

**INDEX NUMBERS OF THE COSTS OF LABOUR AND MATERIALS
USED IN PUBLIC SECTOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (APRIL 2003 = 100)
APPLICABLE TO THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2023**

It is hereby notified that the index numbers of the costs of labour and materials used in public sector construction projects applicable to the month of FEBRUARY 2023 are as follows:—

PART A: Index Series with April 2003 as Base Period (i.e. April 2003 = 100)

| | <i>Index Numbers</i> |
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| <i>Labour</i> | |
| Composite labour wages for civil engineering contracts | 167.6 |
| Composite labour wages for building contracts..... | 155.2 |
| <i>Selected materials</i> | |
| Aggregates | 303.7 |
| Bitumen | 243.6 |
| Concrete blocks | 251.4 |
| Diesel fuel..... | 369.8 |
| Glass..... | 195.3 |
| Glazed ceramic wall tiles | 223.7 |
| Hardwood..... | 266.8 |
| Homogeneous floor tiles..... | 231.8 |
| Galvanised mild steel..... | 532.6 |
| Metal formwork | 219.7 |
| Mosaic tiles..... | 231.5 |
| Paint | 182.7 |
| Portland cement (ordinary) | 189.9 |
| Sand ^a | 1049.6 |
| Steel reinforcement | 267.6 |
| Teak | 290.2 |
| Timber formwork | 222.4 |
| uPVC pipes..... | 187.0 |
| GMS pipes..... | 205.0 |

PART B: Index Series with Other Base Periods

| | <i>Index Numbers</i> |
|--|----------------------|
| <i>Selected materials</i> | |
| Copper pipes (September 2008 = 100) ^b | 123.1 |

Notes:—

a: Figure does not include marine sand and manufactured sand.

b: The copper pipes cost index is a new index series with data collection commenced since 2008. The index adopts September 2008 as the base period (i.e. September 2008 = 100) and its index level is not directly comparable with those of other series.

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