**Consumer Price Index, September 2021**

In September 2021, the Rwandan urban consumer price index increased by 0.6% month-on-month slightly higher than an increase of 0.3% of previous month. Year-on-year, inflation stood at -0.9% lower than a decrease of 0.6% recorded in August 2021. Compared to the previous month, prices of local goods and services decreased by 2.9% y-o-y, which is lower than a decrease of 2.5% y-o-y recorded in August 2021 while prices for imported goods increased by 5.4% y-o-y, which is slightly lower than an increase of 5.6% y-o-y in August 2021.

On monthly basis, the inflation increased by 0.6% which is slightly higher than 0.3% of previous month, due to increase in inflation from Food and non-alcoholic beverages whose prices increased by 1.7% in September and an increase of 1.3% in prices of Transport.

Year-on-year, consumer price index decreased by 0.9% in September 2021 compared to 0.6% decrease in August 2021 due to slowdown in inflationary pressures of Food and non-alcoholic beverages by a decrease of 2.5% and Transport which decreased by 12.1% in August 2021.

Excluding fresh food products and energy, consumer price index increased by 0.5% in September 2021 which is slightly higher than 0.4% of August 2021. Fresh products decreased by 7.5% in September 2021 compared to a decrease of 6.3% in August 2021. Energy prices increased by 2.0% in September 2021, which is lower than an increase of 5.2% in August 2021.

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