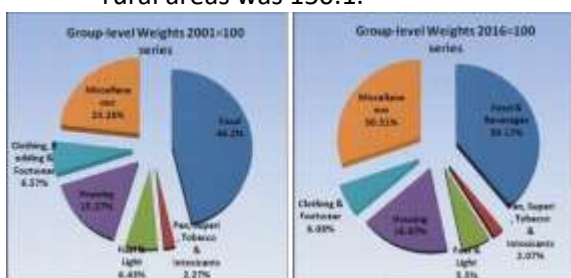


- The CPI has several sub-groups including **food and beverages, fuel and light, housing and clothing, bedding and footwear. Maximum weightage is given to Food & Beverages.**
- According to data released by the Central Statistics Office, the country's CPI for **Food and beverages** in Mar 2020 was pegged at 148.9, compared to 138.1 reported in the corresponding period last year. The CPI in Mar 2020 for urban areas was 150.1 and for the rural areas was 150.1.



Reference:

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Q.19) Ans: C

Exp:

- As per RBI Act 1934, the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) has been constituted of **6 members**. The **Governor of RBI—(Chairperson)**, Member, ex officio; Deputy Governor of RBI, in charge of Monetary Policy—Member, ex officio; One officer of RBI to be **nominated** by the **Central Board of RBI—Member, ex officio**; and **Three persons** to be **appointed** by the **Central Government—Members**.
- The decisions are taken with a simple majority and in case of tie-ups, the **Governor** gets a **casting vote** (an extra vote).
- The **three members** appointed by the **Central Government** shall hold office for a period of four years and shall not be eligible for re-appointment.

- The RBI shall organise at **least four meetings of the Monetary Policy Committee in a year**. As of now, RBI is conducting 6 meetings in a year, once every two months.

Reference:

https://www.rbi.org.in/scripts/FS_Overview.aspx?fn=2752

Q.20) Ans: C

Exp:

- Statement 1 is correct:** The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) is an inter-governmental body established in 1989 by the Ministers of its Member jurisdictions. It was established in 1989 during the G7 Summit in Paris to develop policies against money laundering. As of 2019, FATF consists of thirty-seven member jurisdictions. **India became an Observer at FATF in 2006**. Since then, it has been working towards full-fledged membership. On June 25, 2010 **India was taken in as the 34th country member of FATF**. The FATF is therefore a "policy-making body" which works to generate the necessary political will to bring about national legislative and regulatory reforms in these areas.
- Statement 2 is correct:** The FATF monitors the progress of its members in **implementing necessary measures, reviews money laundering and terrorist financing techniques** and counter-measures, and promotes the adoption and implementation of appropriate measures globally. In collaboration with other international stakeholders, the FATF works to identify national-level vulnerabilities with the aim of protecting the international financial system from misuse.

Reference:

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/terror-financing-watchdog-fatf-again-retains-pakistan-in-greylis/article37115624.ece>