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## PRESS RELEASE

### CONSUMER PRICE INDICES AND INFLATION

#### July 2022

#### 1.1 Annual Headline Inflation

The Inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index for Uganda for the 12 months to July 2022 increased to 7.9 percent, up from 6.8 percent registered in June 2022. This was mainly driven by the increase in prices of commodities under Core Inflation which increased to 6.3 percent in the year ending July 2022, up from 5.5 percent registered in the year ended June 2022.

This increase in Annual Core inflation was attributed to Annual Other Goods Inflation that increased to 10.2 percent in the year ending July 2022, up from 9.3 percent recorded in the year ended June 2022. Particularly, Cassava flour inflation increased to 62.3 percent in July 2022 from 31.2 percent in June 2022 and Maize flour inflation increased to 56.3 percent in July 2022 from 48.3 percent in June 2022. In addition, Annual Services Inflation increased to 2.0 percent in July 2022 up from 1.1 percent registered in June 2022. This was mainly due to the Annual Transport inflation that increased to 4.6 percent in July 2022 down from 1.7 percent in June 2022. Specifically, Motorcycle fares inflation increased to 18.8 percent in July 2022 up from 3.2 percent in June 2022.

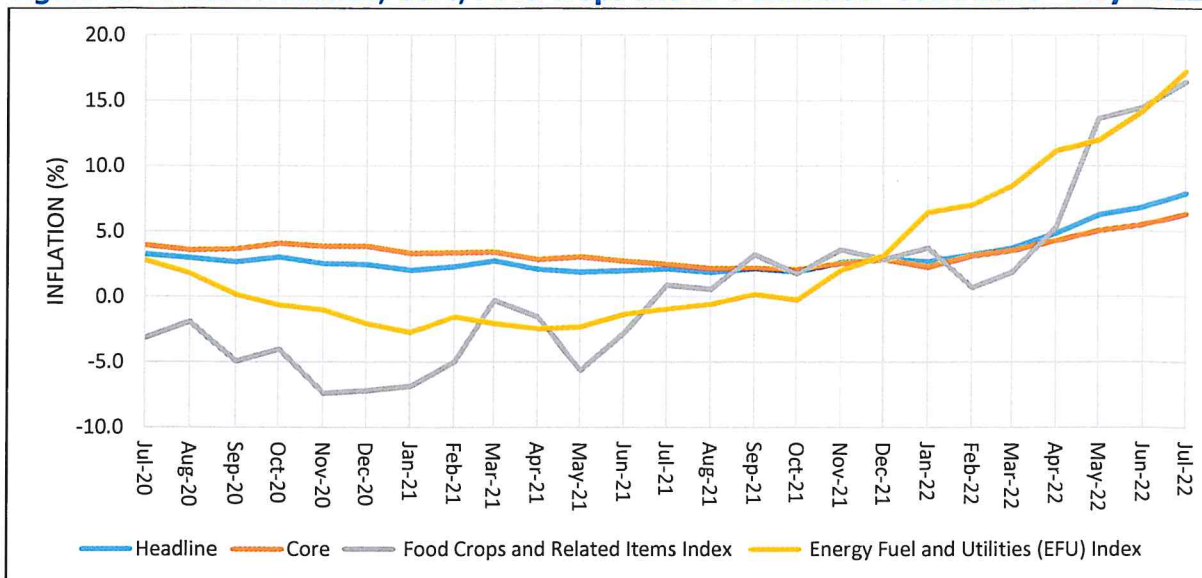
Annual Food Crops and Related Items Inflation increased to 16.4 percent in the year ending July 2022, up from 14.5 percent registered in the year ended June 2022. This was due to Annual 'Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses' Inflation that increased to 23.7 percent in July 2022, up from 18.9 percent registered in June 2022. Specifically, Matoke Inflation increased to 50.7 percent in July 2022, up from 32.5 percent registered in June 2022 and Beans Inflation increased to 18.2 percent in July 2022, up from 7.7 percent registered in June 2022 as shown in Table 1 and Figure 1.

The Annual Energy Fuel and Utilities Inflation (EFU) increased to 17.2 percent in the year ending July 2022, up from 14.2 percent registered in the year ended June 2022. This was mainly due to Annual Liquid Energy Fuels Inflation that increased to 53.0 percent in July 2022, up from 44.7 percent in June 2022. Specifically, Petrol Inflation increased to 56.1 percent in July 2022, up from 45.9 percent registered in June 2022. In addition, Annual National Water charges inflation increased to 5.8 percent in July 2022 up from 0.0 percent in June 2022.

**Table 1: Annual Headline, Core, Food Crops and EFU Inflation for June 2022 and July 2022.**

Description	Weights	June 2022	July 2022
Headline	1000.00	6.8	7.9
Core	839.62	5.5	6.3
<i>Other Goods</i>	455.51	9.3	10.2
<i>Services</i>	384.11	1.1	2.0
Food Crops and Related Items	95.10	14.5	16.4
Energy Fuel and Utilities (EFU)	65.28	14.2	17.2

**Figure 1: Annual Headline, Core, Food crops and EFU Inflation: June 2020– July 2022.**



The Overall Annual Consumer Price Indices for the 12 months to July 2022 are shown in Table 2.

**Table 2: Overall Annual CPI and Rates of Inflation (Base: 2016/17=100)**

Month	Overall CPI	Annual Inflation Rate
July 2022	122.04	7.9
June 2022	120.88	6.8
May 2022	119.73	6.3
April 2022	117.98	4.9
March 2022	116.38	3.7
February 2022	115.42	3.2
January 2022	114.30	2.7
December 2021	114.65	2.9
November 2021	114.13	2.6
October 2021	113.93	1.9
September 2021	113.74	2.2
August 2021	113.06	1.9
July 2021	113.10	2.1

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## 1.2 Annual Inflation by COICOP Divisions

According to the Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (COICOP), the main drivers to the increase in Inflation were prices of commodities under; 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' which increased to 14.9 percent in the year ending July 2022 compared to 13.0 percent registered in the year ended June 2022. Transport inflation which increased to 4.6 percent in July 2022 up from 1.7 percent in June 2022. 'Information and Communication' inflation which increased to minus 1.3 percent for the year ending July 2022 compared to minus 2.5 percent registered for the year ended June 2022. 'Recreation, Sport and Culture' whose inflation increased to 5.0 percent for the year ending July 2022 compared to 4.0 percent registered for the year ended June 2022. 'Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods' inflation increased to 5.4 percent for the year ending July 2022 compared to 4.7 percent in June 2022.

However, there were decrease in prices of commodities under; 'Insurance and Financial Services' at 1.2 percent in July 2022 compared to 2.5 in June 2022.

'Restaurants and Accommodation Services' at 5.9 percent in July 2022 compared to 6.1 percent in June 2022,

**Table 3: Annual Changes in the Consumer Price Indices for the COICOP Divisions.**

<b>13 COICOP Divisions</b>	<b>Weight</b>	<b>Annual % Change June 2021-June 2022</b>	<b>Annual % Change July 2021-July 2022</b>
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	270.54	13.0	14.9
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	38.80	6.6	6.6
Clothing and Footwear	69.77	3.4	3.4
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	104.16	4.9	5.2
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household	48.37	16.7	17.1
Health	47.47	2.1	2.8
Transport	104.55	1.7	4.6
Information and Communication	44.32	-2.5	-1.3
Recreation, Sport and Culture	49.85	4.0	5.0
Education Services	57.96	8.9	8.9
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	87.38	6.1	5.9
Insurance and Financial Services	22.80	2.5	1.2
Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods	54.04	4.7	5.4
<b>Overall</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>7.9</b>

### 1.3 Annual Goods Inflation

The Goods Inflation for the 12 months to July 2022 increased to 11.8 percent up from 10.6 percent recorded in June 2022. This was mainly due to Annual Inflation for Non-Durable (ND) goods that increased to 14.5 percent for the 12 months to July 2022 up from 13.0 percent recorded in June 2022. In addition, Annual Semi-Durable Goods (SD) Inflation increased to 4.6 percent in July 2022 up from 4.2 percent in June 2022. Annual Inflation for Durables (D) goods increased to 2.6 percent for the 12 months to July 2022 up from 2.3 percent in June 2022. Table 5 below.

**Table 4: Annual National Goods Inflation for June 2022 and July 2022.**

Description	Weights	June 2022	July 2022
Headline	1000.00	6.8	7.9
Goods	615.89	10.6	11.8
<i>Non-Durable (ND)</i>	466.83	13.0	14.5
<i>Semi-Durables (SD)</i>	114.36	4.2	4.6
<i>Durables (D)</i>	34.69	2.3	2.6

### 1.4 Monthly Inflation.

The Monthly Headline Inflation for July 2022 increased by 1.0 percent the same rise recorded in the month of June 2022. This is mainly attributed to the monthly Core Inflation that rose by 1.0 percent in July 2022 the same rise recorded in June 2022. This increase in monthly Core inflation was attributed to Annual Other Goods Inflation that increased by 1.2 percent in July 2022 from 1.4 percent rise recorded in June 2022. Specifically, Maize flour inflation increased by 11.1 percent in July 2022 from the 7.2 percent rise recorded in June 2022.

In addition, monthly Services Inflation increased by 0.7 percent in July 2022 from the 0.6 percent rise registered in June 2022. This was mainly due to the monthly Transport inflation that increased by 2.7 percent in July 2022 from the 1.9 percent rise recorded in June 2022. Specifically, Motorcycle fares inflation increased by 15.1 percent in July 2022 from the 2.0 percent drop in June 2022.

The monthly Energy Fuel and Utilities Inflation (EFU) increased by 2.4 percent in July 2022 from the 3.5 percent rise registered in June 2022. This was mainly due to monthly Liquid Energy Fuels Inflation that increased by 6.2 percent in July 2022 from the 7.5 percent rise recorded in June 2022. Specifically, monthly Petrol Inflation increased by 7.6 percent in July 2022 from the 8.1 percent rise registered in June 2022. In addition, monthly National Water charges inflation increased by 5.8 percent in July 2022 from the 0.0 percent recorded in June 2022.

However, Food Crops and Related Items monthly Inflation decreased by 0.5 percent in July 2022, from the 1.4 percent drop registered in June 2022. This was specifically due to, Fresh tomatoes monthly Inflation that declined by 13.8 percent in July 2022 from the 4.0 percent rise recorded in June 2022.

### 1.5 Monthly Inflation by COICOP Divisions

The Monthly Headline Inflation for July 2022 increased by 1.0 percent the same rise recorded in the month of June 2022. This is mainly attributed to the monthly Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages Inflation that rose by 1.5 percent in July 2022 from the 1.0 percent rise recorded in June 2022.

In addition, the monthly Inflation for Transport increased by 2.7 percent in July 2022 compared to the 1.9 percent rise recorded in June 2022. 'Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods' increased by 1.1 percent compared to the 0.6 percent rise recorded in June 2022. Health increased by 1.1 percent compared to the 0.0 percent recorded in June 2022 and 'Restaurants and Accommodation Services' increased by 0.4 percent compared to 1.1 percent rise recorded in June 2022.

However, monthly 'Information and Communication' decreased by 1.0 percent in July 2022 compared to the 0.3 percent rise recorded in June 2022. Monthly 'Clothing and Footwear' Inflation declined by 0.1 percent in the month of July 2022 compared to the 0.4 percent rise recorded in June 2022.

**Table 5: Overall Monthly CPI and Rates of Inflation (Base: 2016/17=100)**

Month	Overall CPI	Monthly Inflation Rate
July 2022	122.04	1.0
June 2022	120.88	1.0
May 2022	119.73	1.5
April 2022	117.98	1.4
March 2022	116.38	0.8
February 2022	115.42	1.0
January 2022	114.30	-0.3
December 2021	114.65	0.5
November 2021	114.13	0.2
October 2021	113.93	0.2
September 2021	113.74	0.6
August 2021	113.06	0.0
July 2021	113.10	0.0

Relative to July 2021 and June 2022, the national average retail prices and percentage price changes of selected commodities in July 2022 are shown in Table 6 below.

**Table 6: National Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities**

Commodity Name	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Average Price July 2021	Average Price June 2022	Average Price July 2022
Maize Flour	1	Kg	1,957	2,889	3,343
Cassava Flour	1	Kg	1,512	2,035	2,354
Rice	1	Kg	3,661	4,214	4,363
Cassava Fresh	1	Kg	665	787	827
Carrots	1	Kg	2,569	3,137	3,685
Green cabbage	1	Kg	862	779	881
Live chicken Off layer	1	Kg	11,539	11,439	12,224
Wheat flour	2	Kg	6,223	7,500	8,204
Green pepper	1	Kg	3,626	3,568	3,928
Maize Grain	1	Kg	1,415	2,289	2,522
Petrol	1	Litre	4,020	5,857	6,267
Diesel	1	Litre	3,531	5,795	6,096
Kerosene/Paraffin	1	Litre	3,101	4,186	4,381
Water charges - NWSC	15	Cubic Meter	64,003	64,003	67,738

### 1.5 Annual Headline Inflation by Income Groups and Geographical areas

Analysis by geographical areas and income groups revealed that Mbale registered the highest Inflation of 11.0 percent for the 12 months to July 2022 up from 9.2 percent recorded in June 2022. This was mainly driven by annual 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' Inflation that increased to 21.0 percent in July 2022 up from 16.9 percent registered in June 2022. In addition, annual Health Inflation increased to 11.5 percent in July 2022, up from 6.1 percent in June 2022.

The second highest Inflation was registered in Gulu at 10.8 percent for the 12 months to July 2022 up from 10.4 percent recorded in June 2022. This was mainly driven by annual Transport Inflation that increased to minus 2.2 percent in July 2022 up from minus 4.3 percent registered in June 2022. In addition, annual Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' Inflation increased to 23.0 percent in July 2022 up from 22.5 percent registered in June 2022.

The least Annual Inflation was registered in Mbarara at 6.4 percent for the 12 months to July 2022 up from 4.7 percent recorded in June 2022. This was mainly due to the annual Information and Communication Inflation that decreased to minus 5.4 percent in July 2022 down from 0.1 percent registered in June 2022. In addition, annual 'Restaurants and Accommodation Services' Inflation decreased to 4.6 percent in July 2022, down from 5.3 percent in June 2022.

**Figure 2: Annual Inflation by Income Groups and Geographical Areas for the 12 months to June 2022 and July 2022**

