**Consumer Price Index, May 2021**

In May 2021, the Rwandan urban consumer price index decreased by 0.5% month-on-month from 0.2% increase achieved in the previous month. Year-on-year, inflation stood at -0.1% much lower than an increase of 2.4% reached in April 2021. Compared to the previous month, prices of local goods and services decreased by 1.8% y-o-y which is lower than an increase of 1.0% y-o-y reached in April 2021 and prices for imported goods increased by 5.2% y-o-y which is also lower than an increase of 6.7% y-o-y in April 2021.

On monthly basis the inflation decreased by 0.5% lower than 0.2% increase in April due to decrease in inflation from Food and non-alcoholic beverages whose prices decreased by 2.3% in May 2021 which is lower than an increase of 0.5% of the previous month.

Year-on-year, consumer price index decreased by 0.1% in May 2021 lower than an increase of 2.4% in April 2021 due to slowdown in inflationary pressures of Food and non-alcoholic beverages which increased by 0.3% lower than an increase of 1.2% of April 2021. Also transport decreased by 13.8% in May which is lower than an increase of 4.7% in April 2021.

Excluding fresh food products and energy, consumer price index decreased by 0.01% in May 2021 compared to previous month. Fresh products decreased by 0.8 % in May compared to an increase of 2.0% in April 2021. Energy prices slightly increased by 0.1% in May 2021, which is higher than a decrease of 6.3% in April 2021.

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