**Consumer Price Index, October 2020**

In October 2020, the Rwandan urban consumer price index decreased by 0.9% month-on-month which is lower than an increase of 1% achieved in the previous month. Year-on-year, inflation stood at 7.2% compared to 8.9% reached in September 2020. Compared to the previous month, there is an easing inflationary pressures in prices of local goods and services (7.7% y-o-y lower than 9.4% y-o-y in September) and prices for imported goods (5.8% y-o-y lower than 7.2% y-o-y in September).

On monthly basis the inflation decreased by 0.9% due to effect of transport tariff whose prices decreased by 8.2 % in October from an increase of 0.6% recorded in the previous month.

Year-on-year, consumer price index rose by 7.2% lower than 8.9% in September 2020 due to easing inflationary pressures from food and non-alcoholic beverages (9.7% compared to 10.9% in September 2020), Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and narcotics (20.6% compared to 21.5% in September 2020 and transport (11.9% compared to 22.4% in September 2020). However, index for housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels increased by 5.8% which is higher than an increase of 5.1% in September 2020.

Excluding fresh food products and energy, consumer price index increased by 5.2% in October which is lower than an increase of 7.1% compared to September 2020. Fresh products increased by 15.3% in October, which is lower compared to an increase of 17.4% in September 2020. Energy prices increased by 7.9% which is higher than an increase of 6.5% in September 2020.

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