 and Tables in the Appendix.

#### ORIGINAL UNADJUSTED ESTIMATES

#### **CURRENT PRICES**

QGDP in current prices for the Third Quarter (Q3) of 2019/2020 is estimated to have grown to 34,540 billion shillings from 33,331 billion shillings in Q3 of 2018/19.

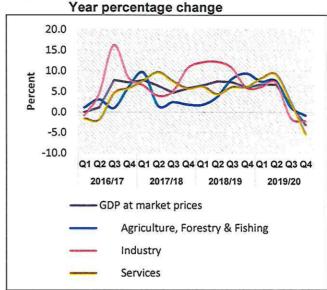
#### **Sectoral Contribution**

In terms of sector contribution to overall QGDP, the Agriculture sector contributed 20.5 percent in Q3 of 2019/2020 from the 21.0 registered in Q3 of 2018/19, which is a 0.5 percentage point decline in the share to QGDP.

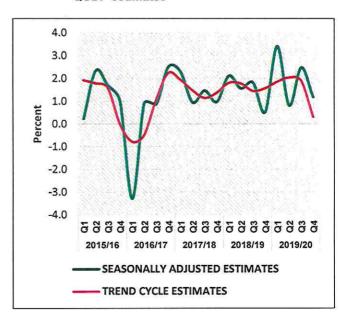
The contribution of the Industry sector slowed down to 27.1 percent in Q3 of 2019/2020 from 27.3 percent in Q3 of 2018/19.

The Services sector continued to be the biggest contributor to QGDP, representing 44.5 percent in Q3 of 2019/2020 from 43.9 percent in Q3 of 2018/19

Graph 1: GDP and Sectoral Value Added Year on



Graph 2: Quarter to Quarter percentage change in QGDP estimates



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## QUARTERLY GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (QGDP) Q3 2019/2020

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## ORIGINAL UNADJUSTED ESTIMATES

Year on Year real Quarterly GDP growth stood at 1.8 percent in Q3 of 2019/2020. In value terms, the economy expanded from 29,441 billion shillings in Q3 2018/19 to 29,959 billion shillings in Q3 2019/2020.

#### Sectoral Performance

## Agriculture

Year on Year Value added in the Agriculture sector was recorded at 6,015 billion shillings in Q3 2019/2020 compared to 5,941 billion shillings recorded in Q3 of 2018/19. This was a growth in the value added, mainly due to an increase in Cash crop growing activities registered from 787 billion shillings in Q3 2018/19 to 862 billion shillings in Q3 2019/2020. This was due to an increase in the major cash crop growing activities like sugarcane. In addition, Food Crop growing activities declined from 2,504 billion shillings in Q3 2018/19 to 2,463 billion shillings in Q3 2019/20. This was attributed to decline in the value added for maize and beans growing activities.

## Industry

Year on Year Industry sector Value Added declined by 1.5 percent in Q3 2019/2020 compared to the growth of 8.1 percent recorded in Q3 of the previous year. The main drivers of this decline were Manufacturing and Mining & Quarrying activities which declined to 4,685 billion shillings and 537 billion shillings in Q3 2019/2020 compared to 4,836 billion shillings and 697 billion shillings in Q3 2018/19 respectively. There was a decline in mining activities of Kaolin and Tin. On the hand, Construction activities grew by 7.6 percent.

#### Services

The Value added for the Services sector grew by 2.5 percent in Q3 2019/2020 compared to the growth of 6.1 percent in Q3 of the previous year. This was mainly due to increases in Public Administration, and Information & Communication activities which registered a growth of 12.7 percent and 35.1 percent in Q3 2019/2020 respectively. However, Transportation & Storage activities declined by 2.4 in Q3 2019/2020 compared to Q3 2018/19.



#### Taxes on Products and Subsidies

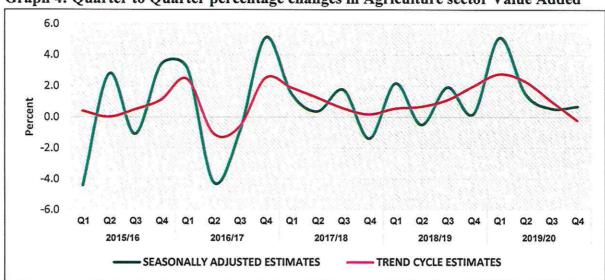
Taxes on Products and Subsidies grew by 13.5 percent from 1,824 billion shillings in Q3 2018/19 to 2,069 billion shillings in Q3 2019/20. This was due to an increase in the customs duty for mainly petroleum products and value added tax on imported goods.

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ESTIMATES

Quarter on Quarter real QGDP grew by 2.5 percent in Q3 of 2019/2020 compared to 0.8 percent growth in Q2 2019/2020. In value terms, the economy grew from 30,494 billion shillings in Q2 2019/2020 to 31,252 billion shillings in Q3 2019/2020.

## Agriculture

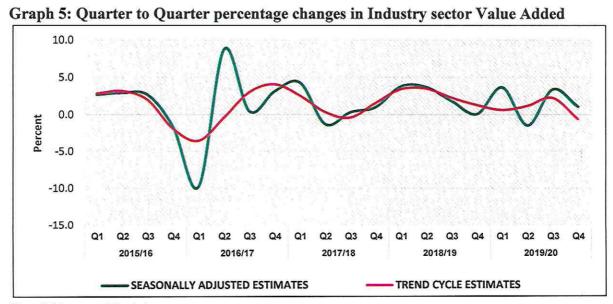
The Agriculture sector Value added grew by 0.6 percent in Q3 2019/2020 compared to a 1.5 percent growth registered in Q2 2019/2020. The Valued Added for the sector increased marginally from 7,289 billion shillings in Q2 2019/2020 to 7,331 billion shillings in Q3 2019/2020. Notable growth was observed in the livestock rearing activities.



Graph 4: Quarter to Quarter percentage changes in Agriculture sector Value Added

## **Industry**

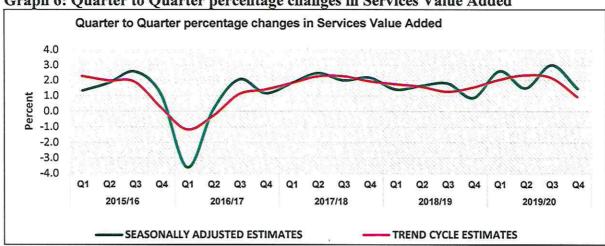
Valued Added for the Industry sector grew by 3.4 percent in Q3 2019/2020 compared to a decline of 1.5 percent registered in Q2 2019/2020. Industry activities value added grew from 7,173 billion shillings in Q2 2019/2020 to 7,416 billion shillings in Q3 2019/2020. This was due to an increase in manufacturing activities.



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#### Services

Valued Added for the Service activities grew by 3.0 percent in Q3 2019/2020 compared to a growth of 1.5 percent registered in Q2 2019/2020. The Services sector value added grew from 15,268 billion shillings in Q2 2019/2020 to 15,727 billion shillings in Q3 2019/2020. This was due to an increase in Public Administration and Human Health & Social work activities.



Graph 6: Quarter to Quarter percentage changes in Services Value Added

## Taxes on Products and Subsidies

Valued Added for Taxes on Products and Subsidies grew by 1.7 percent in Q3 2019/2020 compared to a growth of 2.2 percent registered in Q2 2019/2020. Taxes on Products and Subsidies increased from 764 billion shillings in Q2 2019/2020 to 777 billion shillings in Q3 2019/2020. This was due to an increase in the customs duty for mainly petroleum products and value added tax on imported goods.

## FLASH ESTIMATES FOR QGDP 4th QUARTER 2019/2020

These estimates are based on assumptions and estimates for 2019/2020 AGDP Preliminary estimates.

## ORIGINAL UNADJUSTED ESTIMATES: CONSTANT PRICES (2016/17)

Year on Year Quarterly Gross Domestic Product (QGDP) for the Fourth Quarter (Q4) of 2019/2020 indicates a decline of 3.2 percent compared to the growth of 6.0 percent (revised) registered in Q4 of the previous year.

## **Sectoral Performance**

The Agriculture sector shows a decline of 0.8 percent in Q4 of 2019/2020 compared to a growth of 9.4 percent (revised) in Q4 of the previous year.

Value Added for the Industry sector reflects a decline of 2.2 percent in Q4 of 2019/2020 compared to a growth of 5.9 percent (revised) in Q4 of the previous year.

The Services sector overall Value added declined by 5.4 percent in Q4 of 2019/2020 compared to a growth of 6.1 percent (revised) in Q4 of the previous year.

## Notes:

All these estimates have been benchmarked to the 2019/2020 Preliminary AGDP Estimates.

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