

## **Monitoring and Early Warning Report - Summary**

### **January 2014**

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#### **NATURALHAZARDS**

In January 2014 there is a probability of natural disasters due to snowfalls, frost and avalanches.

#### **WEATHER**

Temperatures in January 2014 will be within the climate norm across the country. Monthly precipitation is expected to be above the norm in Khatlon province, lower elevations of DRD, Sughd Province. In GBAO precipitation will be below the norm or within the norm.

#### **ENERGY SECURITY**

Electricity generation in December increased by 7.9% compared to November 2013. The level of water in Nurek reservoir was 8.16 meters lower compared to November. In December 2013, 41 million kWh electricity were supplied from Sangtuda-1 HPP and Sangtuda-2 HPP to Afghanistan, 17.4 kWh less compared to the same period of last year.

#### **FOODSECURITY**

Wheat and wheat flour prices in Tajikistan will decline or remain stable due to the harvest of wheat (930,314 tons as of early December, 121,494 tons more than in 2012), and lower prices import from Kazakhstan.

#### **HEALTH**

With the one set of winter, there is a risk of increasing influenza and acute respiratory infections remains high.

#### **ECONOMY**

For January-December 2013 GDP was 40,5 billion Somoni (8,5 billion USD). Industrial production increased by 3.9% compared to the same period in 2012. Consumer price inflation was 5,8% compared to December 2012. As of December 1, 2013 total balance of bank credits was 7,4 billion Somoni (1,55 billion USD). Volume of issued loans was 7,8 billion Somoni (1,63 billion USD). In January-December, 2013 foreign trade turnover reached 5,3 billion USD which is 2,9% more compared to the same period in 2012. Exports totalled 1,17 billion USD, and imports – 4,12 billion USD.

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