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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR FEBRUARY 2010

(Base Period : November 2002=100.0)

Consumer Price Index for February 2010 increased by 0.1%
With an Annual Inflation Rate of 1.9%

The Consumer Price Index covers price changes in Tongatapu Division only. The weights were derived from Household Income and Expenditure Survey of 2000/01.

1. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** for February 2010 has recorded an increase of 0.1% and now stands at 164.4.This follows an increase of 0.2% and 0.1% in January 2010 and December 2009.
2. The **Annual Rate of Inflation** for February 2010 was 1.9% compares to 1.5% of annual rate of inflation in January 2010. It was also 1.9% in February 2009. The Local Index was declined by 2.5% while the Imported Index recorded an annual inflation rate of 4.3%.
3. From January 2010 to February 2010, the Local Index increased by 0.5% while the Imported Index decreased by 0.1% respectively.
4. Detailed changes in each group over the previous month are as follows:

A. FOOD -0.4%
Food Group Index declined by 0.4% in February 2010 compared to January 2010, due mainly to the price decreases of Imported Meats such as Fresh Chicken Pieces and Mutton Flaps. Price decreases recorded of Local Meats, Poultry items, seafoods such as cockles, frozen fish and other items, and Local Dairy Farm products such as Fresh Eggs and other items.

B. HOUSING 0.0%
No recorded price change in any of this group items during the month.

C HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS 0.1%
Household Operations Index increased by 0.1% in February 2010, due mainly to the increase in price recorded for items of Imported Domestic Fuel and Power such as kerosene and Liquid Petroleum Gas.

D. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR 0.0%
Prices of all items in the group remained unchanged, thus resulted to no change of this group index during the month.

E. TRANSPORTATION 1.5%
Transportation Group marked the largest price increased in February 2010. Due mainly to the increase in price recorded of petrol and diesel from previous month.

F. TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA TONGA 0.5%
This group increased by 0.5% in February 2010, due to the increase in price recorded for items of Imported Tobacco such as Winfield Blue and Port Royal Tobacco.

G. MISC. GOODS AND SERVICES 0.0%
From January 2010, prices of items in the Miscellaneous Goods and Services Group remained unchanged.

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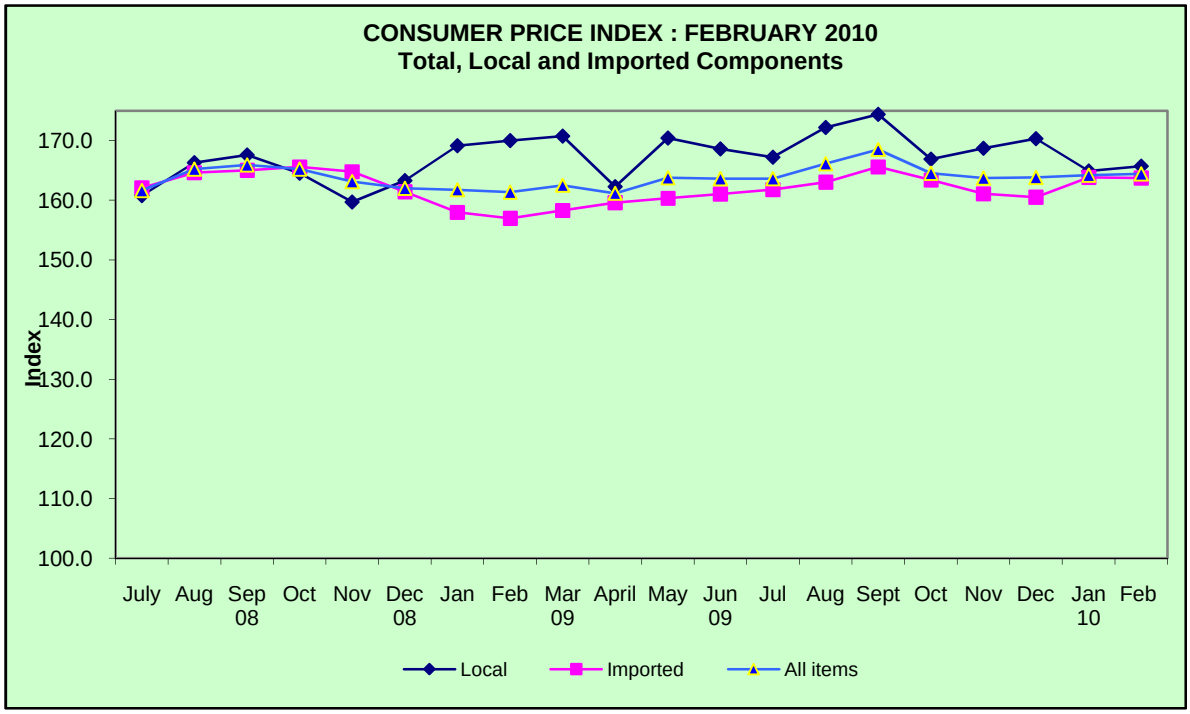

Fig 1: Graphical representation of Consumer Price Index for Total, Local and Imported Components

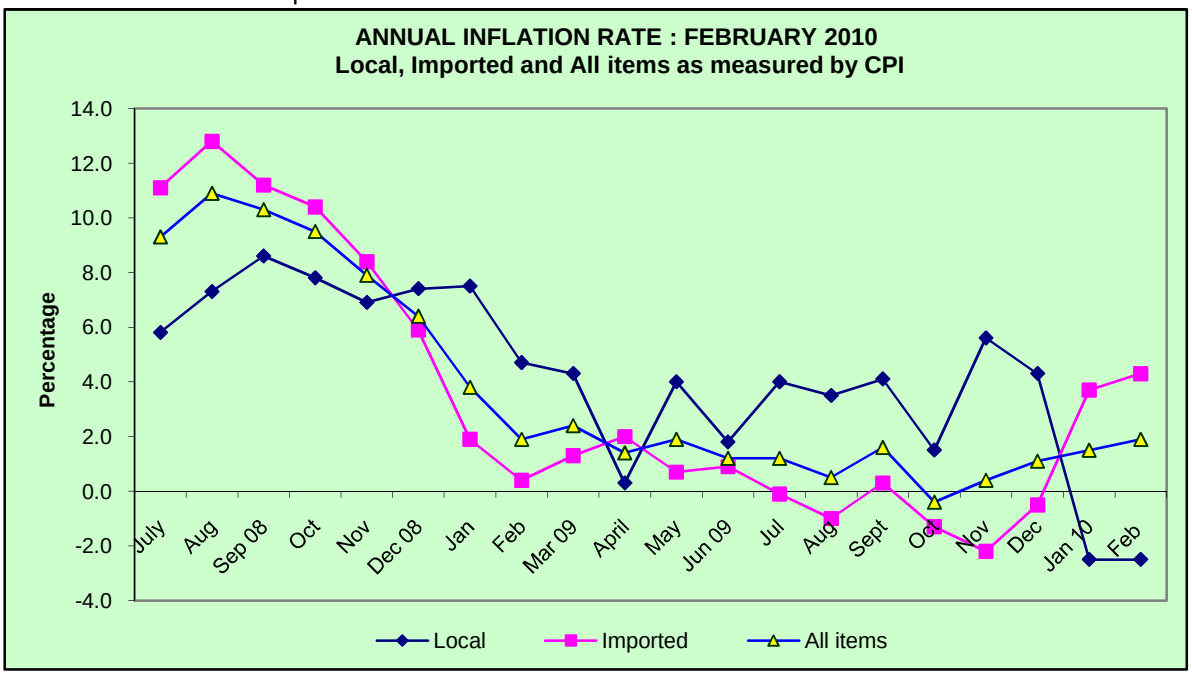

Fig 2 : Graphical representation of Annual Inflation rate (%) for Local, Imported and All Items as measured by CPI

Fig 3: Contributions to % change from previous month, All groups
January 2010 to February 2010 (0.1%)

	Local	Imported	Total
Food	0.16043	-0.33971	-0.17928
Housing	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
H/hold operation	0.00000	0.00952	0.00952
Clothing, f/wear	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
Transport	0.00000	0.23743	0.23743
Tob, Alc, Kava	0.00000	0.06864	0.06864
Misc. G & S	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
TOTAL	**0.2**	**0.0**	**0.1**

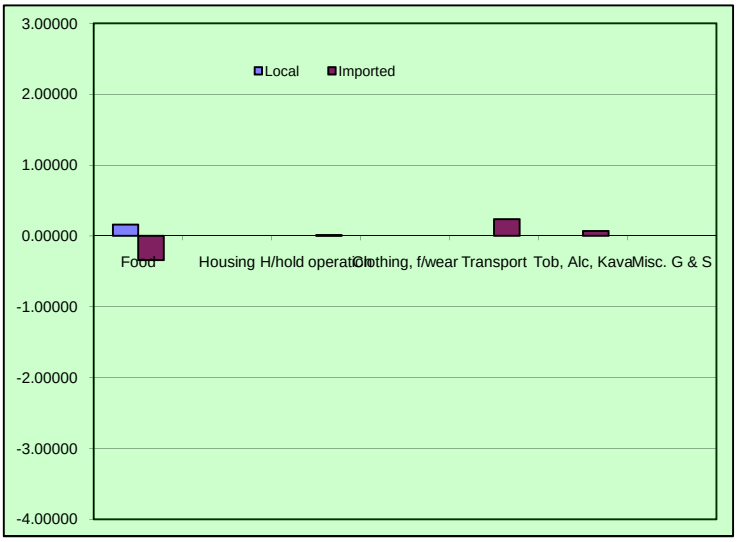

Fig 4: Contributions to % change from last year, All groups
February 2009 to February 2010 (1.9%)

	Local	Imported	Total
Food	0.02674	0.84786	0.87460
Housing	0.02677	-0.06680	-0.04003
H/hold ops	-0.73110	-0.17788	-0.90897
Clothing, f/wear	-0.00087	-0.01300	-0.01386
Transport	-0.00256	1.60733	1.60477
Tob, Alc, Kava	0.00285	0.56682	0.56966
Misc. G & S	-0.22551	0.02550	-0.20002
TOTAL	**-0.9**	**2.8**	**1.9**

Note: Figures are round off to one dec. place

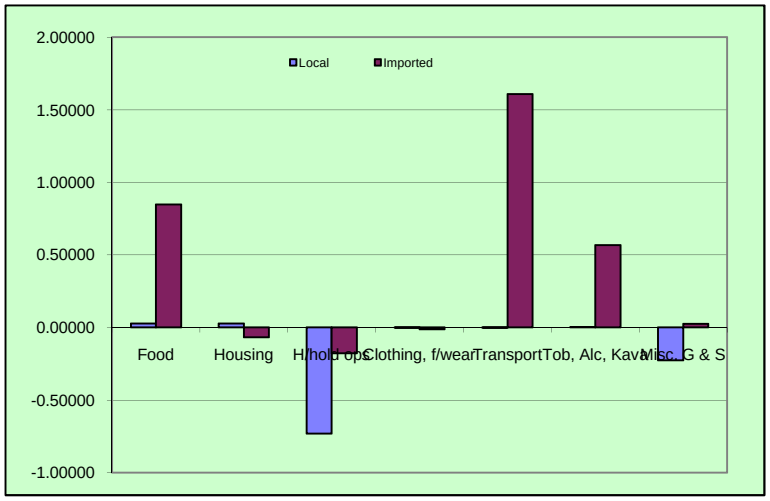

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TABLE 1: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BY MAJOR GROUPS

Base Period : NOVEMBER 2002 (= 100.0)

Index Period : FEBRUARY 2010

YEAR / MONTH	ALL ITEMS	FOOD	HOUSING	HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS	CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR	TRANSPOR-TATION	TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA	MISC. GOODS & SERVICES
	100.00	44.40	5.30	12.00	3.40	14.20	12.30	8.40
2006								
January	136.4	128.3	133.9	138.3	128.5	151.7	156.3	126.6
February	136.5	127.3	136.9	138.6	128.6	153.3	156.4	127.2
March	136.4	127.6	137.0	135.6	129.0	153.3	158.4	126.6
April	135.4	125.2	137.0	135.9	129.9	153.3	158.3	126.7
May	135.7	124.5	137.2	136.1	129.2	157.4	158.3	126.6
June	136.3	125.4	137.5	136.5	129.2	157.7	158.2	127.0
July	138.7	127.9	136.2	136.8	130.9	169.5	158.0	123.6
August	139.3	130.0	135.8	137.1	129.3	168.4	157.2	122.8
September	139.1	127.3	136.2	142.2	129.6	169.6	157.2	125.0
October	140.1	128.8	137.2	142.5	129.6	169.9	158.1	125.4
November	140.7	131.5	139.8	144.1	130.4	161.9	158.5	127.7
December	142.6	132.9	141.6	150.9	133.6	162.2	158.6	129.2
2007								
January	140.9	132.1	142.3	151.2	134.5	150.5	158.7	132.5
February	141.1	132.3	142.6	151.1	135.5	150.4	158.8	132.3
March	141.7	133.5	143.2	150.6	136.4	152.8	157.6	131.9
April	142.0	133.6	143.3	151.1	136.5	153.0	158.6	132.1
May	142.8	133.7	142.6	150.8	136.4	158.6	158.7	131.6
June	144.0	136.0	142.5	151.5	137.6	158.5	158.8	132.8
July	147.9	137.1	142.9	152.1	138.8	179.0	161.1	133.2
August	149.0	139.5	143.3	156.2	138.8	174.9	162.1	133.6
September	150.4	142.5	143.3	155.6	138.8	174.9	163.6	133.0
October	150.9	144.0	143.6	155.6	138.3	171.4	165.7	133.4
November	151.1	142.1	143.4	155.9	138.0	177.3	168.0	133.4
December	152.3	143.4	143.9	156.0	139.3	179.7	168.4	134.5
2008								
January	155.8	145.6	143.9	161.8	141.0	189.5	167.4	140.5
February	158.3	148.3	143.1	169.5	141.0	191.1	169.7	139.7
March	158.7	148.9	143.7	169.1	141.0	189.1	169.1	146.0
April	159.0	149.5	145.7	169.6	134.3	189.8	168.9	145.6
May	160.7	149.3	144.6	164.5	153.2	202.6	169.5	145.3
June	161.6	150.9	144.6	164.9	153.2	203.7	169.6	145.3
July	161.6	146.6	146.3	165.1	150.9	212.8	173.8	145.7
August	165.2	150.0	147.1	165.6	155.1	221.2	179.5	145.1
September	165.9	148.6	150.3	175.8	155.1	217.1	182.8	145.9
October	165.2	147.2	151.0	175.9	151.8	217.1	183.7	144.5
November	163.1	144.2	154.7	172.5	150.1	213.6	183.5	144.4
December	162.0	147.3	154.7	172.2	150.1	198.3	182.0	144.3
2009								
January	161.8	153.3	153.9	171.2	153.9	175.9	184.2	144.4
February	161.4	154.9	153.9	171.0	154.1	167.3	185.2	144.4
March	162.5	156.2	153.9	169.0	154.1	172.5	185.9	144.4
April	161.2	155.5	154.0	153.5	155.6	173.9	187.6	148.8
May	163.8	161.1	154.0	153.5	155.6	174.5	187.6	148.8
June	163.6	160.5	154.0	153.5	155.6	176.4	186.4	148.8
July	163.6	159.3	154.1	153.8	155.8	180.3	185.5	149.5
August	166.1	164.0	154.1	153.7	155.8	185.6	182.4	150.1
September	168.5	169.8	154.1	153.7	155.8	184.8	182.3	150.0
October	164.6	161.7	154.0	158.8	154.8	180.2	180.2	149.3
November	163.7	160.0	154.0	158.8	154.8	180.7	178.3	149.3
December	163.8	159.5	152.4	158.9	154.8	183.2	179.5	149.3
2010								
January	164.2	158.7	152.6	158.7	153.5	182.8	191.8	140.7
February	164.4	158.0	152.6	158.8	153.5	185.5	192.7	140.7
Percentage change between January 2010 and February 2010	0.1	-0.4	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.5	0.5	0.0
Percentage change between February 2009 and February 2010	1.9	2.0	-0.8	-7.1	-0.4	10.9	4.0	-2.6

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TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SERIES WITH % CHANGES FOR THE PERIOD AND INFLATION RATE FOR THE PERIOD AND YEAR
(Base Period: NOVEMBER 2002 = 100.0)
Index Period: FEBRUARY 2010

YEAR / MONTH	LOCAL INDEX	IMPORT INDEX	ALL ITEMS INDEX	MONTHLY % CHANGE IN ALL ITEMS INDEX	ANNUAL INFLATION RATE (%) FOR THE PERIOD	AVERAGE INDEX FOR YEAR	AVERAGE ANNUAL INFLATION RATE (%)
2006							
January	139.0	135.1	136.4	0.3	6.3		
February	138.9	135.2	136.5	0.1	5.8		
March	140.7	134.3	136.4	-0.02	7.1		
April	139.0	133.6	135.4	-0.7	7.4		
May	139.0	134.1	135.7	0.2	6.7		
June	140.3	134.2	136.3	0.4	6.4	**134.3**	**7.3**
July	144.3	135.9	138.7	1.8	7.1		
August	147.4	135.2	139.3	0.4	6.7		
September	145.6	135.8	139.1	-0.2	6.1		
October	144.3	137.9	140.1	0.7	5.3		
November	144.2	139.0	140.7	0.5	4.5		
December	146.0	140.8	142.6	1.3	4.9	138.1	6.2
2007							
January	146.3	138.2	140.9	-1.2	3.3		
February	145.6	138.8	141.1	0.1	3.4		
March	146.1	139.5	141.7	0.5	3.9		
April	147.1	139.4	142.0	0.2	4.9		
May	145.9	141.2	142.7	0.5	5.2		
June	149.2	141.4	144.0	0.9	5.7	**141.1**	**5.1**
July	151.9	145.8	147.9	2.7	6.6		
August	155.0	145.9	149.0	0.8	6.9		
September	154.3	148.4	150.4	0.9	8.1		
October	152.6	150.0	150.9	0.3	7.7		
November	149.4	152.0	151.1	0.2	7.4		
December	152.1	152.3	152.3	0.8	6.8	146.6	5.9
2008							
January	157.4	155.0	155.8	2.3	10.5		
February	162.3	156.2	158.3	1.6	12.2		
March	163.6	156.3	158.7	0.3	12.0		
April	163.8	156.5	159.0	0.2	11.9		
May	163.8	159.2	160.7	1.1	12.6		
June	165.5	159.7	161.6	0.6	12.2	**154.6**	**9.6**
July	160.8	162.1	161.6	0.0	9.3		
August	166.3	164.6	165.2	2.2	10.9		
September	167.6	165.0	165.9	0.4	10.3		
October	164.5	165.6	165.2	-0.4	9.5		
November	159.7	164.8	163.1	-1.3	7.9		
December	163.3	161.4	162.0	-0.6	6.4	161.4	10.5
2009							
January	169.1	158.0	161.8	-0.2	3.8		
February	170.0	156.9	161.4	-0.2	1.9		
March	170.7	158.3	162.5	0.7	2.4		
April	164.2	159.6	161.2	-0.8	1.4		
May	170.4	160.4	163.8	1.6	1.9		
June	168.6	161.0	163.6	-0.1	1.2	**163.1**	**5.6**
July	167.1	161.8	163.6	0.026	1.2		
August	172.2	163.0	166.1	1.5	0.5		
September	174.4	165.6	168.5	1.5	1.6		
October	166.9	163.4	164.6	-2.4	-0.4		
November	168.7	161.1	163.7	-0.5	0.4		
December	170.3	160.5	163.8	0.1	1.1	163.7	1.4
2010							
January	164.9	163.8	164.2	0.2	1.5		
February	165.7	163.7	164.4	0.1	1.9	164.2	1.2

Note : Commencing on August 2006 report, average index and inflation for fiscal year are included, aligned to month of June and bolded

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TABLE 3: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX WITH LOCAL AND IMPORTED COMPONENTS

PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH

(Base Period: NOVEMBER 2002 = 100.0)

Index Period : FEBRUARY 2010

	WEIGHTS			FEBRUARY 2010			JANUARY 2010			% CHANGE		
	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total
A. FOOD	15.9	28.5	44.4	165.6	153.8	158.0	163.9	155.8	158.7	1.0	-1	-0.4
Fruit and Vegetables	5.2	0.9	6.1	182.4	182.7	182.4	175.2	175.8	175.3	4.1	4.0	4.1
Meats, Fish & Poultry	4.2	15.3	19.6	160.9	149.4	151.9	163.1	154.0	156.0	-1.3	-3.0	-2.7
Dairy Farm & Vegetable Products	0.5	2.7	3.2	177.1	171.5	172.3	179.9	171.9	173.1	-1.5	-0.2	-0.5
Cereals and Cereal Products	3.5	3.4	6.9	168.0	154.0	161.2	168.0	156.1	162.2	0.0	-1.3	-0.6
Other Food	-	6.1	6.1	-	152.6	152.6	-	149.7	149.7	-	1.9	1.9
Drinks, Sweets & Meals away from home	2.5	-	2.5	133.6	-	133.6	133.6	-	133.6	0.0	-	0.0
B. HOUSING	3.3	1.9	5.3	137.4	178.9	152.6	137.4	178.9	152.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
House Maintenance Goods	0.8	1.9	2.7	167.3	178.9	175.4	167.3	178.9	175.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
House Maintenance Services	2.5	-	2.5	127.7	-	127.7	127.7	-	127.7	0.0	-	0.0
C. HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS	6.5	5.5	12.0	181.1	132.5	158.8	181.1	132.2	158.7	0.0	0.2	0.1
Domestic Fuel and Power	2.1	0.6	2.7	244.1	161.7	226.5	244.1	159.0	225.9	0.0	1.7	0.3
H/hold Appl., Equipment & Utensils	-	2.1	2.1	-	133.5	133.5	-	133.5	133.5	-	0.0	0.0
Household Furni., Furn. & Textiles	2.1	0.2	2.3	163.9	130.8	161.3	163.9	130.8	161.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
H/hold Supplies & Services	1.1	2.7	3.8	218.8	125.4	152.8	218.8	125.4	152.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Communications Services	1.1	-	1.2	58.6	-	58.6	58.6	-	58.6	0.0	-	0.0
D. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	0.3	3.1	3.4	327.6	134.3	153.5	327.6	134.3	153.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Clothing Supplies & Services	0.3	2.0	2.3	327.6	142.1	169.0	327.6	142.1	169.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Footwear	-	1.1	1.1	-	119.9	119.9	-	119.9	119.9	-	0.0	0.0
E. TRANSPORTATION	2.2	12.0	14.2	227.1	177.8	185.5	227.1	174.6	182.8	0.0	1.9	1.5
Public Transportation	2.1	2.6	4.7	225.7	106.9	159.8	225.7	106.9	159.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Private Transportation	0.1	9.4	9.5	250.9	197.5	198.2	250.9	193.4	194.1	0.0	2.1	2.1
F. TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA	0.9	11.4	12.3	185.3	193.3	192.7	185.3	192.3	191.8	0.0	0.5	0.5
Tobacco	-	7.1	7.1	-	200.3	200.3	-	199.2	199.2	-	0.5	0.5
Alcohol	0.4	4.3	4.7	149.6	181.7	178.8	149.6	180.9	178.1	0.0	0.5	0.4
Kava	0.5	-	0.5	217.4	-	217.4	217.4	-	217.4	0.0	-	0.0
G. MISC. GOODS & SERVICES	4.6	3.9	8.4	119.1	165.9	140.7	119.1	165.9	140.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Medical Health Services & Supplies	0.2	0.0	0.2	114.3	97.4	112.5	114.3	97.4	112.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetics and Toiletries	0.0	2.6	2.6	180.0	122.0	122.3	180.0	122.0	122.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Personal Goods	0.1	0.2	0.3	100.0	137.3	130.3	100.0	137.3	130.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Newspapers & Stationery Supplies	0.1	0.2	0.3	150.0	135.7	141.0	150.0	135.7	141.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Leisure & Recreational & Craft Supplies	1.5	0.3	1.8	107.1	165.2	116.2	107.1	165.2	116.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Goods and Services	0.6	0.6	1.2	133.2	399.6	260.8	133.2	399.6	260.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Education	2.1	-	2.1	122.8	-	122.8	122.8	-	122.8	0.0	-	0.0
TOTAL	**33.8**	**66.2**	**100.0**	**165.7**	**163.7**	**164.4**	**164.9**	**163.8**	**164.2**	**0.5**	**-0.1**	**0.1**

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TABLE 4: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX WITH LOCAL AND IMPORTED COMPONENTS
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH OF PREVIOUS YEAR
(Base Period: NOVEMBER 2002 = 100.0)
Index Period: FEBRUARY 2010

	WEIGHTS			FEBRUARY 2010			FEBRUARY 2009			% CHANGE		
	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total
A. FOOD	15.9	28.5	44.4	165.6	153.8	158.0	165.3	149.0	154.9	0.2	3.2	2.0
Fruit and Vegetables		0.9	6.1	182.4	182.7	182.4	170.8	176.8	171.7	6.8	3.4	6.2
Meat, Fish & Poultry	4.2	15.3	19.6	160.9	149.4	151.9	157.0	141.3	144.7	2.5	5.7	4.9
Dairy Farm & Vegetables Products	0.5	2.7	3.2	177.1	171.5	172.3	181.6	173.4	174.6	-2.5	-1.1	-1.3
Cereals and Cereal Products	3.5	3.4	6.9	168.0	154.0	161.2	189.8	162.2	176.3	-11.5	-5.0	-8.6
Other Food	-	6.1	6.1	-	152.6	152.6	-	145.9	145.9	-	4.6	4.6
Drinks, Sweets & Meals away from home	2.5	-	2.5	133.6	-	133.6	130.9	-	130.9	2.1	-	2.1
B. HOUSING	3.3	1.9	5.3	137.4	178.9	152.6	136.1	184.6	153.9	1.0	-3.1	-0.8
House Maintenance Goods	0.8	1.9	2.7	167.3	178.9	175.4	162.0	184.6	177.8	3.3	-3.1	-1.3
House Maintenance Services	2.5	-	2.5	127.7	-	127.7	127.7	-	127.7	0.0	-	0.0
C. HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS	6.5	5.5	12.0	181.1	132.5	158.8	199.3	137.7	171.0	-9.1	-3.8	-7.1
Domestic Fuel and Power	2.1	0.6	2.7	244.1	161.7	226.5	301.5	185.1	276.7	-19.0	-12.6	-18.1
H/hold Appl., Equipment & Utensils	-	2.1	2.1	-	133.5	133.5	-	137.3	137.3	-	-2.8	-2.8
H/hold Furniture , Furniture & Textiles	2.1	0.2	2.3	163.9	130.8	161.3	164.3	130.8	161.6	-0.2	0.1	-0.2
H/hold Supplies & Services	1.1	2.7	3.8	218.8	125.4	152.8	214.0	128.2	153.3	2.3	-2.1	-0.3
Communications Services	1.1	-	1.2	58.6	-	58.6	58.6	-	58.6	0.0	-	0.0
D. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	0.3	3.1	3.4	327.6	134.3	153.5	328.0	135.0	154.1	-0.1	-0.5	-0.4
Clothing Supplies & Services	0.3	2.0	2.3	327.6	142.1	169.0	328.0	142.5	169.4	-0.1	-0.3	-0.3
Footwear	-	1.1	1.1	-	119.9	119.9	-	121.0	121.0	-	-0.9	-0.9
E. TRANSPORTATION	2.2	12.0	14.2	227.1	177.8	185.5	227.3	156.2	167.3	-0.1	13.8	10.9
Public Transport	2.1	2.6	4.7	225.7	106.9	159.8	226.1	110.1	161.7	-0.2	-2.9	-1.2
Private Transport	0.1	9.4	9.5	250.9	197.5	198.2	248.0	169.0	170.0	1.2	16.9	16.6
F. TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA	0.9	11.4	12.3	185.3	193.3	192.7	184.8	185.3	185.2	0.3	4.3	4.0
Tobacco	-	7.1	7.1	-	200.3	200.3	-	200.4	200.4	-	0.0	0.0
Alcohol	0.4	4.3	4.7	149.6	181.7	178.8	148.5	160.3	159.2	0.7	13.4	12.3
Kava	0.5	-	0.5	217.4	-	217.4	217.4	-	217.4	0.0	-	0.0
G. MISC. GOODS & SERVICES	4.6	3.9	8.4	119.1	165.9	140.7	127.0	164.9	144.4	-6.2	0.6	-2.6
Medical Health Services & Supplies	0.2	0.0	0.2	114.3	97.4	112.5	114.3	98.0	112.5	0.0	-0.7	-0.1
Cosmetics and Toiletries	0.0	2.6	2.6	180.0	122.0	122.3	180.0	120.1	120.4	0.0	1.6	1.6
Personal Goods	0.1	0.2	0.3	100.0	137.3	130.3	100.0	143.7	135.5	0.0	-4.4	-3.8
Newspapers & Stationery Supplies	0.1	0.2	0.3	150.0	135.7	141.0	150.0	133.9	139.9	0.0	1.3	0.8
Leisure & Recreational & Craft Supplies	1.5	0.3	1.8	107.1	165.2	116.2	105.8	165.2	115.2	1.2	0.0	0.9
Other Goods and Services	0.6	0.6	1.2	133.2	399.6	260.8	133.2	399.6	260.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Education	2.1	-	2.1	122.8	-	122.8	141.3	-	141.3	-13.1	-	-13.1
TOTAL	**33.8**	**66.2**	**100.0**	**165.7**	**163.7**	**164.4**	**170.0**	**156.9**	**161.4**	**-2.5**	**4.3**	**1.9**

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TABLE 5 : CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
GROUPS AND SUBGROUPS - INDEX NUMBERS
(Base Period: NOVEMBER 2002 = 100.0)
Index Period : FEBRUARY 2010

Group or Subgroup	Annual 2007	Jan 09	Feb 09	March 09	April 09	May 09	June 09	July 09	Aug 09	Sept 09	Oct 09	Nov 09	Dec 09	Jan 10	Feb 10
A.FOOD GROUP	***138.0***	**153.3**	**154.9**	**156.2**	**155.5**	**161.1**	**160.5**	**159.3**	**164.0**	**169.8**	**161.7**	**160.0**	**159.5**	**158.7**	**158.0**
Fruit and Vegetables	*148.8*	149.5	171.7	190.1	176.6	192.5	157.8	157.6	183.6	186.0	162.6	172.4	177.9	175.3	182.4
Meats, Fish & Poultry	*134.9*	148.6	144.7	145.6	148.2	155.1	164.3	162.4	165.5	177.8	165.7	159.6	157.4	156.0	151.9
Dairy Farm & Vegetable Products	*140.0*	175.2	174.6	174.3	173.9	176.5	176.6	175.2	173.3	172.5	176.7	177.1	177.1	173.1	172.3
Cereals and Cereal Products	*135.1*	174.8	176.3	164.2	162.7	163.2	163.5	162.7	163.5	164.3	164.9	164.1	163.5	162.2	161.2
Other Food	*134.7*	145.5	145.9	147.9	149.9	151.1	151.2	150.0	148.1	148.1	148.6	147.1	145.5	149.7	152.6
Drinks, Sweets & Meals away from hom	*148.9*	130.9	130.9	131.3	131.3	131.3	131.3	132.9	132.9	132.9	132.4	132.4	132.4	133.6	133.6
B.HOUSING GROUP	***143.1***	**153.9**	**153.9**	**153.9**	**154.0**	**154.0**	**154.0**	**154.1**	**154.1**	**154.1**	**154.0**	**154.0**	**152.4**	**152.6**	**152.6**
House Maintenance Goods	*157.1*	177.8	177.8	177.8	178.0	178.0	178.0	178.3	178.3	178.3	178.1	178.1	175.0	175.4	175.4
House Maintenance Services	*127.8*	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7
C.HOUSEHOLD OPERATION GROUP	***153.3***	**171.2**	**171.0**	**169.0**	**153.5**	**153.5**	**153.5**	**153.8**	**153.7**	**153.7**	**158.8**	**158.8**	**158.9**	**158.7**	**158.8**
Domestic Fuel and Power	*182.8*	277.3	276.7	269.2	200.7	200.5	201.0	201.5	201.2	201.8	224.9	224.9	225.4	225.9	226.5
H/hold Appl., Equipment & Utensils	*148.3*	137.1	137.3	137.3	137.3	137.3	137.3	137.3	137.7	137.7	136.0	136.0	136.0	133.5	133.5
Household Furni., Furn. & Textiles	*192.4*	161.6	161.6	161.6	161.6	161.6	161.6	161.6	161.3	161.3	161.3	161.3	161.3	161.3	161.3
H/hold Supplies & Services	*138.2*	153.3	153.3	152.2	152.4	152.3	152.0	152.6	152.5	152.1	152.5	152.5	152.5	152.8	152.8
Communications Services	*63.6*	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6
D.CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR GROUP	***137.6***	**153.9**	**154.1**	**154.1**	**155.6**	**155.6**	**155.6**	**155.8**	**155.8**	**155.8**	**154.8**	**154.8**	**154.8**	**153.5**	**153.5**
Clothing Supplies & Services	*147.6*	169.0	169.4	169.4	168.7	168.7	168.7	168.7	168.7	168.7	170.3	170.3	170.3	169.0	169.0
Footwear	*115.8*	121.0	121.0	121.0	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.9	127.9	127.9	121.3	121.4	121.4	119.9	119.9
E.TRANSPORTATION GROUP	***166.4***	**175.9**	**167.3**	**172.5**	**173.9**	**174.5**	**176.4**	**180.3**	**185.6**	**184.8**	**180.2**	**180.7**	**183.2**	**182.8**	**185.5**
Public Transportation	*144.4*	163.6	161.7	161.7	161.9	161.9	161.9	161.9	160.3	160.3	160.3	160.3	160.3	159.8	159.8
Private Transportation	*177.2*	181.9	170.0	177.9	179.8	180.8	183.5	189.4	198.1	196.8	190.0	190.8	194.4	194.1	198.2
F.TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA GROUP	***161.9***	**184.2**	**185.2**	**185.9**	**187.6**	**187.6**	**186.4**	**185.5**	**182.4**	**182.3**	**180.2**	**178.3**	**179.5**	**191.8**	**192.7**
Tobacco	*167.8*	198.6	200.4	201.5	204.7	204.7	202.6	201.0	195.5	195.4	191.8	188.5	190.6	199.2	200.3
Alcohol	*149.5*	159.2	159.2	159.2	158.9	158.9	158.9	159.0	159.0	159.0	159.0	159.0	159.0	178.1	178.8
Kava	*198.0*	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4
G. MISC. GOODS & SERVICES	***132.9***	**144.4**	**144.4**	**144.4**	**148.8**	**148.8**	**148.8**	**149.5**	**150.1**	**150.0**	**149.3**	**149.3**	**149.3**	**140.7**	**140.7**
Medical Health Services & Supplies	*114.2*	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5
Cosmetics and Toiletries	*125.1*	120.4	120.4	120.1	120.6	120.6	120.8	122.7	122.8	122.8	120.7	120.7	120.7	122.3	122.3
Personal Goods	*128.9*	135.5	135.5	137.0	138.7	138.7	138.7	140.2	140.9	138.4	136.7	136.7	136.7	130.3	130.3
Newspapers & Stationery Supplies	*133.0*	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	141.0	141.0
Leisure & Recreational & Craft Supplies	*124.7*	115.2	115.2	115.2	115.2	115.2	115.2	115.1	117.7	117.7	117.7	117.7	117.7	116.2	116.2
Other Goods and Services	*191.6*	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8
Education	*119.9*	141.3	141.3	141.3	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	122.8	122.8
ALL GROUPS	***146.6***	**161.8**	**161.4**	**162.5**	**161.2**	**163.8**	**163.6**	**163.6**	**166.1**	**168.5**	**164.6**	**163.7**	**163.8**	**164.2**	**164.4**

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Table 6 : MONTHLY AVERAGE PRICE OF SELECTED LOCAL ITEMS

		Unit	Jan 09	Feb 09	Mar 09	April 09	May 09	June 09	July 09	Aug 09	Sept 09	Oct 09	Nov 09	Dec 09	Jan 10	Feb 10
	ROOT CROPS															
1	Talo Futuna	1 kg	0.62	0.60	0.65	0.67	0.91	0.80	0.88	1.08	1.05	0.94	0.94	1.04	1.15	1.35
2	Talo Tonga	1kg	0.84	0.88	0.73	0.80	1.18	1.03	1.24	1.32	1.45	1.17	1.08	1.33	1.38	1.29
3	Manioke	1 kg	0.52	0.55	0.53	0.51	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.67	0.88	0.90	1.23	1.11	0.87	0.85
4	Kumala	1 kg	0.86	0.65	0.56	0.66	0.73	0.81	1.30	1.24	1.19	1.32	1.27	1.17	1.16	1.06
5	Yams (early)	1 kg	2.89	2.76	2.23	2.38	2.19	2.71	3.59	3.80	3.83	3.99	3.91	3.96	3.92	3.31
6	Yams (late)	1 kg	1.41	1.67	1.59	1.45	2.08	2.22	1.71	2.14	2.29	2.11	1.98	1.98	1.98	1.98
	VEGETABLES															
1	Lu	1 kg	3.67	2.99	3.87	2.88	3.14	1.91	2.51	2.36	2.68	2.68	5.88	7.03	5.15	6.14
2	Pele	1 kg	1.35	1.38	1.36	1.88	2.20	2.65	2.38	2.63	2.62	2.16	2.10	2.00	1.85	2.14
3	Tomatoes	1 kg	5.23	9.86	12.97	10.57	11.61	3.92	2.63	2.10	2.15	1.70	1.28	1.29	1.03	1.48
4	H/Cabbage	1 kg	2.75	5.74	5.90	6.31	3.99	1.54	1.49	1.85	1.22	0.69	0.88	1.64	1.78	3.14
5	Plantain	1 kg	1.01	0.97	0.81	0.83	1.19	0.93	0.85	1.34	1.80	1.70	1.52	1.87	1.36	1.18
6	Breadfruit	1 kg	0.55	0.50	0.55	0.54	0.75	0.59	0.63	0.85	0.86	0.84	0.78	0.78	1.04	1.08
7	Carrots	1 kg	3.84	5.59	8.10	8.92	10.42	5.52	3.55	3.14	2.51	2.16	1.71	2.82	1.92	1.94
8	Capsicum	1 kg	11.93	17.10	13.60	13.89	21.53	11.78	8.57	6.60	6.69	7.48	5.44	8.24	5.98	3.93
	FRUITS AND NUTS															
1	Bananas ripe	1 kg	1.80	1.88	1.92	1.93	2.43	3.76	4.13	4.99	4.64	3.81	3.65	2.58	3.21	2.88
2	Watermelon	1 kg	0.74	1.09	1.37	1.30	0.86	1.00	1.06	1.75	1.62	0.87	0.99	0.73	1.24	1.02
3	Pineapple	1 kg	5.34	5.36	4.86	4.38	6.84	6.48	4.95	6.88	7.99	4.79	3.24	5.48	3.49	3.81
4	Pawpaw	1 kg	1.47	1.24	1.66	1.89	3.13	2.57	3.08	3.64	3.29	4.65	3.18	2.91	2.06	2.22
5	Coconut (dry)	1 kg	0.34	0.29	0.35	0.32	0.29	0.33	0.32	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.39	0.42	0.41	0.35
6	Coconut (green)	1 kg	0.53	0.52	0.54	0.54	0.58	0.65	0.60	0.55	0.57	0.58	0.52	0.68	0.63	0.57
7	Peanuts	1 kg	18.93	19.79	20.00	18.97	29.00	25.42	23.41	31.46	25.40	22.74	22.62	19.30	27.30	31.00
	MARINE AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS															
1	Sausages	1 kg	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.90	8.90	8.83	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90
2	Eggs	1doz	0.57	0.57	0.53	0.52	0.53	0.57	0.60	0.52	0.50	0.53	0.53	0.53	0.50	0.50
3	Tuna	1 kg	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.67	12.00	10.00	8.67	8.00	8.00
4	Octopus	1 kg	25.83	14.97	15.26	15.10	15.73	16.53	12.34	8.26	10.67	8.30	13.89	17.78	14.94	15.87
5	Cockles (to'o)	1 kg	3.78	2.46	2.93	2.32	3.76	6.25	5.89	5.67	6.97	4.94	4.86	3.75	2.96	2.46
6	Lobsters	1 kg	17.86	16.28	14.76	8.57	16.65	25.00	25.00	25.00	22.22	19.44	19.44	19.44	15.94	17.28
7	Stringed fish (Mixed)	1 kg	9.25	6.65	6.79	7.53	8.85	10.41	10.19	10.30	12.32	8.43	8.09	8.48	6.56	6.52
	Kava Tonga	100g	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00

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Table 7: MONTHLY AVERAGE PRICE OF SELECTED IMPORTED ITEMS

	Unit	Jan 09	Feb 09	Mar 09	April 09	May 09	June 09	July 09	Aug 09	Sept 09	Oct 09	Nov 09	Dec 09	Jan 10	Feb 10
FOOD GROUP															
Fruits and Vegetables															
Potatoes	kg	3.04	3.04	3.04	2.84	2.51	2.50	2.50	2.91	2.76	2.40	2.37	2.19	2.15	2.33
Onions	kg	3.05	3.05	3.23	2.45	2.46	2.36	2.50	2.57	2.57	2.49	2.49	2.31	2.56	2.91
Apples	kg	10.50	10.50	11.78	11.78	11.78	11.25	11.93	11.23	11.93	11.93	12.93	13.38	12.40	12.40
Oranges	kg	10.03	10.03	12.45	13.68	13.68	14.65	14.63	14.48	14.48	14.48	14.65	12.36	11.50	12.00
Meats, Fish and Poultry															
Mutton Flaps	kg	6.71	7.04	7.20	7.52	7.67	7.83	7.91	8.43	9.66	9.20	8.49	8.22	8.49	8.29
Chicken pieces	kg	4.61	4.41	4.31	4.20	4.38	4.39	4.30	4.15	3.97	3.98	3.60	3.56	3.78	3.54
Other Food															
Flour	kg	2.31	2.29	2.18	2.17	2.18	2.18	2.18	2.09	2.13	2.13	2.10	2.09	2.07	2.02
Sugar	kg	1.82	1.85	1.90	1.94	1.99	1.99	1.94	1.89	1.89	1.88	1.82	1.75	1.85	1.93
HOUSING GROUP															
House Maintenance Goods															
Reinforcing Steel	each	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30
Corrugated Iron	1'	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	5.91	5.91	5.91
TOBACCO, ALCOHOL AND KAVA															
Tobacco															
Winfield Blue	packet	9.93	10.10	10.33	10.56	10.56	10.39	9.96	9.65	9.42	9.18	8.88	9.17	9.71	9.75
Port Royal Tobacco	packet	12.79	12.89	12.89	13.01	13.01	13.16	13.24	13.24	13.58	13.65	13.55	13.55	13.78	13.83
TRANSPORTATION GROUP															
Private Transportation															
Petrol	litre	2.10	1.89	2.07	2.12	2.16	2.20	2.31	2.45	2.43	2.30	2.31	2.37	2.37	2.45
Diesel	litre	2.47	2.22	2.21	2.17	2.10	2.16	2.24	2.43	2.38	2.29	2.34	2.41	2.38	2.41

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