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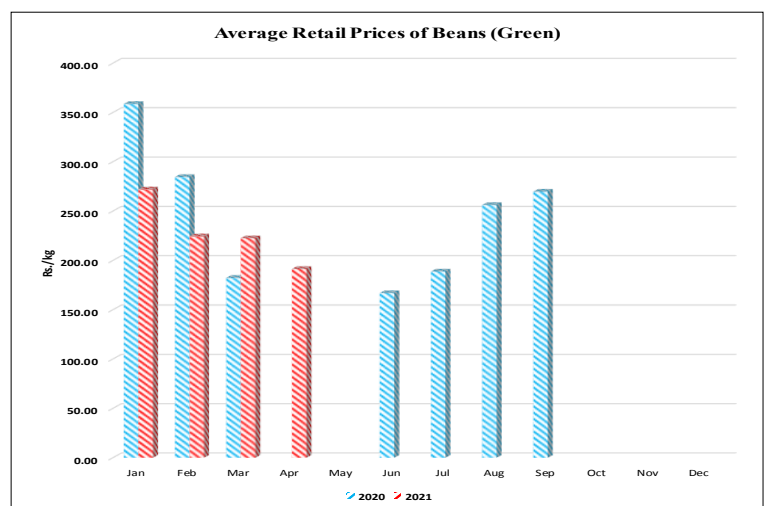
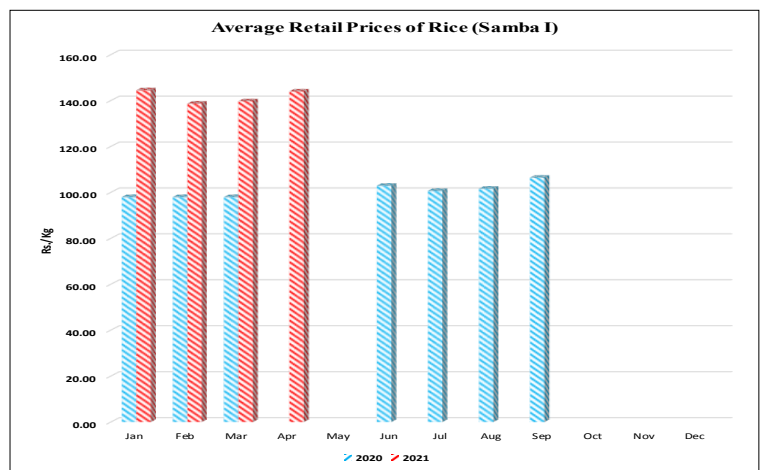
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### RICE:

Retail prices of all the rice varieties had increased in the range of 2-6% due to decreased supply as well as the increased demand in festive season. Retail prices of all the rice varieties had exceeded the regulated maximum retail price.

### VEGETABLES:

The retail prices of most of the vegetable varieties further decreased by 2%-29% during the month. The highest retail price of Rs.600.00/kg was recorded for drumstick while the lowest price of Rs.50.00/kg was observed for cucumber. It should be noted that most of the vegetable varieties were available at Rs.200.00/kg or less in the retail market. The off season for vegetables will start from next month, therefore, prices are expected to increase.



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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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| 1. Pettah      | 4. Thotalanga | 7. Kiribathgoda |
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| 3. Dematagoda  | 6. Kadawatha  | 9. Nugegoda     |

##### **Outstation Markets**

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

## 1. Paddy

### Crop Situation

The harvesting of paddy crop in 2020/21 Maha season was completely ended in all major producing areas by releasing a bumper harvest to the markets. Favorable growing conditions, combined with state fertilizer assistance and better water availability in irrigation tanks led to a satisfactory paddy production. The production outlook of the country is satisfactory in most of the major producing areas as a result of the high extent (802, 494ha) of paddy lands were cultivated during the season. According to the Department of Agriculture estimates the expected Paddy Production after the removal of crop damage was 3.12 Million Mt. According to the estimates the expected Paddy production of 2020/21 Maha season would be sufficient for 10 months. Paddy cultivation target for Yala 2021 is 498,160 ha. It is expected to that the farmers tend to cultivate the targeted extent mainly due to the high paddy prices and prevailing pandemic situation.

### Producer Prices

**Table 1.1: Producer prices of paddy – April 2021**

Commodity	Price Range		Average Price			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	March 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Short Grain</b>									
Anuradhapura	58.00-60.00	-	59.20	-	-	-	-	-	-
Polonnaruwa	69.00-79.00	53.00-70.00	72.25	61.91	-	10.34	16.71	-	-
Kalawewa	56.50-70.00	46.00-62.00	64.53	55.31	-	9.22	16.68	-	-
Kurunegala	57.00-60.00	50.00-60.00	58.67	54.67	-	4.00	7.32	-	-
Dehiattakandiya	64.00-65.00	-	64.50	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nikaweratiya	60.00-69.00	53.00-62.00	64.00	56.80	-	7.20	12.68	-	-
Ampara	55.00-75.00	55.00-66.00	61.34	58.68	-	2.66	4.53	-	-
<b>Long Grain White</b>									
Anuradhapura	53.00-55.00	-	54.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
Polonnaruwa	59.00-63.00	46.00-60.00	60.25	52.67	-	7.58	14.38	-	-
Kalawewa	52.00-62.00	44.00-56.50	55.80	49.47	-	6.33	12.80	-	-
Kurunegala	50.00-54.00	45.00-55.00	51.92	49.77	-	2.15	4.32	-	-
Dehiattakandiya	56.00-58.00	-	57.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
Embilipitiya	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nikaweratiya	55.00-57.00	48.00-56.00	56.25	53.00	-	3.25	6.13	-	-
Matara	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hambantota	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ampara	48.00-56.50	44.00-56.50	53.63	50.97	-	2.66	5.22	-	-
<b>Long Grain Red</b>									
Matara	53.00-55.00	52.00-56.00	54.00	54.38	-	-0.38	-0.69	-	-
Hambantota	53.00-56.00	-	55.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
A' pura	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Embilipitiya	53.00-55.00	54.00-56.00	54.15	54.92	-	-0.77	-1.40	-	-

*Source: Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI*

Despite the high market supply, paddy prices remain at higher level mainly due to the competitive buying behavior of private sector millers and also the Paddy marketing board. The competitive buying behavior of the private sector rice millers was recorded in all major producing areas. The prices of paddy were increased in most producing areas and were generally well above their year-earlier levels. The average prices of short grain have increased by 5%-17% in all considered major producing areas with the highest increase from Polonnaruwa. Prices of long grain white have increased by 4%- 14% with the highest increase also from Polonnaruwa. Meanwhile, the prices of long grain red have slightly decreased in Embilipitiya and Matara. The open market prices of long grain white (Nadu Paddy), ranged between Rs.48.00-63.00/kg. Prices of long grain red paddy ranged Rs.53.00-56.00/kg in producing areas in the Southern Province.

## Rice Prices Demand/Supply Situation

**Table 1.2: Wholesale and Retail prices of rice – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Prices</b>								
Samba 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Samba 2	125.00-132.00	126.80	121.46	-	5.34	4.40	-	-
Samba 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nadu 1	-	-	105.87	-	-	-	-	-
Nadu 2	98.00-105.00	101.25	97.92	-	3.33	3.40	-	-
Raw red	92.00-96.00	93.83	93.96	-	-0.13	-0.14	-	-
Raw white	95.00-105.00	98.03	95.66	-	2.37	2.47	-	-
Imported Samba	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Imported Raw White	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Imported Nadu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Retail Prices</b>								
Samba 1	140.00-150.00	143.98	139.71	-	4.28	3.06	-	-
Samba 2	128.00-140.00	133.36	128.86	-	4.50	3.49	-	-
Samba 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nadu 1	115.00-125.00	118.02	113.55	-	4.47	3.94	-	-
Nadu 2	100.00-115.00	109.66	103.75	-	5.91	5.70	-	-
Raw red	98.00-110.00	104.80	102.71	-	2.09	2.04	-	-
Raw white	98.00-115.00	106.46	103.35	-	3.11	3.00	-	-
Imported <i>Ponni</i> Samba	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Imported Raw White	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Imported Nadu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

## Wholesale Prices

Supplies of all the rice varieties had not improved as expected in major harvesting season. The demand of rice also had increased due to the festive season. Hence, the wholesale prices of all the rice varieties, except slight decrease of raw red, had increased with the highest price increase of

4% for samba grade II. A shortage of samba rice was observed at Colombo wholesale market and price of samba grade II ranged between Rs. 125.00-132.00/kg. Grade I samba rice was not available at Colombo wholesale market during the month. Further, the wholesale price of nadu grade II ranged between Rs. 98.00-105.00/kg and the average price had increased by 3% compared to the last month.

## Retail Prices

Retail prices of all the rice varieties had increased due to the increased demand as well as the low supply. Especially, the retail prices of all the rice varieties were far above the regulated maximum retail price. Retail prices of samba grade I and II ranged between Rs. 140.00-150.00 and Rs.128.00-140.00/kg respectively. Furthermore, the price of nadu grade I and II ranged between Rs. 115.00-125.00 and Rs.100.00-115.00/kg respectively. The highest price increase of 6% was reported for nadu grade II.

## 2. Other Field Crops

### 2.1 Chilli

#### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Supply of green chilli from main producing areas has decreased during this month as at the end of the *Maha* season. *Yala* cultivation of green chilli was commenced in some of the producing areas. Wholesale price of green chili has increased by about Rs.13.00/kg while the retail price has decreased by Rs.36.00/kg with availability of sufficient stocks at most of the retail markets. Wholesale Prices of green chilli were ranged between Rs.100.00-320.00/kg and Rs.180.00-500.00/kg at the retail level.

Both wholesale and retail prices of imported dried chilli have decreased by about Rs.3.00/kg and Rs.1.00/kg respectively due to availability of ample stocks at the market. Prices ranged between Rs.490.00-510.00/kg at the wholesale level and Rs.500.00-700.00/kg at the retail level.

**Table 2.1.1: Wholesale and retail prices of dried chilli and green chilli – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Price</b>								
Green Chilli	100.00-320.00	192.18	179.20	-	12.98	7.24	-	-
Dried Chilli	490.00-510.00	499.25	501.87	-	-2.62	-0.52	-	-
<b>Retail Price</b>								
Green Chilli	180.00-500.00	328.61	364.61	-	-36.00	-9.87	-	-
Dried Chilli	500.00-700.00	601.31	602.72	-	-1.41	-0.23	-	-

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

**Table 2.1.2: Producer prices of green chili (Rs/kg) April 2021**

Location	1 <sup>st</sup> week	2 <sup>nd</sup> week	3 <sup>rd</sup> week	4 <sup>th</sup> week
Dambulla	163.50	163.50	123.00	118.75
Hambantota	-	-	-	-
Embilipitiya	252.00	252.00	213.00	241.00
Puttalam	-	-	170.00	175.00
A'Pura	-	-	-	180.00

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agri business Division/HARTI

## 2.2 Red Onion and Big Onion

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Big onion market supplies totally comprised imports and this situation would continue until *Yala* harvesting begins in August. Nursery preparation of big onion has been started in Matale district and *Yala* cultivation will be commenced during the next month. Both wholesale and retail prices of imported big onion have decreased by about Rs.17.00/kg and Rs.25.00/kg respectively due to availability of ample stocks at the market. Wholesale price of imported big onion was ranged between Rs.52.00 – 85.00/kg while at the retail level it was recorded as Rs.60.00 – 120.00/kg.

Supply of local red onion from main producing areas has decreased during this month and wholesale prices of both *Sinnan* and *Vedalan* have increased by about Rs.50.00/kg and Rs.72.00/kg respectively. In line with the wholesale prices, retail prices of both *Sinnan* and *Vedalan* have increased by about Rs.68.00/kg and Rs.81.00/kg respectively. With availability of limited stock position, both wholesale and retail prices of imported red onion have increased by about Rs.88.00/kg and Rs.19.00/kg.

**Table 2.2.1: Wholesale prices and retail prices of red onion and big onion - April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Prices</b>								
Red Onion ( <i>Sinnan</i> )	120.00-260.00	203.33	153.64	-	49.69	32.34	-	-
Red Onion ( <i>Vedalan</i> )	220.00-320.00	266.36	194.59	-	71.77	36.88	-	-
Red Onion (Imported)	200.00-360.00	267.58	179.58	-	88.00	49.00	-	-
Big Onion (imported)	52.00-85.00	64.55	81.27	-	-16.72	-20.57	-	-
Big Onion (Local)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Retail Prices</b>								
Red Onion ( <i>Sinnan</i> )	200.00-360.00	293.12	225.26	-	67.86	30.13	-	-
Red Onion ( <i>Vedalan</i> )	320.00-440.00	372.90	291.67	-	81.23	27.85	-	-
Red Onion (Imported)	200.00-400.00	297.36	278.85	-	18.50	6.64	-	-
Big Onion (imported)	60.00-120.00	97.66	123.19	-	-25.54	-20.73	-	-
Big Onion (Local)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

## 2.3 Potato

### Crop Situation and Progress

*Yala* cultivation of potato was commenced in both Nuwara Eliya and Badulla districts in April. New cultivation was affected with prevailed dry weather condition in Nuwara Eliya district. In Badulla district, most of the new cultivation for the *yala* season will be taken place in paddy fields after obtaining paddy harvest in those fields. According to field information, more than 75% of the harvesting had been completed in hilly areas of Keppetipola, Bogahakumbura, Boralanda, Ambagasdova, Uvaparanagama areas of the Welimada DS division during the *maha* season and the supply will be over from the month of May for Welimada potato.

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

With regard to local potato, the stocks of both Welimada and Nuwara Eliya potatoes were available in the Colombo wholesale market with on-going harvesting for the *maha* season. Also, the demand was at high level during the festival season in the country during the month. Wholesale price of Welimada potato has decreased by 3% while the retail price has increased by 13%. With regard to Nuwara Eliya potato, the wholesale and retail prices have increased by 1% and 4% respectively. Meanwhile, the Special Commodity Levy of imported price has increased up to Rs. 50.00/kg with effect from 27/04/2021. Therefore, the wholesale price of imported potato has increased by 8% while the retail price has not changed significantly. On average, the producer prices of Nuwara Eliya and Welimada potatoes were Rs.96.00/kg and 94.00/kg respectively in April. During the month, the wholesale prices of Welimada, Nuwara Eliya and imported potatoes ranged between Rs.100.00-120.00/kg, Rs.110.00-150.00/kg and Rs.75.00-125.00/kg respectively.

**Table: 2.3.1: Producer, wholesale and retail prices of potato – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Producer Prices (PP)</b>								
Welimada	83.00-100.00	93.83	96.34	-	-2.51	-2.61	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	87.00-99.00	95.60	102.74	-	-7.14	-6.95	-	-
Imported – CIF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Wholesale Prices (WP)</b>								
Welimada	100.00-120.00	104.27	107.50	-	-3.23	-3.00	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	110.00-150.00	124.20	123.38	-	0.83	0.67	-	-
Imported	75.00-125.00	90.15	83.75	-	6.40	7.64	-	-
<b>Retail Prices (RP)</b>								
Welimada	120.00-180.00	168.03	148.88	-	19.14	12.86	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	140.00-220.00	195.46	188.54	-	6.93	3.67	-	-
Imported	100.00-160.00	122.92	122.65	-	0.27	0.22	-	-
<b>Gross Margin (RP-PP)</b>								
Welimada		74.20	52.54	-	21.65	41.21	-	-
Nuwara Eliya		99.86	85.80	-	14.07	16.39	-	-
Imported (RP-CIF)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Gross Margin (RP -WP)</b>								
Welimada		63.75	41.38	-	22.37	54.06	-	-
Nuwara Eliya		71.26	65.16	-	6.10	9.36	-	-
Imported		32.77	38.90	-	-6.13	-15.76	-	-

Source: Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

## 2.4 Green gram and Cowpea

### Prices and Supply/ Demand Situation

The wholesale price of green gram ranged between Rs.650/kg and Rs.850/kg with an average of Rs.808/kg in April 2021. The gap between minimum and maximum is Rs. 200/kg during this month. The minimum level has increased Rs.100/kg and maximum level has increased Rs. 50/kg compared with March 2021. The average price has increased by 14% compared to the previous month. In addition to, the retail price of green gram ranged between Rs.700/kg and Rs.1200/kg with an average of Rs.911/kg. Compared to the previous month, the retail price has increased by around 10%. The price increasing trend is still going up and it says that local production is still not adequate to cater the demand in the country.

**Table 2.4.1: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Green gram and Cowpea – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to		Change Compared to	
	Apr-21	Apr-21	Mar-21	Apr-20	Mar-21		Apr-20	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Prices</b>								
Green gram	650.00-850.00	808.48	707.26	-	101.22	14.31	-	-
Cowpea (White)	540.00-620.00	589.48	604.31	-	-14.83	-2.45	-	-
Cowpea (Red)	550.00-620.00	589.01	597.13	-	-8.12	-1.36	-	-
<b>Retail Price</b>								
Green gram	700.00-1200.00	911.03	827.93	-	83.09	10.04	-	-
Cowpea (White)	640.00-960.00	768.29	741.74	-	26.55	3.58	-	-
Cowpea (Red)	640.00-960.00	758.92	699.56	-	59.36	8.49	-	-

*Source: Marketing Food Policy & Agribusiness Division/HARTI*

Average wholesale prices of white and red cowpea were recorded as Rs.589/kg in April 2021. The wholesale prices of white cowpea ranged between Rs.540/kg and Rs.620/kg and red cowpea ranged between Rs. 550/kg and Rs. 620/kg. Both wholesale price of white and red cowpea have been decreased compared with previous month (Table 2.4.2). Cowpea production of the Maha season is received to the market seems to be the reason for this price reduction. However, the average retail prices of white and red cowpea were recorded as Rs.768/kg and Rs.759/kg respectively. Both retail price of white and red cowpea ranged between Rs.640/kg and Rs. 960/kg. Compared to the previous month, both white and red cowpea has been increased by around 4% and 8% correspondingly (Table 2.4.1). Unfortunately, the missing data reported in April 2020 due to lockdown situation.



## 2.5 Red dhal

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The wholesale price of red dhal ranged between Rs.165/kg and Rs.180/kg with an average of Rs.172/kg, and the retail price ranged between Rs.180/kg and Rs.200/kg with an average of Rs.187/kg. Wholesale price has been increased by 4% and the retail price has increased nearly 3% compared with the March 2021. The lockdown situation in same period of the 2021 was the main reason to report missing data.

**Table 2.5.1: Wholesale and retail prices of Red Dhal – April 2021**

Red Dhal	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Price</b>	165.00-180.00	172.36	165.44	-	6.92	4.18	-	-
<b>Retail Price</b>	180.00-200.00	186.57	180.93	-	5.64	3.12	-	-

*Source: Marketing Food Policy & Agribusiness Division*

## 3. Vegetables

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The cultivation activities of 2020/21 *Maha* season has been ended up while harvesting activities farther continued. Therefore, the supplies of both up-country and low-country vegetable varieties have further increased during this month too. As a result, the wholesale prices of up-country vegetable have decreased by 1%-34% recording the highest for knolkhol and the lowest for cabbage. Among up-country vegetables, the highest price of Rs.220.00/kg was recorded for beans while the lowest price of Rs.20.00/kg was noted for radish. The wholesale prices of most of the low-country vegetables too decreased by 7%-40% during the month recording the highest for luffa and the lowest for ladies fingers and long beans. In contrast the wholesale prices of binjal, cucumber, and snake guard have increased by 128% by 10% and 11% respectively as the harvesting reached to their end phases. Among low-country vegetables, the highest wholesale price of Rs.400.00/kg was recorded for capsicum while the lowest price of Rs.20.00/kg was noted for cucumber.

The price behavior in the wholesale market was more or less depicted in the retail market too. The retail prices of all the up-country vegetables went down by 2%-14%. Among up-country vegetables, the highest retail price of Rs.280.00/kg was noticed for beans and carrot, while the lowest retail price of Rs.60.00/kg was reported for radish. With regard to the low-country vegetables, the retail prices of most of the low-country vegetable varieties have decreased by 5%-29% recording the highest for tomato and the lowest for ladies fingers and ash plantain. During the month, the highest retail price Rs.600.00/kg was recorded for drumstick while the lowest price of Rs.50.00/kg was for cucumber. Vegetable prices are expected to increase from next month due to off season.

**Table 3.1: Wholesale prices of vegetables – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Beans (green)	70.00-220.00	121.50	163.87	-	-42.37	-25.86	-	-
Carrot	100.00-180.00	135.00	139.80	-	-4.80	-3.43	-	-
Leeks	50.00-80.00	64.25	76.60	-	-12.35	-16.12	-	-
Beetroot	50.00-130.00	77.80	92.32	-	-14.52	-15.73	-	-
Knolkhol	40.00-70.00	55.75	84.00	-	-28.25	-33.63	-	-
Radish	20.00-60.00	35.63	51.00	-	-15.38	-30.15	-	-
Cabbage	80.00-150.00	100.67	101.18	-	-0.52	-0.51	-	-
Tomato	50.00-160.00	83.25	123.44	-	-40.19	-32.56	-	-
Ladies Fingers	50.00-80.00	66.88	71.67	-	-4.79	-6.69	-	-
Brinjal	80.00-300.00	158.00	69.20	-	88.80	128.32	-	-
Capsicum	140.00-400.00	225.00	221.60	-	3.40	1.53	-	-
Pumpkin	35.00-70.00	57.88	75.73	-	-17.86	-23.58	-	-
Cucumber	20.00-50.00	34.00	31.00	-	3.00	9.68	-	-
Bittergourd	70.00-160.00	114.00	138.07	-	-24.07	-17.43	-	-
Snakegourd	60.00-110.00	85.25	77.02	-	8.23	10.69	-	-
Drumstick	170.00-250.00	196.64	-	-	-	-	-	-
Luffa	50.00-110.00	71.63	118.60	-	-46.98	-39.61	-	-
Long Beans	40.00-80.00	61.68	66.20	-	-4.52	-6.83	-	-
Ash Plantain	30.00-60.00	47.88	57.90	-	-10.03	-17.31	-	-
Green Chillies	100.00-320.00	192.18	179.20	-	12.98	7.24	-	-
Lime	70.00-120.00	85.21	75.76	-	9.45	12.48	-	-

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

**Table 3.2: Retail prices of vegetables – April 2021**

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Beans (green)	90.00-280.00	191.33	222.48	-	-31.16	-14.00	-	-
Carrot	150.00-280.00	207.35	211.19	-	-3.84	-1.82	-	-
Leeks	80.00-200.00	142.03	151.43	-	-9.40	-6.20	-	-
Beetroot	80.00-200.00	143.46	164.75	-	-21.29	-12.93	-	-
Knolkhol	100.00-200.00	149.77	173.84	-	-24.08	-13.85	-	-
Radish	60.00-160.00	121.45	128.26	-	-6.81	-5.31	-	-
Cabbage	80.00-200.00	163.81	171.21	-	-7.40	-4.32	-	-
Tomato	80.00-200.00	144.06	202.04	-	-57.98	-28.70	-	-
Ladies Fingers	80.00-200.00	144.85	152.67	-	-7.82	-5.12	-	-
Brinjal	150.00-280.00	209.63	142.97	-	66.66	46.63	-	-
Capsicum	180.00-480.00	309.63	332.05	-	-22.41	-6.75	-	-
Pumpkin	70.00-160.00	120.67	150.63	-	-29.96	-19.89	-	-
Cucumber	50.00-160.00	104.30	98.06	-	6.24	6.36	-	-
Bittergourd	120.00-320.00	218.99	237.45	-	-18.46	-7.78	-	-
Snakegourd	100.00-200.00	149.95	162.86	-	-12.91	-7.93	-	-
Drumstick	240.00-600.00	480.98	-	-	-	-	-	-
Luffa	100.00-240.00	170.60	213.41	-	-42.81	-20.06	-	-
Long Beans	60.00-200.00	137.76	151.86	-	-14.10	-9.28	-	-
Ash Plantain	60.00-160.00	123.25	130.03	-	-6.78	-5.21	-	-
Green Chilli	180.00-500.00	328.61	364.61	-	-36.00	-9.87	-	-
Lime	100.00-400.00	222.38	216.59	-	5.79	2.67	-	-

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

## 4. Fruits

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Compared to the prices in March 2021, wholesale prices of all the fruit varieties except mango varieties, Karthakolomban and Vilad and avocado and imported grapes had increased in April 2021. Accordingly, prices of banana varieties Ambul and Kolikuttu had increased by 38% and 28% respectively and their price ranges were noted as Rs.60.00-100.00/kg and Rs.160.00-240.00/kg respectively. The price of banana variety, Seeni had increased by 8% and the price ranged between Rs.60.00-100.00/kg. A price increase of 1% was noted for both banana varieties, Anamalu and Ambun and their price ranges were noted as Rs.12.00-16.00/fruit and Rs.15.00-20.00/fruit respectively. Prices of small, medium and large sized pineapple had increased by 11%, 8% and 5% respectively and the monthly average wholesale prices of small, medium and large sized fruits were Rs.117.38/fruit, Rs.158.00/fruit and Rs.192.33/fruit respectively and the price ranged between Rs.100.00-210.00/fruit. Price of mango variety, Betti had increased by 17% and price of a fruit was noted as Rs.28.00-45.00. Further, price of papaw had increased by 4% and the monthly average wholesale price was Rs.99.22/kg and the price ranged between Rs.60.00-150.00/kg. In addition, prices of slime apple, wood apple, passion fruit and orange had increased by 36%, 22%, 10% and 3% respectively (Table 4.1).

However, as stated earlier, prices of mango varieties, Vilad and Karthakolomban had decreased by 56% and 21% respectively and their prices of a fruit were noted as Rs.14.00-17.00 and Rs.30.00-180.00 respectively. In addition, prices of avocado and imported grapes had decreased by 30% and 3% respectively and their prices ranged between Rs.30.00-75.00/fruit and Rs.720.00-889.00/kg respectively (Table 4.1).

As usual, the comparison of prices in April 2021 with the prices in the same period of 2020 was not possible this year as the prices in April were not collected in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic situation.

In analysing the prices at the retail level, it was observed that the prices of most of the fruit varieties had increased at the retail level too. Accordingly, retail prices of all the banana varieties had increased in the range of 3%-22% and the levels of price increases by variety are as follows; Kolikuttu – 22%, Ambul – 14%, Seeni – 8%, Anamalu and Ambun – 3%. Further, the price ranges noted for Ambul, Seeni and Kolikuttu were Rs.80.00-170.00/kg, Rs.100.00-170.00/kg and Rs.200.00-350.00/kg respectively. Prices of Anamalu and Ambun were noted as Rs.16.00-24.00/fruit and Rs.18.00-30.00/fruit respectively. Prices of small, medium and large sized pineapple had increased by 7%, 13% and 11% respectively and the price ranged between Rs.120.00-300.00/fruit. Price of papaw had increased by 4% and the monthly average retail price was Rs.176.87/kg and the price ranged between Rs.120.00-250.00/kg. In addition, prices of wood apple, slime apple and passion fruit had increased by 29%, 12% and 9% respectively (Table 4.2). However, price of mango variety, Karthakolomban had decreased by 30% and price of a Karthakolomban fruit ranged between Rs.50.00-200.00. Further, prices of avocado, orange and imported grapes had decreased by 7%, 6% and 1% respectively (Table 4.2).

As usual, the comparison of prices in April 2021 with the prices in the same period of 2020 was not possible this year as the prices in April were not collected in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic situation.

With reference to the producer prices, producers had received increased prices for banana variety, Kolikuttu and papaw in April compared to the prices in March, 2021 and the prices had increased by 26% for Kolikuttu and by 1% for papaw. However, price for banana variety, Ambul had decreased by 1%. Further, producer prices for Ambul, Kolikuttu and papaw during the month were noted as Rs.41.00-45.00/kg, Rs.147.00-175.00/kg and Rs.42.00-75.00/kg respectively (Table 4.3). As usual, the comparison of prices in April 2021 with the prices in the same period of 2020 was not possible this year as the prices in April were not collected in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic situation.

**Table 4.1: Wholesale prices of fruits – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	%	(Rs)	%
<b>Plantain</b>								
Ambul (Kg)	60.00-100.00	74.72	54.17	-	20.55	37.94	-	-
Kolikuttu (Kg)	160.00-240.00	194.11	151.00	-	43.11	28.55	-	-
Seeni (Kg)	60.00-100.00	78.28	72.59	-	5.69	7.83	-	-
Anamalu (Fruit)	12.00-16.00	13.42	13.30	-	0.12	0.91	-	-
Ambun (Fruit)	15.00-20.00	16.84	16.73	-	0.11	0.67	-	-
<b>Pineapple</b>								
Large (Fruit)	170.00-210.00	192.33	182.65	-	9.67	5.29	-	-
Medium (Fruit)	140.00-170.00	158.00	145.63	-	12.37	8.49	-	-
Small (Fruit)	100.00-130.00	117.38	105.82	-	11.56	10.92	-	-
<b>Mango</b>								
Betti (Fruit)	28.00-45.00	36.58	31.18	-	5.40	17.33	-	-
Karthakolomban(fruit)	30.00-180.00	102.45	129.35	-	-26.90	-20.79	-	-
Vilad (Fruit)	14.00-17.00	15.14	34.47	-	-19.32	-56.07	-	-
Kohu (Fruit)	-	-	20.17	-	-	-	-	-
Papaw (Kg)	60.00-150.00	99.22	95.38	-	3.84	4.02	-	-
Passionfruit (Fruit)	11.00-21.00	14.28	12.94	-	1.35	10.42	-	-
Woodapple (Fruit)	37.00-65.00	48.51	39.64	-	8.87	22.38	-	-
Orange (Fruit)	25.00-40.00	30.83	29.96	-	0.87	2.91	-	-
Avocado (Fruit)	30.00-75.00	50.36	71.88	-	-21.51	-29.93	-	-
Slime Apple (Fruit)	18.00-38.00	23.98	17.67	-	6.31	35.74	-	-
Grapes Imported (Kg)	720.00-889.00	780.84	806.58	-	-25.75	-3.19	-	-

*Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI*

**Table 4.2: Retail prices of fruits – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	%	(Rs)	%
<b>Plantain</b>								
Ambul (Kg)	80.00-170.00	128.69	112.86	-	15.83	14.02	-	-
Kolikuttu (Kg)	200.00-350.00	261.54	214.58	-	46.96	21.88	-	-
Seeni (Kg)	100.00-170.00	135.19	124.54	-	10.64	8.55	-	-
Anamalu (Fruit)	16.00-24.00	19.65	19.08	-	0.57	2.99	-	-
Ambun (Fruit)	18.00-30.00	24.43	23.70	-	0.73	3.09	-	-
<b>Pineapple</b>								
Large (Fruit)	220.00-300.00	250.22	226.03	-	24.19	10.70	-	-
Medium (Fruit)	160.00-220.00	190.23	168.44	-	21.78	12.93	-	-
Small (Fruit)	120.00-160.00	145.01	134.99	-	10.03	7.43	-	-
<b>Mango</b>								
Betti (Fruit)	-	-	32.50	-	-	-	-	-
Karthakolomban(fruit)	50.00-200.00	129.88	186.79	-	-56.91	-30.47	-	-
Vilad (Fruit)	35.00-60.00	45.00	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kohu (Fruit)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Papaw (Kg)	120.00-250.00	176.87	169.696	-	7.18	4.23	-	-
Passionfruit (Fruit)	15.00-42.00	26.69	24.3929	-	2.30	9.42	-	-
Woodapple (Fruit)	80.00-150.00	116.91	90.3901	-	26.52	29.34	-	-
Orange (Fruit)	40.00-80.00	54.52	58.3294	-	-3.81	-6.53	-	-
Avocado (Fruit)	50.00-130.00	92.79	99.6961	-	-6.90	-6.92	-	-
Slime Apple (Fruit)	30.00-100.00	58.55	52.1562	-	6.40	12.27	-	-
Grapes Imported (Kg)	900.00-1300.00	1097.42	1105.72	-	-8.31	-0.75	-	-

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

**Table 4.3: Producer prices of selected fruits – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Ambul	41.00-45.00	43.12	43.50	-	-0.38	-0.87	-	-
Kolikuttu	147.00-175.00	165.17	131.00	-	34.17	26.08	-	-
Papaw	42.00-75.00	63.70	63.00	-	0.70	1.11	-	-

Source ;Marketing Food Policy Agribusiness Division, HARTI

## 5. Fish, Dried Fish, Eggs and Meat

### Fish

#### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

With the ending of fishing season in the Southern and North Western coastal belt, prices of most of the fresh fish varieties had increased at the wholesale market in April 2021 compared to March 2021. Further, easing of COVID related market disruptions during the first three weeks of the month and the Sinhala -Tamil New year festival also contributed to a high demand increase within the month. Fishes had been supplied to the market mainly from Matara, Negambo, Kalpitiya and Chillaw. The highest price increase of 49% was noted for kelawalla. Next, prices of thalapath and balaya had upsurged by 24% and 23% respectively. Prices of all the other fresh fish varieties, except for salaya had increased in the range of 2% - 16%, in line with the increased demand. Meanwhile, the only price decrease was noted for salaya by 6%.

In line with the price behaviour of the wholesale market, prices of most of the fresh fish varieties had increased in the range of 6% - 18% at the retail level. However, the retail price behaviour of salaya and mora showed an opposite movement compared to that of wholesale prices. The highest price increase was noted for salaya by 18%. Next, the prices of Hurulla and Kelawalla had upsurged by 17% and 15% respectively. Prices of rest of the fresh fish varieties, except for mora had increased in the range of 6%-9%. Even though the price of mora had increased at the wholesale level, a price decrease of 6% was observed at the retail level.

**Table 5.1: Wholesale and retail prices of fish – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Prices</b>								
Salaya	140.00-200.00	162.63	172.32	-	-9.69	-5.62	-	-
Hurulla	450.00-650.00	503.38	443.46	-	59.91	13.51	-	-
Balaya	400.00-600.00	487.41	397.45	-	89.96	22.63	-	-
Kelawalla	650.00-950.00	804.29	541.46	-	262.83	48.54	-	-
Thora	850.00-1350.00	1084.20	956.80	-	127.40	13.32	-	-
Paraw	600.00-750.00	691.96	594.35	-	97.62	16.42	-	-
Mora	350.00-750.00	587.00	578.89	-	8.11	1.40	-	-
Shrimp (small)	1000.00-1250.00	1122.92	986.81	-	136.11	13.79	-	-
Thalapath	740.00-1100.00	891.25	720.97	-	170.28	23.62	-	-
<b>Retail Prices</b>								
Salaya	200.00-360.00	262.40	223.20	-	39.21	17.57	-	-
Hurulla	480.00-800.00	604.85	516.50	-	88.35	17.11	-	-
Balaya	500.00-1000.00	742.37	678.64	-	63.73	9.39	-	-
Kelawalla	880.00-1680.00	1143.28	994.34	-	148.94	14.98	-	-
Thora	1200.00-1960.00	1563.13	1436.35	-	126.78	8.83	-	-
Paraw	1000.00-1400.00	1213.26	1109.37	-	103.89	9.36	-	-
Mora	700.00-1000.00	816.67	866.67	-	-50.00	-5.77	-	-
Shrimp (small)	1100.00-1600.00	1267.07	1160.65	-	106.42	9.17	-	-
Thalapath	1100.00-1560.00	1321.26	1251.47	-	69.79	5.58	-	-

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

## Dried Fish

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Prices of most of the dried fish varieties had marginally increased except for anguluwa and sprats (imported) at the wholesale level, compared to the previous month due to high demand during the festival season. The main supply areas of the local varieties were Mannar and Kalpitiya. A notable price increase was observed for only balaya by 21%. Average price of balaya had upsurged by nearly Rs 100.00 per kg, compared to previous month. Except for sprats (imported) and anguluwa prices of all the other dried fish varieties had slightly increased in the range of 0.5% - 5%. Yet, the prices of sprats (imported) had dropped by less than 1%, compared to previous month.

In line with the wholesale prices, the retail prices of most of the dried fish varieties had increased with the highest price increase noted for maduwa by 26%. Further, prices of sprats (local) had increased by 10% followed by salaya by 9% and balaya by 6%. All the other dried fish varieties, except for sprats (imported) had increased by less than 5% in the retail market. Yet, the prices of sprats (imported) had dropped by less than 10%, compared to previous month.

**Table 5.2: Wholesale and retail prices of dried fish – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Dried fish – Wholesale Price</b>								
Sprats	850.00-1100.00	1006.25	1005.62	-	0.63	0.06	-	-
Sprats (imported)	380.00-600.00	470.47	473.80	-	-3.33	-0.70	-	-
Kattawa	1050.00-1250.00	1199.69	1193.56	-	6.13	0.51	-	-
Kattawa (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thora	1300.00-1450.00	1377.50	1369.64	-	7.86	0.57	-	-
Thora (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mora	1100.00-1300.00	1221.89	1208.29	-	13.60	1.13	-	-
Mora (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balaya	500.00-680.00	605.38	502.08	-	103.29	20.57	-	-
Balaya (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anguluwa	1000.00-1250.00	1160.97	1166.51	-	-5.54	-0.48	-	-
Anguluwa (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maduwa	650.00-800.00	718.57	705.61	-	12.96	1.84	-	-
Maduwa (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salaya	250.00-400.00	286.25	273.71	-	12.54	4.58	-	-
Salaya (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Dried fish – Retail Price</b>								
Sprats(imported)	450.00-800.00	672.58	745.90	-	-73.32	-9.83	-	-
Sprats	1000.00-1700.00	1200.09	1093.63	-	106.46	9.73	-	-
Kattawa	1200.00-2000.00	1502.19	1478.18	-	24.01	1.62	-	-
Thora	1500.00-2200.00	1838.72	1799.75	-	38.97	2.17	-	-
Mora	1200.00-1600.00	1435.65	1395.53	-	40.12	2.88	-	-
Balaya	750.00-1200.00	986.06	933.18	-	52.88	5.67	-	-
Anguluwa	1200.00-1600.00	1390.01	1354.48	-	35.54	2.62	-	-
Maduwa	950.00-1400.00	1184.38	941.75	-	242.63	25.76	-	-
Salaya	350.00-800.00	567.86	521.10	-	46.76	8.97	-	-

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

## Eggs

Prices of both brown and white eggs had decreased by 10% at the wholesale level compared to March 2021. The monthly average wholesale price of brown and white eggs was in the range of 14.00-15.50/egg and 13.50-14.50.00/ egg respectively. Price drops are mainly due to the increased supplies than the demand, with the easing of the Covid related market disruptions during the first three weeks of the month. In line with the wholesale price behaviour, prices of both brown and white eggs had dropped by 10% at the retail level. The monthly average retail prices of a brown and a white egg was in the range of Rs.14.50 -17.00/egg and Rs.12.50-15.00/egg respectively.

**Table 5.3: Wholesale and retail prices of eggs – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	%	Rs	%
<b>Wholesale Price</b>								
Eggs – Brown (each)	14.00-15.00	14.44	16.07	-	-1.63	-10.16	-	-
White (each)	13.50-14.50	13.69	15.29	-	-1.60	-10.45	-	-
<b>Retail Price</b>								
Eggs- Brown (each)	14.50-17.00	15.54	17.25	-	-1.72	-9.95	-	-
White (each)	12.50-15.00	14.26	15.93	-	-1.67	-10.46	--	-

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

## Meat

Prices of most of the meat varieties had slightly increased at the retail market, compared to March 2021 due to increased demand during the Sinhala – Tamil festival season. The highest price increase of 13% was noted for chicken (broiler). Average prices of broiler had gone up by Rs.80.00 per kg during April, compared to March. Further, prices of rest of the meat varieties, except for pork had increased by less than 4%, compared to previous month. However, prices of pork had dropped by 0.59%.

**Table 5.4: Retail prices of meat – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Meat</b>								
Beef (without bones)	1000.00-1200.00	1063.69	1042.67	-	21.02	2.02	-	-
Chicken (Broiler)	600.00-830.00	710.21	630.87	-	79.34	12.58	-	-
Chicken (curry)	520.00-830.00	636.45	616.41	-	20.04	3.25	-	-
Mutton	1800.00-2200.00	2011.11	1981.39	-	29.72	1.50	-	-
Pork	750.00-980.00	828.33	833.24	-	-4.90	-0.59	-	-

Source: Marketing, Food Policy and Agri-business Division/HARTI



## 6. Wheat grain, Wheat flour and Sugar

### Wheat grain and Wheat flour

The retail price of wheat flour further ranged between Rs.92.00-93.00/kg and the average price was Rs.93.00/kg. The average retail price of wheat flour remained unchanged compared to the last month, however, increased by 4% compared to the same period of last year.

### Sugar

The retail price of sugar ranged between Rs.115.00-117.00/kg and the average retail price was Rs.116.00/kg which indicates that no significant price change compared to the March. Further, compared to the same period of last year, average retail price of sugar has decreased by 3%.

**Table 6.1: Open market retail prices of wheat flour and sugar – April 2021**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	April 2021	April 2021	March 2021	April 2020	March 2021		April 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wheat Flour	92.52-92.75	92.64	92.33	89.04	0.31	0.33	3.60	4.04
Sugar	114.93-116.83	115.70	115.33	119.21	0.37	0.32	-3.51	-2.94

*Source: Department of Census and Statistics*

**Table 7: Monthly rainfall (mm) – April 2021**

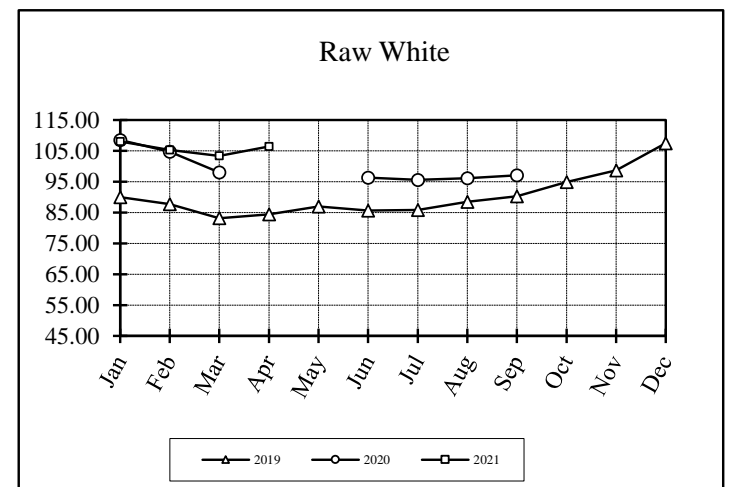
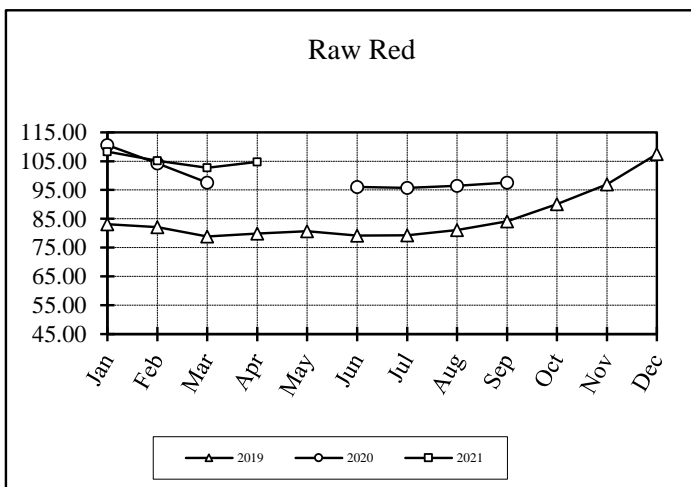
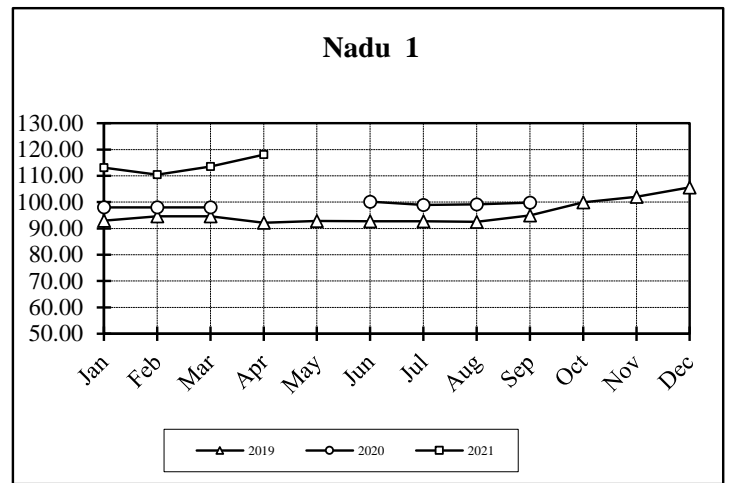
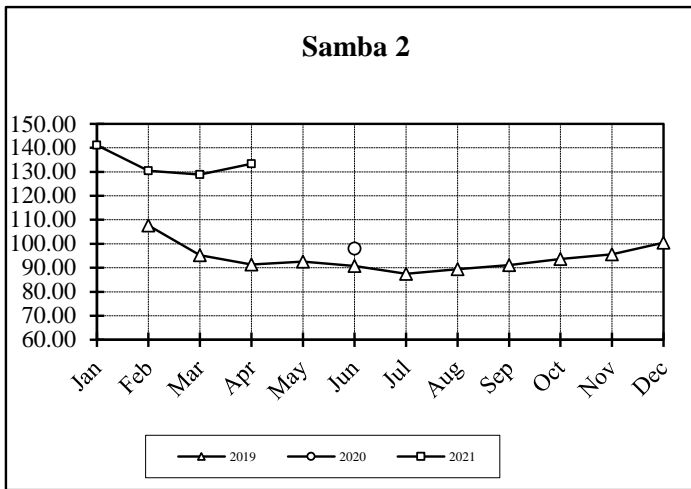
<b>Rainfall Station</b>	<b>Total Rainfall (mm)</b>	<b>30 Year Avg. Rainfall (mm)</b>	<b>Total Rainy Days</b>	<b>30 Year Average Rainy Days</b>
Anuradhapura	131	68.7	11	5
Badulla	136.5	119.4	12	9
Bandarawela		112.2		9
Batticaloa		89		6
Colombo	325.6	128	18	9
Galle	407.5	111.3	17	9
Hambantota	29.7	65.4	7	5
Jaffna		25.7		2
Katugastota		71.9		8
Katunayaka		132.9		8
Kurunegala	165	139.1	10	8
Maha Iluppallama		84.9		6
Mannar		44.4		3
Nuwara Eliya	107.2	71.5	11	8
Pottuvil	33.8	n/a	4	n/a
Puttalam	66.3	67.7	5	5
Ratmalana	252.7	141.5	13	9
Ratnapura		212.2		14
Trincomalee		55.5		4
Vavuniya	151.5	62.9	11	4
Polonnaruwa		n/a		n/a
Monaragala		n/a		n/a
Mattala		n/a		n/a

*Source: Department of Meteorology*

**Note: n/a refers to not available**

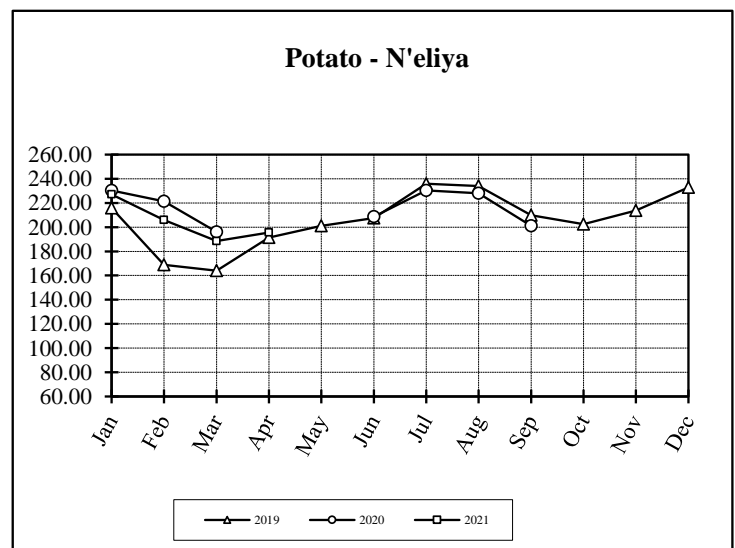
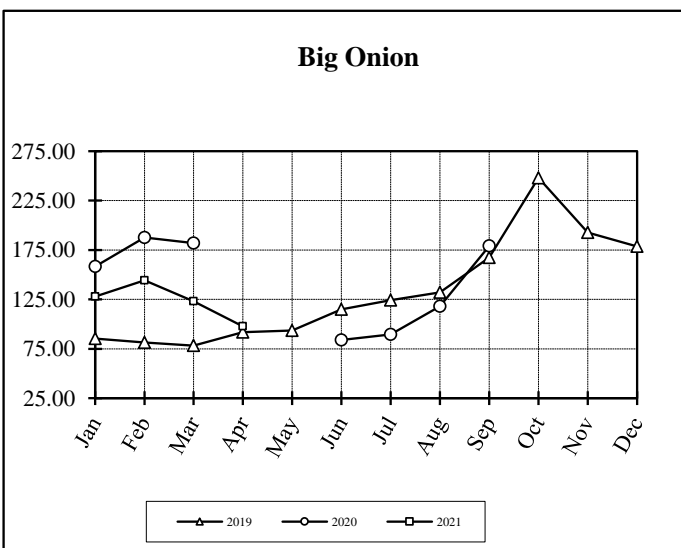
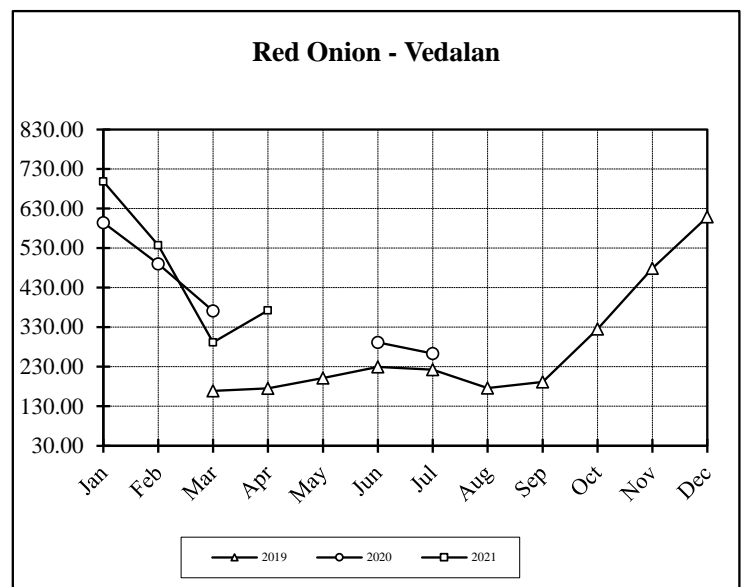
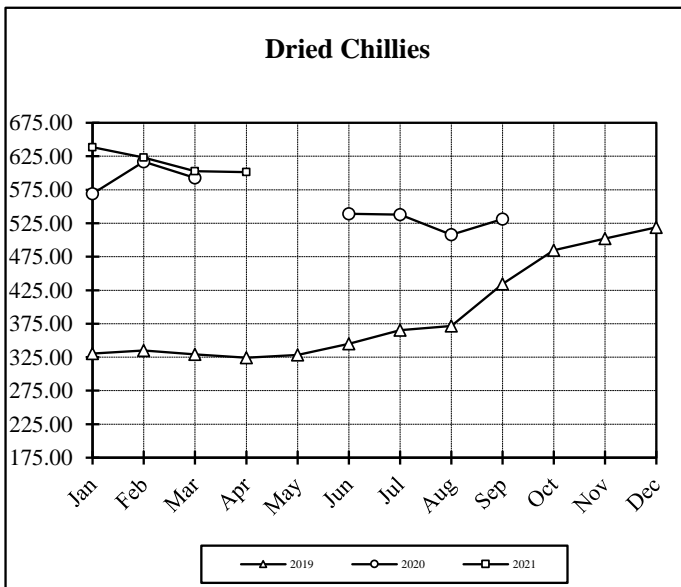
**Appendix 01: Retail Price of Rice in Colombo & Suburbs (Rs/kg)**

Month	Samba 2			Nadu 1			Raw Red			Raw White		
	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021
Jan			141.10	93.00	98.00	113.10	83.12	110.60	108.31	90.02	108.50	108.03
Feb	107.65		130.44	94.64	98.00	110.43	82.07	104.20	105.14	87.74	104.75	105.33
Mar	95.23		128.86	94.63	98.00	113.55	78.87	97.55	102.71	83.14	97.98	103.35
Apr	91.39		133.36	92.17		118.02	79.92		104.80	84.39		106.46
May	92.62			92.83			80.74			87.00		
Jun	90.71	98.00		92.73	100.19		79.19	96.10		85.64	96.36	
Jul	87.49			92.75	98.97		79.31	95.73		85.86	95.59	
Aug	89.38			92.49	99.16		81.14	96.47		88.49	96.13	
Sep	91.08			95.00	99.85		84.14	97.54		90.23	97.08	
Oct	93.68			99.95			90.11			94.88		
Nov	95.57			102.03			96.96			98.70		
Dec	100.42			105.60			107.46			107.48		



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

Month	Dried Chillies			Red Onion			Big Onion			Potato - N'Eliya		
	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021
Jan	330.31	568.88	638.57		594.62	698.55	85.22	158.34	127.78	215.71	230.30	227.08
Feb	335.00	616.91	623.15		489.95	537.28	81.33	187.64	144.28	168.89	221.45	205.92
Mar	329.23	592.69	602.72	168.97	371.19	291.66	78.17	182.10	123.19	164.00	196.08	188.53
Apr	324.25		601.31	175.37		372.89	91.75		97.65	191.47		195.46
May	328.50			201.43			93.54			200.97		
Jun	345.06	539.23		229.57	291.67		114.91	83.89		207.45	208.57	
Jul	365.35	538.09		222.51	263.40		124.20	89.58		235.89	230.38	
Aug	371.46	507.84		175.95			132.13	118.02		234.10	227.97	
Sep	434.22	531.06		191.81			167.17	179.16		209.86	201.15	
Oct	484.80			325.31			248.02			202.38		
Nov	502.09			478.63			192.69			213.71		
Dec	518.89			608.84			178.67			232.91		



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

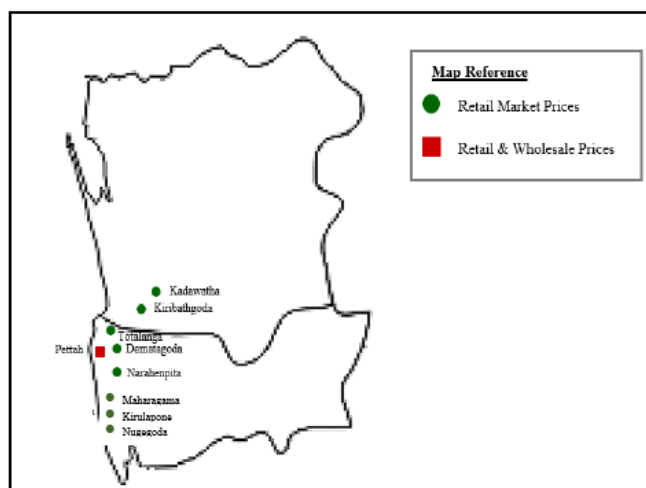
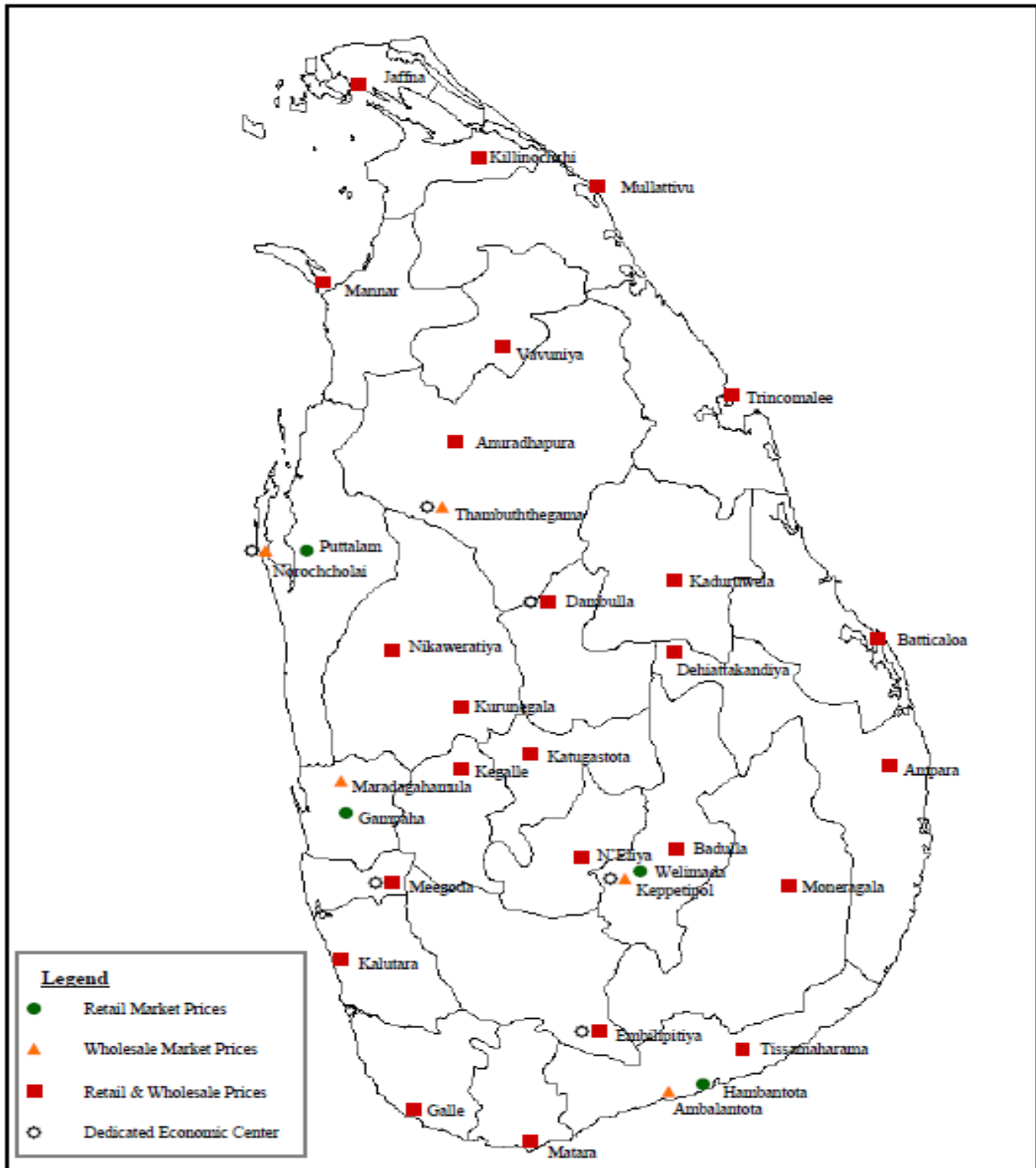
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Commodity	1 <sup>st</sup> Week	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	4 <sup>th</sup> Week	Commodity	1 <sup>st</sup> Week	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	4 <sup>th</sup> Week	Commodity	1 <sup>st</sup> Week	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	4 <sup>th</sup> Week
<b>Paddy</b>					<b>Potato</b>					<b>Leeks</b>				
<b>Short grain</b>					N'Eliya	98.80	98.80	97.60	87.20	Welimada	47.00	47.00	41.80	43.80
A'pura				59.20	Badulla	100.00	100.00	100.00	98.00	N'Eliya	58.60	58.60	42.20	44.80
P'naruwa	70.25	70.25	70.00	78.50	Welimada	90.40	90.40	88.80	83.00					
Kalawewa	62.64	62.64	64.83	68.00	<b>Pulses</b>					<b>Beetroot</b>				
Kurunegala	57.33	57.33	60.00	60.00	<b>Green Gram</b>					Hanguranketha			58.00	57.00
Dehiattakandiya			64.00	65.00	Galgamuwa					N'Eliya	46.40	46.40	46.00	42.40
Ampara	59.10	59.10	60.50	66.67	Kalawewa					Dambulla	50.00	50.00	41.00	41.00
<b>Long grain (White)</b>					Embilipitiya	697.50	697.50	697.50	697.50	Kurunegala				
A'pura			53.80	54.20	Kurunegala					Welimada	47.40	47.40	44.80	37.80
P'naruwa	59.50	59.50	59.50	62.50	A'pura			762.00	762.00	<b>Knokhol</b>				
Kalawewa	54.50	54.50	55.00	59.20	<b>Cowpea</b>					Hanguranketha			68.00	
Kurunegala	50.33	50.33	53.00	54.00	A'pura			414.00	416.00	N'Eliya	52.40	52.40	43.20	37.80
Dehiattakandiya			58.00	56.00	Galgamuwa					Welimada	47.00	47.00	42.20	35.80
Embilipitiya					Nikaweratiya					<b>Radish</b>				
Ampara	53.50	53.50	54.00	53.50	Kalawewa					Hanguranketha			48.00	58.00
Matara					Embilipitiya	545.00	545.00	545.00	545.00	N'Eliya	34.40	34.40	20.80	27.20
Hambantota					Kurunegala					Welimada	22.00	22.00	16.00	18.80
<b>Long grain (Red)</b>					<b>Maize</b>					<b>Cabbage</b>				
Matara	54.00	54.00	54.00	54.00	A'Pura					Hanguranketha			77.50	
Hambantota				55.00	Kalawewa	71.25	71.25	73.20	73.20	N'Eliya	71.40	71.40	102.60	62.20
Ampara	53.63	53.63	52.00	54.50	<b>Gingelly</b>					Welimada	52.60	52.60	56.00	47.20
Embilipitiya	54.20	54.20	54.20	54.00	A'Pura					Hambantota				
<b>Other Food Crops</b>					Kalawewa					Badulla	62.00	62.00	78.00	68.00
<b>Dried Chillies</b>					<b>Black Gram</b>					<b>Tomato</b>				
A'Pura					Kalawewa	468.75	468.75			Hanguranketha				
Galgamuwa					A'Pura					Welimada	56.80	56.80	37.80	32.80
Kalawewa					<b>Vegetables (Up Country)</b>					Hambantota				45.00
<b>Red Onion</b>					<b>Beans</b>					Dambulla	69.80	69.80	39.00	33.75
Puttalam					Dambulla	100.00	100.00	42.20	90.00	<b>Low Country</b>				
<b>Big Onion</b>					Welimada	78.00	78.00	48.60	107.00	<b>Ladies Fingers</b>				
Dambulla					Badulla	124.00	124.00	48.00	110.00	A'pura			43.00	63.00
Kalawewa					<b>Carrot</b>					Dambulla	50.60	50.60	29.60	44.75
A'Pura					Hanguranketha					Hambantota				
Kurunegala					N'Eliya	104.20	104.20	127.80	121.00	Embilipitiya	75.00	75.00	65.00	96.00
					Welimada	77.00	77.00	87.80	97.80	Matara	62.50	62.50	62.50	62.50

**Appendix 03: contd.....**

Commodity	1 <sup>st</sup> Week	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	4 <sup>th</sup> Week	Commodity	1 <sup>st</sup> Week	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	4 <sup>th</sup> Week	Commodity	1 <sup>st</sup> Week	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	4 <sup>th</sup> Week
<b><u>Brinjals</u></b>					<b><u>Pumpkin</u></b>					<b><u>Lime</u></b>				
A'pura			103.00	112.00	Dambulla	44.40	44.40	29.20	29.00	Hambantota				
Dambulla	156.00	156.00	75.80	93.75	Hambantota				43.33	Embilipitiya	74.17	74.17	74.17	63.33
Hambantota				65.00	Embilipitiya	72.50	72.50	70.00	63.33	Moneragala				
Embilipitiya	131.00	131.00	75.00	125.00	Matara	62.50	62.50	62.50	52.50	<b><u>Fruits (Rs/Kg)</u></b>				
Matara			96.67	65.00	A'pura				58.00	<b><u>Banana</u></b>				
Welimada	116.80	116.80	73.60	85.80	Moneragala					<u>Ambul</u>				
					<b><u>Cucumber</u></b>					Moneragala				
<b><u>Capsicum</u></b>					A'pura			12.20	42.50	Embilipitiya	43.33	43.33	45.00	40.83
Welimada	188.00	188.00	188.00	186.00	Dambulla	19.60	19.60	19.20	29.75	Hambantota				
<b><u>Bitter Gourd</u></b>					Hambantota				25.00	<b><u>Kolikuttu</u></b>				
A'pura			49.00	58.00	Matara	32.50	32.50	32.50	32.50	Moneragala				
Dambulla	80.80	80.80	25.80	77.50	<b><u>Long beans</u></b>					Embilipitiya	164.17	164.17	175.00	175.00
Hambantota				76.67	Dambulla	52.40	52.40	35.80	48.50	Hambantota				147.50
Embilipitiya	145.71	145.71	92.50		Hambantota				66.67	<b><u>Papaw</u></b>				
					Embilipitiya	66.00	66.00	65.00	123.00	Moneragala				
<b><u>Snake Gourd</u></b>					Matara	73.33	73.33	68.33	66.67	Embilipitiya	75.00	75.00	70.00	56.00
Dambulla	61.00	61.00	32.00	45.00	A'Pura				28.00	Hambantota				42.50
Hambantota				50.00	<b><u>Ash Plantain</u></b>									
Embilipitiya	94.00	94.00	58.00	74.00	Hambantota				35.00	<b><u>Pineapple</u></b>				
Matara	73.33	73.33	68.33	68.33	Embilipitiya	50.00	50.00	36.00	36.00	Divulapitiya				
A'pura			32.00	40.00	Matara	53.33	53.33	50.00	53.33					
<b><u>Luffa</u></b>					<b><u>Green Chillies</u></b>									
Dambulla	62.60	62.60	54.67	62.40	Dambulla	163.50	163.50	123.00	118.75					
Hambantota				36.67	Hambantota									
Embilipitiya	75.00	75.00	48.33	92.00	Embilipitiya	252.00	252.00	213.00	241.00					
Matara	70.00	70.00	65.00	65.00	Puttalam			170.00	175.00					
A'pura			26.60	62.00	A'Pura				180.00					

# Price Collecting Areas





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