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**ALL-INDIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX NUMBERS FOR AGRICULTURAL AND RURAL LABOURERS – JULY, 2018**

1. The All-India Consumer Price Index Numbers for Agricultural Labourers and Rural Labourers (Base: 1986-87=100) for the month of July, 2018 increased by 8 points each to stand at 902 (Nine hundred and two) and 910 (Nine hundred and ten) points respectively.

2. The rise in index varied from State to State. In case of Agricultural Labourers, it recorded an increase of 1 to 16 points. Tamil Nadu State with 1042 points topped the index table whereas Bihar State with 726 points stood at the bottom.

3. In case of Rural Labourers, it recorded an increase of 1 to 15 points. Tamil Nadu State with 1035 points topped the index table whereas Bihar State with 733 points stood at the bottom.

4. The Consumer Price Index Numbers for Agricultural Labourers of Haryana State registered the maximum increase of 16 points and for Rural Labourers, Haryana & Punjab States registered the maximum increase of 15 points each mainly due to rise in prices of rice, wheat-atta, onion, fruits & vegetables, sugar and gur.

5. Point to point rate of inflation based on the CPI-AL and CPI-RL increased from 1.94% and 2.04% in June, 2018 to 2.04% and 2.25% respectively in July, 2018. Inflation based on food index of CPI-AL and CPI-RL is at 0% & (+) 0.24% respectively in July, 2018.

6. All-India Consumer Price Index Number (General & Group-wise)

Group	Agricultural Labourers		Rural Labourers	
	June, 2018	July, 2018	June, 2018	July, 2018
<b>General Index</b>	<b>894</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>902</b>	<b>910</b>
Food	837	846	843	853
Pan, Supari, etc.	1524	1521	1533	1532
Fuel & Light	1028	1031	1023	1026
Clothing, Bedding & Footwear	932	935	942	946
Miscellaneous	925	930	935	940

7. The CPI – AL and RL for the month of August, 2018 will be released on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

  
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