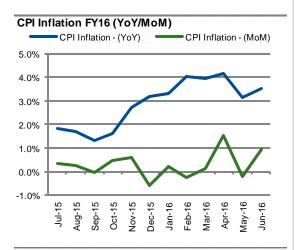
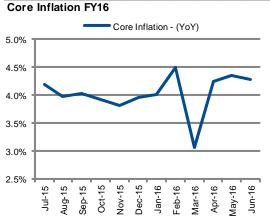
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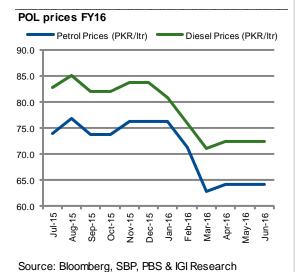
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# Core inflation to arrive at 4.29%YoY in Jun-16

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# **Outlook and policy implications**

Domestic demand is likely to pick-up in coming months as reflected by growth in credit to private sector business which is up by +8%. Moreover, notable increase in oil prices, metal prices and building materials prices implies inflation is likely to build-up in coming months. We estimate CPI inflation to average 4.5%YoY in FY17, leading to a status quo monetary policy stance scheduled by mid Jul-16.





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