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1. 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. The provisional results of the September Survey, and an estimate of EPZ imports and exports during the first nine months of the year are presented in this issue of Economic Indicators.

2. Employment evolution during 3rd Quarter 1986

During the 3rd Quarter 1986, 41 new enterprises have started operation, creating around 1600 jobs. In addition, 40 of the existing enterprises have extended their activities and have recruited around 4,800 additional workers, which brought total employment creation to around 6,400. However as there were around 1,700 jobs lost mainly through contraction of activities, the net increase in employment during the third quarter was around 4,700 of which 1,650 were male workers and 3,050 female workers.

3. Employment situation as at 30th September 1986

As at 30th September 1986, there were 377 enterprises operating in the EPZ Sector with a work force of 70,700 of which 69% (around 48,500) were female workers and 31% (around 22,200) male workers.

It is noted that the EPZ enterprises have recruited 20,650 workers during the last twelve months compared to 14,330 during the corresponding period last year. On average around 5,600 additional jobs have been created during each quarter of 1986 resulting in a net employment creation of 16,750 jobs during the first nine months of the year. Also since January 1986 more male workers are joining the EPZ enterprises; the proportion of female to male workers in the EPZ sector now stands at 7 : 3 compared to 9 : 3 a year ago and 12 : 3 in 1984.

4. EPZ Exports and Imports

The EPZ enterprises have exported Rs 3.550 mn worth of goods during the first nine months of the year. The imports of raw material and capital goods during the same period amounted to Rs 2.775 mn.

On this trend, it is estimated that total EPZ exports for the year 1986 will reach around Rs 4.900 mn whilst total imports will vary around Rs 3800 mn resulting in a net export figure of around Rs 1100 mn.

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

Category of enterprise*	Number of enterprises as at end of			Employment as at end of											
	June 1986	September 1986	Net change	June 1986 ^{1/}					September 1986					Net change	
				Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Large	300	335	+ 35	20,381	44,318	64,699	22,026	46,689	68,715	+1,645	+2,371	+ 4,016			
Small	40	38	- 2	141	89	230	124	88	212	- 17	- 1	- 18			
Outworkers ^{2/}	(3)	(4)	(+ 1)	-	1,071	1,071	24	1,753	1,777	+ 24	+ 682	+ 706			
TOTAL	343	377	+ 34	20,522	45,478	66,000	22,174	48,530	70,704	+1,652	+3,052	+ 4,704			

*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

^{1/} Revised

^{2/} Number of enterprise 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 September 1986 by category of enterprise and by sex

Category of enterprise*	Number of enterprises as at end of		Employment as at end of									
	December 1985	September 1986	Net change	December 1985			September 1986			Net change		
				Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Large	248	335	+ 87	14,695	37,458	52,153	22,026	46,689	68,715	+7,331	+9,231	+16,562
Small	38	38	-	142	78	220	124	88	212	- 18	+ 10	- 8
Outworkers ^{1/}	(4)	(4)	-	46	1,532	1,578	24	1,753	1,777	- 22	- 221	+ 199
TOTAL	290	377	+ 87	14,883	39,068	53,951	22,174	48,530	70,704	+7,291	+9,462	+16,753

*Category of enterprise :

Large : Enterprise employing 10 or more persons

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Table 2 - Evolution in the EPZ sector during the 3rd Quarter 1986

Description	Number of enterprises	Employment
1. SITUATION AS AT END OF JUNE 1986	343	66,000*
2. Total employment creation	...	6,387
of which through :		
Expansion 1/	(40)	(4,790)
of existing enterprises	(41)	(1,597)
New enterprises	...	1,683
3. Total loss	...	
of which through :		
Contraction 2/	(18)	(1,390)
of existing enterprises	(7)	(293)
Closing down of enterprises	+ 34	+ 4,704
4. Net change		
5. SITUATION AS AT END OF SEPTEMBER 1986	377	70,704

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 June 1986 - September 1986 by product group

Product group	Employment as at end of		Net change in employment
	June 1986	September 1986	
1. Flowers	242	231	- 11
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,998	2,273	+ 275
3. Wearing apparels	57,938	62,226	+ 4,288
of which (a) pullovers	(30,260)	(31,291)	(+ 1,031)
(b) gloves	(1,525)	(1,650)	(+ 125)
(c) other garments	(26,153)	(29,285)	(+ 3,132)
4. Leather products and footwear	702	729	+ 27
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	677	680	+ 3
6. Optical goods	388	405	+ 17
7. Watches and clocks	669	567	- 102
8. Jewellery and related articles	942	1,080	+ 138
9. Fishing tackles and flies	558	556	- 2
10. Toys and carnival articles	719	662	- 57
11. Other	1,167	1,295	+ 128
T O T A L	66,000	70,704	+ 4,704

Table 4 - Employment in the EPZ sector as at September 1985 and September 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											
	September 1985		September 1985				September 1986				September 1986			
	September 1985	September 1985	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Large	217	335	12,332	35,582	47,914	22,026	46,689	68,715	+9,694	+11,107	+20,801			
Small	35	38	122	76	198	124	88	212	2	12	14			
Outworkers	(3)	(4)	46	1,889	1,935	24	1,753	1,777	-22	-136	-158			
TOTAL	255	377	12,500	37,547	50,047	22,174	48,530	70,704	+9,674	+10,983	+20,657			
							Net change							
							+ 118							
							+ 3							
							(+ 1)							
							+ 122							

*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 September 1985 -
September 1986 by product group

Product group	Employment as at and of		Net change in employment
	September 1985	September 1986	
1. Flowers	219	231	+ 12
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,720	2,273	+ 553
3. Wearing apparels	42,919	62,226	+19,307
of which (a) pullovers	(25,413)	(31,291)	(+ 5,878)
(b) gloves	(1,765)	(1,650)	- (- 115)
(c) other garments	(15,741)	(29,285)	(+ 13,544)
4. Leather products and footwear	423	729	+ 306
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	871	680	- 191
6. Optical goods	277	405	+ 128
7. Watches and clocks	604	567	- 37
8. Jewellery and related articles	860	1,080	+ 220
9. Fishing tackles and flies	546	556	+ 10
10. Toys and carnival articles	701	662	- 39
11. Other	907	1,295	+ 388
T O T A L	50,047	70,704	+ 20,657

Table 6 - EPZ :- Number of enterprises by product group, Quarterly Series (1985, 1st, 2nd & 3rd Qr. 1986)

Product group	1985				1986		
	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.
1. Flowers	17	17	17	19	19	21	21
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	12	13	13	13	14	15	17
3. Wearing apparels	114	133	150	174	203	218	249
of which (a) pullovers	(38)	(41)	(42)	(44)	(48)	(53)	(52)
(b) gloves	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)
(c) other garments	(71)	(87)	(103)	(125)	(150)	(160)	(192)
4. Leather products and footwear	6	6	7	7	9	9	9
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	8	7	7	9	11	11	10
6. Optical goods	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
7. Matches and clocks	7	7	6	6	6	5	5
8. Jewellery and related articles	11	12	13	13	13	13	11
9. Fishing tackles and flies	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
10. Toys and carnival articles	6	7	7	7	6	6	6
11. Other	28	29	30	35	33	38	42
TOTAL	215	237	257	290	321	343	377

Table 7 - EPZ :- Employment by product group, Quarterly Series, (1985, 1st, 2nd & 3rd Qr., 1986)

Product group	1985			1986			
	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	1st Qr.	2nd Qr. ^{1/}	3rd Qr.
1. Flowers	185	187	219	217	219	242	231
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,592	1,732	1,736	1,771	1,973	1,998	2,273
3. Wearing apparels	36,565	39,555	43,009	46,580	55,246	57,938	62,226
of which (a) pullovers	(22,099)	(23,339)	(25,139)	(25,186)	(28,908)	(30,260)	(31,291)
(b) gloves	(1,342)	(1,676)	(1,747)	(1,750)	(1,488)	(1,525)	(1,650)
(c) other garments	(13,124)	(14,540)	(16,123)	(19,644)	(24,850)	(26,153)	(29,285)
4. Leather products and footwear	414	420	442	454	618	702	729
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	934	897	876	969	768	677	680
6. Optical goods	218	218	274	280	365	388	405
7. Watches and clocks	474	574	603	631	693	669	567
8. Jewellery and related articles	769	856	906	888	914	942	1,080
9. Fishing tackles and flies	445	470	548	461	459	558	556
10. Toys and carnival articles	683	724	700	695	701	719	662
11. Other	855	1,036	905	1,005	1,054	1,167	1,295
T O T A L	43,134	46,669	50,218	53,951	63,010	66,000	70,704

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

Product group	September 1984			September 1985			September 1986		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
	1. Flowers	82	90	172	115	104	219	107	124
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	751	752	1,503	933	787	1,720	1,400	873	2,273
3. Wearing apparels	4,292	24,995	29,287	9,586	33,333	42,919	18,118	44,108	62,226
of which (a) pullovers	(2,056)	(16,946)	(19,002)	(3,909)	(21,504)	(25,413)	(6,390)	(24,901)	(31,291)
(b) gloves	(101)	(1,089)	(1,190)	(178)	(1,587)	(1,765)	(204)	(1,446)	(1,650)
(c) other garments	(2,135)	(6,960)	(9,095)	(5,499)	(10,242)	(15,741)	(11,524)	((17,761)	(29,285)
4. Leather products and footwear	116	323	439	125	298	423	269	460	729
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	301	745	1,046	327	544	871	342	338	680
6. Optical goods	115	87	202	157	120	277	244	161	405
7. Watches and clocks	137	303	440	183	421	604	169	398	567
8. Jewellery and related articles	559	224	783	584	276	860	733	347	1,080
9. Fishing tackles and flies	21	442	463	19	527	546	32	524	556
10. Toys and carnival articles	52	594	646	51	650	701	59	603	662
11. Other	305	431	736	420	487	907	701	594	1,295
TOTAL	6,731	28,986	35,717	12,500	37,547	50,047	22,174	48,530	70,704