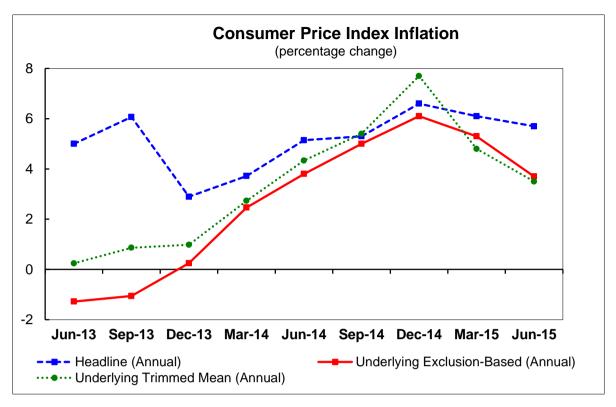


BANK OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

KINA FACILITY RATE (KFR) FOR SEPTEMBER 2015

The Governor of the Bank of Papua New Guinea, Mr. Loi M. Bakani announced that the monetary policy signaling rate, the KFR, will be maintained at 6.25 percent for the month of September 2015.

The annual headline inflation for the June quarter of 2015, as measured by the Consumer Price Index and released by the National Statistical Office (NSO) was 5.7 percent, compared to 6.1 percent in the March quarter of 2015. The underlying inflation measures also showed lower increases (see chart below). These outcomes are partly due to low import prices, the slow global growth, as well as low international oil prices, increased competition, cheaper sources of imports, and spare capacity within the economy.



Source: NSO

In light of this and to support economic growth, the Bank is continuing to take a cautious approach and will maintain the KFR at 6.25 percent for the month of September 2015.

Mr. Loi M. Bakani Governor