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1. Introduction

This issue presents employment evolution in the EPZ Sector during the 2nd Quarter 1987 and also gives an estimate of imports and exports during the first six months of the year.

2. Employment situation as at 25th June 1987

As at 25th June 1987, there were 472 enterprises operating in the EPZ Sector employing about 83,000 workers. Of this number two thirds (54,600) were female while male workers numbered just over 28,000.

The wearing apparel sector remained the major employment creation sector (320 enterprises) with a workforce of nearly 73,000 workers, representing 88% of total EPZ employment.

It is noted that the EPZ enterprises have recruited about 17,000 workers during the last twelve months compared to 19,000 during the corresponding period of the previous year. This includes around 9,000 additional jobs which have been created during the period January to June 1987, compared to 12,000 during the corresponding period last year.

3. Employment evolution during 2nd Quarter 1987

During the 2nd quarter 1987, some 4,700 additional employees joined the EPZ enterprises, consisting of almost equal numbers of males (2,200) and females (2,500).

During this same period 37 new enterprises have started operation, creating around 1,800 new jobs. In addition, 5,400 workers were recruited by existing enterprises to cope with the increase in their activity, which brought total employment creation to over 7,200. However, the net addition works out to 4,700 since the former figure includes about 2,500 workers who have moved from one firm to another after acquiring experience.

It is recalled that the average number of additional workers recruited during each quarter last year was 5,000. As this year's performance in employment creation is keeping in line with the previous two years; it is estimated that on this trend, the workforce in the EPZ sector by the end of the year will exceed 90,000.

4. Exports and Imports

Definite trade figures for the first six months are not yet available, but preliminary estimates of EPZ imports and exports indicate that just over Rs 2,000 million worth of raw materials and capital goods were imported while export proceeds amounted to around Rs 2,900 million.

On this trend, it is estimated that total EPZ exports for the year 1987 will be around Rs 6,500 million.

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Table 1 - EPZ :- Employment as at March 1987 and June 1987 by category of enterprise and by sex

Category of enterprise*	Number of enterprises as at end of						Employment as at end of					
	March 1987			June 1987			March 1987			June 1987		
	March 1987	June 1987	Net change	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Large ^{1/}	381	422	+ 41	25,634	50,141	75,775	27,902	52,561	80,463	+2,268	+2,420	+4,688
Small	52	46	- 6	180	99	279	152	97	249	- 28	- 2	- 30
Outworkers ^{2/}	(4)	(4)	(-)	54	1,899	1,953	41	1,987	2,028	- 13	+ 88	+ 75
TOTAL	437	472	+ 35	25,868	52,139	78,007	28,095	54,645	82,740	+2,227	+2,506	+4,733

*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/ Employment data include around 450 expatriates as at June 1987

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

Table 2 - EPZ:- Employment as at December 1986 and June 1987, by category of enterprise and by sex

Category of enterprise*	Number of enterprises as at end of						Employment as at end of					
	December 1986		June 1987		Net change		December 1986		June 1987		Net Change	
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Large	359	422	71,861	24,033	47,328	71,861	27,902	52,561	80,463	+3,869	+4,733	+8,602
Small	45	46	113	138	-1	113	251	152	97	249	+14	-16
Outworkers ^{2/}	(4)	(4)	-	31	1,872	1,903	41	1,987	2,028	+10	+115	+125
TOTAL	408	472	64	24,202	49,813	74,015	23,095	54,645	82,740	+3,893	+4,832	+8,725

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Table 3 - Evolution in the EPZ sector during the 2nd Quarter 1987

Description	Number of enterprises	Employment
1. SITUATION AS AT END OF MARCH 1987	437	78,007
2. Total employment creation of which through :	...	7,261
Expansion of existing enterprises ^{1/}	(61)	(5,443)
New enterprises	(37)	(1,818)
3. Total loss of which through :	...	2,528
Contraction of existing enterprises ^{1/}	(21)	(2,399)
Closing down of enterprises	(2)	(129)
4. Net change	+ 35	+ 4,733
5. SITUATION AS AT END OF JUNE 1987	472	82,740

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

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

Table 4 :- EPZ :- Analysis of net change in employment during period March
1987 - June 1987 by product group

Product group	Employment as at end of		Net change in employment
	March 1987	June 1987	
1. Food	555	664	+ 109
2. Flowers	270	304	+ 34
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	2,530	3,119	+ 589
4. Wearing apparels	68,822	72,872	+ 4,050
of which (a) pullovers	(32,767)	(34,553)	(+ 1,786)
(b) gloves	(1,580)	(1,404)	(- 176)
(c) other garments	(34,475)	(36,915)	(+ 2,440)
5. Leather products and footwear	757	774	+ 17
6. Wood and paper products	637	628	- 9
7. Optical goods	458	539	+ 81
8. Watches and clocks	621	710	+ 89
9. Jewellery and related articles	1,007	1,110	+ 103
10. Fishing tackles and flies	584	155	- 429*
11. Toys and carnival articles	672	714	+ 42
12. Other	1,094	1,151	+ 57
T O T A L	78,007	82,740	+ 4,733

* Decrease in employment figure due to change in economic classification of enterprise

Table 5 :- EPZ :- Employment as at June 1986 and June 1987 by category of enterprise and by sex

Category of enterprise*	Number of enterprises as at end of				Employment as at end of							
	June 1986		June 1987		June 1986		June 1987		June 1986		June 1987	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Large ^{1/}	300	422	20,381	44,318	64,699	27,902	52,561	80,463	+7,521	+8,243	+15,764	
Small	40	46	6	141	89	230	152	97	249	+ 11	+ 8	+ 19
Outworkers ^{2/}	(3)	(4)	(+ 1)	-	1,071	1,071	41	1,987	2,028	+ 41	+ 916	+ 957
TOTAL	343	472	+ 129	20,522	45,478	66,000	28,095	54,645	82,740	+7,573	+9,167	+16,740

*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/ Employment data include around 450 expatriates as at June 1987

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

Table 6 - EPZ:- Analysis of net change in employment during period June 1986 -

June 1987 by product group

Product group	Employment as at end of		Net change in employment
	June 1986	June 1987	
1. Food	542	664	+ 122
2. Flowers	242	304	+ 62
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,998	3,119	+ 1,121
4. Wearing apparels	57,938	72,872	+14,934
of which (a) pullovers	(30,260)	(34,553)	(+ 4,293)
(b) gloves	(1,525)	(1,404)	(- 121)
(c) other garments	(26,153)	(36,915)	(+10,762)
5. Leather products and footwear	702	774	+ 72
6. Wood and paper products	677	628	- 49
7. Optical goods	388	539	+ 151
8. Watches and clocks	669	710	+ 41
9. Jewellery and related articles	942	1,110	+ 168
10. Fishing tackles and flies	558	155	- 403*
11. Toys and carnival articles	719	714	- 5
12. Other	625	1,151	+ 526
T O T A L	66,000	82,740	+16,740

*Decrease in employment figure due to change in economic classification of enterprise

Table 7 - Employment evolution by product group and sex (June 1985 - June 1987)

Product group	June 1985			June 1986			June 1987		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Food	235	373	608	193	349	542	303	361	664
2. Flowers	85	102	187	119	123	242	164	140	304
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	831	901	1,732	1,164	634	1,998	1,386	1,233	3,119
4. Wearing apparel of which (a) pullovers (b) gloves (c) other garments	8,196 (3,144) (144) (4,908)	31,359 (20,195) (1,532) (9,632)	39,555 (23,335) (1,676) (14,540)	16,959 (6,397) (216) (10,346)	40,979 (23,863) (1,309) (15,307)	57,938 (30,260) (1,525) (26,153)	23,047 (2,075) (240) (22,183)	49,825 (26,478) (1,164) (36,915)	72,872 (34,553) (1,404)
5. Leather products and footwear	119	301	420	253	449	702	259	515	774
6. Wood and paper products	337	560	897	348	329	677	349	279	628
7. Optical goods	121	97	218	230	158	388	312	227	539
8. Watches and clocks	164	410	574	184	485	669	211	499	710
9. Jewellery and related articles	577	279	856	622	320	942	718	392	1,110
10. Fishing tackles and flies	18	452	470	32	526	558	8	147	155
11. Toys and carnival articles	56	668	724	55	664	719	60	654	714
12. Other	264	164	428	363	262	625	778	373	1,151
T.O.T.A.L.	11,003	35,666	46,669	20,522	45,478	66,000	28,095	54,645	82,740

Table 8 - EPZ :- Employment by product group, Quarterly Series, (Year 1986, 1st and 2nd Quarters 1987)

Product group	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	1 9 8 7			
					1	9	8	6
1. Food	515	542	520	527	555	664		
2. Flowers	219	242	231	243	270	304		
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	1,973	1,998	2,273	2,354	2,530	3,119		
4. Wearing apparels of which (a) pullovers (b) gloves (c) other garments	55,246 (28,903) (1,438) (24,850)	57,938 (30,260) (1,525) (26,153)	62,041 (31,291) (1,650) (29,100)	65,367 (31,524) (1,650) (32,193)	68,822 (32,767) (1,580) (34,475)	72,872 (34,553) (1,404) (36,915)		
5. Leather products and footwear	618	702	717	720	757	774		
6. Wood and paper products	762	677	680	684	637	628		
7. Optical goods	365	388	405	392	458	539		
8. Watches and clocks	623	669	567	588	621	710		
9. Jewellery and related articles	914	942	1,080	973	1,007	1,110		
10. Fishing tackles and flies	459	558	556	560	584	155		
11. Toys and carnival articles	701	719	662	670	672	714		
12. Other	532	625	787	937	1,094	1,151		
TOTAL	63,010	66,000	70,519	74,015	78,007	82,740		

Table 9 - MPZ - Number of enterprises by product group, Quarterly Series (Year 1986, 1st and 2nd Quarters 1987)

Product group	1st Qtr.	1 9 8 6			1st Qtr.	1 9 8 7			2nd Qtr.
		2nd Qtr.	3rd Qtr.	4th Qtr.		1	9	8	
1. Food	9	10	11	12	11	11	11	11	
2. Flours	19	21	21	21	25	25	25	25	
3. Textile yarn and fabrics	14	15	17	18	20	20	22	22	
4. Wearing apparels of which (a) pullovers (b) gloves (c) other garments	203 (48) (5) (150)	218 (53) (5) (160)	249 (52) (5) (192)	276 (53) (5) (218)	294 (55) (5) (234)	294 (55) (5) (259)	320 (56) (5) (259)	320 (56) (5) (259)	
5. Leather products and footwear	9	9	8	9	10	10	11	11	
6. Wood and paper products	11	11	10	10	11	11	11	11	
7. Optical goods	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
8. Watches and clocks	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	
9. Jewellery and related articles	13	13	11	9	9	9	9	11	
10. Fishing tackles and flies	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	
11. Toys and carnival articles	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	
12. Other	24	28	32	35	39	39	42	42	
T O T A L	321	343	377	408	437	437	472	472	