JCTR BASIC NEEDS BASKET

Kitwe

January 2017

commodity	Price (ZMW)	Quantity	Units	Total (ZMW)
Mealie Meal	106.40	2	x 25 Kg	212.80
Beans	15.00	3	Kg	45.00
Kapenta (Dry)	257.50	2	Kg	515.00
Fish (Bream, Dry)	197.50	1	Kg	197.50
Beef	39.66	4	Kg	158.65
Dark Green Vegetables	4.63	4	Kg	18.50
Tomatoes	10.88	4	Kg	43.52
Onion	13.60	2	Kg	27.20
Cooking oil (2.5L)	46.30	2.5	Litres	46.30
Bread	7.80	1	Loaf/day	233.94
Sugar	24.70	3	x 2 Kg	74.09
Milk	8.20	4	x 500ml	32.79
Tea	75.00	1	Kg	75.00
Eggs	10.00	2	Units	20.00
Salt	8.00	1	Kg	8.00

SubTotal ZMW 1,708.29

(B) COST OF ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS

Commodity	Price(ZMW)	Quantity Units	Total (ZMW)
Charcoal	147.00	2 x 90 Kg bag(s)	294.00
Soap (Lifebuoy/Champion)	5.86	10 Tablet(s)	58.58
Wash soap (BOOM)	8.78	4 x 400g	35.11
Jelly (e.g. Vaseline)	23.59	1 x 500ml	23.59
Electricity (medium density)	212.80	1 x 1month	212.80
Water & Sanitation (med - fixed)	52.00	1 x 1month	52.00
Housing (3 bedroom)	1,650.00	1 x 1month	1,650.00

Subtotal ZMW 2,326.08

Total for Basic Needs Basket ZMW 4,034.37

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Totals from previous months	Dec 15	Jan 16	Feb 16	Mar 16	Apr 16	May 16	Jun 16	July 16	Aug 16	Sept 16	Oct 16	Nov 16	Dec 16
Amount (K)	3,919.58	3,737.75	3,541.26	3,543.95	4,066.34	4,020.83	3,824.87	4,001.85	3,824.49	3,898.43	-	4,011.07	3,946.80

(C) SOME OTHER ADDITIONAL COSTS

Education		Transport (bus fare round trip)	
Item	Amount	Item	Amount (ZMW)
Grades 1-7 (User + PTA/year)	400.00	Chamboli-Town	7.00
Grades 8-9 (User + PTA/year)	700.00	Chimwemwe-Town	7.00
Grades 10-12 (User + PTA/year)	975.00		
School Uniform	475.00		

Health Fuel (cost at the pump)

ItemAmount (ZMW)Petrol (per litre)12.50Diesel (per litre)10.72Paraffin (per litre)8.03

D) A COMPARISON OF COSTS (in Kwacha) OF BASIC NEEDS ACROSS ZAMBIA IN JANUARY

Lusaka	Kasama	Mansa	Mongu	Ndola	Solwezi	Monze	Chipata	Mpika	Luanshya	Kitwe	Kabwe	Livingstone	Choma	Chinsali
4,935.46	3,011.64	3,167.45	2,968.42	4,067.79	4,161.71	3,771.50	2,730.83	2,620.88	3,701.76	4,034.37	3,523.88	3,900.83	3,662.44	2,728.00

This survey was conducted on 27th January 2016 by the Social and Economic Development Programme of the Jesuit Centre for Theological Reflection. Average prices were calculated on the basis of surveys conducted at Chamboli Market, Nakadoli Market, Chimwemwe Market, Chisokone Market and Town Centre Shoprite. Additional information was obtained from ZESCO, the Nkana Water and Sewerage Company, schools, clinics and houses around Kitwe. The January Basic Needs Basket is approximately US\$409.9 based upon the average exchange rate of K9.84US\$ prevailing on the days of data collection. Please note that other monthly costs would include personal care, clothing, recreation, etc.

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