CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
TIMOR – LESTE, MARCH QUARTER 2012

MARCH QUARTER 2012 KEY FIGURES

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1. Food | 1.7% | 11.7% |
2. Alcohol and tobacco | 1.7% | 17.9% |
3. Clothing and footwear | 2.1% | 14.9% |
4. Housing | 1.4% | 11.4% |
5. Household furnishings, supplies and services | -0.3% | 1.6% |
6. Health | 0.4% | 1.8% |
7. Recreation and education | 0.3% | 1.4% |
8. Transport and communication | 4.8% | 9.7% |

MARCH QUARTER 2012 KEY POINTS

THE ALL GROUPS CPI

- On a quarterly basis the CPI for Timor-Leste increased (1.7%) (March quarter 2012 compared to December quarter 2011);
- On an annual basis the CPI for Timor-Leste increased (10.8%) (March quarter 2012 compared to March quarter 2011).

OVERVIEW OF CPI MOVEMENTS

- Contributing to the overall increase this quarter were Transport (5.6%), Meat and meat products (4.9%), Nuts (4.5%) Household fuel utilities (3.5%), Children’s and infants clothing (3.2%), Non-alcoholic drinks (2.8%), Tobacco (2.5%), Educations (1.7%) Compared to previous quarter.
- Contributing most to the overall annual increase were Men’s clothing (34.5%), Meat and meat products (32.4%), Non-alcoholic drinks (23.8%), Tobacco (20.1%), Vegetables (16.5%), Children’s and infants’ clothing (16.1%), House building costs (12.4%) Transport (11.6%).

The CPI Timor-Leste for April quarter 2012 will be released on 16 July 2012
OVERVIEW OF CPI MOVEMENTS (continued)

Chart 1 - CPI Timor-Leste: % change December quarter 2011 to March quarter 2012, by Consumption

Chart 2 - CPI Timor-Leste: % change December 2011 to March quarter 2012, by Consumption Group

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures changes over time in the price of a ‘basket’ of goods and services which account for a high proportion of expenditure by resident households. This ‘basket’ covers a wide range of goods and services, arranged in the following eight groups: 1. Food; 2. Alcohol and tobacco; 3. Clothing and footwear; 4. Housing; 5. Household furnishings, supplies and services; 6. Health; 7. Recreation and education; 8. Transports and communication.

PRICE COLLECTION - CPI Timor-Leste:

Each month prices are collected at regular intervals for all items in the Dili region. Prices are also collected at regular quarterly intervals for all items from a representative selection of other regions throughout Timor-Leste. The measure of the interim monthly price movements for each item outside Dili region is then estimated using corresponding Dili region item price movement as an indicator series.

WEIGHTING PATTERN:

There are 30 sub-groups (that is, categories of like items) in the first series CPI and each sub-group has its own weight, or measure of relative importance. In calculating the index, price changes for the various sub-groups are combined using these weights.

For further explanations please refer to the National Statistics Directorate website www.dne.mof.gov.tl

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