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Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS):

Construction Cost Index (CCI), Road Cost Index (RCI), Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI), and Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) in the West Bank in November 2010

The overall Construction Cost Index (CCI) reached 109.78 with an increase of 0.05% (base month December 2007=100), the overall Road Cost Index (RCI) reached 107.84 with an increase of 0.17% (base month December 2008=100), the overall Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI) reached 103.68 with an increase of 0.20% (base month January 2010=100), while the overall Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) reached 102.57 with a decrease of 0.10% 2010 (base month January 2010=100), in the West Bank during November 2010 compared with October 2010.

Analysis of Construction Cost Index developments for November indicates changes in the costs of the following major construction inputs compared with the previous month:

- Iron and steel	- 0.60%
- Quarries and quarrying products	- 0.09%
- Cement, lime & gypsum	+ 0.20%
- Tiles and panels from ceramic	+ 0.19%
- Cement products	+ 0.18%
- Cutting and shaping stones	+ 0.14%

Analysis of Road Cost Index developments for November indicates changes in the cost of the following major road inputs compared with the previous month:

- Electric wires and cables	+ 1.33%
- Quarries and quarrying products	+ 0.40%
- Plastic products	+ 0.26%
- Cement products	+ 0.25%
- Cement	+ 0.16%
- Asphalt and bitumen mixture and its products	+ 0.09%
- Iron and steel	- 0.77%



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Analysis of Water Networks Cost Index developments for November indicates changes in the cost of the following major water networks inputs compared with the previous month:

- Water Networks	+ 0.37%
- Plastic and steel pipes	+ 0.79%
- Excavations	+ 0.48%
- Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	+ 0.09%
- Deface materials	- 0.36%
- Water Reservoirs	- 0.16%
- Iron	- 0.76%
- Excavation	+ 0.48%
- Construction work and paint	+ 0.22%
- Concrete	+ 0.12%

Analysis of Sewage Networks Cost Index developments for November indicates changes in the cost of the following major sewage networks inputs compared with the previous month:

- Fountains	- 0.46%
- Deface materials	- 0.36%
- Plastic and cement pipes	- 0.09%
- Excavations	+ 0.48%
- Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	+ 0.09%

The data of West Bank doesn't cover those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israel in 1967.

NB:

1. Data of Gaza Strip is not available.
2. The difference in the percent change in major groups of Road, Construction, water networks, and sewage networks Cost Index is due to the nature compositions of these major groups.