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Highlights

Rice

Producer prices for short grain, long grain white, and long grain red rice have risen compared to the previous month, particularly for long grain red paddy in all major producing areas. Supplies of samba and keeri samba rice varieties remained stable. Retail prices for all local rice varieties decreased by 1% to 3% compared to the previous month, staying below the government-regulated maximum retail prices (MRP).

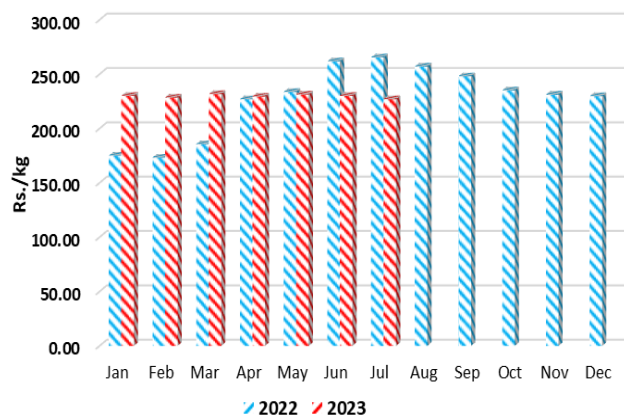
Vegetables

Increased supply has led to a decrease in prices for most vegetable varieties, with retail prices dropping by 3% to 42%. The largest decrease was noted for drumsticks at 42%. Capsicum recorded the highest price at Rs. 523.00/kg, while cucumber had the lowest price at Rs. 172.00/kg. Prices for vegetables are expected to continue declining in the coming months.

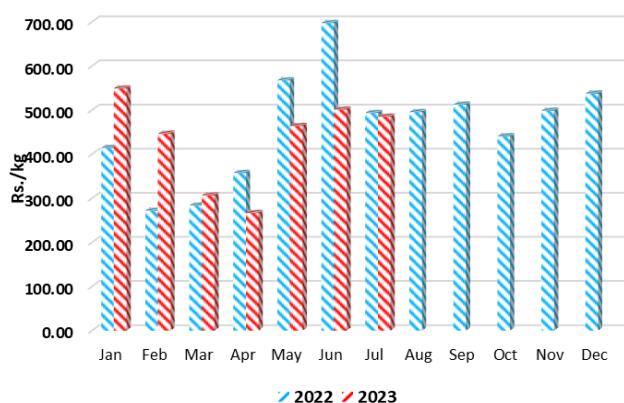
Fish, Dried Fish, Eggs and Meat

Wholesale prices for most fish varieties have decreased by less than 13%, attributed to increased supply from favorable weather during the lean season along the southern and western coastal belt. There is also a noticeable shift in consumer preferences from higher-cost protein sources like fish and meat to more affordable options such as eggs. As a result, the average retail prices for white eggs (Rs. 57.00) and brown eggs (Rs. 55.50) have surpassed the stipulated maximum retail prices of Rs. 44.00 and Rs. 46.00, respectively.

Average Retail Prices of Rice (Samba I)



Average Retail Prices of Beans (Green)



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The Food Information Bulletin is a monthly publication containing information relating to producer, wholesale and retail prices of selected food commodities in selected markets in and around Colombo and main markets in the major producing areas. Data on extent, production and imports are also available in the bulletin.

The information is analyzed and presented as, prevailing prices, price ranges, averages and comparison of monthly prices. The changes in prices reported are always in relation to price, which prevailed during the previous month unless otherwise stated.

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Outstation Markets

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| 1. Nuwara Eliya | 16. Keppetipola | 31. Rathnapura |
| 2. Dambulla | 17. Thambuththegama | 32. Embilipitiya |
| 3. Matara | 18. Anuradhapura | 33. Maradagahamula |
| 4. Kurunegala | 19. Badulla | 34. Galenbindunuwewa |
| 5. Bandarawela | 20. Galle | 35. Rilkillagaskada |
| 6. Kandy | 21. Mannar | 36. Matale |
| 7. Meegoda | 22. Trincomalee | |
| 8. Kalutara | 23. Batticaloa | |
| 9. Weeravila | 24. Jaffna | |
| 10. Nikaweratiya | 25. Mullativu | |
| 11. Polonnaruwa | 26. Kilinochchi | |
| 12. Puttalam | 27. Vavuniya | |
| 13. Hambanthota | 28. Kegalle | |
| 14. Veyangoda | 29. Ampara | |
| 15. Dehiattakandiya | 30. Monaragala | |

1. Paddy/Rice

Crop Situation

According to the Crop Forecast by the Department of Agriculture, the target for paddy cultivation in the 2023 Yala season was 542,873 hectares, with a sown extent of 492,851 hectares reported by the end of July 2023, achieving 91% of the target. Taking crop losses into account, the paddy production forecast based on this sown extent is 1.83 million metric tons.

Table 1.1 Target and Sown Extent as at End July 2023 and production forecast of Yala

District/Area	Area target for the season (ha)	Sown area as at end July 2023 (ha)	Cultivation Progress as a % from target	**Production forecast based on progress (Mt)	Total affected extent (ha)	Revised production forecast (Mt)
Provincial area						
Colombo	3,059	2,571	84	5,769	-	5,769
Gampaha	10,616	8,265	78	20,936	-	20,936
Kalutara	8,508	8,923	105	24,036	-	24,036
Galle	11,589	5,731	49	11,842	-	11,842
Matara	14,972	11,431	76	30,052	1,152	29,062
Ratnapura	9,940	8,028	81	27,023	35	26,906
Kegalle	7,875	6,797	86	19,676	170	19,513
Kurunagala	75,796	54,170	71	202,053	8,199	174,005
Puttalam	19,108	17,280	90	54,052	238	53,527
Kandy	6,837	5,693	83	15,237	6	15,228
Matale	9,535	8,263	87	30,838	-	30,838
N eliya	2,902	1,497	52	3,407	-	3,407
Badulla	5,319	4,168	78	15,836	-	15,836
Monaragala	14,667	10,635	73	46,481	-	46,481
Jaffna	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kilinochchi	6,865	7,102	103	26,988	-	26,988
Vavuniya	5,810	5,796	100	28,329	-	28,329
Mullativu	6,937	6,747	97	29,665	-	29,665
Mannar	2,684	2,722	101	11,903	-	11,903
Anuradhapura	44,277	30,477	69	105,134	-	105,134
Trincomalee	25,896	25,139	97	113,267	100	113,154
Batticaloa	34,808	34,823	100	125,089	-	125,089
Ampara	1,706	1,692	99	7,551	-	7,551
Hambantota	12,096	11,270	93	53,861	-	53,861
Inter Province Areas						
Polonnaruwa IP	28,160	27,546	98	121,592	-	121,592
Ampara IP	54,000	51,898	96	230,563	-	230,563
Monaragala IP	3,189	3,187	100	13,930	-	13,930
Hambantota IP	14,755	14,902	101	70,917	-	70,917
Hasalaka IP	8,860	9,867	111	26,409	-	26,409
Anuradhapura IP	22,238	20,559	92	70,558	-	70,558
Mahaweli Systems						
Udawalawa	8,611	12,647	147	58,802	3,664	41,766
System H	10,573	14,456	137	49,613	-	49,613
System H1	3,126	7,023	225	24,103	-	24,103
System B	19,688	20,200	103	80,638	-	80,638
System C	20,500	22,172	108	88,511	-	88,511
System G	4,052	5,886	145	19,542	-	19,542
System D	1,637	1,637	100	6,535	-	6,535
Rambakanoya	980	819	84	3,047	-	3,047
System L	703	833	118	3,105	-	3,105
Sri Lanka	542,873	492,851	91	1,876,890	13,564	1,829,890

Source: Crop forecast, Yala 2023, Volume 04, Department of Agriculture

Producer Prices

Producer prices for short grain, long grain white, and long grain red paddy have increased compared to the previous month, with a particularly notable rise in the price of long grain red paddy across all major producing areas. The highest price increase of 12% was recorded for long grain raw red paddy in the Matara and Hambantota regions, followed by a 10% increase in the Embilipitiya area.

Producer prices for short grain paddy saw a slight rise in all major producing areas, except in Dehiattakandiya, with prices ranging between Rs. 85.00 and Rs. 111.00/kg, the lowest average being observed in the Ampara and Nikaweratiya regions. Similarly, the prices for long grain white paddy have increased across all major producing areas, with prices ranging between Rs. 65.00 and Rs. 111.00/kg.

When comparing prices to the same period last year, there has been a reduction in producer prices for all paddy varieties, except Keeri Samba, with decreases ranging from 15% to 40%. Notably, there has been a significant drop in prices for long grain red paddy.

Table1.2: Producer prices of Paddy –July 2023

	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Short Grain								
Anuradhapura	100.00-110.00	105.08	101.90	123.85	3.18	3.12	-18.77	-15.16
Polonnaruwa	110.00-111.00	110.34	109.70	130.43	0.64	0.58	-20.09	-15.41
Kalawewa	100.00-110.00	106.00	102.65	126.21	3.35	3.26	-20.21	-16.01
Kurunegala	88.00-110.00	104.86	101.88	126.99	2.99	2.93	-22.13	-17.42
Dehiattakandiya	100.00-110.00	106.00	107.29	124.83	-1.29	-1.20	-18.83	-15.09
Nikaweratiya	85.00-110.00	101.81	101.71	131.35	0.10	0.10	-29.54	-22.49
Ampara	100.00-110.00	101.00	100.75	128.75	0.25	0.25	-27.75	-21.55
Long Grain White								
Anuradhapura	85.00-93.00	88.20	82.25	124.15	5.95	7.23	-35.95	-28.96
Polonnaruwa	87.00-111.00	91.42	86.70	130.50	4.72	5.44	-39.08	-29.95
Kalawewa	85.00-95.00	89.00	81.95	124.35	7.05	8.60	-35.35	-28.43
Kurunegala	75.00-95.00	88.45	83.94	126.99	4.51	5.38	-38.54	-30.35
Dehiattakandiya	80.00-93.00	87.07	84.08	124.83	2.98	3.55	-37.77	-30.25
Embilipitiya								
Nikaweratiya	75.00-97.00	89.02	85.92	131.35	3.10	3.61	-42.33	-32.23
Ampara	65.00-90.00	82.25	80.00	-	2.25	2.81	-	-
Long Grain Red								
A' pura	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Matara	75.00-85.00	80.95	72.44	134.38	8.51	11.75	-53.43	-39.76
Hambantota	76.00-86.00	81.15	72.58	136.00	8.57	11.80	-54.85	-40.33
Embilipitiya	74.00-86.00	79.56	72.25	133.28	7.31	10.12	-53.72	-40.31
Keeri Samba								
A'pura	-	-	136.67	132.45	-	-	-	-
Polonnaruwa	139.00-146.00	144.14	143.10	136.70	1.04	0.73	7.44	5.44
Kalawewa	-	-	135.00	132.65	-	-	-	-
Kurunegala	110.00-135.00	130.20	132.50	131.00	-2.30	-1.74	-0.80	-0.61
Dehiattakandiya	122.00-135.00	138.50	139.63	135.00	-1.13	-0.81	3.50	2.59

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Rice Prices Demand/Supply Situation

Wholesale Prices

Supplies of samba and keeri samba rice varieties remained largely unchanged from the previous month, resulting in price fluctuations of less than 1%. Wholesale prices for samba grade I and II ranged between Rs. 195.00–215.00/kg and Rs. 190.00–205.00/kg, respectively. The highest price decrease of Rs. 5.00/kg was recorded for Nadu grade II. Meanwhile, the wholesale price of raw white rice ranged between Rs. 150.00–170.00/kg, marking the highest price increase of Rs. 4.10/kg

among local rice varieties. Additionally, wholesale prices for all imported rice varieties rose by 3% due to higher import costs.

Compared to the same period last year, wholesale prices of most local rice varieties have decreased by 19–44%, with the highest price increase of 44% being recorded for raw red rice.

Table 1.3: Wholesale and Retail prices of Rice – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Prices								
Samba 1	195.00-215.00	207.16	205.35	-	1.81	0.88	-	-
Samba 2	190.00-205.00	197.70	196.63	244.10	1.07	0.55	-46.40	-19.01
Keeri Samba	250.00-260.00	257.79	258.18	254.58	-0.38	-0.15	3.22	1.26
Nadu 1	175.00-190.00	177.95	180.03	-	-2.08	-1.16	-	-
Nadu 2	160.00-175.00	169.47	174.00	235.47	-4.53	-2.61	-66.00	-28.03
Raw red	130.00-150.00	140.01	140.38	251.80	-0.36	-0.26	-111.79	-44.39
Raw white	150.00-170.00	164.30	160.20	234.60	4.10	2.56	-70.30	-29.97
Imported Samba	200.00-225.00	213.91	208.54	197.68	5.38	2.58	16.24	8.21
Imported Raw White	180.00-192.00	187.95	183.30	177.38	4.65	2.54	10.57	5.96
Imported Nadu	-	-	-	201.04	-	-	-	-
Retail Prices-								
Samba 1	220.00-230.00	226.96	230.16	265.41	-3.20	-1.39	-38.45	-14.49
Samba 2	200.00-220.00	214.56	218.83	253.30	-4.27	-1.95	-38.74	-15.30
Keeri Samba	260.00-280.00	267.00	268.36	281.24	-1.37	-0.51	-14.25	-5.07
Nadu 1	210.00-220.00	215.78	217.79	256.35	-2.00	-0.92	-40.56	-15.82
Nadu 2	180.00-210.00	196.75	202.33	243.80	-5.58	-2.76	-47.05	-19.30
Raw red	140.00-180.00	160.92	166.19	267.75	-5.27	-3.17	-106.83	-39.90
Raw white	170.00-190.00	182.31	183.70	266.15	-1.39	-0.75	-83.84	-31.50
Imported <i>Ponni</i> Samba	220.00-240.00	230.57	224.98	235.18	5.59	2.48	-4.61	-1.96
Imported Raw White	190.00-220.00	207.46	200.71	214.04	6.75	3.37	-6.58	-3.07
Imported Nadu	-	-	-	231.70	-	-	-	-

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Retail Prices

Retail prices of all local rice varieties decreased by 1%–3% compared to the previous month, remaining below the government-regulated Maximum Retail Price (MRP). When compared to the same month last year, retail prices for all varieties saw a decline of 5%–40%, with the highest price increase recorded for raw red rice.

2. Other Field Crops

2.1 Chilli

Crop Situation and Progress

The target for green chilli cultivation in the 2023 Yala season was 9,799 hectares, but by the end of July 2023, only 4,275 hectares had been cultivated, representing 44% of the target. The crop is at various stages of growth in the main producing areas. In the Puttalam district, only 334 hectares had been cultivated by the end of July, achieving just 24% of the targeted extent. Based on the cultivated area as of the end of July, the expected production of green chilli for this Yala season is 24,280 metric tons, with 47% of the supply coming from Puttalam (13%), Anuradhapura (8%), Mahaweli areas (10%), Interprovincial DDA areas (8%), and Vavuniya (8%).

Table 2.1.1: Target and Cultivation Progress of Green Chilli for Yala 2023 Season

Areas	Targeted Extent (ha)	Cultivation Progress at the end July 2023		Expected Production (Mt)
		Cultivated Extent (ha)	% of the Target	
Puttalam	1,370	334	24	3,082
Anuradhapura	632	313	50	1,878
Kurunegala	540	256	47	1,218
Jaffna	480	201	42	1,216
Batticaloa	363	209	58	1,114
Vavuniya	300	349	116	2,006
Matale	434	191	44	964
Monaragala	407	220	54	1,055
Badulla	281	186	66	869
Kandy	278	161	58	944
Interprovincial DDA areas	421	412	98	2,060
Mahaweli areas	2,450	418	17	2,548
Other areas	1,772	1,025	58	5,326
Total	9,799	4,275	44	24,280

Source: Crop forecast, Yala 2023, Volume 04, Department of Agriculture

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The supply of green chilli from the main producing areas continued to decline this month, leading to an increase in both wholesale and retail prices by approximately Rs. 44.00/kg and Rs. 126.00/kg, respectively. Wholesale prices of green chilli ranged between Rs. 300.00–850.00/kg, while retail prices ranged between Rs. 420.00–1200.00/kg. The highest producer prices for green chilli were recorded in the Embilipitiya area, with prices ranging from Rs. 452.00 to Rs. 1010.00/kg in July. Compared to the same period last year, wholesale and retail prices of green chilli increased by 8% and 9%, respectively.

In July 2023, 4,584 metric tons of dried chilli were imported, which was 2,842 metric tons higher than the previous month. The average CIF price was Rs. 802.24/kg, reflecting an increase of Rs. 38.60/kg from the previous month. Both wholesale and retail prices of imported dried chillies rose by approximately Rs. 149.00/kg and Rs. 3.00/kg, respectively. Wholesale prices ranged between Rs. 1000.00–1150.00/kg, while retail prices ranged between Rs. 1100.00–1500.00/kg. Compared to the same period last year, both wholesale and retail prices of imported dried chillies decreased by approximately 34% and 38%, respectively.

Table 2.1.2: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Dried Chillies and Green Chillies – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Price								
Green Chilli	300.00-850.00	563.80	519.50	520.50	44.30	8.53	43.30	8.32
Dried Chilli	1000.00-1150.00	1097.04	947.88	1658.65	149.17	15.74	-561.61	-33.86
Retail Price								
Green Chilli	420.00-1200.00	835.80	709.32	765.07	126.48	17.83	70.73	9.24
Dried Chilli	1100.00-1500.00	1307.02	1303.59	2110.93	3.43	0.26	-803.91	-38.08

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Table 2.1.3: Producer Prices of Green Chilies (Rs/kg) July 2023

Location	1 st week	2 nd week	3 rd week	4 th week	5 th week
Dambulla	764.00	610.00	540.00	316.00	400.00
Embilipitiya	1010.00	644.00	510.00	452.00	654.00
Puttalam	650.00	544.00	416.00	400.00	338.00
A'Pura	670.00	520.00	520.00	420.00	420.00

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Table 2.1.4: Quantity, Value and CIF Prices of Imported Dried Chillies (Feb– July 2023)

Month	Quantity (mt)	Value (Rs/mn.)	CIF Price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
July-2023	4583.72	3677.25	802.24	1307.02	504.78
June-2023	1741.63	1329.97	763.64	1303.59	539.95
May-2023	4026.94	3075.28	763.68	1361.98	598.30
April-2023	2183.46	1825.31	835.97	1352.77	516.80
March-2023	3408.37	2466.11	723.55	1439.94	716.39
Feb-2023	4224.49	3434.89	813.09	1625.09	812.00

Source: Department of Customs and Data Management Division /HARTI

2.2 Red Onion and Big Onion

Crop situation and Progress

The target for big onion cultivation in the 2023 Yala season was 3,054 hectares, but by the end of July 2023, only 305 hectares had been cultivated, representing just 10% of the target. In the Matale district, the target was 1,000 hectares, but only 117 hectares had been cultivated by the end of July, achieving just 12% of the target. Compared to the previous Yala season, both cultivated extent and production have decreased by approximately 85% and 84%, respectively. The decline in cultivation and production is attributed to unfavorable weather conditions over the past several seasons, high production costs, and uncertainty around market prices. In the Matale district, the extent of big onion cultivation has dropped by about 90% compared to last year's Yala season. As a result, many big onion farmers in the Matale district have shifted to cultivating mango, papaya, and vegetables instead.

Table 2.2.1: Cultivation Progress of Big Onion for Yala 2023 Season

Areas	Targeted Extent (ha)	Cultivation Progress at the end of July 2023		Expected Production (Mt)
		Cultivated Extent (ha)	% of the target	
Matale	1000	117	12	2102
Anuradhapura	724	33	5	582
Mahaweli – H	1250	75	6	1345
Mahaweli – H1	80	80	100	1440
Total	3054	305	10	5469

Source: Deputy Director of Agriculture Office/Inter province and Mahaweli Authority

Table 2.2.2: Cultivation Progress of Big Onion for Yala 2022 Season

Areas	Targeted Extent (ha)	Cultivation Progress at the end of July 2023		Expected Production (Mt)
		Cultivated Extent (ha)	% of the target	
Matale	1874	1120	60	20167
Anuradhapura	872	455	52	6827
Mahaweli – H	763	84	11	1254
Mahaweli – H1	1800	349	19	5229
Total	5309	2008	38	33477

Source: Deputy Director of Agriculture Office/Inter province and Mahaweli Authority

The target for red onion cultivation in the 2023 Yala season was 3,911 hectares, with 2,229 hectares cultivated by the end of July 2023, representing 57% of the target. The Jaffna district recorded both the highest targeted extent (2,000 hectares) and the highest cultivated extent (1,695 hectares), achieving 85% of the target. The estimated production for this Yala season is 22,671 metric tons, with 84% of the supply coming from the Jaffna (69%) and Puttalam (15%) districts.

Table 2.2.3: Cultivation Progress of Red Onion for Yala 2023 Season

Area	Targeted Extent (Ha)	Cultivation progress by the end of July, 2023		Expected production (Mt)
		Cultivated extent (ha)	% of the targeted extent	
Jaffna	2,000	1,695	85	15,611
Puttalam	785	175	22	3,351
Vavuniya	280	52	19	615
Mullativu	100	88	88	1,059
Other area	746	219	29	2,035
Total	3,911	2,229	57	22,671

Source: Crop forecast, Yala 2023, Volume 04, Department of Agriculture

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The market supply of big onions consisted entirely of imports, a situation expected to continue until Yala harvesting begins in August. In July 2023, 30,815 metric tons of big onions were imported, an increase of 2,380 metric tons compared to the previous month. The average CIF price was Rs. 67.66/kg, which is Rs. 10.25/kg higher than the previous month. Consequently, wholesale and retail prices for imported big onions increased by Rs. 18.00/kg and Rs. 15.00/kg, respectively. Wholesale prices ranged between Rs. 80.00–130.00/kg, while retail prices ranged from Rs. 120.00–180.00/kg. Compared to the same period last year, both wholesale and retail prices for imported big onions decreased by about 36%.

The supply of Vedalan red onions from key producing areas slightly increased this month, leading to a decrease in wholesale prices by about Rs. 2.00/kg. Wholesale prices ranged between Rs. 280.00–550.00/kg, while retail prices ranged from Rs. 400.00–700.00/kg.

A total of 78 metric tons of red onions were imported from India this month, a decrease of 953 metric tons compared to the previous month. The average CIF price was Rs. 106.48/kg, a reduction of Rs. 6.31/kg from the previous month. While the wholesale price of imported red onions rose by approximately Rs. 73.00/kg, retail prices remained relatively stable. Compared to the same period last year, the wholesale price of imported red onions increased by about 57%.

Table 2.2.4: Wholesale Prices and Retail Prices of Red Onion and Big Onion – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Prices								
Red Onion (Sinnan)	-	-	-	275.00	-	-	-	-
Red Onion (Vedalan)	280.00-550.00	436.76	438.33	329.55	-1.58	-0.36	107.20	32.53
Red Onion (Imported)	380.00-470.00	422.41	349.78	268.38	72.63	20.77	154.04	57.40
Big Onion (imported)	80.00-130.00	111.62	93.43	175.33	18.20	19.48	-63.71	-36.34
Big Onion (Local)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retail Prices								
Red Onion (Sinnan)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red Onion (Vedalan)	400.00-700.00	601.36	-	541.94	-	-	59.43	10.97
Red Onion (Imported)	400.00-540.00	448.59	448.76	442.07	-0.17	-0.04	6.52	1.48
Big Onion (imported)	120.00-180.00	146.26	131.09	228.96	15.17	11.58	-82.70	-36.12
Big Onion (Local)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Table 2.2.5: Monthly average CIF and gross margin of Wholesale and Retail prices for Imported Onions, July 2023

Item	Month	CIF Price (Rs/kg)	Wholesale Price	Retail Price	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)	
			(Rs/kg)	(Rs/kg)	WP-CIF	RP-WP
Big onion	July,2023	67.66	111.62	146.26	43.96	34.64
	June,2023	57.41	93.43	131.09	36.02	37.66
	July,2022	80.57	175.33	228.96	94.75	53.64
Red onion	July,2023	106.48	422.41	448.59	315.93	26.18
	June,2023	112.79	349.78	448.76	236.98	98.98
	July,2022	93.47	268.38	442.07	174.90	173.69

Source: Department of Customs; Data Management Division/HARTI

Table 2.2.6: Quantity Imported, CIF price, Wholesale and Retail Price of Big Onions

Month	Quantity Imported (Mt)	CIF Price (Rs/kg)	Wholesale Price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (RP-CIF) (Rs/kg)
July-2023	30,815.34	67.66	111.62	146.26	78.60
June-2023	28,435.13	57.41	93.43	131.09	73.68
May-2023	27,523.01	57.64	96.66	127.64	69.99
April-2023	23,253.37	60.57	91.35	120.91	60.34
March-2023	30,172.31	61.75	94.18	126.33	64.59
February-2023	23,206.84	73.34	111.20	158.70	85.35

Source: Department of Customs and Data Management Division/HARTI

Table 2.2.7: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Imported Big Onions and Red Onions

Item	Quantity (mt.)		Value (Rs. mn)		CIF Price (Rs/kg)	
	July,2023	June,2023	July,2023	June,2023	July,2023	June,2023
Red Onion	77.74	1031.14	8.28	116.31	106.48	112.79
Big Onion	30815.34	28435.13	2084.98	1632.43	67.66	57.41

Source: Department of Customs

2.3 Potato

Crop Situation and Progress

The target for potato cultivation in the 2023 Yala season was 3,040 hectares, with 1,011 hectares cultivated by the end of July, achieving 33% of the target. Compared to the same period in the 2022 Yala season, the cultivated extent so far this year represents 56% of the total area cultivated in Yala 2022. Based on the cultivated extent by the end of July, the expected potato production for this Yala season is 27,764 metric tons. However, the progress in potato cultivation is significantly lower compared to the total cultivated extent of the 2022 Yala season.

In the Nuwara Eliya district, the target for this Yala season was 1,016 hectares, with 391 hectares cultivated by the end of July, achieving 38% of the target. In the Badulla district, the target was 2,022 hectares, with a cultivation progress of 30.66%. (Crop Forecast, Yala 2023, Volume 04, Socio-economic & Planning Centre/DOA).

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Both local and imported stocks of potatoes were available in the market. In July, the average producer prices were Rs. 288.00/kg for Nuwara Eliya potatoes and Rs. 273.00/kg for Welimada potatoes. During the month, wholesale prices for Nuwara Eliya potatoes increased by 13%, while retail prices rose by 14%. Similarly, wholesale prices for imported potatoes also increased by 13%, with retail prices rising by 19%.

The wholesale prices for Nuwara Eliya potatoes ranged between Rs. 300.00–360.00/kg, while imported potatoes ranged between Rs. 320.00–360.00/kg and Rs. 170.00–250.00/kg, respectively. Compared to the same period last year, retail prices for Nuwara Eliya potatoes decreased by 11%, and prices for imported potatoes decreased by 7%.

Table 2.3.1: Quantity, value and CIF prices of Imported Potatoes –Feb to July 2023

Month	Quantity (mt.)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
July-2023	18,162	1289.19	70.98	239.80	168.82
June-2023	12,052	716.85	59.48	200.57	141.09
May-2023	12,983	801.12	61.71	202.36	140.66
April-2023	9,545	562.88	58.97	178.51	119.54
March-2023	20,479	1145.17	55.92	159.15	103.23
February-2023	14,258	922.11	64.68	185.01	120.34

Source: Department of Customs; Data Management Division/HARTI

Table: 2.3.2: Producer, Wholesale and Retail Prices of Potato – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Producer Prices (PP)								
Welimada	260.00-295.00	273.80	263.00	-	10.80	4.11	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	270.00-305.00	288.60	269.73	340.00	18.87	6.99	-51.40	-15.12
Imported – CIF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wholesale Prices (WP)								
Welimada	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	300.00-360.00	323.30	285.00	376.25	38.30	13.44	-52.95	-14.07
Imported	170.00-250.00	197.38	174.45	186.65	22.93	13.15	10.73	5.75
Retail Prices (RP)								
Welimada	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	350.00-480.00	417.34	365.72	468.93	51.61	14.11	-51.60	-11.00
Imported	190.00-280.00	239.80	200.57	256.99	39.23	19.56	-17.18	-6.69
Gross Margin (RP-PP)								
Welimada	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya		128.74	95.99	128.93	32.75	34.12	-0.20	-0.15
Imported (RP-CIF)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross Margin (RP -WP)								
Welimada		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya		94.04	80.72	92.68	13.31	16.49	1.35	1.46
Imported		42.42	26.12	70.34	16.30	62.39	-27.92	-39.69

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

2.4 Green gram and Cowpea

Crop Situation and Progress

As of July, local green gram cultivation achieved 67% of its targeted extent. The cultivated areas by the end of July for Yala 2023 were recorded at 7,335 hectares for green gram, representing 137% of the total cultivated area in Yala 2022, while cowpea cultivation was at 4,775 hectares, accounting for 69% of the previous year's total. The major producing areas for green gram cultivation are the Kurunegala, Hambantota, Moneragala, and Mannar districts, while Ampara and Moneragala are key regions for cowpea cultivation.

Prices and Supply/ Demand Situation

The wholesale prices of green gram ranged from Rs. 800.00 to Rs. 950.00/kg, while retail prices ranged from Rs. 1000.00 to Rs. 1400.00/kg. Compared to the same period last year, both wholesale and retail prices of green gram have increased by less than 20%.

For white and red cowpea, wholesale prices ranged between Rs. 620.00 and Rs. 850.00/kg, while retail prices ranged from Rs. 700.00 to Rs. 1050.00/kg. Compared to the same period last year, the retail price of white cowpea increased by 11%, while the price of red cowpea rose by 34%.

Table 2.4.1: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Green gram and Cowpea – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to		Change Compared to	
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Prices								
Green gram	800.00-950.00	893.23	1004.00	811.80	-110.77	-11.03	81.44	10.03
Cowpea (White)	620.00-850.00	715.94	655.63	709.94	60.32	9.20	6.00	0.84
Cowpea (Red)	720.00-900.00	805.43	743.00	636.50	62.43	8.40	168.93	26.54
Retail Price								
Green gram	1000.00-1400.00	1238.00	1439.09	1003.79	-201.10	-13.97	234.21	23.33
Cowpea (White)	700.00-1200.00	956.69	922.58	864.81	34.11	3.70	91.88	10.62
Cowpea (Red)	800.00-1250.00	981.39	913.98	733.58	67.40	7.37	247.80	33.78

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

2.5 Red dhal

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The wholesale price of red dhal decreased by 2% compared to June, ranging between Rs. 245.00 and Rs. 295.00/kg. Retail prices of red dhal also saw a marginal decrease compared to June. When compared to July 2022, both wholesale and retail prices of red dhal have dropped by nearly 50%, largely due to an increase in the quantity of red dhal imports since June.

Table 2.5.1: Wholesale and retail prices of Red Dhal – July 2023

Red Dhal	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Price	245.00-295.00	265.80	260.00	528.38	5.80	2.23	-262.58	-49.70
Retail Price	270.00-360.00	307.36	310.07	600.12	-2.71	-0.87	-292.76	-48.78

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

3. Vegetables

Crop Situation

The Yala 2023 cultivation season has commenced, with cultivation progress recorded at 59% (10,768 hectares) for up-country vegetables and 80% (18,196 hectares) for low-country vegetables. The targeted extent for up-country vegetables this season is 18,373 hectares, with an expected production of 167,006 metric tons. For low-country vegetables, the targeted cultivation extent is 22,607 hectares, with a projected production of 217,552 metric tons. Notably, ash plantain, pumpkin, brinjal, kekiri, and winged bean have reported progress exceeding 80% of their respective targets. (Crop Forecast, Vol. 04, Yala 2023, Socio-Economics & Planning Center/Department of Agriculture).

Table 3.1: Cultivation Progress of Vegetables for Yala 2023 Season

Crops	Targeted Extent (ha)	Cultivation Progress at the end of July 2023		Expected Production (mt)
		Cultivated Extent (ha)	% of the Target	
Up-Country Vegetables				
Bean	3,989	2,113	53	20,059
Beet	1,709	679	40	11,088
Cabbage	2,724	1,312	48	34,601
Capsicum	1,964	1,223	62	9,397
Carrot	1,815	1,146	63	25,319
Knol-khol	538	361	67	4,529
Leeks	1,286	769	60	13,092
Tomato	2,852	2,254	79	33,815
Radish	1,497	912	61	15,107
Total	18,373	10,768	59	167,006
Low – country Vegetables				
Pumpkin	3,511	2,832	81	43,224
Snake gourd	1,608	1,089	68	11,930
Cucumber	1,533	1,099	72	14,469
Bitter gourd	1,832	1,366	75	15,377
Okra	3,457	2,671	77	27,703
Brinjal	4,307	3,559	83	49,220
Ash plantain	136	507	371	7,163
Luffa	1,455	1,133	78	12,331
Long Bean	3,974	3,009	76	26,078
Winged bean	555	515	93	5,261
Kekiri	238	417	175	4,794
Total	22,607	18,196	80	217,552
Grand Total	40,980	28,965	71	384,558

Source: Crop Forecast, Yala 2023, volume 04, Socio-economic & Planning Centre/DOA

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

With increased supply from several production areas, prices for most vegetable varieties have decreased. Wholesale prices for up-country vegetables have fallen by 14%–45%, with the highest price decrease of 45% reported for knolkhol, attributed to increased supply from Nuwara Eliya. The highest price of Rs. 370.00/kg was recorded for carrots, while the lowest price of Rs. 78.00/kg was observed for radishes.

For low-country vegetables, wholesale prices decreased by 1%–47%, with exceptions for tomato, brinjal, drumstick, and pumpkin. The highest price of Rs. 326.00/kg was recorded for capsicum, while the lowest price of Rs. 70.00/kg was for cucumber, with a significant price decrease of 47% reported for drumsticks. In contrast, due to limited supply from producing areas, the price of green chilies increased by 9%.

Compared to the same period last year, wholesale prices for vegetable varieties have decreased by 4%–48%. However, prices for beans, carrots, beetroot, tomatoes, drumsticks, long beans, and ash plantain have increased, ranging from 6% to 83%, with the highest price increase of 83% recorded for tomatoes.

Table 3.2: Wholesale prices of Vegetables – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Beans (green)	250.00-450.00	344.40	404.25	323.00	-59.85	-14.81	21.40	6.63
Carrot	280.00-450.00	369.78	317.25	242.84	52.53	16.56	126.94	52.27
Leeks	100.00-200.00	148.20	241.00	182.75	-92.80	-38.51	-34.55	-18.91
Beetroot	130.00-400.00	252.71	342.06	215.21	-89.35	-26.12	37.50	17.43
Knolkhol	80.00-150.00	107.20	196.25	140.50	-89.05	-45.38	-33.30	-23.70
Radish	50.00-120.00	78.20	137.50	103.25	-59.30	-43.13	-25.05	-24.26
Cabbage	100.00-180.00	140.40	200.75	248.00	-60.35	-30.06	-107.60	-43.39
Tomato	180.00-550.00	330.00	208.75	180.25	121.25	58.08	149.75	83.08
Ladies Fingers	80.00-180.00	120.00	148.25	230.75	-28.25	-19.06	-110.75	-48.00
Brinjal	180.00-350.00	273.20	202.00	258.18	71.20	35.25	15.02	5.82
Capsicum	300.00-400.00	325.60	328.75	554.00	-3.15	-0.96	-228.40	-41.23
Pumpkin	100.00-140.00	116.60	84.00	230.91	32.60	38.81	-114.31	-49.50
Cucumber	50.00-120.00	70.40	95.50	91.75	-25.10	-26.28	-21.35	-23.27
Bittergourd	200.00-350.00	264.00	427.25	277.00	-163.25	-38.21	-13.00	-4.69
Snakegourd	100.00-280.00	180.89	255.50	218.75	-74.61	-29.20	-37.86	-17.31
Drumstick	100.00-700.00	309.35	580.45	229.75	-271.09	-46.70	79.60	34.65
Luffa	80.00-160.00	130.20	180.75	143.75	-50.55	-27.97	-13.55	-9.43
Long Beans	120.00-350.00	225.40	285.50	191.75	-60.10	-21.05	33.65	17.55
Ash Plantain	130.00-180.00	152.20	152.00	107.43	0.20	0.13	44.77	41.67
Green Chillies	300.00-850.00	563.80	519.50	520.50	44.30	8.53	43.30	8.32
Lime	200.00-350.00	280.60	297.84	284.00	-17.24	-5.79	-3.40	-1.20

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

In line with the decrease in wholesale prices, retail prices for most vegetable varieties have also fallen, with reductions ranging from 3% to 42%. The highest price decrease of 42% was reported for drumsticks. Capsicum recorded the highest retail price at Rs. 523.00/kg, while cucumber had the lowest price at Rs. 172.00/kg. Additionally, the price of green chillies increased by 17%.

Compared to the same period last year, retail prices for beans, knolkhol, radish, cabbage, ladies fingers, capsicum, pumpkin, cucumber, bitter gourd, snake gourd, and luffa have decreased by 1% to 36%.

Table 3.3: Retail prices of Vegetables – July 2023

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Beans (green)	320.00-600.00	485.05	500.96	493.63	-15.91	-3.18	-8.58	-1.74
Carrot	380.00-600.00	502.53	435.65	400.42	66.87	15.35	102.11	25.50
Leeks	140.00-480.00	314.55	399.63	312.31	-85.07	-21.29	2.24	0.72
Beetroot	160.00-600.00	420.24	501.33	361.06	-81.09	-16.17	59.18	16.39
Knolkhol	100.00-480.00	274.35	381.31	285.96	-106.96	-28.05	-11.61	-4.06
Radish	70.00-360.00	202.96	257.42	222.10	-54.46	-21.16	-19.14	-8.62
Cabbage	130.00-400.00	296.23	363.88	403.30	-67.65	-18.59	-107.07	-26.55
Tomato	200.00-800.00	494.96	360.20	324.19	134.76	37.41	170.77	52.67
Ladies Fingers	100.00-400.00	271.23	306.51	369.16	-35.29	-11.51	-97.94	-26.53
Brinjal	240.00-600.00	407.03	392.24	398.92	14.79	3.77	8.11	2.03
Capsicum	320.00-1000.00	523.21	551.48	779.69	-28.27	-5.13	-256.48	-32.90
Pumpkin	130.00-260.00	201.79	174.85	317.92	26.94	15.41	-116.13	-36.53
Cucumber	60.00-260.00	171.67	188.10	200.85	-16.43	-8.73	-29.18	-14.53
Bittergourd	250.00-600.00	443.13	577.43	450.46	-134.31	-23.26	-7.33	-1.63
Snakegourd	140.00-480.00	334.02	402.80	374.34	-68.78	-17.08	-40.33	-10.77
Drumstick	200.00-1000.00	518.84	890.48	415.02	-371.65	-41.74	103.81	25.01
Luffa	120.00-420.00	300.08	360.86	303.10	-60.78	-16.84	-3.02	-1.00
Long Beans	180.00-600.00	371.44	413.12	364.90	-41.68	-10.09	6.55	1.79
Ash Plantain	180.00-400.00	286.15	285.19	219.91	0.96	0.34	66.24	30.12
Green Chilli	420.00-1200.00	835.80	709.32	765.07	126.48	17.83	70.73	9.24
Lime	300.00-800.00	538.36	550.18	591.10	-11.82	-2.15	-52.74	-8.92

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

4. Fruits

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

In July, prices for most major fruit varieties increased. Among the banana varieties, prices rose due to decreased supply from key producing areas: kolikuttu (21%), ambul (16%), seeni (7%), anamalu (7%), and ambun (7%). During the month, wholesale prices ranged from Rs. 350.00 to Rs. 450.00/kg for kolikuttu, Rs. 100.00 to Rs. 180.00/kg for ambul, Rs. 80.00 to Rs. 150.00/kg for seeni, Rs. 24.00 to Rs. 32.00/fruit for ambun, and Rs. 18.00 to Rs. 30.00/fruit for anamalu.

For pineapples, prices across all sizes increased by 26% to 37%. The monthly average wholesale prices were Rs. 863.00/fruit for large, Rs. 663.00/fruit for medium, and Rs. 512.00/fruit for small sizes. In the mango category, prices rose for all varieties, with the highest increase of 62% for betti mangoes, followed by vilad (38%) and karthakolomban (32%) mangoes.

Among other fruit varieties, the highest price increase was recorded for slime apple (18%), followed by passion fruit (8%), due to low stock levels. Conversely, prices for orange (24%), imported grapes (23%), and wood apple (13%) decreased, attributed to increased supply from the ongoing harvesting of wood apples and oranges, along with sufficient imported stocks of grapes.

Compared to the same period last year, the current wholesale prices for most fruit varieties have risen, with the highest increase of 121% reported for kolikuttu bananas.

Table 4.1: Wholesale Prices of Fruits – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Plantain								
Ambul (Kg)	100.00-180.00	132.73	114.09	98.65	18.64	16.34	34.08	34.54
Kolikuttu (Kg)	350.00-450.00	392.45	325.09	177.63	67.36	20.72	214.82	120.94
Seeni (Kg)	80.00-150.00	112.89	105.48	90.25	7.42	7.03	22.65	25.09
Anamalu (Fruit)	18.00-30.00	22.25	20.77	13.10	1.48	7.13	9.15	69.89
Ambun (Fruit)	24.00-32.00	28.26	26.37	16.05	1.89	7.18	12.21	76.08
Pineapple								
Large (Fruit)	730.00-960.00	863.09	632.04	417.72	231.05	36.56	445.37	106.62
Medium (Fruit)	560.00-780.00	663.24	526.69	336.08	136.55	25.93	327.16	97.35
Small (Fruit)	430.00-600.00	512.41	400.13	264.16	112.28	28.06	248.25	93.98
Mango								
Betti (Fruit)	24.00-52.00	38.24	23.65	37.82	14.59	61.66	0.42	1.11
Karthakolomban (fruit)	50.00-140.00	89.08	67.56	128.91	21.52	31.86	-39.82	-30.89
Vilad (Fruit)	52.00-80.00	62.96	45.52	55.30	17.44	38.31	7.66	13.84
Kohu (Fruit)	-	-	16.33	21.00	-	-	-	-
Papaw (Kg)	60.00-150.00	102.05	104.77	128.35	-2.71	-2.59	-26.30	-20.49
Passionfruit (Fruit)	22.00-42.00	31.01	28.61	27.90	2.40	8.40	3.11	11.16
Woodapple (Fruit)	50.00-110.00	82.96	95.10	45.25	-12.14	-12.77	37.71	83.33
Orange (Fruit)	40.00-100.00	67.49	89.25	55.79	-21.76	-24.38	11.70	20.96
Avocado (Fruit)	50.00-90.00	68.28	68.04	51.40	0.25	0.36	16.88	32.84
Slime Apple (Fruit)	20.00-30.00	25.05	21.18	29.94	3.88	18.31	-4.89	-16.33
Grapes Imported (Kg)	1100.00-1600.00	1282.86	1670.00	-	-387.14	-23.18	-	-

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

According to the price behavior in the wholesale market, retail prices for most major fruit varieties, except papaw, increased in July. Among banana varieties, the highest price increase of 13% was reported for kolikuttu bananas, while other varieties saw increases of 3% to 5%. Prices ranged from Rs. 400.00 to Rs. 550.00/kg for kolikuttu, Rs. 140.00 to Rs. 250.00/kg for ambul bananas, and Rs. 130.00 to Rs. 250.00/kg for seeni bananas in the Colombo and suburban markets.

For pineapples, prices across all sizes rose further by 32% to 45% due to increased wholesale prices, with medium-sized fruits priced between Rs. 650.00 and Rs. 975.00/fruit in the Colombo suburban markets. Among mango varieties, karthakolomban and vilad prices increased by 8% and 7%, respectively.

In contrast, prices for most other fruit varieties decreased, with the highest decline of 20% reported for oranges, followed by wood apple (17%), avocado (11%), and imported grapes (10%). However, the price of slime apple increased by 12%. Compared to the same period last year, current retail prices for all fruit varieties have risen, with the highest increase of 116% reported for large-sized pineapples.

Table 4.2: Retail Prices of Fruits – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	%	(Rs)	%
Plantain								
Ambul (Kg)	140.00-250.00	194.74	185.10	128.93	9.64	5.21	65.81	51.05
Kolikuttu (Kg)	400.00-550.00	473.97	420.89	251.19	53.08	12.61	222.78	88.69
Seeni (Kg)	130.00-250.00	192.68	192.81	140.21	-0.13	-0.07	52.47	37.42
Anamalu (Fruit)	23.00-44.00	31.17	29.59	21.11	1.58	5.33	10.07	47.70
Ambun (Fruit)	32.00-55.00	40.69	39.29	26.15	1.40	3.57	14.54	55.59
Pineapple								
Large (Fruit)	900.00-1300.00	1028.49	710.89	476.29	317.60	44.68	552.20	115.94
Medium (Fruit)	650.00-975.00	798.15	584.28	383.45	213.87	36.60	414.70	108.15
Small (Fruit)	450.00-750.00	601.45	454.06	305.97	147.39	32.46	295.48	96.57
Mango								
Betti (Fruit)	-	-	30.23	-	-	-	-	-
Karthakolomban(fruit)	60.00-200.00	135.85	127.16	162.90	8.69	6.83	-27.05	-16.61
Vilad (Fruit)	60.00-120.00	88.98	82.07	73.94	6.91	8.42	15.04	20.34
Kohu (Fruit)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Papaw (Kg)	100.00-300.00	200.55	213.72	226.29	-13.17	-6.16	-25.74	-11.38
Passionfruit (Fruit)	30.00-76.00	50.13	49.80	42.13	0.33	0.67	8.00	18.99
Woodapple (Fruit)	60.00-200.00	126.85	153.05	88.19	-26.20	-17.12	38.66	43.84
Orange (Fruit)	60.00-180.00	102.45	127.83	94.66	-25.39	-19.86	7.79	8.23
Avocado (Fruit)	60.00-160.00	98.75	110.76	94.35	-12.01	-10.85	4.40	4.67
Slime Apple (Fruit)	40.00-130.00	74.65	66.526	65.60	8.12	12.21	9.05	13.79
Grapes Imported (Kg)	1400.00-3500.00	2346.17	2620.9	-	-274.73	-10.48	-	-

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Table 4.3: Producer Prices of selected Fruits – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Ambul	44.00-92.00	62.12	56.50	38.58	5.62	9.95	23.54	61.02
Kolikuttu	118.00-328.00	222.40	204.75	117.67	17.65	8.62	104.73	89.00
Papaw	47.50-89.00	66.87	64.75	102.00	2.12	3.27	-35.13	-34.44

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Exports/Imports of Fruits

According to Sri Lanka Customs, Sri Lanka exported 1,661 metric tons of fresh fruits in July 2023, valued at Rs. 232 million. Of this exported quantity, 97% was papaw. This represents a decrease compared to July 2022, when 1,735 metric tons were exported (Table 4.3).

In terms of imports, Sri Lanka imported 607 metric tons of fresh fruits during the month, with a total value of Rs. 265 million. Apples were the most imported fruit, comprising 306 metric tons, followed by grapes at 129 metric tons. Compared to the same period last year, the imported quantity has increased this year (Table 4.4).

Table 4.4: Quantity, Value and FOB Prices of Exported Fruits – May to July 2023

Type of Fruit	July- 2023			June- 2023			May- 2023		
	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	FOB (Rs/kg)	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	FOB (Rs/kg)	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	FOB (Rs/kg)
Fresh Papaw	1617.08	188.78	116.74	1238.95	140.39	113.32	1329.64	167.90	126.27
Fresh Mango,Guava, Mangosteen	17.42	20.70	1188.39	14.29	20.58	1440.42	29.29	44.55	1521.04
Fresh Avocado	1.63	1.34	824.04	6.14	5.07	825.13	1.41	1.11	790.59
Pineapple, fresh	24.76	21.23	857.41	25.74	9.14	355.14	35.53	9.93	279.42

Source: Sri Lanka Customs

Table 4.5: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Imported Fruits – May to July 2023

Type of Fruit	July- 2023			June- 2023			May- 2023		
	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF (Rs/kg)	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF (Rs/kg)	Qty (mt)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF (Rs/kg)
Apple	306.22	123.93	404.71	307.65	125.09	406.61	641.32	239.23	373.03
Grapes	172.37	105.85	614.10	253.00	168.78	667.11	201.61	147.02	729.24
Oranges	128.51	35.16	273.56	139.50	29.92	214.49	272.28	50.12	184.06

Source: Sri Lanka Customs

5. Fish, Dried Fish, Eggs and Meat

Fish

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

While food inflation (year-on-year) remained at a single-digit level of 5.7% in July 2023, the prices of most fish varieties slightly decreased at the wholesale level. This decline can be attributed to an increase in supply due to favorable weather conditions in the southern and western coastal belts during their lean season. As mentioned earlier, the rise in the cost of living and loss of income have compelled consumers to reduce their consumption of high-value foods, such as fish and meat, leading to decreased demand for these products. A noticeable shift in demand from high-value fish varieties to low-value ones continues to be observed.

Following a significant price increase last month, prices for hurulla experienced a 13% drop due to high fish catches in the southern and western coastal belts, marking the highest price decrease among all fresh fish varieties. Additionally, prices for mora and kelawalla fell by 9%.

In comparison to the same period last year, wholesale prices for most fresh fish varieties increased, ranging from 1% to 24%. The most notable increase was seen in the price of small shrimp, which rose by 24%.

Retail prices for some fish varieties also showed a decline during the month. The highest decrease was noted for hurulla at 7% followed by at 6%. However, prices for other varieties increased, including mora (10%), thora (9%), and small shrimp (3%). Compared to the same period last year,

retail prices for most fresh fish varieties rose, with the most significant increase observed for small shrimp at 29%.

Table 5.1: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Fish – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Prices								
Salaya	350.00-600.00	490.00	496.75	601.25	-6.75	-1.36	-111.25	-18.50
Hurulla	680.00-1250.00	909.80	1043.25	898.75	-133.45	-12.79	11.05	1.23
Balaya	800.00-1400.00	1036.40	1101.00	968.13	-64.60	-5.87	68.28	7.05
Kelawalla	1000.00-1800.00	1495.20	1638.75	1341.34	-143.55	-8.76	153.86	11.47
Thora	2000.00-3200.00	2513.00	2321.25	2604.78	191.75	8.26	-91.78	-3.52
Paraw	1250.00-1750.00	1476.80	1465.75	1416.55	11.05	0.75	60.25	4.25
Mora	900.00-1300.00	1099.50	1214.00	-	-114.50	-9.43	-	-
Shrimp (small)	1600.00-1800.00	1679.20	1659.00	1354.19	20.20	1.22	325.01	24.00
Thalapath	1500.00-2400.00	2030.00	2024.58	1746.25	5.42	0.27	283.75	16.25
Retail Prices								
Salaya	520.00-1000.00	759.41	755.81	837.44	3.60	0.48	-78.02	-9.32
Hurulla	800.00-1500.00	1154.56	1235.35	1124.75	-80.79	-6.54	29.81	2.65
Balaya	1200.00-2200.00	1649.39	1752.83	1730.90	-103.44	-5.90	-81.51	-4.71
Kelawalla	1800.00-3500.00	2571.11	2587.26	2421.78	-16.15	-0.62	149.33	6.17
Thora	2500.00-4800.00	3689.18	3396.26	3126.39	292.93	8.62	562.79	18.00
Paraw	1700.00-3200.00	2607.52	2602.14	2379.59	5.38	0.21	227.93	9.58
Mora	1700.00-2800.00	2345.53	2137.26	2100.00	208.27	9.74	245.53	11.69
Shrimp (small)	1600.00-2400.00	1977.79	1918.46	1533.76	59.33	3.09	444.03	28.95
Thalapath	2500.00-3600.00	3159.10	3169.22	2585.31	-10.12	-0.32	573.79	22.19

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Dried Fish

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

In July 2023, prices for most dried fish varieties experienced a slight increase. The highest price hikes at the wholesale level were recorded for sprats (21%) and imported sprats (16%) during the month. Additionally, prices for salaya rose by 13%. The remaining dried fish varieties, except for imported anguluwa and imported kattawa, saw price increases of less than 9%.

In contrast, prices for imported anguluwa and imported kattawa decreased by less than 3%. Compared to the same period last year, wholesale prices for all dried fish varieties dropped, with the most significant decline observed for imported sprats at 34%.

Table 5.2: Wholesale and Retail prices of Dried fish – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Dried fish – Wholesale Price								
Sprats	1900.00-2300.00	2118.40	1747.44	2095.50	370.96	21.23	22.90	1.09
Sprats (imported)	800.00-1120.00	986.50	850.63	1491.04	135.87	15.97	-504.54	-33.84
Kattawa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kattawa (imported)	1550.00-1800.00	1654.40	1660.00	2164.27	-5.60	-0.34	-509.87	-23.56
Thora	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thora (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mora	1750.00-2180.00	1955.80	1825.56	2430.92	130.24	7.13	-475.12	-19.54
Mora (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balaya	1450.00-1860.00	1708.35	1575.75	1481.41	132.60	8.41	226.94	15.32
Balaya (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anguluwa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anguluwa (imported)	1500.00-1650.00	1566.71	1595.71	1917.59	-29.00	-1.82	-350.87	-18.30
Maduwa	1380.00-1600.00	1488.78	1383.00	-	105.78	7.65	-	-
Maduwa (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salaya	780.00-1000.00	909.56	801.75	972.53	107.81	13.45	-62.98	-6.48
Salaya (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dried fish – Retail Price								
Sprats(imported)	1000.00-1500.00	1258.18	1234.44	1797.76	23.74	1.92	-539.58	-30.01
Sprats	2000.00-2600.00	2317.52	2144.55	2656.66	172.96	8.07	-339.14	-12.77
Kattawa	1900.00-3000.00	2473.68	2519.44	3099.65	-45.76	-1.82	-625.97	-20.19
Thora	-	-	3200.00	-	-	-	-	-
Mora	2000.00-3000.00	2426.83	2383.62	2931.91	43.21	1.81	-505.08	-17.23
Balaya	1600.00-2400.00	2056.39	1786.81	2424.88	269.58	15.09	-368.49	-15.20
Anguluwa	1800.00-2800.00	2380.06	2382.49	2734.01	-2.43	-0.10	-353.95	-12.95
Maduwa	2000.00-2600.00	2391.21	2200.00	-	191.21	8.69	-	-
Salaya	950.00-1400.00	1229.50	1217.53	1444.31	11.97	0.98	-214.81	-14.87

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Eggs

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The Consumer Affairs Authority issued a new Gazette notification on January 20, 2023, renewing the maximum retail price (MRP) for eggs. According to the stipulated MRP, white eggs must be sold at Rs. 44, while brown eggs must be sold at Rs. 46.

In the wholesale market, prices for both brown and white eggs have risen by 5% and 9%, respectively, driven by increased demand. This surge in demand can be attributed to a shift in consumer preferences from more expensive protein sources, such as fish and meat, to comparatively more affordable options like eggs. The recorded average wholesale prices are Rs. 55.00 for white eggs and Rs. 53.00 for brown eggs, both of which exceed the stipulated maximum retail prices of Rs. 44.00 and Rs. 46.00, respectively.

In the retail market, prices for both brown and white eggs increased by 5% and 7%, respectively. The recorded average retail prices are Rs. 57.00 for white eggs and Rs. 55.50 for brown eggs, also exceeding the stipulated maximum retail prices. Compared to the same period last year, retail prices for both types of eggs surged by 28% to 37%.

Table 5.3: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Eggs – July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	%	Rs	%
Wholesale Price								
Eggs – Brown (each)	52.00-54.00	53.00	50.44	42.12	2.56	5.07	10.88	25.83
White (each)	50.00-59.00	55.53	50.94	39.60	4.59	9.01	15.93	40.21
Retail Price								
Eggs- Brown (each)	53.00-60.00	55.53	52.85	43.26	2.68	5.07	12.27	28.38
White (each)	51.00-60.00	56.97	53.08	41.50	3.88	7.31	15.47	37.26

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Meat

Compared to April, prices for most meat varieties slightly increased in the retail market in June. The highest price hike was noted for mutton, which rose by 5%, followed by a 3% increase in the price of chicken (curry). In contrast, pork prices experienced a 5% decrease. Compared to last year, prices for all meat varieties increased, with pork recording the highest rise at 39%.

Table 5.4: Retail prices of Meat –July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Meat								
Beef (without bones)	2200.00-2500.00	2,341.00	2,330.83	2137.50	10.17	0.44	203.50	9.52
Chicken (Broiler)	1400.00-1600.00	1,503.46	1,498.30	1255.90	5.16	0.34	247.55	19.71
Chicken (curry)	1400.00-1650.00	1,552.54	1,518.26	1150.25	34.28	2.26	402.29	34.97
Mutton	2800.00-3500.00	3,227.44	3,086.11	2670.83	141.33	4.58	556.61	20.84
Pork	1400.00-1800.00	1,586.67	1,673.33	1137.50	-86.67	-5.18	449.17	39.49

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

6. Wheat grain, Wheat flour and Sugar

Wheat grain and Wheat flour

A total quantity of 22,535 mt of wheat grain, valued at Rs. 2,546 million, was imported in July. Compared to the previous month, the quantity imported this month decreased by approximately 95,802 mt. Wheat grain was primarily sourced from the USA (88%), Canada (10%), and Australia (2%), with CIF prices of Rs. 107.81/kg, Rs. 152.15/kg, and Rs. 142.17/kg, respectively. The average CIF price increased by Rs. 13.95/kg compared to the previous month, with the highest CIF price for wheat grain imported from Canada and the lowest from the USA.

The total quantity of wheat flour imported this month was 34,162 mt, worth Rs. 4,351 million. This represents an increase of around 9,390 mt compared to the previous month. The majority of wheat flour was imported from Turkey at a CIF price of Rs. 126.45/kg, accounting for 97% of the total quantity imported in July. The remaining quantity came from the UAE (2%), Russia (1%), and smaller amounts from Italy, Australia, and China. The average CIF price of imported wheat flour this month was Rs. 127.36/kg, which reflects a decrease of Rs. 1.50/kg compared to the previous month.

Meanwhile, the local retail price of wheat flour ranged from Rs. 217.92 to Rs. 220.38/kg, with an average price of Rs. 219.75/kg. Compared to last month, the average retail price of wheat flour has not changed significantly, but it has decreased by 25% compared to the same period last year.

Table 6.1: Open market Retail Prices of Wheat Flour and Sugar –July 2023

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	July 2023	July 2023	June 2023	July 2022	June 2023		July 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wheat Flour	217.92-220.38	219.75	220.70	292.64	-0.95	-0.43	-72.89	-24.91
Sugar	237.52-243.00	239.15	237.66	339.65	1.49	0.63	-100.50	-29.59

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

Table 6.2: Quantity, value and CIF prices of wheat flour & grain- February to July 2023

Month	Quantity (mt.)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
Wheat Flour					
July-2023	34,161.94	4350.81	127.36	219.75	92.39
June-2023	24,772.10	3192.05	128.86	220.70	91.84
May-2023	11,560.79	1682.65	145.55	233.40	87.85
April-2023	9,100.79	1431.77	157.32	228.32	71.00
March-2023	6,008.63	1007.55	167.68	227.04	59.36
February-2023	21,470.58	4020.70	187.27	242.92	55.66
Wheat Grain					
July-2023	22,535.40	2,545.55	112.96	219.75	106.79
June-2023	118,337.76	11,717.06	99.01	220.70	121.69
May-2023	90,346.56	9,998.07	110.66	233.40	122.74
April-2023	77,656.08	10,273.24	132.29	228.32	96.03
March-2023	110,419.03	13,505.27	122.31	227.04	104.73
February-2023	77,600.76	11,218.83	144.57	242.92	98.35

Source: Department of Customs; Data Management Division/HARTI

Note: Retail price of wheat grains means the retail price of wheat flour.

Sugar

In July, a total quantity of 12,903 mt of sugar was imported, valued at Rs. 3,015 million, marking a decrease of approximately 1,879 mt compared to June. The largest portion of sugar was imported from India, accounting for 68% of the total quantity. The remaining imports came from Thailand (26%), the UAE (4%), and Malaysia (2%). The average CIF price was Rs. 233.67/kg, reflecting an increase of Rs. 14.77/kg compared to the previous month. The highest CIF price was for sugar imported from Malaysia at Rs. 248/kg, while the lowest was for sugar from the UAE at Rs. 219.76/kg.

Regarding local retail prices, sugar ranged from Rs. 237.52 to Rs. 243.00/kg, with an average retail price of Rs. 239.15/kg. This represents a 1% increase compared to last month, but a 30% decrease compared to the same period last year.

Table 6.3: Quantity, value and CIF prices of sugar- February to July 2023

Month	Quantity (Mt.)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs./kg)	Retail Price (Rs./kg)	Gross Margin (Rs./kg)
July-2023	12,902.65	3014.96	233.67	239.15	5.48
June-2023	22,357.89	4894.08	218.90	237.66	18.76
May-2023	24,697.70	5366.94	217.31	257.45	40.14
April-2023	10,507.42	2085.56	198.48	233.53	35.05
March-2023	21,412.25	4238.03	197.93	219.38	21.45
February-2023	10,652.80	2223.65	208.74	234.13	25.40

Source: Department of Customs; Data Management Division/HARTI

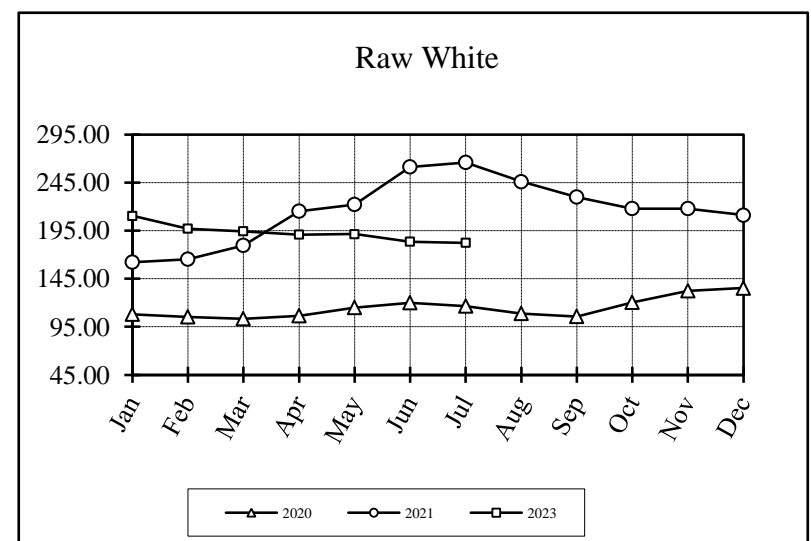
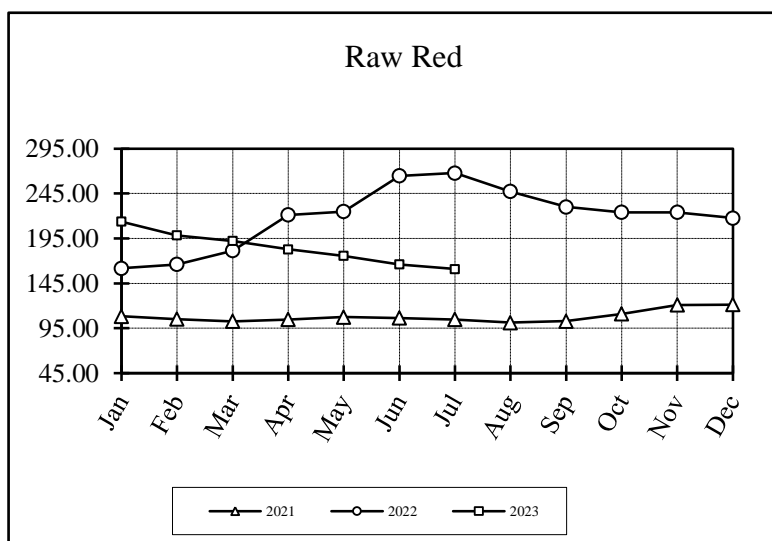
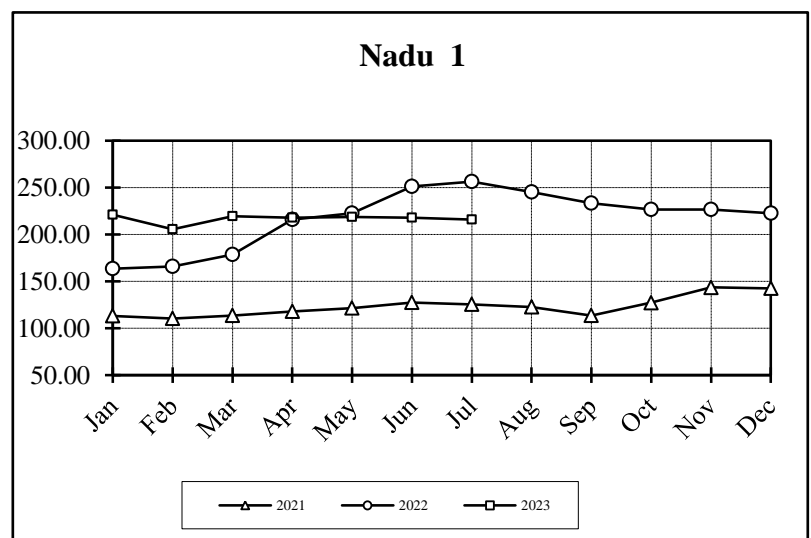
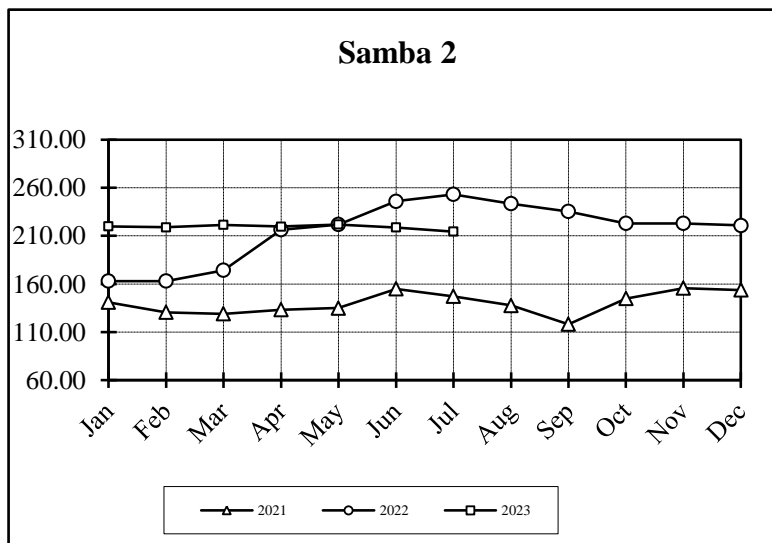
Table 7: Import of selected food items -July 2023

Item	Quantity (mt)		% Change Compared to last month	Value (Rs. mn)		% Change Compared to last month	CIF (Rs/kg)		% Change Compared to last month
	July 2023	June 2023		July 2023	June 2023		July 2023	June 2023	
Rice	1361.2	4321.8	(69)	328.5	758.5	(57)	241.3	175.5	37
Red Onion	77.7	1031.1	(92)	8.3	116.3	(93)	106.5	112.8	(6)
Big Onion	30815.3	28435.1	8	2085.0	1632.4	28	67.7	57.4	18
Potato	18162.2	12052.3	51	1289.2	716.9	80	71.0	59.5	19
Maysoor Dhal	23386.1	24005.8	(3)	5556.9	5508.5	1	237.6	229.5	4
Garlic	3370.4	1577.6	114	1359.1	520.2	161	403.2	329.8	22
Wheat flour	34161.9	24772.1	38	4350.8	3192.0	36	127.4	128.9	(1)
Wheat grain	22535.4	118337.8	(81)	2545.6	11717.1	(78)	113.0	99.0	14
Sugar & sugar confectionery	12902.7	22357.9	(42)	3015.0	4894.1	(38)	233.7	218.9	7
Maize (Other)	869.0	734.0	18	103.5	91.3	13	119.1	124.4	(4)

Source: Automated data Processing Division, Department of Customs, HARTI

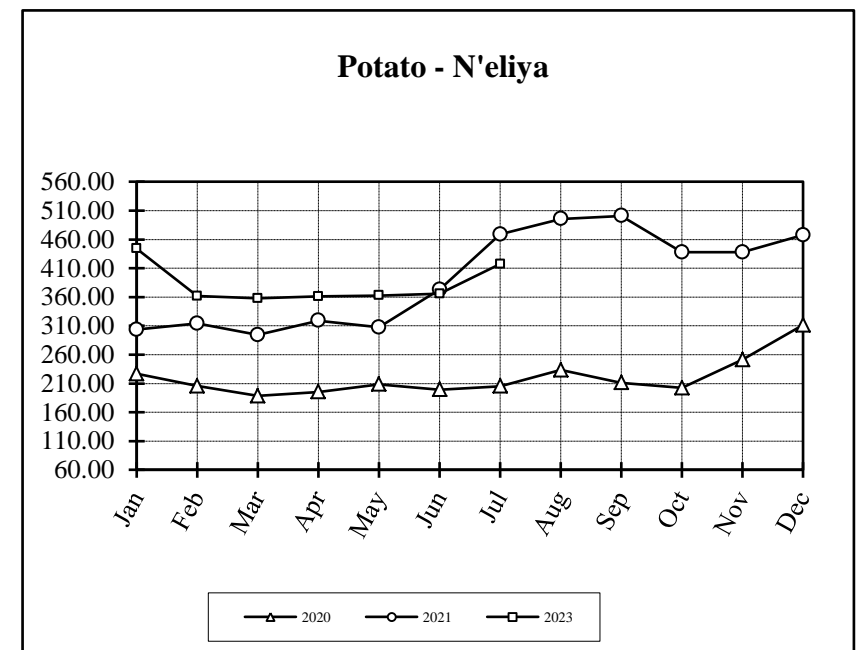
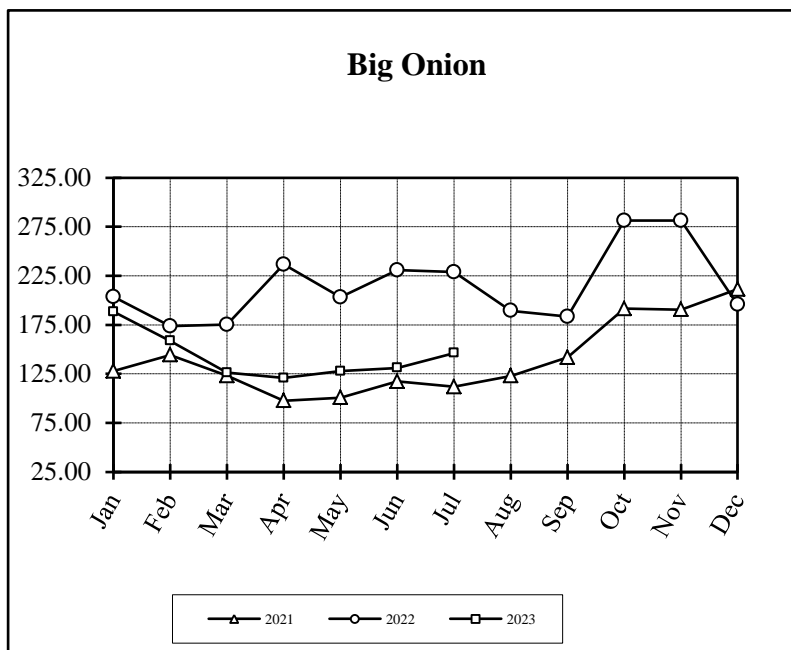
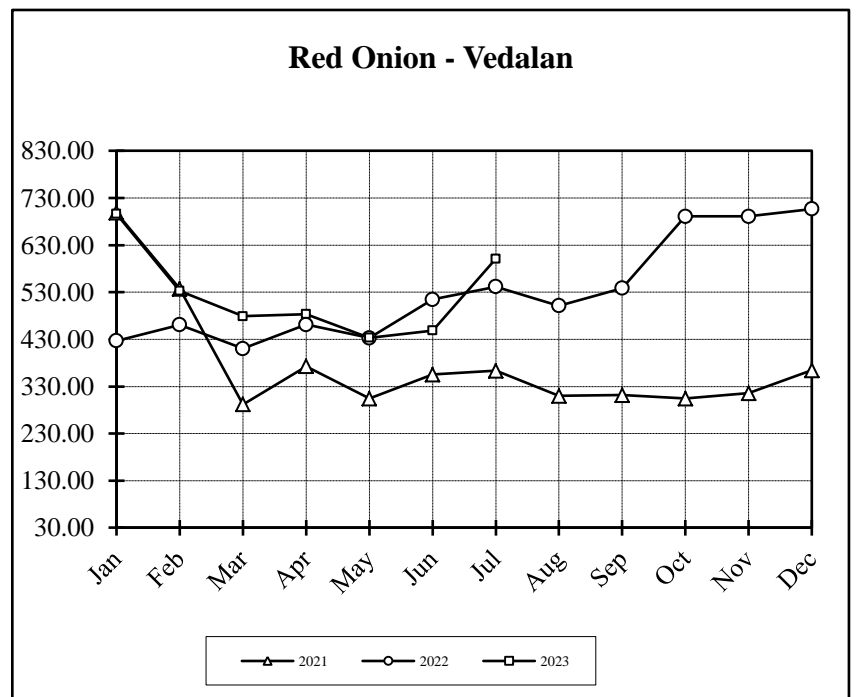
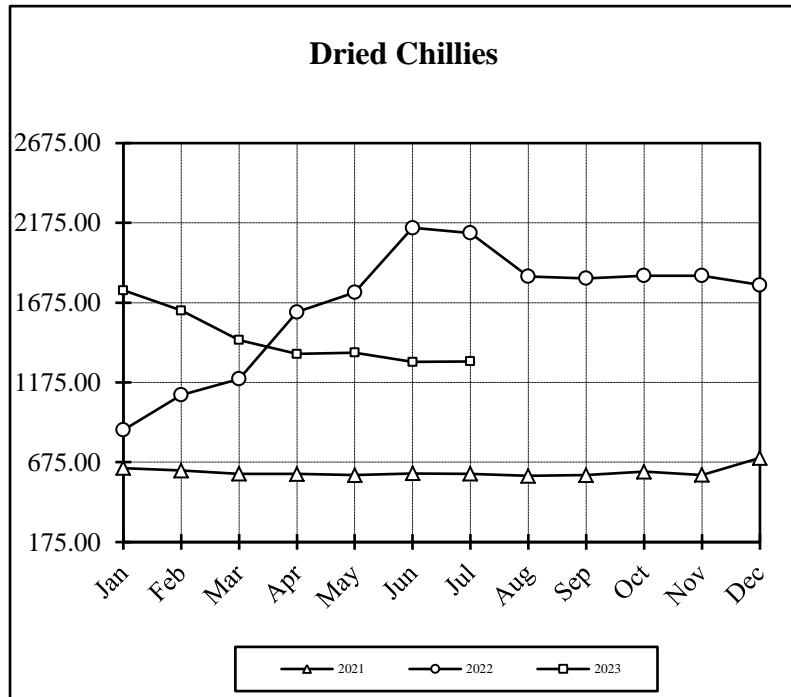
Appendix 01: Retail Price of Rice in Colombo & Suburbs (Rs/kg)

Month	Samba 2			Nadu 1			Raw Red			Raw White		
	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2020	2021	2023
Jan	141.10	163.05	219.81	113.10	163.43	220.92	108.31	161.74	213.83	108.03	162.13	210.47
Feb	130.44	162.91	218.90	110.43	165.94	205.48	105.14	166.21	198.52	105.33	165.39	197.12
Mar	128.86	174.23	221.53	113.55	178.69	219.37	102.71	181.30	192.21	103.35	179.60	194.29
Apr	133.36	216.46	219.71	118.02	216.03	217.91	104.80	221.05	182.80	106.46	215.19	191.02
May	135.00	221.87	221.71	121.48	222.47	218.80	107.41	224.78	175.69	115.04	222.45	191.48
Jun	155.00	246.00	218.83	127.50	251.20	217.79	106.45	264.53	166.19	120.00	261.37	183.70
Jul	147.27	253.30	214.56	125.36	256.35	215.78	104.83	267.75	160.92	116.53	266.15	182.31
Aug	137.66	243.37		122.81	245.23		101.28	247.19		108.81	246.15	
Sep	118.18	235.46		113.72	233.33		102.87	230.02		105.80	229.95	
Oct	144.76	223.04		127.27	226.45		110.86	224.05		120.38	218.10	
Nov	155.53	223.04		143.51	226.45		121.01	224.05		132.33	218.10	
Dec	153.68	220.88		142.58	222.77		121.40	217.65		135.35	211.26	



Appendix 02: Retail Prices of Chillies, Onions & Potato in Colombo & Suburbs (Rs/kg)

Month	Dried Chillies			Red Onion			Big Onion			Potato - N'Eliya		
	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2020	2021	2023
Jan	638.57	876.68	1752.35	698.55	426.78	696.10	127.78	203.69	188.50	227.08	303.42	443.97
Feb	623.15	1096.90	1625.09	537.28	461.00	532.96	144.28	173.63	158.70	205.92	314.05	361.86
Mar	602.72	1197.17	1439.94	291.66	410.30	479.02	123.19	175.30	126.33	188.53	294.04	357.69
Apr	601.31	1615.64	1352.77	372.89	461.12	483.63	97.65	236.52	120.91	195.46	319.03	361.12
May	594.37	1739.46	1361.98	304.18	433.13	433.52	100.75	203.29	127.64	208.71	307.54	362.70
Jun	605.00	2143.50	1303.59	355.40	514.80	448.76	117.42	230.89	131.09	199.41	373.16	365.72
Jul	602.48	2110.93	1307.02	363.39	541.94	601.36	111.94	228.96	146.26	205.29	468.93	417.37
Aug	589.40	1838.64		309.97	501.24		122.89	189.33		233.39	495.71	
Sep	593.55	1827.19		311.79	538.53		141.61	183.42		211.28	500.91	
Oct	615.62	1843.52		304.48	690.99		191.39	281.28		202.40	437.60	
Nov	594.81	1843.52		315.79	690.99		190.57	281.28		251.49	437.60	
Dec	700.81	1785.38		364.32	706.59		211.24	195.56		311.55	467.45	



**Appendix 03: Farmgate/Producer Prices of Food Commodities
in Selected Producing Areas (Rs/Kg)**

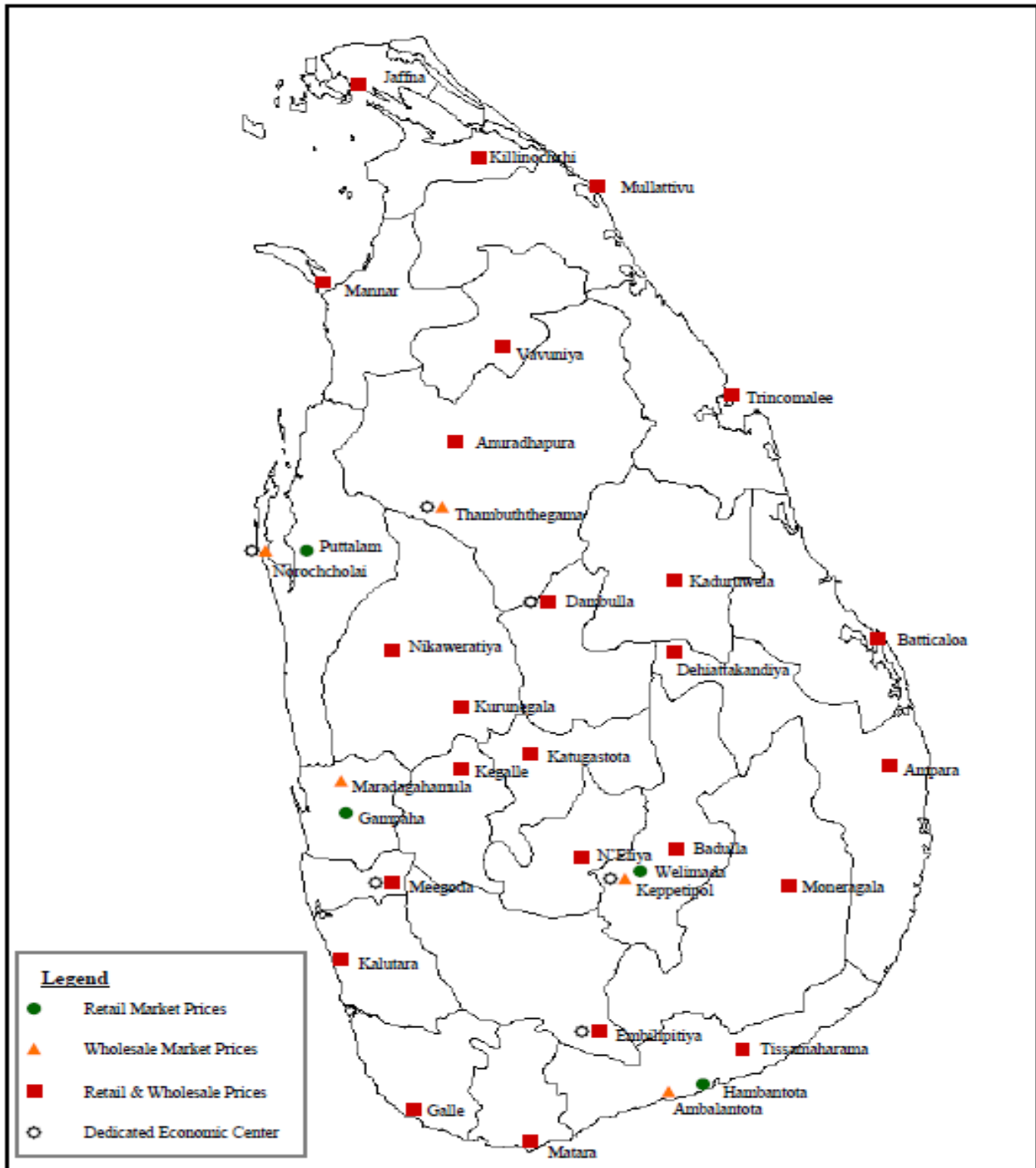
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Commodity	1 st Week	2 nd Week	3 rd Week	4 th Week	5 th Week	Commodity	1 st Week	2 nd Week	3 rd Week	4 th Week	5 th Week	Commodity	1 st Week	2 nd Week	3 rd Week	4 th Week	5 th Week
Paddy						Potato						Leeks					
Short grain						N'Eliya	295.00	276.00	288.00	286.00	298.00	Welimada	154.00	86.00	104.00	89.00	79.00
A'pura	102.40	105.60	104.00	107.00	106.40	Badulla						N'Eliya	166.00	100.00	112.00	81.00	76.00
P'naruwa	110.30	110.30	110.30	110.40	110.40	Welimada	268.00	263.00	266.00	285.00	287.00						
Kalawewa	103.60	105.80	105.60	107.00	108.00	Pulses						Beetroot					
Kurunegala	107.60	106.75	107.00	102.75	100.20	Green Gram						Hanguranketha	256.00	270.20	223.00	163.00	124.40
Dehiattakandiya	107.33	104.67	107.33	105.67	105.00	Galgamuwa						N'Eliya	281.00	261.00	139.00	130.00	135.00
Ampara	100.00	100.00	103.33	101.67	100.00	Kalawewa	783.33	783.33	850.00	737.50	775.00	Dambulla	287.50	290.00	183.75	153.13	106.00
Long grain (White)						Embilipitiya	710.00	710.00	710.00	790.00	790.00	Kurunegala					
A'pura	87.00	87.00	87.60	90.00	89.40	Kurunegala						Welimada	281.00	275.00	121.00	131.00	136.00
P'naruwa	92.00	87.70	90.60	93.40	93.40	A'pura	725.00	725.00	725.00	725.00	775.00	Knokhol					
Kalawewa	87.60	88.00	87.00	90.60	91.80	Cowpea						Hanguranketha	148.00	97.00	74.00	62.40	50.60
Kurunegala	89.60	89.00	89.75	87.50	86.40	A'pura						N'Eliya	174.00	88.00	86.00	86.00	66.00
Dehiattakandiya	88.00	84.17	88.33	86.00	88.83	Galgamuwa						Welimada	142.00	84.00	81.00	76.00	60.00
Embilipitiya						Nikaweratiya	425.00	500.00	525.00	500.00	500.00	Radish					
Ampara	83.50	76.25	84.17	84.20	83.14	Kalawewa	616.67	616.67	650.00	600.00	600.00	Hanguranketha	59.50	53.60	35.00	29.60	26.40
Matara						Embilipitiya	550.00	550.00	550.00	695.00	695.00	N'Eliya	76.00	43.00	39.00	39.00	27.00
Hambantota						Kurunegala						Welimada	42.00	25.00	31.00	31.00	24.80
Long grain (Red)						Maize						Cabbage					
Matara	77.50	79.25	80.50	83.25	84.25	A'Pura	145.00	145.00	147.50	147.50	147.50	Hanguranketha	111.00	124.00	91.00	90.00	96.00
Hambantota	78.00	79.33	80.67	82.50	85.25	Kalawewa	143.33	143.33	145.00	145.00	145.00	N'Eliya	170.00	89.00	137.00	97.00	127.00
Ampara	80.00	72.75	84.17	81.80	83.38	Gingelly						Welimada	141.00	75.00	114.00	101.00	126.00
Embilipitiya	75.00	75.60	80.60	81.40	85.20	A'Pura	465.00	475.00	575.00	575.00	575.00	Hambantota					
Keeri Samba						Kalawewa						Badulla	142.00	95.00	121.00	122.00	122.00
A'pura						Black Gram						Tomato					
Polonnaruwa	145.30	145.30	145.30	145.30	139.50	Kalawewa					850.00	Hanguranketha		252.00	342.00	177.00	156.60
Kalawewa						A'Pura	675.00	725.00	775.00	775.00	825.00	Welimada	237.00	358.00	258.00	165.00	161.00
Kurunegala	131.00	132.50	132.50	130.00	125.00	Vegetables (Up Country)						Hambantota					
Dehiattakandiya	141.83	142.33		143.33	126.50	Beans						Dambulla	320.00	382.00	332.00	182.50	187.00
						Dambulla	270.00	388.00	352.00	322.00	370.00	Low Country					
Red Onion						Welimada	327.00	424.00	329.00	325.00	300.00	Ladies Fingers					
Big Onion						Badulla	346.00	361.00	353.00	326.00	259.00	A'pura	154.00	144.00	104.00	88.00	94.00
Dambulla						Carrot						Dambulla	171.50	118.00	84.40	73.40	63.00
Kalawewa						Hanguranketha	321.00	350.00	323.00	351.00	382.00	Hambantota	120.00	90.00	90.00	62.00	56.00
A'Pura						N'Eliya	381.00	280.00	382.00	410.00	357.00	Embilipitiya	148.00	135.00	88.00	53.00	53.00
Kurunegala						Welimada	359.00	248.00	299.00	324.00	338.00	Matara	135.00	146.25	143.33	65.00	85.00

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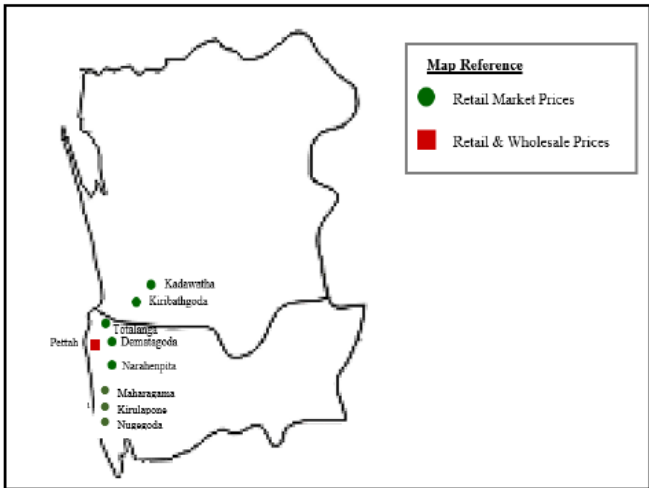
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Brinjals						Pumpkin						Lime					
A'pura	168.00	208.00	282.00	208.00	208.00	Dambulla	80.80	87.60	78.20	76.60	89.40	Hambantota					
Dambulla	220.00	238.00	286.00	254.00	256.00	Hambantota	58.75	58.75	82.50	77.50	77.50	Embilipitiya	284.00	284.00	228.00	292.00	392.00
Hambantota						Embilipitiya	112.00	95.83	108.00	92.00	92.00	Moneragala	188.00	168.00	202.00	282.00	308.00
Embilipitiya	137.50	210.00	216.00	258.00	280.00	Matara	56.67	68.00	67.67	63.33	63.33	Fruits (Rs/Kg)					
Matara	143.33	153.33	190.00	190.00	203.33	A'pura	79.00	74.00	71.00	71.00	74.00	Banana					
Welimada	198.00	178.00	252.00	227.00	224.00	Moneragala		64.00	64.00	74.00	84.00	Ambul					
						Cucumber						Moneragala	44.00	54.00	54.00	54.00	54.00
Capsicum						A'pura	64.00	54.00	44.00	34.00	34.00	Embilipitiya	92.00	74.00	90.00	35.00	82.00
Welimada	328.00	329.00	274.00	305.00	292.00	Dambulla	62.20	42.00	28.20	22.00	32.40	Hambantota	50.00	57.50	63.75	63.75	63.75
Bitter Gourd						Hambantota	52.50	41.25	37.50	37.50	32.50	Kolikuttu					
A'pura	348.00	296.00	268.00	228.00	216.00	Matara	60.00	62.50	54.33	41.67	41.00	Moneragala	162.00	196.00	188.00	208.00	188.00
Dambulla	312.00	240.00	230.00	185.00	173.50	Long beans						Embilipitiya	328.00	260.00	280.00	118.00	296.00
Hambantota						Dambulla	256.00	216.00	164.50	142.50	121.00	Hambantota					
Embilipitiya	444.00	374.00	368.00	310.00	320.00	Hambantota						Papaw					
						Embilipitiya	284.00	248.00	178.00	178.00	228.00	Moneragala	84.00	84.00	84.00	64.00	72.00
Snake Gourd						Matara	230.00	240.00	230.00	180.00	203.33	Embilipitiya	75.00	71.00	68.00	77.00	89.00
Dambulla	144.00	120.00	98.00	66.00	71.20	A'Pura	256.00	248.00	188.00	168.00	108.00	Hambantota	45.00	47.50	47.50	47.50	47.50
Hambantota	157.50	157.50	157.50	140.00	140.00	Ash Plantain						Pineapple					
Embilipitiya	290.00	250.00	172.00	148.00	140.00	Hambantota	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	44.00	Divulapitiya					
Matara	213.33	215.00	156.67	130.00	135.00	Embilipitiya	109.00	109.00	109.00	100.00	106.00						
A'pura	188.00	156.00	104.00	104.00	88.00	Matara	101.67	105.00	105.00	91.67	91.67						
Luffa						Green Chillies											
Dambulla	151.50	106.00	99.00	90.40	92.20	Dambulla	764.00	610.00	540.00	316.00	400.00						
Hambantota	160.00	160.00	130.00	120.00	90.00	Hambantota											
Embilipitiya	238.33	152.00	125.00	132.00	132.00	Embilipitiya	1010.00	644.00	510.00	452.00	654.00						
Matara	190.00	175.00	140.00	130.00	131.67	Puttalam	650.00	544.00	416.00	400.00	338.00						
A'pura	148.00	134.00	108.00	104.00	104.00	A'Pura	670.00	520.00	520.00	420.00	420.00						

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