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classification_system	•The consumer expenditure data collected by the NSSO, in its 68th Round in 2011-12, was used for deriving weighting diagrams for all the 34 States and All-India, separately for Agricultural Labourers and Rural Labourers. The various items are classified into 5 consumption groups and 19 subgroups broadly as per COICOP, 2018. The groups are as follows: Groups and Sub groups for Consumer Price Index For Agricultural Labourers & Rural Labourers <table><thead><tr><th>Sl.No.</th><th>Group</th><th>Sub- Group</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages</td><td> 1.1 Cereals and Products 1.2 Pulses and Its Products 1.3 Milk and Its Products 1.4 Sugar and Confectionery 1.5 Oils and Fats 1.6 Meat, Fish and Eggs 1.7 Vegetables 1.8 Fruits 1.9 Spices 1.10 Non-Alcoholic beverages 1.11 Prepared meals snacks, sweet </td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Fuel & Light</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>Cloth, Supari, Tobacco & Intoxicants</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>Clothing, Bedding & Footwear</td><td> 4.1 Clothing 4.2 Footwear </td></tr></tbody></table>	Sl.No.	Group	Sub- Group	1	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	1.1 Cereals and Products 1.2 Pulses and Its Products 1.3 Milk and Its Products 1.4 Sugar and Confectionery 1.5 Oils and Fats 1.6 Meat, Fish and Eggs 1.7 Vegetables 1.8 Fruits 1.9 Spices 1.10 Non-Alcoholic beverages 1.11 Prepared meals snacks, sweet	2	Fuel & Light		3	Cloth, Supari, Tobacco & Intoxicants		4	Clothing, Bedding & Footwear	4.1 Clothing 4.2 Footwear
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standard_classification	Classification of Individual Consumption according to Purpose (COICOP)															
international_classification																
national_classification	National Classification of Occupation (NCO 2015)															
sector_coverage	Population Coverage: CPI-AL/RL is for target population of agricultural and rural Labourers.															

concepts_and_definitions	Rural Labour Households Rural labour households are those rural households whose major source of income from economic activities during the last 365 days is derived from either regular wage/salary employment or employment as casual labour. Agricultural Labour households Agricultural labour households are a subset of rural labour households whose major source of income during the last 365 days is derived from agricultural activities, through regular wage/salary employment or casual labour in activities classified under Section A of NIC-2008. The CPI is compiled for Agricultural and Rural Labourers for 34 states and UTs as well as the All India level. .
statistical_unit	Rural Households, Village, Blocks Districts and States
population_coverage	The Consumer Price Index Numbers for Agricultural Labour cover the households of agricultural labourers and the Consumer Price Index Numbers for Rural Labour cover the households of rural labourers (including agricultural labourers).
reference_period	•Timing of price observation: The prices are collected on monthly basis from local village level markets spread over 34 States and UTs. •The retail prices for different commodity groups are collected on fixed days of the week as far as possible, such that comparisons between two markets from the same outlet are not affected by differences in the timings of data collection.
duration_and_enumeration_period	The collection of retail prices is staggered over the four weeks of a month, with one quarter of the sample villages being covered every week on a fixed collection day. CPI - AL& RL index numbers are released on 20th day of the following month/last working day before the 20th.
sample_dataset_size	The indices for each State covers 150 to 200 items. Around 158920 retail price quotes are collected once a month from selected shops in selected markets serving 787 fixed sample villages, 34 states/UTs.
data_confidentiality	Data Sharing-The unit/village level price data of the basket of commodities are not shared with any stake holder. However, if at all the data needs to be shared; the identity particulars of the market/villages are suitably anonymized to ensure data confidentiality
legal_acts_and_other_agreements	In accordance with the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961, as amended from time to time, it is the responsibility of the Ministry of Labour and Employment (Labour Bureau) to compile and release the data on CPI-AL & RL.
data_sharing	Data Sharing- The unit/village level price data of the basket of commodities are not shared with any stakeholder. Monthly indices of CPI-AL/RL are released through the press release and dashboard data, which are published on the official website of Labour Bureau for wider dissemination. The release of CPI-AL & RL is governed by IMF's Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS).
release_calendar	An advance release calendar which gives one year ahead notice of the precise release date is disseminated through Labour Bureau's official website & the IMF's Data Dissemination Bulletin Board (DSBB). CPI - AL& RL index numbers are released on 20th day of the following month/last working day before the 20th.
frequency_of_dissemination	Monthly
data_access	The broad-based data are released simultaneously to all interested users by the Labour Bureau by issuing the Press Note on CPI-AL & RL. The data are then subsequently posted on the Labour Bureau's website. https://labourbureau.gov.in Following files are uploaded every month on the official website of Labour Bureau: - 1. Press Release on CPI-AL/RL for the current month (pdf form). 2. All India monthly group data is also available on Labour Bureau website. 3. State-wise monthly group data is also available on Labour Bureau's website. https://labourbureau.gov.in/general-index-alrl

documentation_on_methodology	Documentation on the methodology and the data sources used in the compilation of the Consumer Price Indices for Agricultural Labourers & Rural Labourers is available in detailed note of CPI AL & RL on the website of Labour Bureau. https://labourbureau.gov.in
quality_documentation	CPI data is validated using the checks mentioned in the Practical Guide to Producing Consumer Price Indices (PGPCPI) (UN Manual).
quality_assurance	• Strict compliance with all rules and regulation and in accordance with best practices regarding integrity and confidentiality to prevent any influence from other parties. Consistency in concepts as well as in published data are also an issue of high priority as even very small discrepancies or ambiguities in the published indexes may have considerable effect as many wages are adjusted according to CPI- AL& RL. Hence, on-job training and instructions/manual to follow rules and procedures in the compilation of the index to ensure the quality are provided. • Measures are in place to monitor the quality at the various statistical stages. Through the regional offices and the price supervisors, efforts are continuously made to ensure that the guidelines for price collectors are followed. The processing of data is carefully done each month according to a fixed schedule for checking and validation of data. The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on Statistics on Prices and Cost of Living (SPCL) provides guidance and recommendations on the quality of the index series and on strategies for improving data production. Although this body is advisory, its recommendations are followed in practice.
sampling_error	CPI-AL/RL for India has been designed by following standard international practices so as to minimize the sampling error while maximizing sampling efficiency and reducing bias as much as possible.
measures_of_reliability	The data collected is being scrutinized & validated before using in index compilation at various levels.
timeliness	CPI-AL/RL for the reference month is released with a lag of 20 days.
comparability_overtime	The linking factor between the old series (base 1986-87=100) and the existing series (base 2019=100) is available on the Labour Bureau's website.
coherence	All the series of CPI-AL & RL are designed by following standard international practices and are overseen by T.A.C on S.P.C.L.
source_data_type	The Consumer Price Index for Agricultural Labourers & Rural Labourers (2019=100) is a Laspeyres index covering 34 States and UTs throughout the country. The previous base for index was 1986-87=100. The indices for each state covers 150 to 200 items. Around 158920 retail price quotes are collected once a month from selected shops in selected markets serving 787 fixed sample villages, 34 states/UTs.
frequency_of_data_collection	The prices are collected every month as per a weekly schedule.
data_collection_method	Field Operation Division of NSO (MOSPI) collects the data from local village markets/outlets spread over 787 villages across the country as per the weekly schedule. The retail prices are collected in fixed weeks as per the schedule, such that comparisons between two markets/outlets are not affected by differences in the timings of data collection.
data_validation	Price data are routinely assessed for errors by price collectors and by Labour Bureau's staff as part of the monthly production of the CPIs. Data are carefully examined and checked for outliers' which is referred back to field for verification. . Unusual movements in prices for an item of the related State are referred back to the field offices of NSO (FOD) and got clarified before using in the indices. Sometimes joint inspection in collaboration with NSO (FOD) is conducted if needed. In case of non-response of the shopkeepers 2 reserve shops have been identified of capturing the prices. Consumption Expenditure Survey (2011-12), data source for the weights, was carried out by the NSO (FOD). The NSS's instructions to field staff described in detail definitions, classifications, and rules to prevent as far as possible mistakes and errors.

data_compilation	Computation of lowest level indices and aggregation: The base-year fixed basket quantity weight Laspeyres formula is used for compilation of the index. In the first instance, the price relative of each item for each village is worked out. A geometric mean of village-wise price relatives of the items is worked out at the state level. The index of the State/UT is worked out from the state level price relatives using the Laspeyres formula. The index is first compiled for each State at general as well as at disaggregated level (i.e., group/subgroup/item). The all-India index is compiled as a weighted geometric mean of 34 States/UTs indices, weights being the estimated consumption expenditure of all rural and agricultural households in each State/UT as a proportion of total consumption expenditure for all-India. 2. Reference period: The present series of these two index numbers is on base year 2019=100
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