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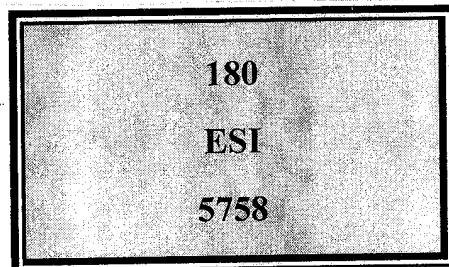
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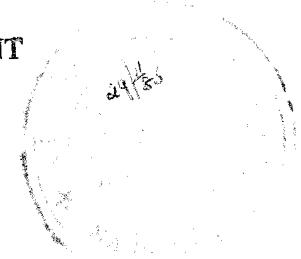
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Export Processing Zone - 3rd Quarter 1985

1. Introduction

This issue contains the results of the September 1985 Survey of Employment in the EPZ sector and gives also the latest available figures on EPZ imports and exports.

2. Employment

During the 3rd quarter 1985, 18 new enterprises started operation creating 3,378 additional jobs of which 1,497 were male workers and 1,881 female workers.

As at the end of September 1985, there were 255 enterprises operating in the EPZ sector and the work force reached 50,047 of which 35,547 were female workers and 12,500 male workers.

An analysis of the figures on employment evolution during the first nine months of 1985 shows that 12,515 additional jobs (4,577 males and 7,938 females) have been created since January. Of these 10,263 jobs were created through expansion of existing enterprises, 3,695 jobs through the opening of new enterprises and 1,443 jobs were lost mainly through contraction of existing enterprises. On average there has been a steady increase of around 4,175 jobs during each quarter of 1985. The manufacture of wearing apparel has remained the main sector providing new opportunities for employment. In fact, 95% of the additional jobs, i.e. 11,854, have been created in this sector.

3. Exports and Imports

The detailed tabulations on foreign trade statistics for the 3rd Quarter 1985 are not yet available. However, a preliminary estimate indicates that exports during the 3rd quarter have been around Rs 980 million thus bringing the total for the first nine months to Rs 2,280 million.

As regards imports, figures for September are not yet known. The import bill for the two months July and August amounted to about Rs 440 million.

The detailed results of the Imports and Exports of the EPZ enterprises will appear in the next 'Economic Indicators' due to be released in mid-December.

Table 1 - EPP:- Employment as at June & September 1985, by category of enterprise and by sex

Category of enterprise *	Number of enterprises as at end of			Employment as at end of						Net change		
				June 1985			September 1985					
	June 1985	September 1985	Net change	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total			
Large	200	217	+ 17	10,810	33,947	44,757	12,332	35,582	47,914	+ 1,522	+ 1,635	
Small	35	35	-	123	75	198	122	76	198	- 1	+ 1	
Outworkers ¹	(2)	(3)	(+ 1)	70	1,644	1,714	46	1,889	1,935	- 24	+ 245	
TOTAL	237	255	+ 18	11,003	35,666	46,669	12,500	37,547	50,047	+ 1,497	+ 1,881	
											+ 3,378	

* 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/ Number of enterprises relate to enterprises employing exclusively outworkers, whilst employment refers to total number of persons employed as outworkers.

Table 2 - BPZ: Employment as at December 1984 and September 1985 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 1984			September 1985				
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total		
		Net change							
December 1984	September 1985								
Large	168	217	+ 49	7,803	27,849	35,652	12,332	35,582	
Small	26	35	+ 9	93	58	151	122	76	
Outworkers	(1)	(3)	(+ 2)	27	1,702	1,729	46	1,889	
TOTAL	195	255	+ 60	7,923	29,609	37,532	12,500	37,547	
								50,047 + 4,577	
								+ 7,938 + 12,515	

↓/ For definitions see footnotes to table (1)

Table 3 - Employment evolution in the EPZ sector during the period January - September 1985

Description		Number of enterprises	Employment
1. EMPLOYMENT AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 1984		195	37,532
2. Total employment created		121	13,958
of which:			
Employment created through expansion 1/ of existing enterprises	(57)		(10,263)
Employment created through new enterprises	(64)		(3,695)
3. Total employment lost		12	1,445
of which:			
Employment lost through contraction 2/ of existing enterprises	(8)		(1,302)
Employment lost through closing down of enterprises	(4)		(141)
4. Net change in employment		+ 60	+ 12,515
5. EMPLOYMENT AS AT 26TH SEPTEMBER 1985		255	50,047

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

Table 4 - EPZ:- Employment by product group, Quarterly Series (1984 - 2nd quarter 1985)

Product group	Number of enterprises as at end of												Employment as at end of					
	1984						1985						1984			1985		
	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr	4th Qr	1st Qr	2nd Qr	3rd Qr
1. Flowers	15	15	16	16	16	17	17	17	150	150	172	172	185	187	187	219		
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	10	11	11	11	12	13	13	13	1,467	1,480	1,503	1,509	1,592	1,732	1,732	1,720		
3. Wearing apparel	69	76	89	102	114	133	148	23,078	26,540	29,287	31,065	36,565	39,255	42,919				
of which (a) pullovers	(27)	(32)	(36)	(37)	(42)	(42)	(44)	(16,320)	(17,667)	(19,002)	(19,022)	(22,099)	(23,398)	(25,413)				
(b) gloves	(3)	(4)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(897)	(1,050)	(1,190)	(1,236)	(1,342)	(1,676)	(1,765)				
(c) other garments	(39)	(41)	(49)	(60)	(71)	(86)	(99)	(5,861)	(7,823)	(9,095)	(10,807)	(13,124)	(14,481)	(15,741)				
4. Leather products and footwear	6	6	6	6	6	6	7	333	414	439	402	414	420	423				
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	5	6	7	7	8	7	7	870	952	1,046	974	934	897	871				
6. Optical goods	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	204	194	202	219	219	218	218				
7. Watches and clocks	7	7	6	7	7	6	6	448	413	440	454	474	574	604				
8. Jewellery and related articles	10	10	11	11	12	13	13	763	781	783	778	769	856	860				
9. Fishing tackles and flies	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	480	496	463	485	445	470	546				
10. Toys and carnival articles	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	412	581	646	635	683	724	701				
11. Other	18	17	23	24	28	29	30	719	657	736	839	855	1,036	907				
TOTAL	152	160	182	195	215	237	255	28,924	32,658	35,717	37,532	43,134	46,669	50,047				

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

Product group	Employment as at end of		Net change in employment
	December 1984	September 1985	
1. Flowers	172	219	+ 47
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,509	1,720	+ 211
3. Wearing apparels	31,065	42,919	+ 11,854
of which (a) pullovers	(19,022)	(25,413)	(+ 6,391)
(b) gloves	(1,236)	(1,765)	(+ 529)
(c) other garments	(10,807)	(15,741)	(+ 4,934)
4. Leather products and footwear	402	423	+ 21
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	974	871	- 103
6. Optical goods	219	277	+ 58
7. Watches and clocks	454	604	+ 150
8. Jewellery and related articles	778	860	+ 82
9. Fishing tackles and flies	485	546	+ 61
10. Toys and carnival articles	635	701	+ 66
11. Other	839	907	+ 68
T O T A L	37,532	50,047	+ 12,515

Table 6 - EPZ : Employment evolution by product group and by sex (September 1983 - 1985)

Product Group	September 1983				September 1984				September 1985			
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Flowers	77	72	149	62	90	172	115	104	219			
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	645	700	1,345	751	752	1,503	933	787	1,720			
3. Wearing apparel of which (a) pullovers	2,212	17,463	19,675	4,292	24,995	29,287	9,586	33,333	42,919			
(b) Gloves	(1,389)	(12,440)	(15,829)	(2,056)	(16,946)	(19,002)	(3,909)	(21,504)	(25,413)			
(c) Other garments	(65)	(967)	(1,332)	(101)	(1,089)	(1,190)	(178)	(1,587)	(1,765)			
4. Leather products and footwear	(758)	(4,056)	(4,614)	(2,135)	(6,960)	(9,095)	(5,499)	(10,242)	(15,741)			
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	62	233	295	116	323	439	125	298	423			
6. Optical goods	179	268	447	301	745	1,046	327	544	871			
7. Watches and clocks	93	97	190	115	87	202	157	120	277			
8. Jewellery and related articles	124	359	433	137	303	440	183	421	604			
9. Fishing tackles and flies	482	211	693	559	224	763	584	276	860			
10. Toys and carnival articles	21	331	352	21	442	463	19	527	546			
11. Other	38	506	546	52	594	545	51	650	701			
	219	344	563	305	431	736	420	487	907			
TOTAL	4,152	20,586	24,738	6,731	28,986	35,717	12,530	37,547	50,047			

Table 7 - EPZ:- Analysis of net change in employment during last 12 months
ending September 1985 by product group

Product group	Employment as at end of		Net change in employment
	September 1984	September 1985	
1. Flowers	172	219	+ 47
2. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,503	1,720	+ 217
3. Wearing apparels	29,287	42,919	+ 13,632
of which (a) pullovers	(19,002)	(25,413)	(+ 6,411)
(b) gloves	(1,190)	(1,765)	(+ 575)
(c) other garments	(9,095)	(15,741)	(+ 6,646)
4. Leather products and footwear	439	423	- 16
5. Wood, furniture and paper products	1,046	871	- 175
6. Optical goods	202	277	+ 75
7. Watches and clocks	440	604	+ 164
8. Jewellery and related articles	783	860	+ 77
9. Fishing tackles and flies	463	546	+ 83
10. Toys and carnival articles	646	701	+ 55
11. Other	736	907	+ 171
TOTAL	35,717	50,047	+ 14,330