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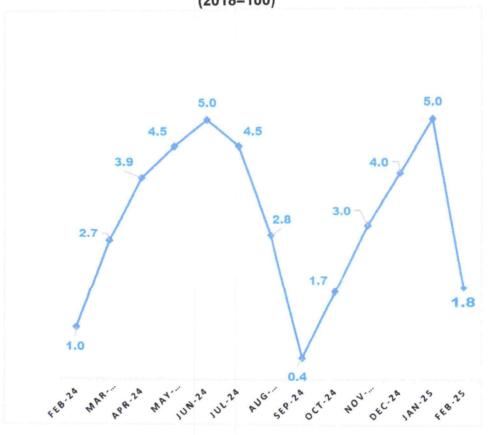
Kalinga Headline Inflation for all Income posted at 1.8% in February 2025 (BASE YEAR:2018)

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Headline Inflation

Kalinga's headline inflation or overall inflation goes down to 1.8 percent in February 2025 from 5.0 percent in January 2025. Inflation in February 2024 was at 1.0 percent.

Figure 1. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates (%) in Kalinga, All Items: February 2024 to February 2025 (2018=100)



The decrease in the province inflation was brought about by the lower monthly increase in the CPI of the following items:

- a. Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages with 3.4 percentage point (February 2024 127.1 to February 2025 131.4);
- b. Clothing and Footwear with 2.5 percentage point (February 2024 127.6 to February 2025 130.8);
- c. Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance with 2.2 percentage point (February 2024 134.2 to February 2025 137.1);
- d. Recreation and Culture with 2.2 percentage point (February 2024 111.7 to February 2025 120.3);
- e. Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco at 1.6 percentage point (February 2024 183.5 to February 2025 186.4);
- f. Education with 1.9 percentage point (February 2024 127.7 to February 2025 130.1):
- g. Personal Care Goods and Miscellaneous Services with 1.9 percentage point (February 2024 122.3 to February 2025 124.6);
- h. Health with 1.2 percentage point (February 2024 139.1 to February 2025 140.7).
- i. Restaurant, Misc. Goods and Services with 0.7 percentage point (February 2024 147.5 to February 2025 148.6);
- j. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Fuels at 0.5 percentage point (February 2024 109.0 to February 2025 109.5);
- k. Information and Communication with 0.4 percentage point (February 2024 103.2 to February 2025 103.6).

On the other hand, there is a decrease in percentage of Transportation with -3.1 percent (February 2024 123.1 to February 2025 119.3).

Meanwhile, there is no change in the commodity group of Financial Services.

Figure 2: Consumer Price Index by Commodity Group for All Income Households in Kalinga February 2024 and February 2025 (2018=100)

Commodity Group	Year-on-Year		Percent Change
	February 2024	February 2025	Year-on-Year
ALL ITEMS	125.8	128.1	4.8
I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	127.1	131.4	3.4
II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	183.5	186.4	1.6
III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	127.6	130.8	2.5
IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	109.0	109.5	0.5
V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	134.2	137.1	2.2
VI. HEALTH	139.1	140.7	1.2
VII. TRANSPORTATION	123.1	119.3	-3.1
VIII. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	103.2	103.6	0.4
IX. RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE	117.7	120.3	2.2
X. EDUCATION SERVICES	127.7	130.1	1.9
XI. RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION			
SERVICES	147.5	148.6	0.7
XII. FINANCIAL SERVICES	146.0	146.0	0.0
XIII. PERSONAL CARE, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	122.3	124.6	1.9

PRICE SITUATION: Month-on-Month

In the month-on-month comparison, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) in All Items is posted at -1.3 percent from 129.8 to 128.1.

The decreasing changes in the monthly CPI of the month were the result of the decreasing prices from the group of the following items.

- a. Food and Non-Alcoholic beverages with -1.6 percent change from 133.5 to 131.4;
- Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Fuels with -3.5 percent change from 113.5 to 109.5;
- c. Personal Care and Miscellaneous Goods and Services with -0.2 percent change from 124.8 to 124.6 and
- d. Recreation and Culture with -0.1 percent change from 120.4 to 120.3.

On the other hand, there is a slight percentage increase with 0.1 percent change on the following items;

- a. Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco from 186.2 to 186.4;
- b. Furnishings, Household equipment and Routine Household maintenance from 137.0 to 137.1; and
- c. Health from 140.5 to 140.7.

Moreover, stable price with 0.0 percent change was posted on the group of the following items;

- a. Transport with 119.3 percent;
- b. Clothing and Footwear with 130.8 percent;
- c. Information and Communication with 103.6,
- d. Education Services with 130.1, and
- e. Restaurant, Misc. Goods and Services with 146.6 and
- f. Financial Services 146.0.

Figure 3: Consumer Price Index by Commodity Group for All Income Households in Kalinga January 2025 and February 2025 (2018=100)

Commodity Group	Month-on-Month		Percent Change
	January 2025	February 2025	Month-on- Month
ALL ITEMS	129.8	128.1	-1.3
I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	133.5	131.4	-1.6
II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	186.2	186.4	0.1
III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	130.9	130.8	0.0
IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	113.5	109.5	-3.5
V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	137.9	137.1	0.1
VI. HEALTH	140.5	140.7	0.1
VII. TRANSPORTATION	119.3	119.3	0.0
VIII. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	103.6	103.6	0.0
IX. RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE	120.4	120.3	-0.1
X. EDUCATION SERVICES	130.1	130.1	
	130.1	130.1	0.0
XI. RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES	148.6	440.0	0.0
CENTICE	148.6	148.6	0.0
XII. FINANCIAL SERVICES	146.0	146.0	0.0
XIII. PERSONAL CARE, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	124.8	124.6	-0.2

Purchasing Power of Peso

The Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP) in Kalinga was valued at 0.78 this February 2025, 1 centavo lower than the PPP of February 2024 with 0.79 centavos.

Figure 4: Purchasing Power of Peso in Kalinga February 2024 – February 2025 (2018=100)





Technical Notes:

Price – is the amount or value paid in exchange for the commodity or a service rendered.

Retail/Consumer Price – refers to the price at which a commodity is sold in small quantities for consumption.

Weight – a value attached to a commodity or group of commodities to indicate the relative importance of that commodity or group of commodities in the market basket

Market Basket – a term used to refer to a sample of goods and services that are commonly purchased and bought by an average Filipino household.

Consumer Price Index (CPI) – is a measure of the average change overtime in the prices paid by urban consumers for a market basket of consumer goods and services.

Inflation Rate - is the percentage increase or decrease in prices during a specified period, usually a month or a year and it is derived from CPI. It is interpreted in terms of declining purchasing power of money.

Unit of Measure - refers to which a commodity is customarily traded in the market, and it is the actual unit in which the associated values are measured.

Commodity Specifications – refers to the detailed description of the commodity such as a brand packaging, size and unit of measure or other characteristics that will best describe the product/commodity and are important in the determination of prices.

Uses of the CPI

As an indicator, the CPI is the most widely used in the calculation of the inflation rate and purchasing power of the peso. It is a major statistical series used for economic analysis and as monitoring indicator of government economic Policy.

The CPI is also used as a deflector to express value series in real terms, which is, measuring the change in actual volume of transaction by removing the effects of price changes. The CPI also serves as input in wage adjustments through the collective bargaining agreements.

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