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CONSTRUCTION INPUT PRICE INDICES AND CONSTRUCTION SECTOR INFLATION

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1.0 Annual Construction Sector Inflation

Construction Sector Inflation as measured by the Construction Input Price Index for Uganda for the 12 months to February 2024 for inputs of the Construction Sector slowed down to 1.5 percent compared to 1.6 percent registered for the year ended January 2024 as shown in Table 1. This is mainly attributed to the Annual Construction Sector Inflation of inputs into Construction of Buildings which was registered at 1.1 percent for the year ending February 2024 compared to 1.3 percent registered in the year ended January 2024 as shown in Table 2.

The main driver for the Construction Sector Inflation of inputs into Construction of Buildings is the Inflation for Construction of Residential Buildings which was registered at 0.9 percent in the year ending February 2024 compared to 1.1 percent registered for the year ended January 2024. In addition, the Inflation of inputs for Construction of Non Residential Buildings was registered at 1.3 percent for the year ending February 2024 compared to 1.4 percent registered in the year ended January 2024 as shown in Table 2.

The Annual Construction Sector Inflation of inputs into Specialised Construction Activities was registered at 2.0 percent in the year ending February 2024 compared to 2.1 percent registered for the year ended January 2024. This was mainly attributed to the Inflation of inputs into Building Completion and Finishing which was registered at 0.9 percent in the year ending February 2024 compared to 1.3 percent registered in the year ended January 2024. Electrical, Plumbing and Other Construction Installation Activities Inflation was registered at 2.9 percent in the year ending February 2024 compared to 3.0 percent registered for the year ended January 2024. However, Demolition and Site Preparation Inflation increased to 3.3 percent in the year ending February 2024 compared to 3.1 percent registered in the year ended January 2024.

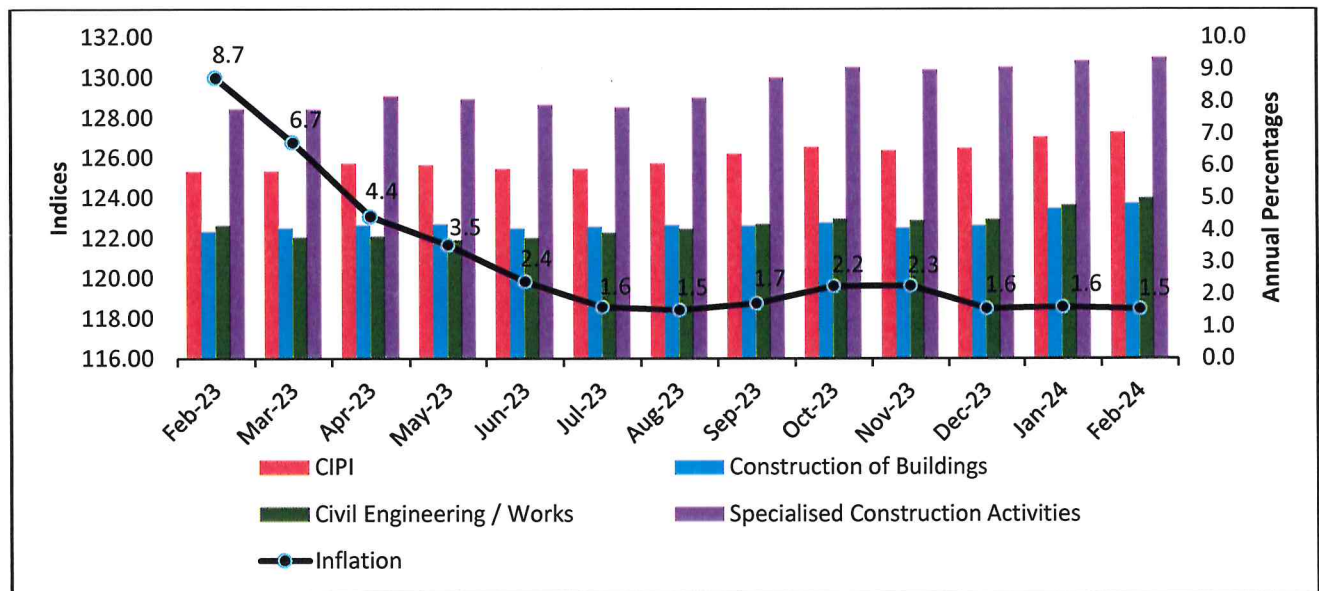
The Annual Construction Sector Inflation of inputs into Civil Engineering / Works increased to 1.1 percent for the year ending February 2024 compared to 0.4 percent registered for the year ended January 2024. This was mainly attributed to the Inflation of inputs into Construction of Roads and Railways which was registered at 1.2 percent in the year ending February 2024 compared to 0.4 percent registered in the year ended January 2024. The Inflation of inputs for Construction of Utility Projects was registered at 0.5 percent in the year ending February 2024 compared to 0.4 percent registered in the year ended January 2024.

The overall Annual Construction Input Price Index and Construction Sector Inflation for the 12 months to February 2024 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
February 2024	127.21	1.5
January 2024	127.00	1.6
December 2023	126.42	1.6
November 2023	126.30	2.3
October 2023	126.48	2.2
September 2023	126.15	1.7
August 2023	125.66	1.5
July 2023	125.39	1.6
June 2023	125.39	2.4
May 2023	125.60	3.5
April 2023	125.67	4.4
March 2023	125.28	6.7
February 2023	125.27	8.7

Figure 1: Annual Headline Construction Sector Inflation: February 2023 – February 2024



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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 February 2024 are shown in Table 2 below.

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

Description	Weights	Annual % Change for January 2024	Annual % Change for February 2024
Construction Input Price Index (CIPI)	1000.00	1.6	1.5
Construction of Buildings	421.08	1.3	1.1
Construction of Residential Buildings	195.00	1.1	0.9
Construction of Non Residential Buildings	226.07	1.4	1.3
Civil Engineering / Works	96.89	0.4	1.1
Construction of roads and railways	80.95	0.4	1.2
Construction of utility projects (Water projects)	15.94	0.4	0.5
Specialised Construction Activities	482.04	2.1	2.0
Demolition and site preparation	91.01	3.1	3.3
Electrical, plumbing and other construction installation activities	127.48	3.0	2.9
Building completion and finishing	263.55	1.3	0.9

2.0 Monthly Construction Sector Inflation

On a month to month basis, the Construction Sector Inflation of inputs into the Construction Sector increased by 0.2 percent in the month of February 2024 compared to 0.5 percent increase registered in the month of January 2024.

This was mainly due to an increase of 0.2 percent in the Construction Sector Inflation of inputs for Construction of Buildings in February 2024 compared to 0.7 percent increase registered in January 2024. Specifically, Construction Sector Inflation of inputs into Construction of Non Residential Buildings increased by 0.2 percent in February 2024 compared to 0.8 percent increase registered in January 2024. In addition, Construction Sector Inflation of inputs for Construction of Residential Buildings increased by 0.2 percent in February 2024 compared to 0.6 percent increase registered in January 2024 as shown in Table 3 below.

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

Description	Weights	Monthly % Change for January 2024	Monthly % Change for February 2024
Construction Input Price Index (CIPI)	1000.00	0.5	0.2
Construction of Buildings	421.08	0.7	0.2
Construction of Residential Buildings	195.00	0.6	0.2
Construction of Non Residential Buildings	226.07	0.8	0.2
Civil Engineering / Works	96.89	0.6	0.3
Construction of roads and railways	80.95	0.7	0.3
Construction of utility projects (Water projects)	15.94	-0.3	0.2
Specialised Construction Activities	482.04	0.2	0.1
Demolition and site preparation	91.01	0.4	-0.2
Electrical, plumbing and other construction installation activities	127.48	0.0	0.1
Building completion and finishing	263.55	0.3	0.3

In the month of February 2024, products whose prices increased were; Sand increased by 1.4 percent in February 2024 compared to 0.6 percent increase in January 2024, Sheet Steel & Roofing Sheets increased by 0.7 percent in February 2024 compared to 0.9 percent registered in the month of January 2024, Nails increased by 3.3 percent in February 2024 compared to 2.0 percent registered in the month of January 2024 and Plastic Pipes & Fittings increased by 0.5 percent in February 2024 compared to 0.0 percent registered in the month of January 2024.

However, Diesel prices decreased by 0.2 percent in February 2024 compared to 0.4 percent increase in January 2024, Timber prices decreased by 0.2 percent in February 2024 compared to 0.3 percent increase in January 2024 and Binding Wire prices decreased by 0.1 percent in February 2024 compared to 1.4 percent increase registered in January 2024.

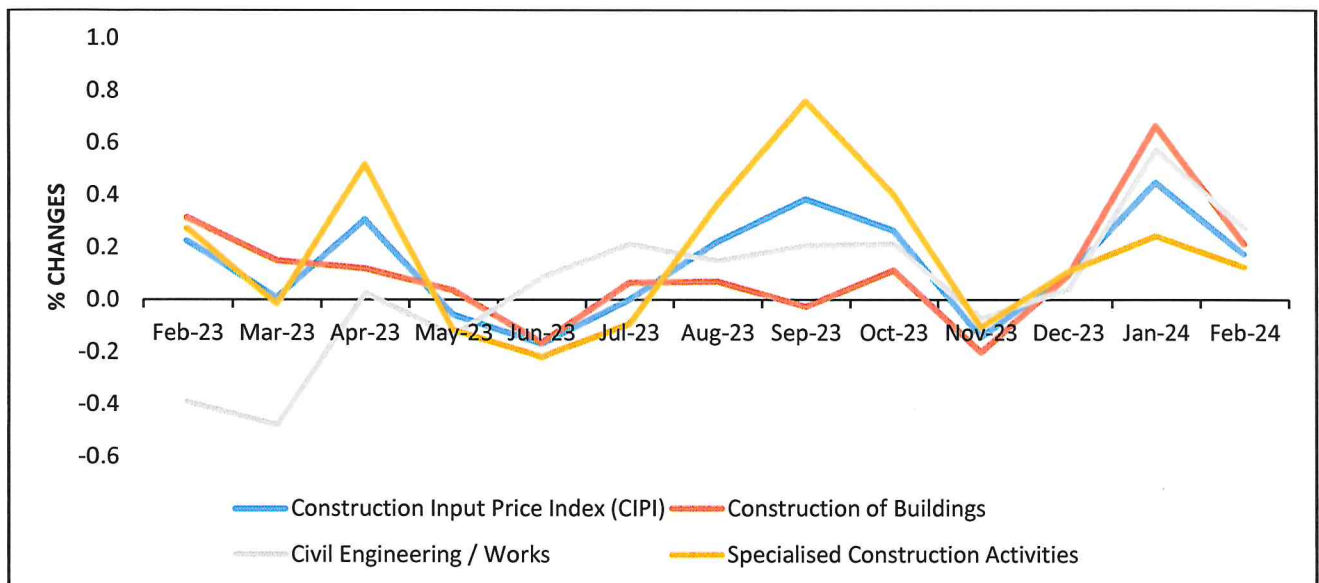
The overall monthly Construction Input Price Index for the 12 months to February 2024 are shown in Table 4 below.

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

MONTH	OVER ALL CIPI	CONSTRUCTION SECTOR INFLATION
February 2024	127.21	0.2
January 2024	127.00	0.5
December 2023	126.42	0.1
November 2023	126.30	-0.1
October 2023	126.48	0.3
September 2023	126.15	0.4
August 2023	125.66	0.2
July 2023	125.39	0.0
June 2023	125.39	-0.2
May 2023	125.60	-0.1
April 2023	125.67	0.3
March 2023	125.28	0.0
February 2023	125.27	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: February 2023 – February 2024



Annex 1: OVERALL CONSTRUCTION INPUT PRICE INDEX

Base Period 2016/17=100

S No	Selected Products	Weight	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24
1	Aggregate, hardcore, crushed / broken stone	30.4496	137.63	138.36	138.41	138.15	138.79	141.35	141.12	140.51	140.78	140.57	140.50	141.95	143.15
2	Cement	105.7605	110.10	109.58	108.61	109.12	108.44	108.22	107.84	108.19	108.24	107.60	108.05	108.43	108.64
3	Ceramic wall and floor tiles	37.6980	153.72	155.76	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95
4	Clay bricks and tiles	24.0773	139.72	142.41	142.42	142.40	142.34	144.46	146.01	145.19	145.21	146.24	146.24	146.44	146.51
5	Concrete bricks, blocks and slabs	12.6706	108.27	107.67	107.45	107.44	107.41	106.75	106.76	107.10	107.57	107.75	107.75	107.64	107.67
6	Diesel	86.2827	181.62	179.60	177.80	176.74	175.64	173.83	176.62	182.96	186.44	186.66	187.55	188.28	187.83
7	Eucalyptus Props	2.4599	154.26	151.02	148.40	148.40	147.71	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21
8	High tensile steel bars	25.6560	157.85	156.35	156.50	156.40	155.20	154.31	154.52	153.67	154.41	152.81	154.45	156.94	157.02
9	Lime	3.8459	115.41	116.37	115.83	115.83	115.83	113.22	115.05	117.51	117.03	117.03	117.03	115.98	115.98
10	Nails, bolts & screws	30.4726	121.86	121.80	120.26	121.67	120.92	121.06	122.17	120.92	120.06	119.70	118.85	121.21	125.22
11	Paints and varnishes	45.5466	123.87	122.68	124.01	123.84	124.08	125.17	124.09	124.11	123.37	123.10	124.05	123.48	123.49
12	Plastic pipes and fittings	13.9662	109.87	110.23	109.16	109.16	107.34	106.62	106.62	106.48	105.58	105.25	105.25	105.25	105.82
13	Sand	15.9509	145.28	145.31	145.51	145.42	142.93	142.82	142.85	142.69	144.03	143.39	142.91	143.81	145.83
14	Sheet steel, roofing sheets and similar	9.0705	134.81	133.29	132.85	132.39	130.89	129.51	128.87	128.95	128.92	128.75	128.64	131.08	130.61
15	Timber, coniferous, greater than 6mm thick	22.7874	116.68	117.38	117.38	117.90	117.96	117.64	117.64	117.64	117.96	118.07	118.07	118.44	118.23
	Materials	802.6220	129.23	129.20	129.58	129.50	129.17	128.96	129.26	129.81	130.20	130.05	130.20	130.84	131.07
16	Utilities	7.1000	125.05	125.05	125.05	125.05	125.05	137.56	138.94	140.32	141.72	141.72	141.72	141.72	141.72
17	Equipment Hire Charges	121.1523	103.36	103.21	103.21	103.17	103.21	103.70	103.92	104.15	104.23	103.63	103.63	103.73	103.74
18	Labour	69.1257	117.78	118.57	119.78	119.78	120.38	120.66	120.70	120.79	120.77	120.96	120.96	121.78	122.03
	OVERALL CONSTRUCTION INDEX	1000.0000	125.28	125.29	125.67	125.60	125.39	125.39	125.67	126.15	126.49	126.31	126.43	127.00	127.21

Annex 2: CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS INDEX

Base Period 2016/17=100

S No	Selected Products	Weight	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24
1	Aggregate, hardcore, crushed or broken stone	14.8789	137.63	138.36	138.41	138.15	138.79	141.35	141.12	140.51	140.78	140.57	140.50	141.95	143.15
2	Cement	53.3576	110.10	109.58	108.61	109.12	108.44	108.22	107.84	108.19	108.24	107.60	108.05	108.43	108.64
3	Ceramic wall and floor tiles	9.1332	153.72	155.76	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95
4	Clay bricks and tiles	16.0338	139.72	142.41	142.42	142.40	142.34	144.46	146.01	145.19	145.21	146.24	146.24	146.44	146.51
5	Concrete bricks, blocks slabs	6.9015	108.27	107.67	107.45	107.44	107.41	106.75	106.76	107.10	107.57	107.75	107.75	107.64	107.67
6	Diesel	4.2963	181.62	179.60	177.80	176.74	175.64	173.83	176.62	182.96	186.44	186.66	187.55	188.28	187.83
7	Eucalyptus Props	2.4419	154.26	151.02	148.40	148.40	147.71	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21
8	High tensile steel bars	23.7058	157.85	156.35	156.50	156.40	155.20	154.31	154.52	153.67	154.41	152.81	154.45	156.94	157.02
9	Lime	2.1570	115.41	116.37	115.83	115.83	115.83	113.22	115.05	117.51	117.03	117.03	117.03	115.98	115.98
10	Nails, bolts & screws	10.0770	121.86	121.80	120.26	121.67	120.92	121.06	122.17	120.92	120.06	119.70	118.85	121.21	125.22
11	Paints and varnishes	10.8116	123.87	122.68	124.01	123.84	124.08	125.17	124.09	124.11	123.37	123.10	124.05	123.48	123.49
12	Plastic pipes and fittings	3.7058	109.87	110.23	109.16	109.16	107.34	106.62	106.62	106.48	105.58	105.25	105.25	105.25	105.82
13	Sand	8.7466	145.28	145.31	145.51	145.42	142.93	142.82	142.85	142.69	144.03	143.39	142.91	143.81	145.83
14	Sheet steel, roofing sheets & similar	9.0705	134.81	133.29	132.85	132.39	130.89	129.51	128.87	128.95	128.92	128.75	128.64	131.08	130.61
15	Timber, coniferous, greater than 6mm thick	17.7297	116.68	117.38	117.38	117.90	117.96	117.64	117.64	117.64	117.96	118.07	118.07	118.44	118.23
	Total Materials	315.0840	126.50	126.67	126.70	126.76	126.40	126.26	126.31	126.20	126.35	126.11	126.26	127.26	127.53
16	Utilities	2.9907	125.05	125.05	125.05	125.05	125.05	137.56	138.94	140.32	141.72	141.72	141.72	141.72	141.72
17	Equipment Hire Charges	59.6470	103.36	103.21	103.21	103.17	103.21	103.70	103.92	104.15	104.23	103.63	103.63	103.73	103.74
18	Labour	43.3536	117.78	118.57	119.78	119.78	120.38	120.66	120.70	120.79	120.77	120.96	120.96	121.78	122.03
	Overall Building Index	421.0753	122.32	122.50	122.65	122.69	122.49	122.57	122.65	122.62	122.75	122.51	122.62	123.47	123.69

Annex 3: CIVIL ENGINEERING WORKS INDEX

Base Period 2016/17=100

S No	Selected Products	Weight	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24
1	Aggregate, hardcore, crushed/broken stone	14.8509	137.63	138.36	138.41	138.15	138.79	141.35	141.12	140.51	140.78	140.57	140.50	141.95	143.15
2	Bitumen and bitumen primer	22.4555	122.03	118.42	118.54	118.39	118.41	118.04	118.41	118.85	119.07	119.29	119.23	119.36	119.55
3	Cement	3.6797	110.10	109.58	108.61	109.12	108.44	108.22	107.84	108.19	108.24	107.60	108.05	108.43	108.64
4	Clays and murrum	4.2186	126.79	126.79	126.79	126.08	126.52	124.87	124.87	124.87	124.87	124.87	124.87	131.44	132.26
5	Concrete bricks, blocks and slabs	5.4440	108.27	107.67	107.45	107.44	107.41	106.75	106.76	107.10	107.57	107.75	107.75	107.64	107.67
6	Diesel	2.9294	181.62	179.60	177.80	176.74	175.64	173.83	176.62	182.96	186.44	186.66	187.55	188.28	187.83
7	High tensile steel bars	1.9412	157.85	156.35	156.50	156.40	155.20	154.31	154.52	153.67	154.41	152.81	154.45	156.94	157.02
8	Insulated Electrical Cables	1.4732	123.54	123.60	123.61	123.59	123.59	123.59	123.59	123.59	124.79	124.79	124.79	126.66	126.66
9	Iron pipes	0.1992	147.67	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	121.86	121.80	120.26	121.67	120.92	121.06	122.17	120.92	120.06	119.70	118.85	121.21	125.22
11	Plastic pipes and fittings	1.6945	109.87	110.23	109.16	109.16	107.34	106.62	106.62	106.48	105.58	105.25	105.25	105.25	105.82
12	Steel pipe fittings	0.1594	132.13	132.13	132.13	132.13	132.13	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34	129.34
13	Steel tubes and pipes	0.9924	128.14	138.90	138.91	133.73	138.31	138.31	138.51	140.71	140.96	141.29	141.29	129.81	131.31
	Total Materials	73.4809	126.69	125.84	125.72	125.51	125.56	125.66	125.84	126.11	126.43	126.40	126.46	127.26	127.67
14	Utilities	0.6604	125.05	125.05	125.05	125.05	125.05	137.56	138.94	140.32	141.72	141.72	141.72	141.72	141.72
15	Equipment Hire Charges	13.1711	103.36	103.21	103.21	103.17	103.21	103.70	103.92	104.15	104.23	103.63	103.63	103.73	103.74
16	Labour	9.5732	117.78	118.57	119.78	119.78	120.38	120.66	120.70	120.79	120.77	120.96	120.96	121.78	122.03
	Overall Civil Engineering works Index	96.8855	122.63	122.04	122.07	121.90	122.01	122.26	122.45	122.70	122.96	122.87	122.92	123.62	123.95

Annex 4: SPECIALISED CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES INDEX

Base Period 2016/17=100

S No	Selected Products	Weight	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24
1	Aggregate, hardcore, crushed / broken stone	0.7198	137.63	138.36	138.41	138.15	138.79	141.35	141.12	140.51	140.78	140.57	140.50	141.95	143.15
2	Cement	48.7231	110.10	109.58	108.61	109.12	108.44	108.22	107.84	108.19	108.24	107.60	108.05	108.43	108.64
3	Ceramic wall and floor tiles	28.5648	153.72	155.76	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95	158.95
4	Clay bricks and tiles	8.0435	139.72	142.41	142.42	142.40	142.34	144.46	146.01	145.19	145.21	146.24	146.24	146.44	146.51
5	Concrete bricks, blocks and slabs	0.3251	108.27	107.67	107.45	107.44	107.41	106.75	106.76	107.10	107.57	107.75	107.75	107.64	107.67
6	Diesel	79.0569	181.62	179.60	177.80	176.74	175.64	173.83	176.62	182.96	186.44	186.66	187.55	188.28	187.83
7	Doors, windows & frames of iron, steel / aluminum	50.7817	115.40	116.10	116.10	116.03	115.37	115.33	115.46	115.68	115.68	115.43	114.68	115.46	115.46
8	Eucalyptus Props	0.0180	154.26	151.02	148.40	148.40	147.71	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21	147.21
9	High tensile steel bars	0.0090	157.85	156.35	156.50	156.40	155.20	154.31	154.52	153.67	154.41	152.81	154.45	156.94	157.02
10	Insulated Electrical Cables	3.5327	123.54	123.60	123.61	123.59	123.59	123.59	123.59	123.59	124.79	124.79	124.79	126.66	126.66
11	Lime	1.6889	115.41	116.37	115.83	115.83	115.83	113.22	115.05	117.51	117.03	117.03	117.03	115.98	115.98
12	Nails, bolts & screws	19.7099	121.86	121.80	120.26	121.67	120.92	121.06	122.17	120.92	120.06	119.70	118.85	121.21	125.22
13	Paints and varnishes	34.7350	123.87	122.68	124.01	123.84	124.08	125.17	124.09	124.11	123.37	123.10	124.05	123.48	123.49
14	Plastic pipes and fittings	8.5659	109.87	110.23	109.16	109.16	107.34	106.62	106.62	106.48	105.58	105.25	105.25	105.25	105.82
15	Sand	7.2043	145.28	145.31	145.51	145.42	142.93	142.82	142.85	142.69	144.03	143.39	142.91	143.81	145.83
	Total Materials	414.0571	131.76	131.72	132.45	132.28	131.92	131.61	132.12	133.22	133.81	133.71	133.87	134.19	134.37
16	Utilities	3.4489	125.05	125.05	125.05	125.05	125.05	137.56	138.94	140.32	141.72	141.72	141.72	141.72	141.72
17	Equipment Hire Charges	48.3343	103.36	103.21	103.21	103.17	103.21	103.70	103.92	104.15	104.23	103.63	103.63	103.73	103.74
18	Labour	16.1989	117.78	118.57	119.78	119.78	120.38	120.66	120.70	120.79	120.77	120.96	120.96	121.78	122.03
	Overall Specialised Construction Activities	482.0392	128.40	128.38	129.04	128.89	128.61	128.49	128.96	129.94	130.46	130.32	130.46	130.78	130.94