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**CONSTRUCTION INPUT PRICE INDICES AND CONSTRUCTION SECTOR
INFLATION**

MAY 2025

1.0 Annual Construction Sector Inflation

Construction Sector Inflation as measured by the Construction Input Price Index for Uganda for the 12 months to May 2025 was registered at 0.5 percent compared to 0.6 percent registered for the year ended April 2025. This was mainly attributed to the Annual Construction Sector Inflation of Construction of Buildings which was registered at 0.7 percent for the year ended May 2025 compared to 1.0 percent registered in the year ended April 2025. See Tables 1 and 2 for more details.

The main driver for the Construction Sector Inflation of Construction of Buildings was Construction of Non Residential Buildings whose Inflation was registered at 0.7 percent for the year ended May 2025 compared to 1.0 percent registered for the year ended April 2025. Construction of Residential Buildings was registered at 0.7 percent in the year ended May 2025 compared to 1.0 percent registered for the year ended April 2025.

The Annual Construction Sector Inflation of Specialised Construction Activities was registered at 0.3 percent in the year ended May 2025 the same rate registered in the year ended April 2025. This was mainly attributed to the Inflation of Building Completion and Finishing that was registered at 0.3 percent in the year ended April 2025 compared to 0.8 percent registered for the year ended April 2025. Demolition and Site Preparation Inflation was registered at minus 0.7 percent in the year ended May 2025 compared to minus 1.7 percent registered in the year ended April 2025. Electrical, plumbing and other construction installation activities was registered at 1.4 percent in the year ended May 2025 compared to 1.4 percent registered in the year ended April 2025.

The Annual Construction Sector Inflation of Civil Engineering/ Works was registered at 0.4 percent for the year ended May 2025 compared to 0.6 percent registered for the year ended April 2025. This was mainly attributed to Construction of Utility Projects whose Inflation was registered at 0.1 percent in the year ended May 2025 compared to 0.3 percent registered in the year ended April 2025. Construction Sector Inflation for Construction of Roads & Railways was registered at 0.5 percent in the year ended May 2025 compared to 0.6 percent registered in the year ended April 2025.

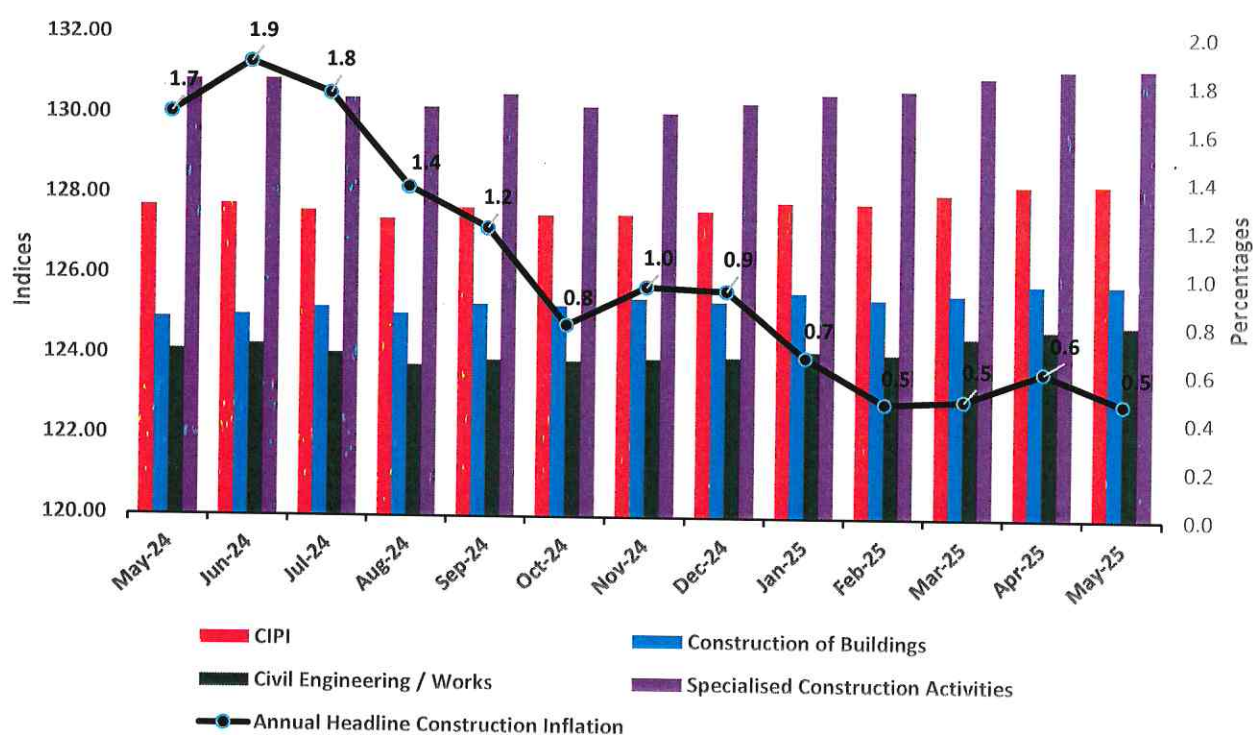
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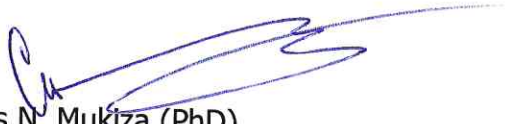
The overall Annual Construction Input Price Index and Construction Sector Inflation for the 12 months to May 2025 are shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Overall Annual CIPI and Construction Sector Inflation (Base: 2016/17 = 100)

MONTH	OVER ALL CIPI	CONSTRUCTION SECTOR INFLATION
May 2025	128.30	0.5
April 2025	128.29	0.6
March 2025	128.06	0.5
February 2025	127.81	0.5
January 2025	127.84	0.7
December 2024	127.61	0.9
November 2024	127.51	1.0
October 2024	127.50	0.8
September 2024	127.66	1.2
August 2024	127.39	1.4
July 2024	127.59	1.8
June 2024	127.75	1.9
May 2024	127.71	1.7

Figure 1: Annual Headline Construction Sector Inflation: May 2024 – May 2025




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The overall Annual Construction Input Price Index and Construction Sector Inflation according to ISIC Divisions of Section F for the 12 months to May 2025 are shown in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Annual Construction Sector Inflation by ISIC Divisions (Base: 2016/17 = 100)

Description	Weights	Annual % Change for April 2025	Annual % Change for May 2025
Construction Input Price Index (CIPI)	1000.0000	0.6	0.5
Construction of Buildings	421.0753	1.0	0.7
Construction of Residential Buildings	195.0013	1.0	0.7
Construction of Non Residential Buildings	226.0739	1.0	0.7
Civil Engineering / Works	96.8855	0.6	0.4
Construction of roads and railways	80.9493	0.6	0.5
Construction of utility projects (Water projects)	15.9362	0.3	0.1
Specialised Construction Activities	482.0392	0.3	0.3
Demolition and site preparation	91.0100	-1.7	-0.7
Electrical, plumbing and other construction installation activities	127.4827	1.4	1.4
Building completion and finishing	263.5465	0.8	0.3

2.0 Monthly Construction Sector Inflation

On a month to month basis, the Construction Sector Inflation of inputs into the Construction Sector was registered at 0.0 percent for the month of May 2025 compared to 0.2 percent registered in the month of April 2025.

This was mainly due to the Construction Sector Inflation of inputs into Construction of Buildings that registered 0.0 percent in May 2025 compared to 0.2 percent rise registered in April 2025. Construction Sector Inflation of inputs into Construction of Non Residential Buildings was registered at 0.0 percent in May 2025 compared to 0.2 percent increase registered in April 2025. Construction of Residential Buildings was registered at 0.0 percent in May 2025 compared to 0.2 percent rise registered in April 2025 as shown in Table 3 below.

Table 3: Monthly Construction Sector Inflation by ISIC Divisions (Base: 2016/17 = 100)

Description	Weights	Monthly % Change for April 2025	Monthly % Change for May 2025
Construction Input Price Index (CIPI)	1000.0000	0.2	0.0
Construction of Buildings	421.0753	0.2	0.0
Construction of Residential Buildings	195.0013	0.2	0.0
Construction of Non Residential Buildings	226.0739	0.2	0.0
Civil Engineering / Works	96.8855	0.2	0.0
Construction of roads and railways	80.9493	0.2	0.0
Construction of utility projects (Water projects)	15.9362	0.0	-0.1
Specialised Construction Activities	482.0392	0.1	0.0
Demolition and site preparation	91.0100	0.3	0.3
Electrical, plumbing and other construction installation activities	127.4827	0.0	-0.1
Building completion and finishing	263.5465	0.1	-0.1

In the month of May 2025, prices of Sheet Steel, roofing sheets & similar decreased by 0.7 percent compared to 0.3 percent increase registered in April 2025, Iron, Steel or aluminium plates, rods & angles prices decreased by 0.2 percent compared to 0.0 percent registered in April 2025, Cement prices registered 0.0 percent compared to 0.3 percent increase registered in April 2025.

However, prices of Nails, bolts, screws and similar of iron increased by 0.3 percent in May 2025 compared to 0.1 percent decrease registered in April 2025.

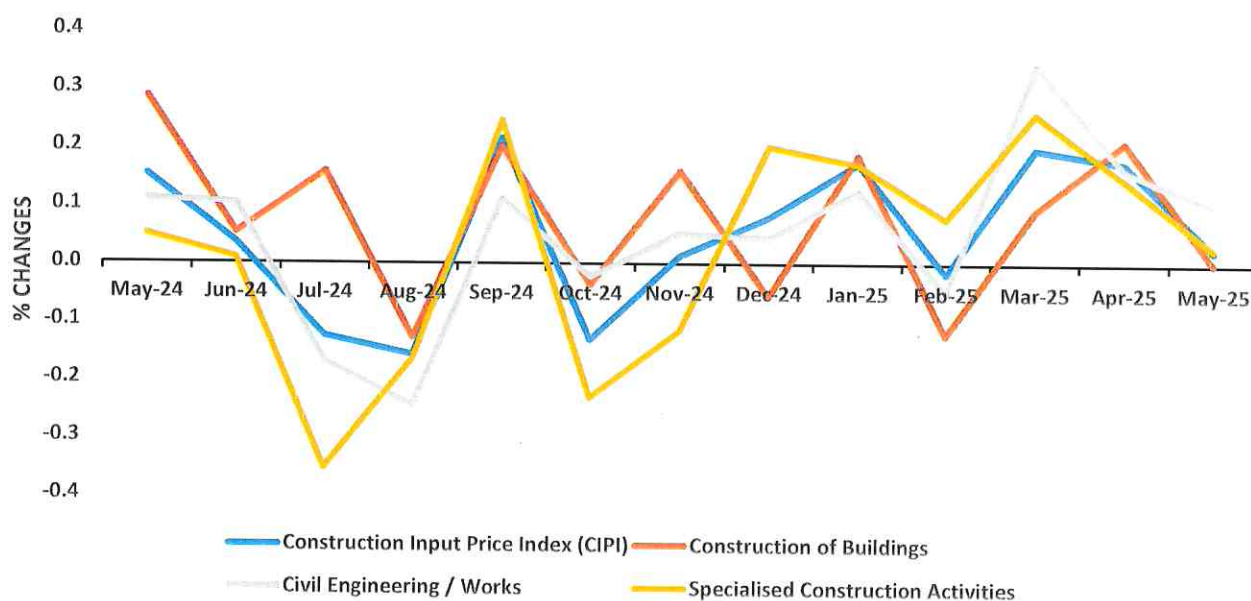
The overall monthly Construction Input Price Index for the 12 months to April 2025 are shown in Table 4 below.

Table 4: Overall Monthly CIPI and Construction Sector Inflation (Base: 2016/17 = 100)

MONTH	OVERALL CIPI	CONSTRUCTION SECTOR INFLATION
May 2025	128.31	0.0
April 2025	128.29	0.2
March 2025	128.08	0.2
February 2025	127.81	0.0
January 2025	127.83	0.2
December 2024	127.61	0.1
November 2024	127.51	0.0
October 2024	127.49	-0.1
September 2024	127.66	0.1
August 2024	127.51	-0.1
July 2024	127.59	-0.1
June 2024	127.75	0.0
May 2024	127.71	0.2

Figure 2 below shows the monthly trends for the overall Construction Input Price Index, Construction of Buildings, Civil Engineering/Civil Works and Specialised Construction Activities for one year period.

Figure 2: Monthly Headline Inflation: May 2024 – May 2025



Annex 1: OVERALL CONSTRUCTION INPUT PRICE INDEX

Base Period 2016/17=100

S No	Selected Products	Weight	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25
1	Aggregate, hardcore, crushed / broken stone	30.4496	141.53	141.55	140.56	140.13	139.53	139.34	139.23	138.99	139.22	139.22	139.03	139.60	139.66
2	Cement	105.7605	112.35	112.32	112.19	111.21	109.35	108.09	107.62	107.43	108.52	108.31	108.64	108.98	108.95
3	Ceramic wall and floor tiles	37.6980	158.95	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72
4	Clay bricks and tiles	24.0773	146.42	146.07	145.37	145.39	145.52	145.48	145.49	145.47	145.50	145.93	147.95	147.96	147.94
5	Concrete bricks, blocks and slabs	12.6706	107.26	107.79	107.26	107.27	107.61	107.59	107.60	108.19	108.37	108.36	111.87	111.87	111.87
6	Diesel	86.2827	184.53	183.16	180.64	181.27	179.94	177.49	176.16	178.05	178.63	179.59	181.55	182.06	182.69
7	Eucalyptus Props	2.4599	148.55	149.20	151.17	151.17	151.17	153.17	156.23	156.23	156.23	156.63	158.66	156.87	156.87
8	High tensile steel bars	25.6560	158.67	158.57	161.81	161.24	161.10	160.72	162.03	161.47	161.74	161.31	160.47	160.79	160.85
9	Lime	3.8459	105.80	105.80	103.02	103.02	103.02	104.89	106.05	103.53	108.97	110.55	112.00	111.39	111.39
10	Nails, bolts & screws	30.4726	131.15	130.95	130.86	131.82	130.24	132.60	131.29	130.79	130.41	130.29	130.20	130.01	130.34
11	Paints and varnishes	45.5466	120.42	120.09	120.47	120.05	123.45	123.51	124.08	123.52	123.49	124.41	123.38	123.44	122.78
12	Plastic pipes and fittings	13.9662	104.95	119.27	118.90	109.74	119.59	119.99	120.00	119.94	119.94	119.94	120.67	120.67	119.92
13	Sand	15.9509	144.86	144.57	144.60	145.45	145.24	145.41	146.08	145.61	147.31	147.36	147.47	148.72	148.39
14	Sheet steel, roofing sheets and similar	9.0705	135.77	135.10	135.17	135.96	141.58	141.13	141.65	140.25	140.75	140.77	140.71	141.06	140.12
15	Timber, coniferous, greater than 6mm thick	22.7874	120.12	120.18	119.56	119.50	120.63	120.63	121.33	121.26	121.26	119.45	119.45	121.08	121.63
	Materials	802.6220	131.55	131.60	131.40	131.11	131.34	131.05	130.99	131.04	131.32	131.29	131.60	131.79	131.80
16	Utilities	7.1000	141.72	141.72	141.72	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50
17	Equipment Hire Charges	121.1523	104.13	104.13	104.13	104.13	104.82	105.35	105.40	105.98	105.98	105.98	105.98	106.32	106.40
18	Labour	69.1257	122.91	123.03	123.03	123.19	123.31	123.31	124.18	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.40	124.40
	OVERALL CONSTRUCTION INDEX	1000.0000	127.71	127.75	127.59	127.39	127.66	127.50	127.51	127.61	127.84	127.81	128.06	128.29	128.30

Annex 2: CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS INDEX

Base Period 2016/17=100

S No	Selected Products	Weight	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25
1	Aggregate, hardcore, crushed or broken stone	14.8789	141.53	141.55	140.56	140.13	139.53	139.34	139.23	138.99	139.22	139.22	139.03	139.60	139.66
2	Cement	53.3576	112.35	112.32	112.19	111.21	109.35	108.09	107.62	107.43	108.52	108.31	108.64	108.98	108.95
3	Ceramic wall and floor tiles	9.1332	158.95	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72
4	Clay bricks and tiles	16.0338	146.42	146.07	145.37	145.39	145.52	145.48	145.49	145.47	145.50	145.93	147.95	147.96	147.94
5	Concrete bricks, blocks slabs	6.9015	107.26	107.79	107.26	107.27	107.61	107.59	107.60	108.19	108.37	108.36	111.87	111.87	111.87
6	Diesel	4.2963	184.53	183.16	180.64	181.27	179.94	177.49	176.16	178.05	178.63	179.59	181.55	182.06	182.69
7	Eucalyptus Props	2.4419	148.55	149.20	151.17	151.17	151.17	153.17	156.23	156.23	156.23	156.63	158.66	156.87	156.87
8	High tensile steel bars	23.7058	158.67	158.57	161.81	161.24	161.10	160.72	162.03	161.47	161.74	161.31	160.47	160.79	160.85
9	Lime	2.1570	105.80	105.80	103.02	103.02	103.02	104.89	106.05	103.53	108.97	110.55	112.00	111.39	111.39
10	Nails, bolts & screws	10.0770	131.15	130.95	130.86	131.82	130.24	132.60	131.29	130.79	130.41	130.29	130.20	130.01	130.34
11	Paints and varnishes	10.8116	120.42	120.09	120.47	120.05	123.45	123.51	124.08	123.52	123.49	124.41	123.38	123.44	122.78
12	Plastic pipes and fittings	3.7058	104.95	119.27	118.90	109.74	119.59	119.99	120.00	119.94	119.94	119.94	120.67	120.67	119.92
13	Sand	8.7466	144.86	144.57	144.60	145.45	145.24	145.41	146.08	145.61	147.31	147.36	147.47	148.72	148.39
14	Sheet steel, roofing sheets & similar	9.0705	135.77	135.10	135.17	135.96	141.58	141.13	141.65	140.25	140.75	140.77	140.71	141.06	140.12
15	Timber, coniferous, greater than 6mm thick	17.7297	120.12	120.18	119.56	119.50	120.63	120.63	121.33	121.26	121.26	119.45	119.45	121.08	121.63
	Total Materials	315.0840	128.98	129.05	129.32	129.06	129.25	129.09	129.22	129.04	129.35	129.14	129.30	129.53	129.50
16	Utilities	2.9907	141.72	141.72	141.72	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50
17	Equipment Hire Charges	59.6470	104.13	104.13	104.13	104.13	104.82	105.35	105.40	105.98	105.98	105.98	105.98	106.32	106.40
18	Labour	43.3536	122.91	123.03	123.03	123.19	123.31	123.31	124.18	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.40	124.40
	Overall Building Index	421.0753	124.93	124.99	125.19	125.03	125.28	125.24	125.44	125.36	125.60	125.44	125.56	125.82	125.81

Annex 3: CIVIL ENGINEERING WORKS INDEX

Base Period 2016/17=100

S No	Selected Products	Weight	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25
1	Aggregate, hardcore, crushed/broken stone	14.8509	141.53	141.55	140.56	140.13	139.53	139.34	139.23	138.99	139.22	139.22	139.03	139.60	139.66
2	Bitumen and bitumen primer	22.4555	118.91	118.59	118.28	118.41	118.32	118.43	118.53	118.95	119.19	119.08	119.99	120.01	119.88
3	Cement	3.6797	112.35	112.32	112.19	111.21	109.35	108.09	107.62	107.43	108.52	108.31	108.64	108.98	108.95
4	Clays and murrum	4.2186	135.83	134.99	134.99	138.08	138.08	138.08	138.08	135.18	135.18	135.18	135.18	135.35	135.35
5	Concrete bricks, blocks and slabs	5.4440	107.26	107.79	107.26	107.27	107.61	107.59	107.60	108.19	108.37	108.36	111.87	111.87	111.87
6	Diesel	2.9294	184.53	183.16	180.64	181.27	179.94	177.49	176.16	178.05	178.63	179.59	181.55	182.06	182.69
7	High tensile steel bars	1.9412	158.67	158.57	161.81	161.24	161.10	160.72	162.03	161.47	161.74	161.31	160.47	160.79	160.85
8	Insulated Electrical Cables	1.4732	140.00	141.86	141.86	141.86	140.73	140.73	140.73	140.79	141.74	141.74	141.74	141.74	141.74
9	Iron pipes	0.1992	166.93	166.93	166.93	166.93	166.93	166.93	166.93	166.93	166.93	166.93	166.93	166.93	166.93
10	Nails, bolts & screws	0.6857	131.15	130.95	130.86	131.82	130.24	132.60	131.29	130.79	130.41	130.29	130.20	130.01	130.34
11	Plastic pipes and fittings	1.6945	104.95	119.27	118.90	109.74	119.59	119.99	120.00	119.94	119.94	119.94	120.67	120.67	119.92
12	Steel pipe fittings	0.1594	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34
13	Steel tubes and pipes	0.9924	131.28	131.06	130.85	130.94	130.88	131.09	131.14	131.07	131.19	130.63	130.58	130.59	129.84
	Total Materials	73.4809	127.73	127.88	127.60	127.15	127.19	127.06	127.02	127.02	127.22	127.14	127.69	127.84	127.81
14	Utilities	0.6604	141.72	141.72	141.72	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50
15	Equipment Hire Charges	13.1711	104.13	104.13	104.13	104.13	104.82	105.35	105.40	105.98	105.98	105.98	105.98	106.32	106.40
16	Labour	9.5732	122.91	123.03	123.03	123.19	123.31	123.31	124.18	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.40	124.40
	Overall Civil Engineering works Index	96.8855	124.14	124.27	124.06	123.75	123.89	123.86	123.92	123.98	124.13	124.07	124.49	124.69	124.68

Annex 4: SPECIALISED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES INDEX

Base Period 2016/17=100

S No	Selected Products	Weight	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25
1	Aggregate, hardcore, crushed / broken stone	0.7198	141.53	141.55	140.56	140.13	139.53	139.34	139.23	138.99	139.22	139.22	139.03	139.60	139.66
2	Cement	48.7231	112.35	112.32	112.19	111.21	109.35	108.09	107.62	107.43	108.52	108.31	108.64	108.98	108.95
3	Ceramic wall and floor tiles	28.5648	158.95	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72	158.72
4	Clay bricks and tiles	8.0435	146.42	146.07	145.37	145.39	145.52	145.48	145.49	145.47	145.50	145.93	147.95	147.96	147.94
5	Concrete bricks, blocks and slabs	0.3251	107.26	107.79	107.26	107.27	107.61	107.59	107.60	108.19	108.37	108.36	111.87	111.87	111.87
6	Diesel	79.0569	184.53	183.16	180.64	181.27	179.94	177.49	176.16	178.05	178.63	179.59	181.55	182.06	182.69
7	Doors, windows & frames of iron, steel / aluminum	50.7817	115.46	115.80	115.80	115.80	115.80	116.11	116.74	116.72	116.75	116.12	116.11	116.11	116.09
8	Eucalyptus Props	0.0180	148.55	149.20	151.17	151.17	151.17	153.17	156.23	156.23	156.23	156.63	158.66	156.87	156.87
9	High tensile steel bars	0.0090	158.67	158.57	161.81	161.24	161.10	160.72	162.03	161.47	161.74	161.31	160.47	160.79	160.85
10	Insulated Electrical Cables	3.5327	140.00	141.86	141.86	141.86	140.73	140.73	140.73	140.79	141.74	141.74	141.74	141.74	141.74
11	Lime	1.6889	105.80	105.80	103.02	103.02	103.02	104.89	106.05	103.53	108.97	110.55	112.00	111.39	111.39
12	Nails, bolts & screws	19.7099	131.15	130.95	130.86	131.82	130.24	132.60	131.29	130.79	130.41	130.29	130.20	130.01	130.34
13	Paints and varnishes	34.7350	120.42	120.09	120.47	120.05	123.45	123.51	124.08	123.52	123.49	124.41	123.38	123.44	122.78
14	Plastic pipes and fittings	8.5659	104.95	119.27	118.90	109.74	119.59	119.99	120.00	119.94	119.94	119.94	120.67	120.67	119.92
15	Sand	7.2043	144.86	144.57	144.60	145.45	145.24	145.41	146.08	145.61	147.31	147.36	147.47	148.72	148.39
	Total Materials	414.0571	134.19	134.20	133.66	133.38	133.67	133.25	133.04	133.28	133.54	133.66	134.05	134.21	134.26
16	Utilities	3.4489	141.72	141.72	141.72	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50	144.50
17	Equipment Hire Charges	48.3343	104.13	104.13	104.13	104.13	104.82	105.35	105.40	105.98	105.98	105.98	105.98	106.32	106.40
18	Labour	16.1989	122.91	123.03	123.03	123.19	123.31	123.31	124.18	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.40	124.40
	Overall Specialised Construction Activities	482.0392	130.85	130.86	130.40	130.18	130.50	130.20	130.05	130.31	130.54	130.64	130.97	131.16	131.21