

MOBILE APP "GST RATES FINDER" WHICH IS AVAILABLE ON ANDROID PLATFORM TO BE SOON AVAILABLE ON IOS PLATFORM AS WELL¹

CBEC Mobile app "GST Rates Finder" which is available on android platform and soon will be available on ios platform as well. To install "GST Rate Finder", user of Android mobile has to first open Google Play Store and in the search option has to type GST Rate Finder. There may be many more apps available with similar names. The user has to download the app with CBEC Logo i.e.

Once downloaded and installed the icon will appear on the screen of the mobile. Now this mobile app is ready to operate and it will also operate in off-line mode.

After clicking the icon with the above logo for the mobile app, home screen will appear. On this screen the most important feature is Quick Search. The user can search for any goods and services by typing the name or chapter heading of the commodity or services.

If the user is not aware of the Chapter Heading of HSN then the user can type the name of the Goods or Services. For e.g. if the user search for Taxi related services then, Taxi has to typed in Quick Search. This search will provide the list of Goods and Services containing the name "Taxi", which was typed in the search box. Now the user may scroll the list and click on the specific category which the user is searching and as a result of the click, a window will pop-up

This window will contain details like "GST rate", "Chapter heading of the HSN", and description of services. If still the user is not satisfied then a link of CBEC website is available on the home screen. This link will open the GST page of the CBEC website. The details are available on this website.

If the user is aware of the chapter heading or the HSN Code then the specific HSN code can be typed in Quick search box and the user can immediately see the specific description.

For example, any person who has been billed by a hotel or restaurant or for footwear can cross verify the rates through this mobile app. It will increase transparency and truly empowers every citizen of the nation and serves as a ready reckoner for one and all.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX NUMBERS ON BASE 2012=100 FOR RURAL, URBAN AND COMBINED FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2017²

- 1. The Central Statistics Office (CSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation has revised the Base Year of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) from 2010=100 to 2012=100 with effect from the release of indices for the month of January 2015.
- 2. In this press note, the CPI (Rural, Urban, and Combined) on Base 2012=100 is being released for the month of June 2017. In addition to this, Consumer Food Price Index (CFPI) for all India Rural, Urban and Combined are also being released for June 2017. All India Inflation

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rates (on point to point basis i.e. current month over same month of last year, i.e., June 2017 over June 2016), based on General Indices and CFPIs are given as follows:

All India Inflation rates (%) based on CPI (General) and CFPI

Indices	June 2017 (Prov.)			N	1 (Hay 2017	inal)	June 2016 (Final)		
	Rural	Urban	Comb d.	Rural	Urban	Combd.	Rural	Urban	Combd.
CPI (General)	1.59	1.41	1.54	2.30	2.13	2.18	6.29	5.26	5.77
CFPI	-1.62	-3.16	-2.12	-0.60	-1.85	-1.05	7.69	8.16	7.79

Notes: Prov. - Provisional, Combd. - Combined

3. Monthly changes in the General Indices and CFPIs are given below:

Monthly changes (%) in All India CPI (General) and CFPI: June 2017 over May. 2017

Indices	Rural				Urban		Combined		
	Index Value			Index Value			Index Value		%
	Jun.1 7	May17	% Change	Jun.17	May17	% Change	Jun.17	May17	Chan ge
CPI (General)	134.0	133.3	0.53	129.9	129.3	0.46	132.1	131.4	0.53
CFPI	133.7	132.5	0.91	134.7	132.3	1.81	134.1	132.4	1.28

Note: Figures of June 2017 are provisional.

- 4. Provisional indices for the month of June 2017 and also the final indices for May 2017 are being released with this note for all-India and for State/UTs. All-India provisional General (all-groups), Group and Sub-group level CPI and CFPI numbers for June 2017 for Rural, Urban and Combined are given in Annexure I. The inflation rates of important categories of items are given in Annexure II. State/UT wise provisional General CPI numbers for Rural, Urban and Combined are given in Annexure III. Inflation rates of major States, having population more than 50 lakhs as per population Census 2011, are given in Annexure IV. State/UT-wise Group CPIs are available on the Ministry's website (www.mospi.gov.in).
- 5. Price data are collected from selected towns by the Field Operations Division of NSSO and from selected villages by the Department of Posts. Price data are received through web portals, maintained by the National Informatics Centre.

Next date of release: 14th August 2017 (Monday)

WORKSHOP ON IBC, 2016 FOR INSOLVENCY PROFESSIONALS³

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India proposes to conduct a two-day workshop on Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 for the Insolvency Professionals who have registered with the Board under Regulation 7 of Insolvency Professionals Regulations, 2016 after having cleared the Limited Insolvency Examination.

The Workshop will be held on July 26 and 27, 2017 at Merchant Chamber of Commerce & Industries, 15-B, Hemanta Basu Sarani, Kolkata-700001, West Bengal.

Last date of acceptance of applications is July 23, 2017.

The application form is available at http://www.ibbi.gov.in/Workshopapplicationform.pdf and for further details on registering to the Workshop, kindly visit http://www.ibbi.gov.in/workshop.html or call at 011-23462864.

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