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### Highlights

#### Rice

Producer prices for short grain, long grain white, and long grain red have decreased compared to the previous month, with the most significant price decrease observed for long grain red paddy in all major producing areas. Producer prices for Keeri Samba paddy varieties continued on an upward trend in all producing areas, ranging from Rs. 130.00-144.00/kg. Supplies of local rice varieties, including Samba, Nadu, raw red, and raw white, increased during the month, particularly for raw red. The most substantial wholesale price reduction occurred in raw red rice, with prices ranging between Rs. 125.00-155.00/kg. Aligned with wholesale price trends, retail prices for all local rice varieties experienced a decrease, with the most significant drop of Rs. 9.49/kg noted in raw red rice. In a year-over-year comparison, retail prices for most rice varieties exhibited a decrease. The most notable reduction of 37% was observed for raw red rice, followed by a 30% decrease for raw white rice.

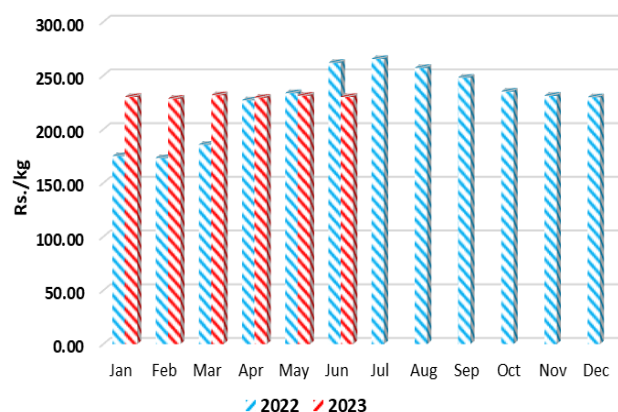
#### Vegetables

Due to limited supply during the off season prices of most of the vegetable varieties have increased. Retail prices of vegetables had increased by 1%-32%. Highest price increase was reported for carrots (32%). The highest price of Rs.890.00/kg was reported for drumsticks while the lowest price of Rs.175.00/kg was observed for pumpkin. In addition, price of green chilli has increased by 44%. However, vegetable prices tend to be decrease in the coming months.

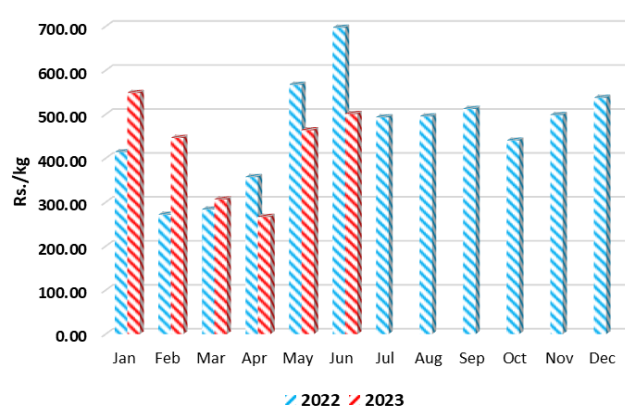
#### Fish, Dried Fish, Eggs and Meat

Although food inflation was lower, the prices of most fish varieties have surged by less than 22% in both wholesale and retail markets due to low supply during the lean season for southern and western coastal belt. Corresponding to this supply drop, the average retail prices of both types of eggs have exceeded the stipulated maximum retail prices (MRP) for brown eggs at Rs. 46.00 and white eggs at Rs. 44.00.

Average Retail Prices of Rice (Samba I)



Average Retail Prices of Beans (Green)



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|----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. Pettah      | 4. Thotalanga | 7. Kiribathgoda |
| 2. Narahenpita | 5. Peliyagoda | 8. Maharagama   |
| 3. Dematagoda  | 6. Kadawatha  | 9. Nugegoda     |

##### **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 Department of Agriculture (DoA), the targeted paddy area for the Yala season in 2023 is 542,870 hectares. The sown extent reported as of the end of June 2023 is 484,437 hectares, achieving 89% of the set target. The sown area of paddy (484,437 hectares) in June 2023 reflects a 7% increase compared to the same period the previous year. The paddy production forecast, based on the reported sown extent as of the end of June 2023, is 1.81 million metric tons, accounting for crop losses.

According to the crop forecast by the DOA, the anticipated rice production for Yala 2023 is expected to be sufficient to meet the nation's needs until mid-January 2024.

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

District/Area	Area target for the season (ha)	Sown area as at end June 2023 (ha)	Cultivation Progress as a % from target	**Production forecast based on progress (Mt)	Total affected extent (ha)	Revised production forecast (Mt)
<b>Provincial area</b>						
Colombo	3,059	2,561	84	5,747	-	5,747
Gampaha	10,616	8,262	78	20,928	-	20,928
Kalutara	8,508	8,689	102	23,405	-	23,405
Galle	11,589	5,579	48	11,526	-	11,526
Matara	14,972	9,544	64	25,092	548	24,271
Ratnapura	9,940	7,704	78	25,932	-	25,932
Kegalle	7,875	6,797	86	19,676	-	19,676
Kurunagala	75,796	53,610	71	199,967	761	198,411
Puttalam	19,108	17,991	94	56,276	-	56,276
Kandy	6,837	4,634	68	12,403	-	12,403
Matale	9,535	7,049	74	26,306	-	26,306
Neliya	2,899	82	3	187	-	187
Badulla	5,319	3,528	66	13,405	-	13,405
Monaragala	14,667	10,180	69	44,493	-	44,493
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	30,469	69	105,107	-	105,107
Trincomalee	25,896	25,139	97	113,267	10	113,256
Batticaloa	34,808	34,823	100	125,089	-	125,089
Ampara	1,706	1,692	99	7,551	-	7,551
Hambantota	12,096	10,991	91	52,528	-	52,528
<b>Inter Province Areas</b>						
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	3,189	-	3,189
Hambantota IP	14,755	14,336	97	68,224	-	68,224
Hasalaka IP	8,860	9,790	110	2,680	-	2,680
Anuradhapura IP	22,238	20,542	92	70,500	-	70,500
<b>Mahaweli Systems</b>						
Udawalawa	8,611	12,647	147	58,802	-	58,802
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	1,412	86	5,637	-	5,637
Rambakanoya	980	819	84	3,047	-	3,047
System L	703	833	118	3,105	-	3,105
<b>Sri Lanka</b>	<b>542,870</b>	<b>484,437</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>1,815,513</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>1,813,125</b>

Source: Crop forecast, Yala 2023, Volume 03, Department of Agriculture

## Producer Prices

Producer prices for short grain, long grain white, and long grain red have decreased compared to the previous month, with a notable price decline for long grain red paddy in all major producing areas. The highest price decrease of 12% was recorded for long grain raw red paddy in the Matara area, followed by a 10% decrease in the Hambantota area. Producer prices of Keeri Samba paddy varieties are consistently on an upward trend in all producing areas, ranging from Rs. 130.00-144.00/kg, with the highest average price observed in Polonnaruwa.

Producer prices of short grain paddy have slightly decreased in all major producing areas, ranging between Rs. 90.00-111.00/kg, with the lowest average price observed in the Ampara area. Similarly, the producer prices of long grain white paddy have decreased in all major producing areas, ranging between Rs. 78.00-111.00/kg.

When comparing prices to the same period last year, there has been a reduction in producer prices for all paddy varieties excluding Keeri Samba, ranging from 14% to 48%. Notably, there has been a significant decrease in prices for long grain red paddy.

**Table1.2: Producer prices of Paddy –June 2023**

	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Short Grain</b>								
Anuradhapura	100.00-105.00	101.90	103.80	131.55	-1.90	-1.83	-29.65	-22.54
Polonnaruwa	109.00-111.00	109.70	110.14	138.20	-0.44	-0.40	-28.50	-20.62
Kalawewa	100.00-106.00	102.65	103.76	136.40	-1.11	-1.07	-33.75	-24.74
Kurunegala	95.00-106.00	101.88	106.80	141.20	-4.93	-4.61	-39.33	-27.85
Dehiattakandiya	100.00-110.50	107.29	108.43	124.92	-1.14	-1.05	-17.63	-14.11
Nikaweratiya	95.00-105.00	101.71	104.59	140.28	-2.88	-2.75	-38.57	-27.49
Ampara	90.00-111.00	100.75	102.50	129.83	-1.75	-1.71	-29.08	-22.40
<b>Long Grain White</b>								
Anuradhapura	80.00-87.00	82.25	87.64	131.55	-5.39	-6.15	-49.30	-37.48
Polonnaruwa	84.00-111.00	86.70	92.36	138.20	-5.66	-6.13	-51.50	-37.26
Kalawewa	78.00-87.00	81.95	87.00	135.30	-5.05	-5.80	-53.35	-39.43
Kurunegala	80.00-88.00	83.94	89.95	141.95	-6.01	-6.68	-58.01	-40.87
Dehiattakandiya	80.00-87.00	84.08	91.43	124.50	-7.35	-8.04	-40.42	-32.46
Embilipitiya	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nikaweratiya	83.00-90.00	85.92	91.27	140.28	-5.35	-5.86	-54.36	-38.75
Ampara	78.00-82.00	80.00	86.90	-	-6.90	-7.94	-	-
<b>Long Grain Red</b>								
A'pura	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Matara	70.00-80.00	72.44	81.88	128.33	-9.44	-11.53	-55.90	-43.56
Hambantota	70.00-76.00	72.58	80.89	135.33	-8.31	-10.27	-62.75	-46.37
Embilipitiya	70.00-75.00	72.25	78.84	138.54	-6.59	-8.36	-66.29	-47.85
<b>Keeri Samba</b>								
A'pura	130.00-140.00	136.67	131.66	132.45	5.01	3.80	4.22	3.18
Polonnaruwa	142.00-144.00	143.10	141.80	136.70	1.30	0.92	6.40	4.68
Kalawewa	130.00-140.00	135.00	130.33	132.65	4.67	3.58	2.35	1.77
Kurunegala	130.00-135.00	132.50	131.70	131.00	0.80	0.61	1.50	1.15
Dehiattakandiya	136.00-142.00	139.63	140.37	135.00	-0.74	-0.53	4.63	3.43

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

## Rice Prices Demand/Supply Situation

### Wholesale Prices

Supplies of local rice varieties, including Samba, Nadu, raw red, and raw white, increased during the month, particularly for raw red rice. Wholesale prices for Samba grade I and II ranged from Rs. 195.00-210.00 and Rs. 190.00-205.00/kg, respectively, reflecting a marginal decrease of less than 3% compared to the previous month. Similarly, wholesale prices for Nadu grade I and II ranged from Rs. 175.00-185.00 and Rs. 165.00-180.00/kg, respectively, indicating a 2% decrease. The most significant price reduction occurred in raw red rice, with prices ranging between Rs. 125.00-155.00/kg. The wholesale price of Keeri Samba decreased slightly by 1%; however, low supply was observed during the month.

Comparing current prices to the same period last year, wholesale prices for all local rice varieties have seen a decrease. The most substantial price decrease of 43% was observed for raw red rice, followed by a 35% decrease for raw white rice.

**Table 1.3: Wholesale and Retail prices of Rice – June 2023**

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Prices</b>								
Samba 1	195.00-210.00	205.35	210.14	242.75	-4.79	-2.28	-37.40	-15.41
Samba 2	190.00-205.00	196.63	202.42	239.08	-5.79	-2.86	-42.46	-17.76
Keeri Samba	255.00-265.00	258.18	260.11	262.17	-1.94	-0.74	-3.99	-1.52
Nadu 1	175.00-185.00	180.03	183.20	235.90	-3.17	-1.73	-55.88	-23.69
Nadu 2	165.00-180.00	174.00	178.14	233.32	-4.14	-2.32	-59.32	-25.43
Raw red	125.00-155.00	140.38	149.83	244.33	-9.46	-6.31	-103.96	-42.55
Raw white	150.00-170.00	160.20	165.84	245.00	-5.64	-3.40	-84.80	-34.61
Imported Samba	200.00-215.00	208.54	208.54	220.70	0.00	0.00	-12.16	-5.51
Imported Raw White	175.00-190.00	183.30	182.23	200.10	1.07	0.59	-16.80	-8.39
Imported Nadu	-	-	176.00	218.00	-	-	-	-
<b>Retail Prices-</b>								
Samba 1	220.00-240.00	230.16	231.31	261.90	-1.15	-0.50	-31.74	-12.12
Samba 2	200.00-230.00	218.83	221.71	246.00	-2.88	-1.30	-27.17	-11.04
Keeri Samba	260.00-280.00	268.36	273.39	282.94	-5.02	-1.84	-14.58	-5.15
Nadu 1	210.00-230.00	217.79	218.80	251.20	-1.01	-0.46	-33.41	-13.30
Nadu 2	180.00-210.00	202.33	205.15	243.08	-2.82	-1.38	-40.76	-16.77
Raw red	140.00-190.00	166.19	175.69	264.53	-9.49	-5.40	-98.33	-37.17
Raw white	170.00-200.00	183.70	191.48	261.37	-7.78	-4.06	-77.67	-29.72
Imported <i>Ponni</i> Samba	210.00-240.00	224.98	227.74	248.76	-2.76	-1.21	-23.78	-9.56
Imported Raw White	185.00-210.00	200.71	201.06	233.87	-0.35	-0.17	-33.16	-14.18
Imported Nadu	-	-	201.01	244.19	-	-	-	-

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

### Retail Prices

In line with wholesale price trends, retail prices for all local rice varieties have experienced a decrease, with the most notable drop of Rs. 9.49/kg observed in raw red rice. Retail prices for Samba grade I and II now range from Rs. 220.00-240.00 and Rs. 200.00-230.00/kg, respectively, reflecting a slight 1% decrease compared to the previous month. Additionally, retail prices for Nadu grade I and II range between Rs. 210.00-230.00 and Rs. 180.00-210.00/kg, respectively,

remaining relatively stable compared to the previous month. Notably, retail prices of raw red and raw white rice stand out among other local rice varieties due to a 5% and 4% decrease, respectively, compared to the previous month.

In a year-over-year comparison, retail prices for most rice varieties have exhibited a decrease. The most significant reduction of 37% was observed for raw red rice, followed by a 30% decrease for raw white rice.

## 2. Other Field Crops

### 2.1 Chilli

#### Crop Situation and Progress

The targeted extent of green chilli of Yala, in 2023 was 9,728 ha and by the end of June 2023, 3,541 ha have been cultivated representing 36% of the targeted extent. Crops are in different stages in the main producing areas. In the Puttalam district, only about 270 ha have been cultivated at the end of June representing 20% of the targeted extent. According to the cultivated extent up to the end of this month, the expected production of green chilli is 19,911 Mt for this Yala season in the country with 49% of the supply from Puttalam (13%), Anuradhapura (8%), Mahaweli areas (11%), Interprovincial DDA areas (9%) and Vavuniya (8%) areas.

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

Areas	Targeted Extent (ha)	Cultivation Progress at the end June 2023		Expected Production (Mt)
		Cultivated Extent (ha)	% of the Target	
Puttalam	1,370	270	20	2,491
Anuradhapura	632	250	40	1,505
Kurunegala	540	220	41	1,046
Jaffna	480	162	34	980
Batticaloa	363	196	54	1,040
Vavuniya	300	286	95	1,645
Matale	434	161	37	810
Monaragala	407	197	48	945
Badulla	281	154	55	720
Kandy	278	104	37	612
InterprovincialDDA areas	421	379	90	1,900
Mahaweli areas	2,450	362	15	2,209
Other areas	1,772	800	45	4,008
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,728</b>	<b>3,541</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>19,911</b>

*Source: Crop forecast, Yala 2023, Volume 03, Department of Agriculture*

#### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The supply of green chilli from main producing areas has decreased during this month. Hence, both wholesale and retail prices of green chilli have increased by about Rs.297.00/kg and Rs.217.00/kg respectively. Wholesale Prices of green chilli ranged between Rs.300.00-750.00/kg and Rs.400.00- 1000.00/kg at the retail level. Higher producer prices for green chilli were recorded from the Embilipitiya area with the price range of Rs.404.00 – 776.00/kg during the month of June. Compared to the same period of last year, wholesale price of green chilli has increased by 5% while the retail price has decreased by about 4%.

A quantity of 1,742 mt of dried chillie was imported in June 2023 and this quantity was lower than 2,285 mt compared to the previous month. The average CIF price was Rs.763.64/kg and it has not changed compared to the previous month. However, both wholesale and retail prices of imported dried chillies have decreased by about Rs.102.00/kg and Rs.58.00/kg respectively. Prices ranged between Rs.900.00-1150.00/kg at the wholesale level and Rs.1080.00 – Rs. 1500.00/kg at the retail level. Compared to the same period last year, both wholesale and retail prices of imported dried chilli have decreased by about 46% and 39% respectively.

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

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Price</b>								
Green Chilli	300.00-750.00	519.50	222.60	493.25	296.90	133.38	26.25	5.32
Dried Chilli	900.00-1150.00	947.88	1049.45	1754.25	-101.58	-9.68	-806.38	-45.97
<b>Retail Price</b>								
Green Chilli	400.00-1000.00	709.32	492.33	738.71	217.00	44.08	-29.39	-3.98
Dried Chilli	1080.00-1500.00	1303.59	1361.98	2143.50	-58.39	-4.29	-839.91	-39.18

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

**Table 2.1.3: Producer Prices of Green Chillies (Rs/kg) June 2023**

Location	1 <sup>st</sup> week	2 <sup>nd</sup> week	3 <sup>rd</sup> week	4 <sup>th</sup> week
Dambulla	344.00	346.00	514.00	704.00
Embilipitiya	404.00	518.00	738.00	776.00
Puttalam	344.00	364.00	500.00	580.00
A'Pura	356.00	396.00	456.00	770.00

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

**Table 2.1.4: Quantity, Value and CIF Prices of Imported Dried Chillies (June– Jan 2023)**

Month	Quantity (mt)	Value (Rs/mn.)	CIF Price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
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
Jan-2023	3079.93	2746.44	891.72	1752.35	860.63

Source: Department of Customs and Data Management Division /HARTI

## 2.2 Red Onion and Big Onion

### Crop situation and Progress

The targeted extent of big onion cultivation was about 7,149 ha for 2023 Yala season and around 287 ha have been cultivated by the end of June 2023, which represent only about 4% of the targeted extent. Cultivation will be taken place until end of July,2023. In Matale district, targeted extent of big onion was 1597 ha and only 16 ha have been cultivated at the end of June 2023, which represent only 1% of the targeted extent. Though the highest cultivated extent was recorded from Mahaweli –H area at the end of this month, cultivation progress in all the producing areas was in a low level.

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

Areas	Targeted Extent (ha)	Cultivation Progress at the end of June 2023		Expected Production (Mt)
		Cultivated Extent (ha)	% of the target	
Matale	1,597	16	1	318
Anuradhapura	724	4	0.5	63
Mahaweli – H	1,250	74	6	1,158
Mahaweli – H1	1,350	30	2	470
Other areas	2,228	163	7	2,665
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,149</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4,674</b>

Source: Crop forecast, Yala 2023, Volume 03, Department of Agriculture

The targeted extent of red onion cultivation was 3910 ha for this Yala season and around 1,673 ha have been cultivated by the end of June 2023, which represent 43% of the targeted extent. The highest targeted extent (2000 ha) and the highest cultivated extent (1300 ha) were recorded from Jaffna district and it represents 65% of the targeted extent. The estimated production of this Yala season was 16,929 Mt and out of that 86% was supplied from Jaffna (71%) and Puttalam (15%) districts.

**Table 2.2.1: Cultivation Progress of Red Onion for Yala 2023 Season**

Area	Targeted Extent (Ha)	Cultivation progress by the end of June,2023		Expected production (Mt)
		Cultivated extent (ha)	% of the targeted extent	
Jaffna	2,000	1,300	65	11,973
Puttalam	785	129	16	2,474
Vavuniya	280	44	16	526
Other area	845	200	24	1,956
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,910</b>	<b>1,673</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>16,929</b>

Source: Crop forecast, Yala 2023, Volume 03, Department of Agriculture

### 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 and cultivation will be taken largely during the month of July. A quantity of 28,435 mt of big onion was imported in June 2023 and this quantity was higher than 912 mt compared to the previous month. The average CIF price was Rs.57.41/kg and it has not changed significantly compared to the previous month. Wholesale price of imported big onion and has decreased by Rs.3.00/kg while the retail price has increased by about Rs.3.00/kg. The wholesale price of imported big onion ranged between Rs.60.00 – 115.00/kg while at the retail level it was recorded as Rs.115.00 – 260.00/kg. Compared to the same period of last year, both wholesale and retail prices of imported big onions have decreased by about 46% and 43% respectively.

The supply of Vedalan red onion from main producing areas has decreased during this month. Hence, wholesale price of vedalan has increased by about Rs.106.00/kg while local red onion varieties were not available at most of the retail markets.

A quantity of 1,031mt of red onion was imported from India during this month and it was a decrease of 260 mt compared to that of last month. The average CIF price was Rs.112.79/kg and it has increased by Rs.4.78/kg compared to the previous month. Both wholesale and retail prices



of imported red onions have increased by about Rs.74.00/kg and Rs.15.00/kg respectively due to limited imports. Compared to the same period of last year, wholesale price of imported red onion has increased by about 12% while the retail price has decreased by about 13%.

**Table 2.2.3: Wholesale Prices and Retail Prices of Red Onion and Big Onion – June 2023**

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Prices</b>								
Red Onion (Sinnan)	-	-	276.67	-	-	-	-	-
Red Onion (Vedalan)	350.00-500.00	438.33	332.00	-	106.33	32.03	-	-
Red Onion (Imported)	260.00-400.00	349.78	275.60	313.03	74.18	26.92	36.75	11.74
Big Onion (imported)	60.00-115.00	93.43	96.66	173.32	-3.24	-3.35	-79.89	-46.10
Big Onion (Local)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Retail Prices</b>								
Red Onion (Sinnan)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red Onion (Vedalan)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red Onion (Imported)	350.00-560.00	448.76	433.52	514.80	15.24	3.51	-66.04	-12.83
Big Onion (imported)	115.00-260.00	131.09	127.64	230.89	3.45	2.70	-99.80	-43.23
Big Onion (Local)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

**Table 2.2.4: Monthly average CIF and gross margin of Wholesale and Retail prices for Imported Onions, June 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	June,2023	57.41	93.43	131.09	36.02	37.66
	May,2023	57.64	96.66	127.64	39.02	30.98
	June,2022	71.48	173.32	230.89	101.84	57.57
Red onion	June,2023	112.79	349.78	448.76	236.98	98.98
	May,2023	108.01	275.60	433.52	167.59	157.92
	June,2022	120.75	313.03	514.80	192.28	201.77

Source: Department of Customs; Data Management Division/HARTI

**Table 2.2.5: 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)
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
January-2023	27,637.65	84.21	145.40	188.50	104.29

Source: Department of Customs and Data Management Division/HARTI

**Table 2.2.6: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Imported Big Onions and Red Onions**

Item	Quantity (mt.)		Value (Rs. mn)		CIF Price (Rs/kg)	
	June,2023	May,2023	June,2023	May,2023	June,2023	May,2023
Red Onion	1031.14	1291.26	116.31	139.46	112.79	108.01
Big Onion	28435.13	27523.01	1632.43	1586.52	57.41	57.64

Source: Department of Customs

## 2.3 Potato

### Crop Situation and Progress

The targeted extent of potato for Yala 2023 is 2,970 ha and about 320 ha were cultivated in the country by the end of June achieving 11% of the targeted extent. According to the cultivated extent up to end of June, the expected production of potato is 5,879 mt for this Yala season with 60% from Badulla and 40% from Nuwara Eliya respectively.

In the Nuwara Eliya district, the targeted extent is 946 ha for this Yala season and in the Badulla district, it was reported as 2,022 ha. In the Nuwara Eliya and Badulla districts, about 109 ha and 211 ha were cultivated by the end of this month achieving 12% and 10% of the targeted extents. In Badulla district most of the new cultivation has been commenced from this month. Compared to the same period of last The cultivated extents during this Yala season were at low than the three year average of monthly cultivated extent in both Nuwara Eliya and Badulla districts (DOA, 2023)

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Both local and imported stocks were available in the market. With regard to local potato, the supply of Welimada potato was at a low level due to end of the peak harvesting period. On average, the producer prices of Welimada and Nuwara Eliya potatoes were Rs.263.00/kg and Rs. 269.00/kg respectively in June. Wholesale prices of Nuwara Eliya and imported potatoes have increased by 10% and 6% respectively when compared to the previous month. Meanwhile, the retail prices of Nuwara Eliya and imported potatoes were ranged between Rs.300.00-440.00/kg and Rs.145.00-250.00/kg in Colombo and suburbs markets. During the month, the wholesale prices of Nuwara Eliya and imported potatoes ranged between Rs.250.00-320.00/kg and Rs.145.00-250.00/kg respectively. Supply of local potato will be low until mid-August and the prices of local potatoes are expected to be increased further in July.

**Table 2.3.1: Quantity, value and CIF prices of Imported Potatoes –Jan to June 2023**

Month	Quantity (mt.)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
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
January-2023	17,961	1209.22	67.32	181.78	114.46

*Source: Department of Customs; Data Management Division/HARTI*

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

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Producer Prices (PP)</b>								
Welimada	230.00-290.00	263.00	236.80	-	26.20	11.06	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	240.00-300.00	269.73	251.16	259.00	18.57	7.40	10.73	4.14
Imported – CIF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Wholesale Prices (WP)</b>								
Welimada	-	-	235.83	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	250.00-320.00	285.00	258.50	306.25	26.50	10.25	-21.25	-6.94
Imported	145.00-250.00	174.45	164.56	212.00	9.89	6.01	-37.55	-17.71
<b>Retail Prices (RP)</b>								
Welimada	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	300.00-440.00	365.72	362.70	373.16	3.02	0.83	-7.44	-1.99
Imported	170.00-260.00	200.57	202.36	258.01	-1.79	-0.88	-57.44	-22.26
<b>Gross Margin (RP-PP)</b>								
Welimada	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya		95.99	111.54	114.16	-15.56	-13.95	-18.17	-15.92
Imported (RP-CIF)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Gross Margin (RP -WP)</b>								
Welimada		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya		80.72	104.20	66.91	-23.48	-22.54	13.81	20.64
Imported		26.12	37.80	46.01	-11.68	-30.89	-19.89	-43.23

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

## 2.4 Green gram and Cowpea

### Crop Situation and Progress

Green gram cultivation has been achieved around 55% of its targeted extent as at end of June in *Yala* 2023 season. The expected production from the island-wide green gram cultivation is 6,247 mt. Kurunegala, Monaragala and Matale districts were the major cultivating districts in *Yala* 2023 for green gram. However, low progress was reported in Udawalawa and Hambantota. Green gram area depicts below normal cultivation extent during the entire months of 2023 *yala*, except June (DOA,2023).

It has been able to achieve only 36% of the targeted extent from cowpea cultivation and the expected production is around 5,133 mt in Sri Lanka. Ampara, Monaragala, Batticaloa and Vavuniya districts are the major producing areas in the 2023 *Yala* season. Cowpea and Black gram indicate below-normal cultivation during the entire months of *Yala* 2023(DOA 2023).

### Prices and Supply/ Demand Situation

The wholesale price of green gram ranged between Rs.850.00/kg and Rs. 1,250.00/kg with an average of Rs.1104.00/kg in June 2023. The average price has decreased by 29% compared to May 2023. Similarly, compared to the same period of last year, the wholesale price has been increased by 21%. The average retail price was Rs. 1,439.00/kg in June 2023 and it ranged between from Rs.850.00/kg to Rs.1,250.00/kg. The retail price has been decreased around 6% compared to the similar period of the last year.

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

Item	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to		Change Compared to	
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Prices</b>								
Green gram	850.00-1250.00	1004.00	1420.03	826.63	-416.03	-29.30	177.38	21.46
Cowpea (White)	600.00-700.00	655.63	656.87	615.19	-1.24	-0.19	40.43	6.57
Cowpea (Red)	650.00-800.00	743.00	702.93	526.88	40.08	5.70	216.12	41.02
<b>Retail Price</b>								
Green gram	1050.00-1600.00	1439.09	1577.67	1026.21	-138.58	-8.78	412.89	40.23
Cowpea (White)	700.00-1100.00	922.58	985.83	795.22	-63.24	-6.42	127.36	16.02
Cowpea (Red)	750.00-1100.00	913.98	966.03	682.05	-52.05	-5.39	231.93	34.01

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

Average wholesale prices of white and red cowpea were recorded as Rs.922.00/kg and Rs.913.00/kg in June 2023. The wholesale prices of white cowpea ranged between Rs.600.00/kg and Rs.700.00/kg. Compared to May 2022, the wholesale price of white cowpea has increased by 7% and red cowpea by 41%.

## 2.5 Red dhal

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The wholesale price of red dhal ranged between Rs.250.00/kg and Rs.280.00/kg with an average of Rs.260.00/kg. It has been reduced by 18% compared to May 2023. Nevertheless, there was a 56% price reduction in June compared with the same period of the previous year. Consumers in Sri Lanka had to pay Rs.310.00/kg for red dhal in June 2023. The retail price has been reduced around 52% compared to the same period of the previous year.

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

Red Dhal	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Price</b>	250.00-280.00	260.00	317.34	590.88	-57.34	-18.07	-330.88	-56.00
<b>Retail Price</b>	270.00-360.00	310.07	355.85	640.60	-45.78	-12.87	-330.53	-51.60

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

## 3. Vegetables

### Crop Situation

Cultivation season of Yala 2023 is commenced and cultivation progress of up-country and low-country vegetables are recorded as 41% (7,405ha) and 66% (15,022ha) respectively. The targeted extent and production of up-country vegetables in this season are 17,912ha and 110,751mt respectively. For the low-country vegetables, 22,661ha of cultivation extent and 178,183mt production are expected. Tomato, ash plantain, pumpkin, okra, brinjal, luffa, long bean, winged bean and kekiri reported above 50% progress from the respective targets. (*Crop Forecast, Vol.03, 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 June 2023		Expected Production (mt)
		Cultivated Extent (ha)	% of the Target	
<b>Up-Country Vegetables</b>				
Bean	3,968	1,434	36	12,954
Beet	1,635	492	30	7,988
Cabbage	2,644	922	35	23,510
Capsicum	1,939	910	47	6,922
Carrot	1,695	722	43	15,839
Knol-khol	517	189	37	2,248
Leeks	1,194	523	44	8,864
Tomato	2,852	1,559	55	21,803
Radish	1,469	651	44	10,624
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,912</b>	<b>7,405</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>110,751</b>
<b>Low – country Vegetables</b>				
Pumpkin	3,511	2,355	67	35,106
Snake gourd	1,608	897	56	9,675
Cucumber	1,589	898	57	11,710
Bitter gourd	1,832	1,125	61	12,603
Okra	3,457	2,218	64	23,020
Brinjal	4,305	2,883	67	39,479
Ash plantain	136	477	350	6,772
Luffa	1,455	927	64	10,128
Long Bean	3,974	2,463	62	21,402
Winged bean	555	444	80	4,542
Kekiri	238	335	141	3,747
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,661</b>	<b>15,022</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>178,183</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>40,573</b>	<b>22,427</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>288,427</b>

Source: Crop Forecast, Yala 2023, volume 03, Socio-economic & Planning Centre/DOA

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Due to limited supply during the off season prices of most of the vegetable varieties have increased. The wholesale prices of up-country vegetables have increased by 1%-56%. The highest price increase was reported for carrots (56%) due to limited supply from Nuwara Eliya areas. The highest price of Rs.404.00/kg was recorded for beans while the lowest price of Rs.138.00/kg was observed for radish. With regard to the low-country vegetables, the wholesale prices have increased by 4%-40% except brinjal, capsicum, snake gourd and luffa. The highest price of Rs. 580.00/kg was recorded for drumsticks, while the lowest price of Rs. 84.00/kg was for pumpkin. Highest price increase of 40% recorded for long beans. Due to limited supply from all producing areas price of green chilies has increased by 133%.

Compared to the same period of last year, wholesale prices of the vegetable varieties have decreased with 2%-57%. The highest price decrease of 57% being reported for tomatoes. However, carrot, leeks, beetroot, cabbage, drumstick, long bean and ash plantain prices are increased and ranged 5%-146%. Highest price increase of 146% recorded for drumsticks.

**Table 3.2: Wholesale prices of Vegetables – June 2023**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Beans (green)	300.00-500.00	404.25	356.03	515.25	48.22	13.54	-111.00	-21.54
Carrot	250.00-400.00	317.25	204.00	252.50	113.25	55.51	64.75	25.64
Leeks	180.00-320.00	241.00	230.60	170.75	10.40	4.51	70.25	41.14
Beetroot	240.00-450.00	342.06	260.98	271.33	81.08	31.07	70.73	26.07
Knolkhol	150.00-250.00	196.25	178.39	208.75	17.86	10.01	-12.50	-5.99
Radish	100.00-250.00	137.50	139.40	148.00	-1.90	-1.36	-10.50	-7.09
Cabbage	120.00-300.00	200.75	200.20	249.25	0.55	0.27	-48.50	-19.46
Tomato	150.00-300.00	208.75	249.80	485.00	-41.05	-16.43	-276.25	-56.96
Ladies Fingers	80.00-180.00	148.25	142.20	239.00	6.05	4.25	-90.75	-37.97
Brinjal	150.00-350.00	202.00	269.00	293.50	-67.00	-24.91	-91.50	-31.18
Capsicum	250.00-400.00	328.75	351.00	377.75	-22.25	-6.34	-49.00	-12.97
Pumpkin	70.00-100.00	84.00	63.80	156.75	20.20	31.66	-72.75	-46.41
Cucumber	60.00-130.00	95.50	89.27	100.25	6.23	6.98	-4.75	-4.74
Bittergourd	300.00-500.00	427.25	359.60	439.71	67.65	18.81	-12.46	-2.83
Snakegourd	200.00-320.00	255.50	257.96	267.75	-2.46	-0.96	-12.25	-4.58
Drumstick	300.00-850.00	580.45	469.63	235.56	110.82	23.60	344.89	146.42
Luffa	130.00-320.00	180.75	247.60	198.50	-66.85	-27.00	-17.75	-8.94
Long Beans	200.00-350.00	285.50	203.40	220.00	82.10	40.36	65.50	29.77
Ash Plantain	140.00-160.00	152.00	145.00	89.00	7.00	4.83	63.00	70.79
Green Chillies	300.00-750.00	519.50	222.60	493.25	296.90	133.38	26.25	5.32
Lime	250.00-350.00	297.84	291.62	377.75	6.22	2.13	-79.91	-21.15

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

In line with increase wholesale prices, retail prices of most of the vegetable varieties have also increased. Retail prices of vegetables had increased by 1%-32%. Highest price increase was reported for carrots (32%). The highest price of Rs.890.00/kg was reported for drumsticks while the lowest price of Rs.175.00/kg was observed for pumpkin. In addition, price of green chilli has increased by 44%. Compared to the same period of last year, retail prices of beans, radish, cabbage, tomato, ladies fingers, brinjal, capsicum, pumpkin, cucumber, bitter gourd and snake gourd prices are decreased by 2%-5%.

**Table 3.3: Retail prices of Vegetables – June 2023**

Items	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Beans (green)	380.00-600.00	500.96	464.13	697.21	36.83	7.93	-196.25	-28.15
Carrot	300.00-560.00	435.65	331.17	389.88	104.48	31.55	45.77	11.74
Leeks	300.00-520.00	399.63	362.24	290.33	37.39	10.32	109.30	37.65
Beetroot	350.00-600.00	501.33	420.93	404.44	80.40	19.10	96.89	23.96
Knolkhol	260.00-480.00	381.31	337.42	351.83	43.89	13.01	29.48	8.38
Radish	140.00-360.00	257.42	260.75	272.61	-3.33	-1.28	-15.18	-5.57
Cabbage	240.00-480.00	363.88	317.02	398.48	46.86	14.78	-34.60	-8.68
Tomato	240.00-480.00	360.20	393.72	745.55	-33.52	-8.51	-385.35	-51.69
Ladies Fingers	200.00-400.00	306.51	293.53	364.24	12.98	4.42	-57.73	-15.85
Brinjal	260.00-560.00	392.24	412.08	410.22	-19.85	-4.82	-17.99	-4.38
Capsicum	340.00-840.00	551.48	547.30	617.17	4.18	0.76	-65.69	-10.64
Pumpkin	90.00-260.00	174.85	149.02	241.80	25.83	17.33	-66.95	-27.69
Cucumber	120.00-260.00	188.10	186.43	195.92	1.67	0.89	-7.82	-3.99
Bittergourd	400.00-720.00	577.43	490.69	632.44	86.74	17.68	-55.01	-8.70
Snakegourd	300.00-480.00	402.80	388.04	414.87	14.76	3.80	-12.07	-2.91
Drumstick	600.00-1200.00	890.48	739.92	594.67	150.56	20.35	295.81	49.74
Luffa	200.00-560.00	360.86	399.59	343.50	-38.72	-9.69	17.37	5.06
Long Beans	260.00-560.00	413.12	350.74	390.37	62.38	17.79	22.75	5.83
Ash Plantain	200.00-360.00	285.19	277.62	181.00	7.57	2.73	104.18	57.56
Green Chilli	400.00-1000.00	709.32	492.33	738.71	217.00	44.08	-29.39	-3.98
Lime	350.00-800.00	550.18	508.03	722.31	42.15	8.30	-172.13	-23.83

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

#### 4. Fruits

##### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

In June, considering the major fruit types, the wholesale prices of banana and mango have decreased while the price of pineapple has increased. Considering the prices of banana varieties, the prices of *anamalu* (8%), *ambun* (8%), *kolikuttu* (3%) and *seeni* (2%) banana have decreased further due to increased supply from major producing areas. However, the price of *ambul* (7%) banana has increased in June. During the month, the wholesale prices ranged between Rs.250.00-400.00/kg (*kolikuttu*), Rs.80.00-150.00/kg (*ambul*), Rs.80.00-140.00/kg (*seeni*), Rs.22.00-32.00/fruit (*ambun*) and Rs.18.00-25.00/fruit (*anamalu*). Considering the prices of pineapple, the prices of all the sizes have increased in the range of 11%-15%. Monthly average wholesale prices were Rs.632.00/fruit (large), Rs.527.00/fruit (medium) and Rs.400.00/fruit (small) sizes of fruits respectively. Considering the mango varieties, ample stocks were available for *betti*, *karthakolomban* and *vilad* mango in the market. Prices of those types have decreased further by 25%, 19% and 9% respectively due to on-going harvesting season in June.

Considering the other types of fruit varieties, the prices of most varieties have increased due to lean harvesting period. The highest price increase was recorded for wood apple (69%), followed by orange (44%), passion fruit (14%) and papaw (3%) due to low stock position. However, the prices of avocado (23%) and imported grapes (10%) have decreased due to increased supply from on-going harvesting period for avocado and availability of sufficient imported stocks for grapes.

Compared to the same period of last year, the current wholesale prices of most of the fruit varieties have increased with the highest price increase of 107% reported for *kolikuttu* banana (Table 4.1).

**Table 4.1: Wholesale Prices of Fruits – June 2023**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Plantain</b>								
Ambul (Kg)	80.00-150.00	114.09	106.45	65.66	7.64	7.18	48.43	73.76
Kolikuttu (Kg)	250.00-400.00	325.09	336.18	157.08	-11.09	-3.30	168.01	106.96
Seeni (Kg)	80.00-140.00	105.48	107.08	70.19	-1.60	-1.49	35.28	50.27
Anamalu (Fruit)	18.00-25.00	20.77	22.71	11.35	-1.94	-8.53	9.41	82.92
Ambun (Fruit)	22.00-32.00	26.37	28.64	14.46	-2.27	-7.92	11.91	82.38
<b>Pineapple</b>								
Large (Fruit)	500.00-950.00	632.04	569.47	349.42	62.57	10.99	282.62	80.88
Medium (Fruit)	400.00-800.00	526.69	470.58	269.25	56.12	11.93	257.45	95.62
Small (Fruit)	300.00-600.00	400.13	348.11	213.83	52.02	14.94	186.30	87.12
<b>Mango</b>								
Betti (Fruit)	20.00-30.00	23.65	31.73	24.83	-8.08	-25.46	-1.18	-4.75
Karthakolomban(fruit)	50.00-90.00	67.56	83.13	62.43	-15.57	-18.73	5.13	8.21
Vilad (Fruit)	35.00-55.00	45.52	50.26	34.75	-4.74	-9.43	10.77	31.00
Kohu (Fruit)	15.00-18.00	16.33	15.35	18.63	0.98	6.40	-2.30	-12.32
Papaw (Kg)	70.00-150.00	104.77	101.85	120.45	2.92	2.87	-15.69	-13.02
Passionfruit (Fruit)	25.00-35.00	28.61	25.14	24.83	3.47	13.79	3.78	15.24
Woodapple (Fruit)	80.00-110.00	95.10	56.42	47.42	38.68	68.56	47.68	100.55
Orange (Fruit)	70.00-100.00	89.25	61.80	46.25	27.45	44.41	43.00	92.97
Avocado (Fruit)	40.00-90.00	68.04	87.92	58.46	-19.88	-22.61	9.57	16.38
Slime Apple (Fruit)	18.00-28.00	21.18	22.10	27.78	-0.92	-4.18	-6.60	-23.76
Grapes Imported (Kg)	1100.00-1900.00	1670.00	1865.00	-	-195.00	-10.46	-	-

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

According to the price behaviour of the wholesale market, the retail prices of major fruit varieties except pineapple have decreased in June. Considering the price behaviour for banana varieties, the highest price decrease of 8% was reported for *ambul* and *kolikuttu* banana, followed by *seeni* banana (3%). Prices of *ambun* (9%) and *anamalu* (2%) banana have increased. During the month, the prices ranged between Rs.300.00-500.00/kg for *kolikuttu*, Rs.140.00-250.00/kg for *ambul* banana and Rs.150.00-220.00/kg for *seeni* banana in Colombo and suburb markets. Considering the price behaviour for pineapple varieties, the prices of all the sizes have increased in the range of 20%-21% due to increased wholesale prices and the prices ranged between Rs.450.00-900.00/fruit for medium size fruit in Colombo suburbs markets. Among the mango varieties, the price of *karthakolomban* has decreased by 6% due to availability of ample stocks in the market.

Considering the other types of fruits, the retail prices of orange (21%), wood apple (13%), and passion fruit (13%) have increased. However, the prices of slime apple (22%), avocado (9%) and papaw (2%) have decreased. Compared to the same period of last year, the current retail prices of all the fruit varieties have increased with the highest price increase of 1114% reported for pineapple (small size) (Table 4.2).



**Table 4.2: Retail Prices of Fruits – June 2023**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	%	(Rs)	%
<b>Plantain</b>								
Ambul (Kg)	140.00-250.00	185.10	201.61	114.30	-16.51	-8.19	70.80	61.94
Kolikuttu (Kg)	300.00-500.00	420.89	456.28	243.93	-35.39	-7.76	176.96	72.54
Seeni (Kg)	150.00-220.00	192.81	198.81	130.59	-6.00	-3.02	62.22	47.64
Anamalu (Fruit)	20.00-38.00	29.59	29.15	20.09	0.45	1.53	9.50	47.29
Ambun (Fruit)	25.00-50.00	39.29	36.00	24.99	3.29	9.13	14.30	57.21
<b>Pineapple</b>								
Large (Fruit)	600.00-1000.00	710.89	589.30	366.87	121.59	20.63	344.02	93.77
Medium (Fruit)	450.00-900.00	584.28	488.42	286.02	95.86	19.63	298.26	104.28
Small (Fruit)	350.00-800.00	454.06	379.61	212.48	74.44	19.61	241.58	113.70
<b>Mango</b>								
Betti (Fruit)	24.00-42.00	30.23	-	-	-	-	-	-
Karthakolomban(fruit)	66.00-200.00	127.16	135.80	96.75	-8.64	-6.36	30.41	31.44
Vilad (Fruit)	50.00-120.00	82.07	79.98	45.00	2.09	2.61	37.07	82.37
Kohu (Fruit)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Papaw (Kg)	120.00-300.00	213.72	217.84	205.03	-4.12	-1.89	8.69	4.24
Passionfruit (Fruit)	30.00-75.00	49.80	44.15	37.22	5.65	12.80	12.58	33.81
Woodapple (Fruit)	100.00-230.00	153.05	135.5	92.73	17.55	12.95	60.32	65.05
Orange (Fruit)	90.00-200.00	127.83	105.74	79.79	22.09	20.89	48.04	60.21
Avocado (Fruit)	60.00-150.00	110.76	122.07	92.89	-11.31	-9.26	17.88	19.25
Slime Apple (Fruit)	28.00-150.00	66.53	85.71	72.65	-19.18	-22.38	-6.12	-8.43
Grapes Imported (Kg)	1700.00-3000.00	2620.90	2647.4	2166.67	-26.51	-1.00	454.24	20.96

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

**Table 4.3: Producer Prices of selected Fruits – June 2023**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Ambul	35.00-92.00	56.50	65.67	33.00	-9.17	-13.96	23.50	71.21
Kolikuttu	170.00-300.00	204.75	222.80	106.50	-18.05	-8.10	98.25	92.25
Papaw	45.00-92.00	64.75	66.50	86.89	-1.75	-2.63	-22.14	-25.48

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

### Exports/Imports of Fruits

According to Sri Lanka Customs, Sri Lanka had exported 1,285 mt of fresh fruits in June, 2023 to the value of Rs.175 mn. Of the exported quantity, 96% were papaw and 2% were fresh pineapple. Compared to June 2022 (1,693 mt), the exported quantity had decreased during this year (Table 4.4).

With reference to imports, Sri Lanka had imported 700 mt of fresh fruits during the month and the value was Rs.324 mn. Apple was the mostly imported fruit type with the quantity of 307 mt, followed by oranges (253 mt). Compared to the month of June, 2022 (1.29 mt), the imported quantity had increased during this year (Table 4.5).

**Table 4.4: Quantity, Value and FOB Prices of Exported Fruits – April to June 2023**

Type of Fruit	June- 2023			May- 2023			April - 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	1238.95	140.39	113.32	1329.64	167.90	126.27	753.55	121.65	161.44
Fresh Mango, Guava, Mangosteen	14.29	20.58	1440.42	29.29	44.55	1521.04	9.01	12.60	1398.70
Fresh Avocado	6.14	5.07	825.13	1.41	1.11	790.59	8.06	7.43	921.55
Pineapple, fresh	25.74	9.14	355.14	35.53	9.93	279.42	35.87	14.32	399.34

Source: Sri Lanka Customs

**Table 4.5: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Imported Fruits – April to June 2023**

Type of Fruit	June- 2023			May- 2023			April - 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	307.65	125.09	406.61	641.32	239.23	373.03	448.85	170.75	380.42
Grapes	253.00	168.78	667.11	201.61	147.02	729.24	133.94	89.71	669.78
Oranges	139.50	29.92	214.49	272.28	50.12	184.06	117.26	21.89	186.64

Source: Sri Lanka Customs

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

### Fish

#### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Although food inflation (Year-on-Year) had decreased to a single-digit level of 4.1% in June 2023 from 21.5% in May 2023, the prices of all fish varieties had increased at the wholesale level. This increase is attributed to a decrease in supply from the southern and western coastal belts, as the lean fishing season persists.

As mentioned earlier, due to the rise in the cost of living and loss of income, consumers have been compelled to reduce their consumption of high-value foods such as fish and meat, decreasing demand for these products. A shift in demand from high-value fish varieties to low-value ones continue to observe.

Among all the fresh fish varieties, the largest price hike was observed for thora at 21%, followed by hurulla at 20% and thalapath at 13%. Equally, prices for all the remaining fish varieties, with had increased within the range of 4% to 12%.

As mentioned earlier, the economic crisis-induced demand shift from high-value fish varieties to low-value ones have been observed. For instance, the price of hurulla and salaya which had been increasing for several consecutive months, in the last year and this year, showed a further price increase in June (by 20% and 9% respectively) due to high demand. In comparison to the same period in the previous year, wholesale prices for most fresh fish varieties had increased, ranging from 1% to 37%, with the most notable increase seen in the price of shrimp (small) as 37%.

As a result of the wholesale price changes, the retail prices for most of the fish varieties have increased in comparison to the previous month. The largest price increase was reported for both salaya, hurulla and kelawalla as 10%. Next, prices of kelawalla paraw and thalapath had increased by 9%. Meantime, prices of all the remaining fish varieties, had increased in the range of 4% - 8%. When compared to the same period of the previous year, retail prices for most of the fresh fish varieties have increased, with the most significant increase noted for shrimp (small) as 31%.

**Table 5.1: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Fish – June 2023**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Wholesale Prices</b>								
Salaya	300.00-700.00	496.75	455.40	651.17	41.35	9.08	-154.42	-23.71
Hurulla	800.00-1200.00	1043.25	869.40	994.44	173.85	20.00	48.81	4.91
Balaya	880.00-1400.00	1101.00	1056.40	837.11	44.60	4.22	263.89	31.52
Kelawalla	1350.00-1850.00	1638.75	1464.00	1380.94	174.75	11.94	257.81	18.67
Thora	1800.00-3000.00	2321.25	1918.00	2308.10	403.25	21.02	13.15	0.57
Paraw	1300.00-1650.00	1465.75	1350.20	1354.35	115.55	8.56	111.40	8.23
Mora	880.00-1500.00	1214.00	1155.33	-	58.67	5.08	-	-
Shrimp (small)	1550.00-1800.00	1659.00	1544.35	1208.21	114.65	7.42	450.79	37.31
Thalapath	1650.00-2600.00	2024.58	1796.80	1759.91	227.78	12.68	264.67	15.04
<b>Retail Prices</b>								
Salaya	500.00-900.00	755.81	685.01	828.44	70.80	10.34	-72.63	-8.77
Hurulla	1000.00-1500.00	1235.35	1118.33	1227.58	117.02	10.46	7.76	0.63
Balaya	1180.00-2400.00	1752.83	1625.58	1706.82	127.25	7.83	46.02	2.70
Kelawalla	1700.00-3600.00	2587.26	2367.58	2410.28	219.68	9.28	176.98	7.34
Thora	2760.00-4000.00	3396.26	3078.19	3110.09	318.07	10.33	286.17	9.20
Paraw	1700.00-3200.00	2602.14	2381.75	2406.46	220.38	9.25	195.68	8.13
Mora	1560.00-2800.00	2137.26	2050.10	-	87.16	4.25	-	-
Shrimp (small)	1700.00-2300.00	1918.46	1777.14	1459.71	141.31	7.95	458.75	31.43
Thalapath	2400.00-3700.00	3169.22	2920.39	2491.57	248.83	8.52	677.65	27.20

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

## Dried Fish

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

In June 2023, prices of most dried fish varieties also experienced a slight increase in prices following the high prices of the common fresh fish varieties.

The highest price hike at the wholesale level was recorded for balaya as 40% due to high fresh fish prices. Further, prices of sprats (local) had increased by 34%. The prices of remaining dried fish varieties, except for anguluwa (imported) increased by less than 9%. However, prices of anguluwa (imported) had shown a price drop of 3%. Compared to the same period of the previous year, wholesale prices for all the dried fish varieties had dropped with the highest was reported for sprats (imported) as 41%.

During the same period, the retail prices of all the dried fish varieties had slightly increased, which could be attributed to increased oil prices and transportation cost. The highest price

increase was reported for sprats as 17%. Meantime, prices of balaya had increased by 16%. Except for maduwa and thora, the remaining dried fish varieties showed a price increase of less than 3%. Compared to the same period of the last year, retail prices of most of the dried fish varieties had dropped, with the highest price drop noted for sprats (imported) as 31%.

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

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Dried fish – Wholesale Price</b>								
Sprats	1360.00-1920.00	1747.44	1303.20	2066.25	444.24	34.09	-318.81	-15.43
Sprats (imported)	650.00-960.00	850.63	826.67	1453.02	23.96	2.90	-602.40	-41.46
Kattawa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kattawa (imported)	1600.00-1700.00	1660.00	1591.00	2213.25	69.00	4.34	-553.25	-25.00
Thora	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thora (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mora	1700.00-2000.00	1825.56	1693.00	2387.80	132.56	7.83	-562.24	-23.55
Mora (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balaya	1240.00-1750.00	1575.75	1115.40	1912.36	460.35	41.27	-336.61	-17.60
Balaya (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anguluwa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anguluwa (imported)	1500.00-1720.00	1595.71	1642.21	1878.64	-46.50	-2.83	-282.93	-15.06
Maduwa	1300.00-1520.00	1383.00	1313.22	-	69.78	5.31	-	-
Maduwa (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salaya	650.00-900.00	801.75	728.00	1260.94	73.75	10.13	-459.19	-36.42
Salaya (imported)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Dried fish – Retail Price</b>								
Sprats(imported)	1000.00-1400.00	1234.44	1207.70	1797.06	26.74	2.21	-562.62	-31.31
Sprats	1400.00-2600.00	2144.55	1838.90	2601.56	305.66	16.62	-457.01	-17.57
Kattawa	2000.00-3000.00	2519.44	2471.98	3041.74	47.47	1.92	-522.30	-17.17
Thora	3000.00-3500.00	3200.00	3244.76	-	-44.76	-1.38	-	-
Mora	2000.00-2800.00	2383.62	2328.16	2838.71	55.46	2.38	-455.09	-16.03
Balaya	1400.00-2200.00	1786.81	1535.79	2411.81	251.01	16.34	-625.00	-25.91
Anguluwa	2000.00-2600.00	2382.49	2393.29	2742.14	-10.81	-0.45	-359.66	-13.12
Maduwa	1500.00-2600.00	2200.00	2273.33	1783.33	-73.33	-3.23	416.67	23.36
Salaya	900.00-1600.00	1217.53	1137.62	1720.39	79.91	7.02	-502.86	-29.23

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

## Eggs

### Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The Consumer Affairs Authority had issued a new Gazette notification on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 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 of both brown eggs and white eggs had increased by 5% and 4% respectively due to high demand for eggs as a result of diminishing supply of fish. The recorded average wholesale price of a white egg (Rs. 51.00) and a brown egg (Rs. 50.00) was higher than the stipulated maximum retail price of Rs.46.00 and Rs 44.00 respectively.

In the retail market, prices of both brown eggs and white eggs had increased by 6% and 5% respectively. Further, the reported average price of Rs 53.00 for both brown egg and white egg was higher than the MRP. When comparing to the same period last year, the wholesale prices of both types of eggs had surged in the range of 19% - 27%.

**Table 5.3: Wholesale and Retail Prices of Eggs – June 2023**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	%	Rs	%
<b>Wholesale Price</b>								
Eggs – Brown (each)	48.00-54.00	50.44	48.00	42.29	2.44	5.09	8.16	19.29
White (each)	47.00-55.00	50.94	49.20	40.23	1.74	3.53	10.71	26.63
<b>Retail Price</b>								
Eggs- Brown (each)	48.50-57.00	52.85	49.58	43.79	3.28	6.61	9.07	20.71
White (each)	47.50-55.00	53.08	50.28	42.26	2.80	5.57	10.83	25.62

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

## Meat

Compared to May, prices of most of the meat varieties had slightly increased at the retail market in June. The highest price hike was noted for chicken (curry) as 7%. Next, prices of chicken (broiler) had increased by 6%. Meanwhile, the highest price drop was reported for pork as 3%. Compared to last year, prices of all the meat varieties had increased with the highest was reported for pork as 56%.

**Table 5.4: Retail prices of Meat –June 2023**

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
<b>Meat</b>								
Beef (without bones)	2200.00-2500.00	2,330.83	2,336.67	1904.58	-5.83	-0.25	426.25	22.38
Chicken (Broiler)	1400.00-1620.00	1,498.30	1,412.45	1200.91	85.85	6.08	297.39	24.76
Chicken (curry)	1300.00-1750.00	1,518.26	1,414.72	1122.19	103.54	7.32	396.06	35.29
Mutton	2800.00-3300.00	3,086.11	3,044.44	2405.56	41.67	1.37	680.56	28.29
Pork	1400.00-2000.00	1,673.33	1,729.33	1069.58	-56.00	-3.24	603.75	56.45

Source: Data Management Division/HARTI

## 6. Wheat grain, Wheat flour and Sugar

### Wheat grain and Wheat flour

A Total quantity of 118,338mt of wheat grain, worth of 11,717mn had been imported during June. Compared to the quantity imported in previous month, the quantity imported in this month has increased by around 27,991mt. Wheat grain was mainly imported from Romania (99%), Canada and Australia (1%) at a CIF price of Rs.98.57/kg, Rs.154.08/kg and Rs.143.53/kg respectively. Compared to the previous month, average CIF price has decreased by Rs.11.65/kg. The highest CIF price was for wheat grain imported from Canada whilst the lowest CIF price was for wheat grain imported from Romania.

Total Quantity of wheat flour imported in this month was 24,772mt, worth 3,192mn. Compared to the previous month, this month quantity has increased by around 13,211mt. The highest quantity of wheat flour has imported from Turkey at a CIF price of Rs.128.47/kg and that was 98% of the total quantity of wheat flour imported in June. Remain quantity has imported from India (1%), UAE (0.7%) and few quantities from China and Singapore. Average CIF price of wheat flour imported in this month was Rs.128.86/kg and compared to the previous month it has decreased by Rs.16.69/kg.

Meanwhile, the local retail price of wheat flour ranged from Rs.217.92-235.00/kg and the average price was Rs.220.70/kg. Compared to last month, the average retail price of wheat flour has decreased by 5% and compared to the same period of last year, price has decreased by 22%.

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

Item	Price Range	Average			Change Compared to			
	June 2023	June 2023	May 2023	June 2022	May 2023		June 2022	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wheat Flour	217.92-235.00	220.70	233.40	284.44	-12.70	-5.44	-63.74	-22.41
Sugar	232.46-243.00	237.66	257.45	319.63	-19.79	-7.69	-81.97	-25.65

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

**Table 6.2: Quantity, value and CIF prices of wheat flour & grain- January to June 2023**

Month	Quantity (mt.)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
<b>Wheat Flour</b>					
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
January-2023	17,123.90	3299.92	192.71	249.52	56.81
<b>Wheat Grain</b>					
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
January-2023	48.00	9.41	196.06	249.52	53.46

Source: Department of Customs; Data Management Division/HARTI

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

## Sugar

Total quantity of sugar imported in this month was 22,358mt worth 4,894mn and it has decreased by around 2,340mt when compared to the quantity imported in May. The largest quantity of sugar was mainly imported from India and that was 89.5% of the total quantity. Rest of quantity has imported from Thailand (6%), UAE (3%) and South Korea (1.5%). The average CIF price was Rs.218.90/kg and compared to the previous month it has increased by Rs.1.59/kg. The highest CIF price was paid for sugar imported from India (Rs.220.79/kg) while the lowest was paid for sugar imported from UAE (Rs.198.88/kg).

Referring to the local retail price of sugar for the month, price ranged from Rs.232.46-243.00/kg and the average retail price was Rs.237.66/kg. Compared to the last month, average retail price has decreased by 8% and compared to the same period of last year price has decreased by 26%.

**Table 6.3: Quantity, value and CIF prices of sugar- January to June 2023**

Month	Quantity (Mt.)	Value (Rs.mn)	CIF price (Rs./kg)	Retail Price (Rs./kg)	Gross Margin (Rs./kg)
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
January-2023	9,190.42	2036.64	221.60	229.46	7.86

Source: Department of Customs; Data Management Division/HARTI

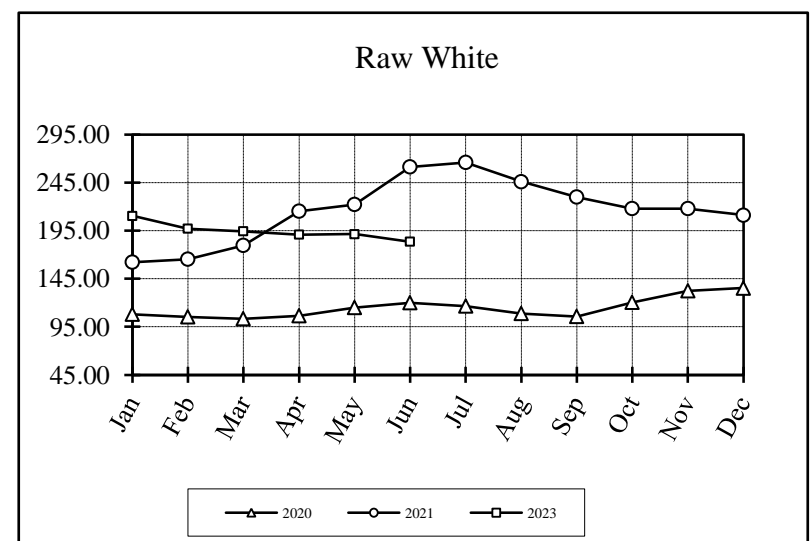
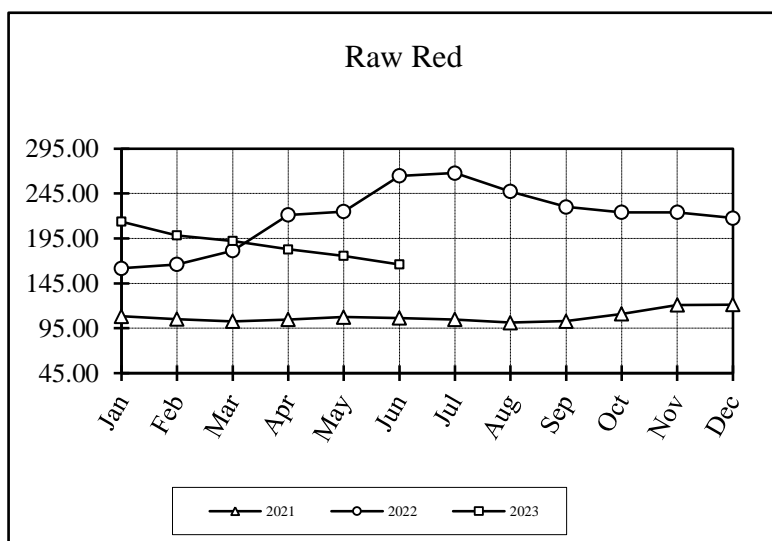
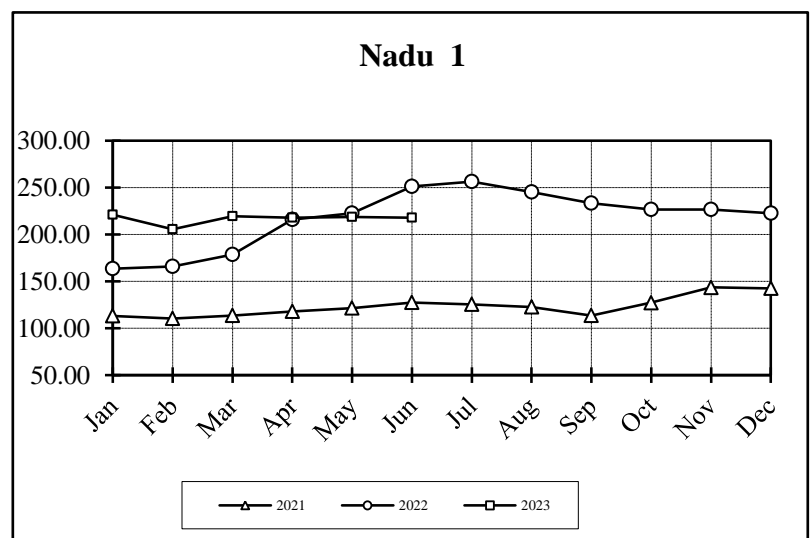
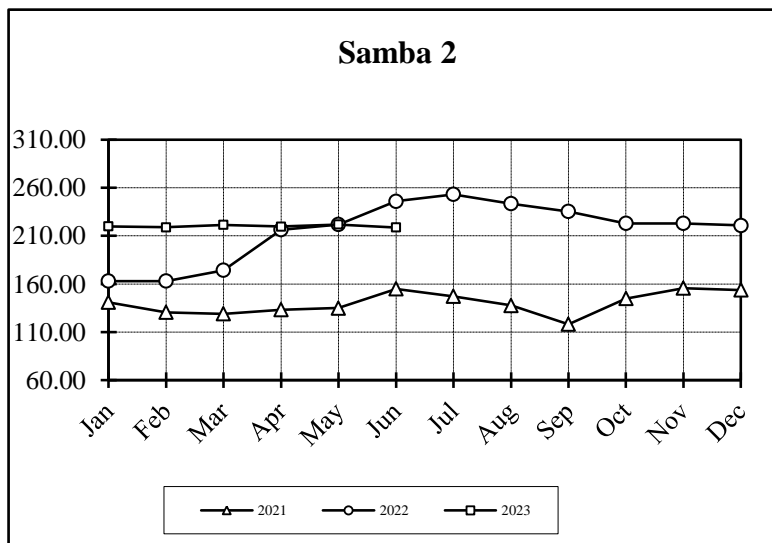
**Table 7: Import of selected food items -June 2023**

Item	Quantity (mt)		% Change Compared to last month	Value (Rs. mn)		% Change Compared to last month	CIF (Rs/kg)		% Change Compared to last month
	June 2023	May 2023		June 2023	May 2023		June 2023	May 2023	
Rice	4321.8	3278.2	32	758.5	561.8	35	175.5	171.4	2
Red Onion	1031.1	1291.3	(20)	116.3	139.5	(17)	112.8	108.0	4
Big Onion	28435.1	27523.0	3	1632.4	1586.5	3	57.4	57.6	(0)
Potato	12052.3	12982.9	(7)	716.9	801.1	(11)	59.5	61.7	(4)
Maysoor Dhal	24005.8	28343.5	(15)	5508.5	6795.4	(19)	229.5	239.7	(4)
Garlic	1577.6	3703.8	(57)	520.2	1029.3	(49)	329.8	277.9	19
Wheat flour	24772.1	11560.8	114	3192.0	1682.7	90	128.9	145.5	(11)
Wheat grain	118337.8	90346.6	31	11717.1	9998.1	17	99.0	110.7	(11)
Sugar & sugar confectionery	22357.9	24697.7	(9)	4894.1	5366.9	(9)	218.9	217.3	1
Maize (Other)	734.0	99.0	641	91.3	18.1	406	124.4	182.4	(32)

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

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

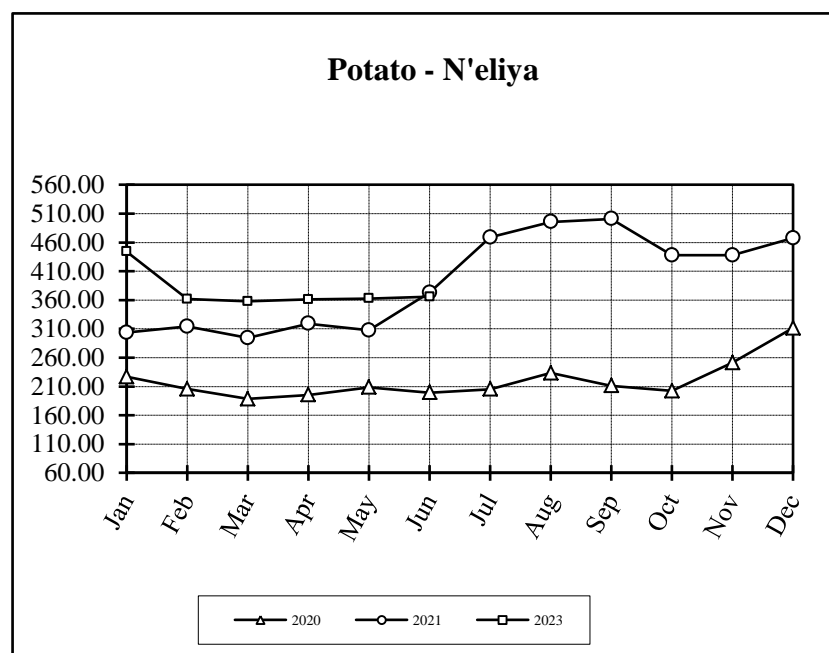
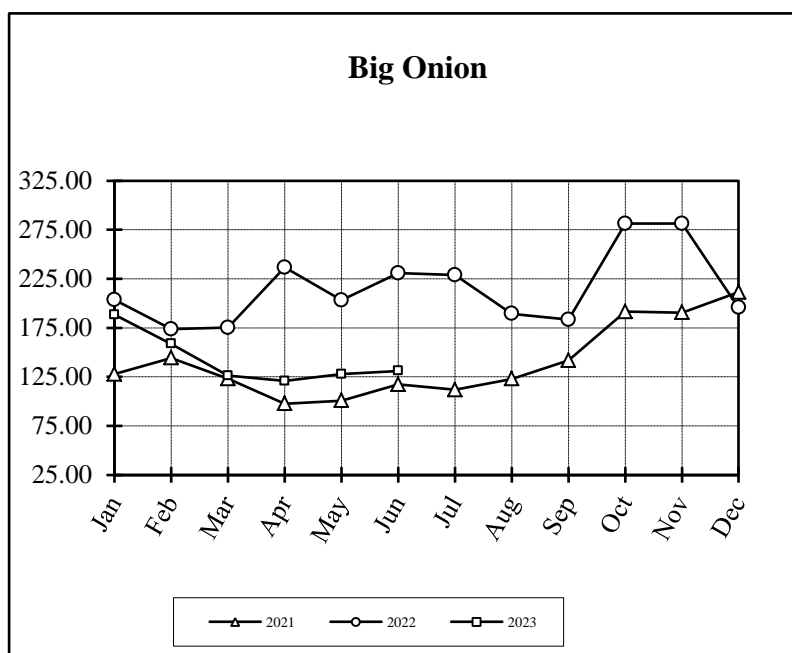
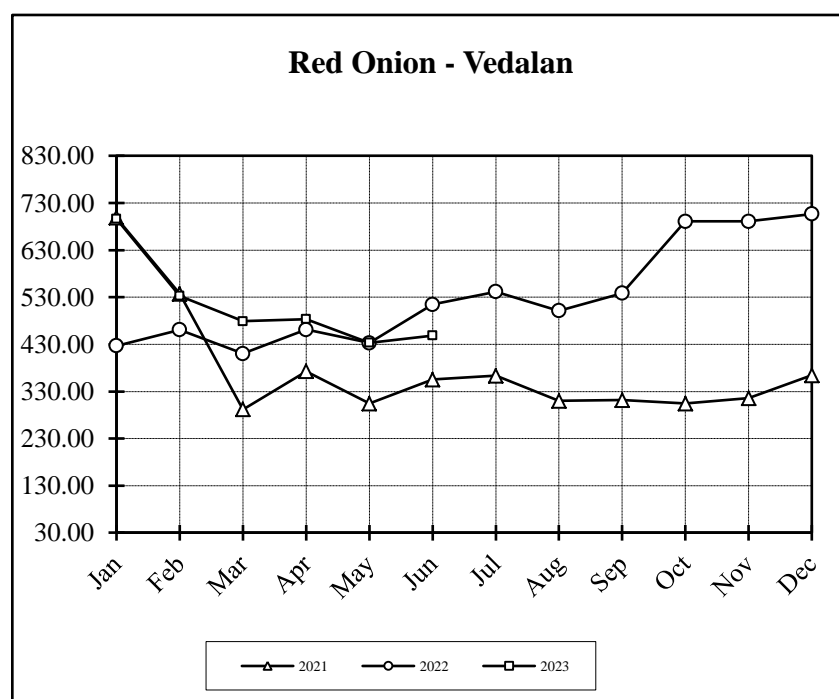
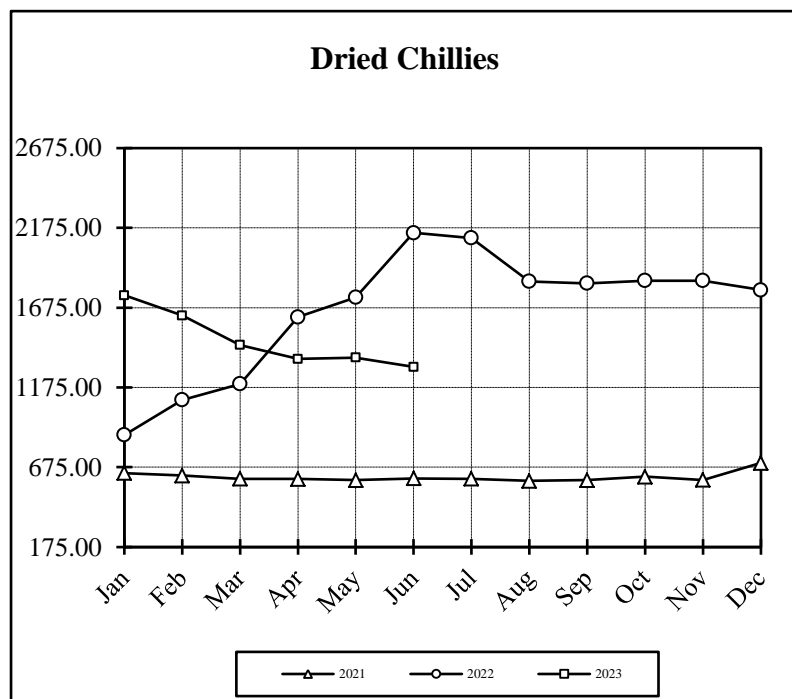
Month	Samba 2			Nadu 1			Raw Red			Raw White		
	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023	2020	2021	2023
Jan	141.10	163.05	219.81	113.10	163.43	220.92	108.31	161.74	213.83	108.03	162.13	210.47
Feb	130.44	162.91	218.90	110.43	165.94	205.48	105.14	166.21	198.52	105.33	165.39	197.12
Mar	128.86	174.23	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		125.36	256.35		104.83	267.75		116.53	266.15	
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		363.39	541.94		111.94	228.96		205.29	468.93	
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)**

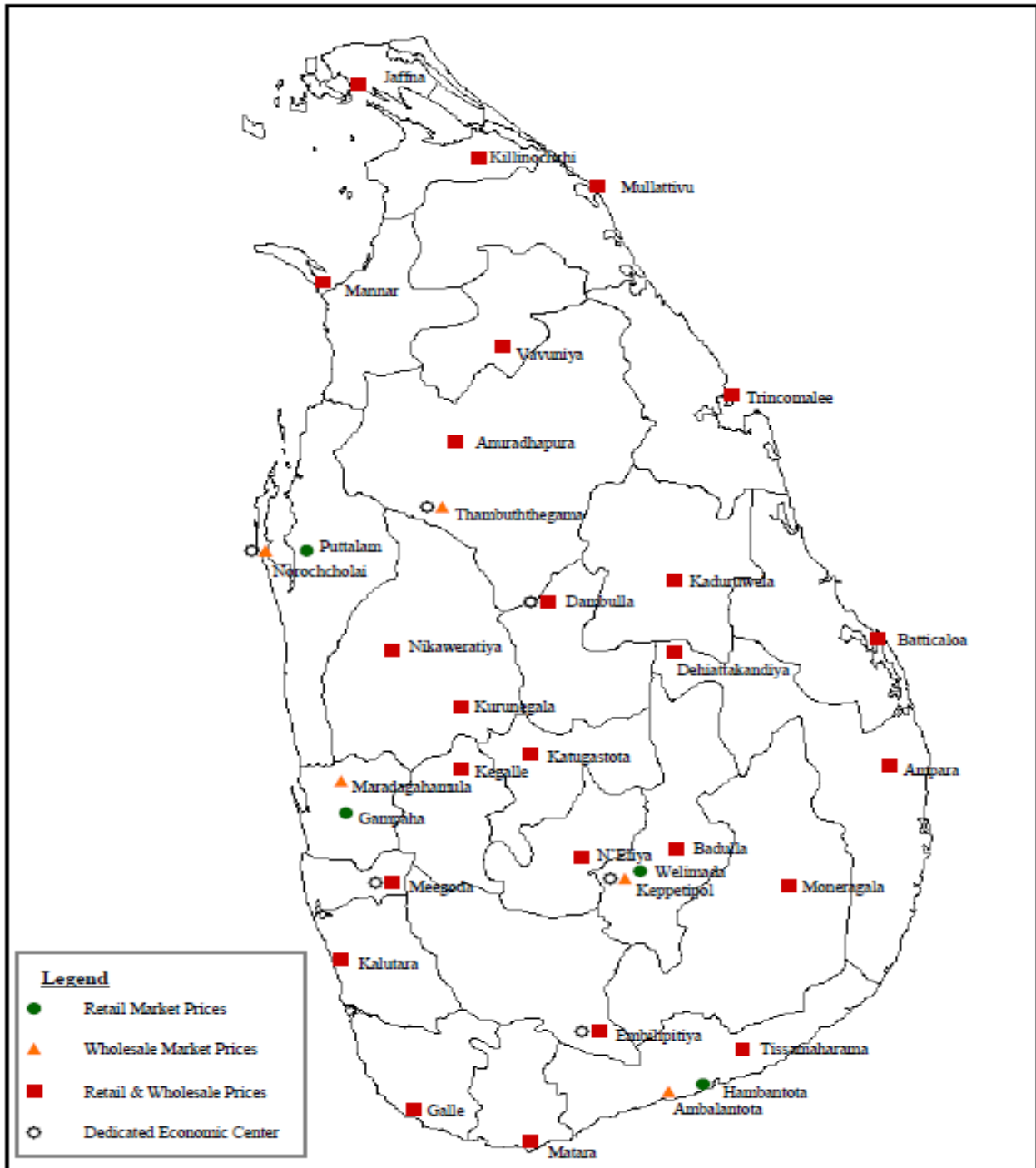
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Commodity	1 <sup>st</sup> Week	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	4 <sup>th</sup> Week	Commodity	1 <sup>st</sup> Week	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	4 <sup>th</sup> Week	Commodity	1 <sup>st</sup> Week	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	4 <sup>th</sup> Week
<b>Paddy</b>					<b>Potato</b>					<b>Leeks</b>				
<b>Short grain</b>					N'Eliya	245.20	295.00		269.00	Welimada	236.00	187.00	168.00	161.00
A'pura	102.00	102.00	101.60	102.00	Badulla					N'Eliya	249.00	210.00		171.00
P'naruwa	110.30	109.50	109.50	109.50	Welimada	234.00	269.00	284.00	265.00	<b>Beetroot</b>				
Kalawewa	103.60	102.20	102.40	102.40	<b>Pulses</b>					Hanguranketha	275.00	276.00	261.00	263.00
Kurunegala	104.25	101.50	96.75	105.00	<b>Green Gram</b>					N'Eliya	316.00	266.00		265.00
Dehiattakandiya	106.33	109.83	105.67	107.33	Galgamuwa					Dambulla	290.00	260.00	300.00	287.50
Ampara	105.00	90.00	105.50	102.50	Kalawewa	850.00	783.33	800.00	800.00	Kurunegala				
<b>Long grain (White)</b>					Embilipitiya		710.00	710.00	710.00	Welimada	279.00	269.00	258.00	269.00
A'pura	84.60	81.20	81.20	82.00	Kurunegala					<b>Knokhol</b>				
P'naruwa	89.50	85.30	85.30	86.70	A'pura	875.00	750.00	725.00	725.00	Hanguranketha	193.00	198.00	184.00	180.00
Kalawewa	84.80	80.00	80.60	82.40	<b>Cowpea</b>					N'Eliya	231.00	175.00		159.00
Kurunegala	84.25	83.25	82.00	86.25	A'pura					Welimada	198.00	174.00	170.00	130.00
Dehiattakandiya	85.67	85.33	82.00	83.33	Galgamuwa					<b>Radish</b>				
Embilipitiya					Nikaweratiya	500.00	400.00	450.00	450.00	Hanguranketha	89.60	77.00	68.60	57.60
Ampara	78.00	80.00	80.50	81.50	Kalawewa	550.00	550.00	616.67	616.67	N'Eliya	76.00	66.00		66.00
Matara					Embilipitiya	610.00	550.00	550.00	550.00	Welimada	44.00	32.00	34.00	41.00
Hambantota					Kurunegala					<b>Cabbage</b>				
<b>Long grain (Red)</b>					<b>Maize</b>					Hanguranketha	243.00	186.00	125.00	95.00
Matara	72.50	70.50	70.50	76.75	A'Pura	127.50	127.50	135.00	145.00	N'Eliya	282.00	136.00		130.00
Hambantota	72.50	71.25	71.25	75.33	Kalawewa		120.00	140.00	145.00	Welimada	241.00	136.00	128.00	112.00
Ampara	71.00	70.00	75.67	75.00	<b>Gingelly</b>					Hambantota				
Embilipitiya	71.20	70.60	72.80	74.40	A'Pura	475.00	475.00	425.00	475.00	Badulla	238.00	134.00	104.00	104.00
<b>Keeri Samba</b>					Kalawewa					<b>Tomato</b>				
A'pura	135.00	137.50	137.50		<b>Black Gram</b>					Hanguranketha	160.00	129.00	128.40	
Polonnaruwa	142.70	142.70	143.50	143.50	Kalawewa		800.00	800.00	725.00	Welimada	108.00	129.00	87.00	169.00
Kalawewa	135.00	135.00	135.00		A'Pura	775.00	675.00	625.00	725.00	Hambantota				
Kurunegala	135.00	135.00	130.00	130.00	<b>Vegetables (Up Country)</b>					Dambulla	128.00	168.50	106.00	200.50
Dehiattakandiya	137.50	140.83	140.17	140.00	<b>Beans</b>					<b>Low Country</b>				
					Dambulla	308.00	344.00	360.00	420.00	<b>Ladies Fingers</b>				
<b>Red Onion</b>					Welimada	214.00	324.00	387.00	404.00	A'pura	106.00	154.00	148.00	188.00
<b>Big Onion</b>					Badulla	230.00	322.00	361.00	404.00	Dambulla	93.00	139.00	157.50	177.50
Dambulla					<b>Carrot</b>					Hambantota	110.00	120.00	120.00	120.00
Kalawewa					Hanguranketha	229.00	248.00	249.00	255.00	Embilipitiya	119.17	127.50	130.83	148.00
A'Pura					N'Eliya	283.00	279.00		352.00	Matara	95.00	118.33	121.67	123.33
Kurunegala					Welimada	265.00	246.00	272.00	263.00					

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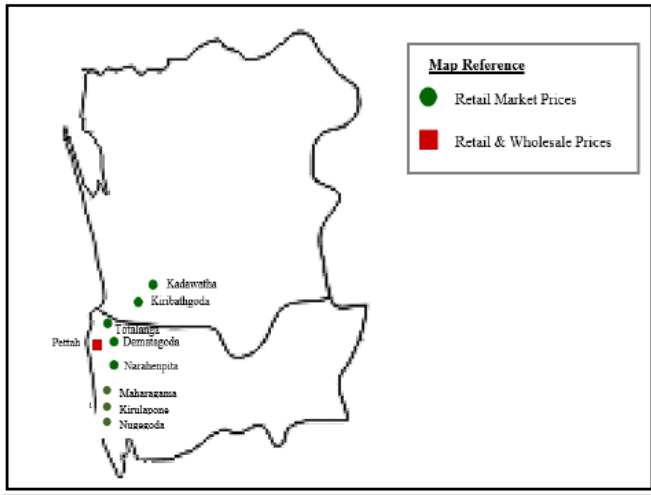
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<b><u>Brinjals</u></b>					<b><u>Pumpkin</u></b>					<b><u>Lime</u></b>				
A'pura	256.00	168.00	154.00	168.00	Dambulla	66.80	86.60	79.20	82.40	Hambantota				
Dambulla	196.50	137.00	109.00	165.50	Hambantota	45.00	45.00	58.75	58.75	Embilipitiya	228.00	262.00	238.00	268.00
Hambantota					Embilipitiya	64.00	76.00	76.00	97.50	Moneragala	258.00	208.00	194.00	174.00
Embilipitiya	162.00	152.00	152.00	164.00	Matara	45.00	46.67	60.00	55.00	<b><u>Fruits (Rs/Kg)</u></b>				
Matara	293.33	210.00	136.67	135.00	A'pura	44.00	64.00	74.00	84.00	<b><u>Banana</u></b>				
Welimada	222.00	175.00	176.00	176.00	Moneragala	54.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	<b><u>Ambul</u></b>				
					<b><u>Cucumber</u></b>					Moneragala	54.00	54.00	54.00	54.00
<b><u>Capsicum</u></b>					A'pura	42.00	74.00	69.00	74.00	Embilipitiya	35.00	75.00	75.00	92.00
Welimada	329.00	256.00	275.00	224.00	Dambulla	42.00	71.60	64.60	71.80	Hambantota	46.25	46.25	46.25	46.25
<b><u>Bitter Gourd</u></b>					Hambantota	43.75	60.00	60.00	60.00	<b><u>Kolikuttu</u></b>				
A'pura	408.00	468.00	416.00	376.00	Matara	45.00	48.33	60.00	60.00	Moneragala	188.00	216.00	170.00	170.00
Dambulla	436.00	416.00	443.33	300.00	<b><u>Long beans</u></b>					Embilipitiya	118.00	240.00	236.00	300.00
Hambantota					Dambulla	151.00	182.50	208.00	226.00	Hambantota				
Embilipitiya	416.00	446.00	446.00	446.00	Hambantota					<b><u>Papaw</u></b>				
					Embilipitiya	249.00	249.00	232.00	236.00	Moneragala	74.00	54.00	54.00	74.00
<b><u>Snake Gourd</u></b>					Matara	220.00	223.33	223.33	223.33	Embilipitiya	77.00	92.00	89.00	83.00
Dambulla	244.00	208.00	190.50	187.00	A'Pura	188.00	228.00	248.00	288.00	Hambantota	45.00	45.00	45.00	45.00
Hambantota	145.00	145.00	157.50	157.50	<b><u>Ash Plantain</u></b>					<b><u>Pineapple</u></b>				
Embilipitiya	220.00	232.00	232.00	240.00	Hambantota	84.00	84.00	70.00	56.00	Divulapitiya				
Matara	223.33	220.00	220.00	210.00	Embilipitiya	108.00	118.00	106.00	109.00					
A'pura	216.00	196.00	208.00	208.00	Matara	95.00	98.33	103.33	101.67					
<b><u>Luffa</u></b>					<b><u>Green Chillies</u></b>									
Dambulla	97.00	142.50	188.50	146.00	Dambulla	344.00	346.00	514.00	704.00					
Hambantota	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00	Hambantota									
Embilipitiya	190.00	191.00	229.00	252.00	Embilipitiya	404.00	518.00	738.00	776.00					
Matara	225.00	220.00	220.00	210.00	Puttalam	344.00	364.00	500.00	580.00					
A'pura	188.00	208.00	188.00	188.00	A'Pura	356.00	396.00	456.00	770.00					

# Price Collecting Areas



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