

## Export Processing Zone (EPZ) 2nd Quarter 1986

### Introduction

The Central Statistical Office regularly carries out a quarterly survey on employment in the EPZ enterprises in order to follow the evolution of employment in this sector. Revised data on the March Survey, the provisional results of the June Survey, and an estimate of EPZ imports and exports during the first six months of the year are presented in this issue of Economic Indicators.

### 2. Employment as at 31st March 1986 (Revised)

The employment figures relating to the March Survey have been revised in the light of additional responses obtained after May 1986. The total number of persons employed as at end of March 1986 has therefore been revised from 61,700 to 63,010 of which 44,023 were female workers and 18,987, male workers.

### 3. Employment evolution during 2nd Quarter 1986

During the 2nd Quarter 1986, 28 new enterprises have started operation, creating around 800 jobs. In addition, 44 of the existing enterprises have extended their activities and have recruited around 4,300 additional workers, which brought total employment creation to around 5,100. However as there were 2,078 jobs lost mainly through contraction of activities, the net increase in employment during the second quarter was around 3,000.

### 4. Employment situation as at 30th June 1986

As at 30th June 1986, there were 343 enterprises operating in the EPZ Sector with a work force of 66,000 of which 70% (around 45,500) were female workers and 30% (around 20,500) male workers.

It is noted that the EPZ enterprises have recruited about 19,300 workers during the last twelve months compared to 14,000 during the corresponding period last year. Slightly over 12,000 jobs have been created during the first half of this year. Also, the proportion of male recruits during the period January to June 1986 reached 50%. The proportion of female to male workers in this sector now stands at 7 : 3 compared to 9 : 3 a year ago and 12 : 3 in 1984.

## 5. Exports and Imports

Figures on exports and imports of the EPZ enterprises relating to the months of May and June have not yet been finalized. However, preliminary estimates indicate that EPZ exports during the first six months of the year reached Rs 2,200 mn compared to Rs 1,300 mn during the corresponding period of last year. On this trend, total EPZ exports for the year 1986 may well reach Rs 5,000 million.

Imports of raw materials and capital goods during the first six months of 1986 is estimated to be around Rs 1,850 million.

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Table 1 - EPZ :- Employment as at March 1986 and June 1986, by category of enterprise and by sex

Category of enterprise*	Number of enterprises as at end of .....		Employment as at end of .....									
	March 1986	June 1986	Net change	March 1986 <sup>1/</sup>			June 1986			Net change		
				Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Large	287	300	+ 13	18,839	42,822	61,661	20,381	44,318	64,699	+1,542	+1,496	+3,038
Small	32	40	+ 8	108	58	166	141	89	230	+ 33	+ 31	+ 64
Outworkers <sup>2/</sup>	(2)	(3)	(+ 1)	40	1,143	1,183	-	1,071	1,071	- 40	- 72	- 112
TOTAL	321	343	+ 22	18,987	44,023	63,010	20,522	45,478	66,000	+1,535	+1,455	+2,990

\*Category of enterprise :

Large : Enterprise employing 10 or more persons

Small : Enterprise employing less than 10 persons

Outworkers : Persons working at their home, on materials provided by enterprise

<sup>1/</sup> Revised

<sup>2/</sup> Number of enterprises relate to enterprises employing exclusively outworkers, whilst employment refers to total number of persons employed as outworkers.

Table 1(a) - EPZ :- Employment as at December 1985 and June 1986, by category of enterprise and by sex

Category of enterprise*	Number of enterprises as at end of .....			Employment as at end of .....						Net change		
	December 1985		June 1986	December 1985			June 1986			Male	Female	Total
	December 1985	June 1986	Net change	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Large	248	300	+ 52	14,695	37,458	52,153	20,381	44,318	64,699	+5,686	+6,860	+12,546
Small	38	40	+ 2	142	78	220	141	89	230	- 1	+ 11	+ 10
Outworkers <sup>1/</sup>	(4)	(3)	(-1)	45	1,532	1,578	-	1,071	1,071	- 46	- 461	- 507
TOTAL	290	343	+ 53	14,883	39,068	53,951	20,522	45,478	66,000	+5,639	+6,410	+12,049

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Outworkers : Persons working at their home, on materials provided by enterprise

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Table 2 - Evolution in the EPZ sector during the 2nd Quarter 1986

Description	Number of enterprises	Employment
1. SITUATION AS AT END OF MARCH 1986	321	63,010*
2. Total employment creation	...	5,068
of which through:		
Expansion 1/	(44)	(4,297)
of existing enterprises	(28)	(771)
New enterprises	...	2,078
3. Total loss		
of which through:		
Contraction 2/	(16)	(1,827)
of existing enterprises	(6)	(251)
Closing down of enterprises	+ 22	+ 2,990
4. Net change	343	66,000
5. SITUATION AS AT END OF JUNE 1986		

1/ Expansion relates to only enterprises which have increased their workforce by 25 or more employees

2/ Contraction relates to enterprises which have reduced their workforce by 25 or more employees

\* Revised

Table 3 - EPZ : Analysis of net change in employment during period March 1986-  
June 1986 by product group

Product group	Employment as at end of .....		Net change in employment
	March <sup>1/</sup> 1986	June 1986	
1. Flowers	219	242	+ 23
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,973	1,998	+ 25
3. Wearing apparels	55,246	57,938	+ 2,692
of which (a) pullovers	(28,908)	(30,260)	(+ 1,352)
(b) gloves	(1,488)	(1,525)	(+ 37)
(c) other garments	(24,850)	(26,153)	(+ 1,303)
4. Leather products and footwear	618	702	+ 84
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	768	677	- 91
6. Optical goods	365	388	+ 23
7. Watches and clocks	693	669	- 24
8. Jewellery and related articles	914	942	+ 28
9. Fishing tackles and flies	459	558	+ 99
10. Toys and carnival articles	701	719	+ 18
11. Other	1,054	1,167	+ 113
T O T A L	63,010	66,000	+ 2,990

<sup>1/</sup> Revised

Table 4 - Employment in the EPZ sector as at June 1985 and June 1986, by category of enterprise and by sex

Category of enterprise*	No. of enterprises as at end of period		Employment as at end of period						Net change		
	June 1985	June 1986	June 1985			June 1986			Male	Female	Total
			Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total			
Large	200	300	10,810	33,947	44,757	20,381	44,318	64,699	+9,571	+10,371	+19,942
Small	35	40	123	75	198	141	89	230	+ 18	+ 14	+ 32
Outworkers	(2)	(3)	70	1,644	1,714	-	1,071	-1,071	- 70	- 573	- 643
TOTAL	257	343	11,003	35,566	46,669	20,522	45,478	66,000	+9,519	+ 9,812	+19,331

\* Category of enterprise:

Large : Enterprises employing 10 or more persons

Small : Enterprises employing less than 10 persons

Outworkers : Persons working at their home, on materials provided by enterprise

Only number of enterprises employing outworkers are given

Table 5 - EPZ : Analysis of net change in employment during period June 1985 - June 1986 by product group

Product group	Employment as at end of .....		Net change in employment
	June 1985	June 1986	
1. Flowers	187	242	+ 55
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,732	1,998	+ 266
3. Wearing apparels	39,555	57,938	+ 18,383
of which (a) pullovers	(23,339)	(30,260)	(+ 6,921)
(b) gloves	(1,676)	(1,525)	(- 151)
(c) other garments	(14,540)	(26,153)	(+ 11,613)
4. Leather products and footwear	420	702	+ 282
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	897	677	- 220
6. Optical goods	218	388	+ 170
7. Watches and clocks	574	669	+ 95
8. Jewellery and related articles	856	942	+ 86
9. Fishing tackles and flies	470	558	+ 88
10. Toys and carnival articles	724	719	- 5
11. Other	1,036	1,167	+ 131
<b>T O T A L</b>	<b>46,669</b>	<b>66,000</b>	<b>+ 19,331</b>



Table 6 - EPZ:- Number of enterprises by product group, Quarterly Series (1985, 1st and 2nd Quarter 1986)

Product Group	1985			1986		
	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.
1. Flowers	17	17	17	19	19	21
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	12	13	13	13	14	15
3. Wearing apparels	114	133	150	174	203	218
of which (a) pullovers	(38)	(41)	(42)	(44)	(48)	(53)
(b) gloves	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)
(c) other garments	(71)	(87)	(103)	(125)	(150)	(160)
4. Leather products and footwear	6	6	7	7	9	9
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	8	7	7	9	11	11
6. Optical goods	2	2	3	3	3	3
7. Watches and clocks	7	7	6	6	6	5
8. Jewellery and related articles	11	12	13	13	13	13
9. Fishing tackles and flies	4	4	4	4	4	4
10. Toys and carnival articles	6	7	7	7	6	6
11. Other	28	29	30	35	33	38
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>343</b>

Table 7 - EPZ :- Employment by product group, Quarterly Series, (1985, 1st and 2nd Qr. 1986)

Product group	1 9 8 5				1 9 8 6	
	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	1st Qr. ✓	2nd Qr.
1. Flowers	185	187	219	217	219	242
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,592	1,732	1,736	1,771	1,973	1,998
3. Wearing apparels	36,565	39,555	43,009	46,580	55,246	57,938
of which (a) pullovers	(22,099)	(23,339)	(25,139)	(25,186)	(28,908)	(30,260)
(b) gloves	(1,342)	(1,676)	(1,747)	(1,750)	(1,488)	(1,525)
(c) other garments	(13,124)	(14,540)	(16,123)	(19,644)	(24,850)	(26,153)
4. Leather products and footwear	414	420	442	454	618	702
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	934	897	876	969	768	677
6. Optical goods	218	218	274	280	365	388
7. Watches and clocks	474	574	603	631	693	669
8. Jewellery and related articles	769	856	906	888	914	942
9. Fishing tackles and flies	445	470	548	461	459	558
10. Toys and carnival articles	683	724	700	695	701	719
11. Other	855	1,036	905	1,005	1,054	1,167
<b>T O T A L</b>	<b>43,134</b>	<b>46,669</b>	<b>50,218</b>	<b>53,951</b>	<b>63,010</b>	<b>66,000</b>

Table 8 - EPZ:- Employment evolution by product group and sex (June 1984 - June 1986)

Product group	June 1984			June 1985			June 1986		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	1. Flowers	70	80	150	85	102	187	119	123
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	722	758	1,480	831	901	1,732	1,164	834	1,998
3. Wearing apparels	3,347	23,193	26,540	8,196	31,359	39,555	16,959	40,979	57,938
of which (a) pullovers	(1,795)	(15,872)	(17,667)	(3,144)	(20,195)	(23,339)	(6,397)	(23,863)	(30,260)
(b) gloves	(72)	(978)	(1,050)	(144)	(1,532)	(1,676)	(216)	(1,309)	(1,525)
(c) other garments	(1,480)	(6,343)	(7,823)	(4,908)	(9,632)	(14,540)	(10,346)	(15,807)	(26,153)
4. Leather products and footwear	107	307	414	119	301	420	253	449	702
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	293	659	952	337	560	897	348	329	677
6. Optical goods	108	86	194	121	97	218	230	158	388
7. Matches and clocks	129	284	413	164	410	574	184	485	669
8. Jewellery and related articles	562	219	781	577	279	856	622	320	942
9. Fishing tackles and flies	24	472	496	10	452	470	32	526	558
10. Toys and carnival articles	43	538	581	56	668	724	55	664	719
11. Other	241	416	657	499	537	1,036	556	611	1,167
T O T A L	5,646	27,012	32,658	11,003	35,666	46,669	20,522	45,478	66,000