

**INDEX NUMBERS OF THE COSTS OF LABOUR AND MATERIALS
USED IN PUBLIC SECTOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (APRIL 2003 = 100)**
APPLICABLE TO THE MONTH OF MAY 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 MAY 2023 are as follows:—

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

	<i>Index Numbers</i>
<i>Labour</i>	
Composite labour wages for civil engineering contracts	169.8
Composite labour wages for building contracts	155.4
<i>Selected materials</i>	
Aggregates	295.4
Bitumen	248.7
Concrete blocks	251.4
Diesel fuel	370.8
Glass	195.3
Glazed ceramic wall tiles	225.1
Hardwood	266.8
Homogeneous floor tiles	232.7
Galvanised mild steel	529.6
Metal formwork	225.6
Mosaic tiles	236.7
Paint	184.5
Portland cement (ordinary)	189.9
Sand ^a	1044.3
Steel reinforcement	248.9
Teak	290.2
Timber formwork	213.3
uPVC pipes	196.0
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	120.8

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.