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Paddy/Rice

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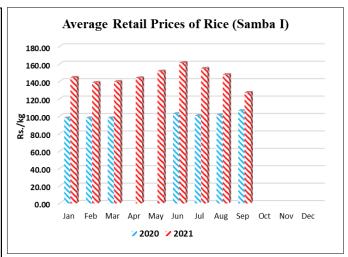
The monthly average prices of *Samba* and *Nadu* rice have gone down by 14% and 8% respectively. The Price of Samba I and II rice ranged between Rs.102.00-150.00/kg and the prices of *Nadu* ranged between Rs.98.00-125.00/kg. In order to increase the market supply government has taken a decision to remove the ceiling prices of all the rice varieties with effect from 28/09/2021.

Other Field Crops

Both local and imported stocks were available in the market. With regard to local potato, the harvesting of Welimada potato was commenced by the end of August. On average, the producer prices of Welimada and Nuwara Eliya potato were Rs.109.00/kg and Rs.129.00/kg in September. During the month, the wholesale prices of Nuwara Eliya, Welimada and imported potatoes ranged between Rs.180.00-240.00/kg, Rs.160.00-200.00/kg and Rs.130.00-160.00/kg respectively. The farm gate price of Green gram ranged between Rs. 400.00- 550.00/Kg in Anuradhapura and Embilipitiya areas during the mid-month. The wholesale and retail prices of green gram ranged Rs 600.00-800.00/Kg and Rs 800.00-900/Kg respectively.

Vegetables

The retail prices of most of the vegetable varieties have decreased mainly due to the harvest of *Yala* season reached the markets.





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- 5. Embilipitiya
- 6. Kandy
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- 9. Tissamaharama
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1. Paddy

Crop Situation

The harvesting of paddy crop in 2021 *Yala* season was ended by the mid of the month in all major producing areas by releasing successful harvest to the markets. The production outlook of the season was satisfactory in most of the producing areas mainly due to the sufficient rains and water availability in major and minor irrigation reservoirs throughout the season. A satisfactory progress was recorded in producing areas in Mahaweli Zones, Ampara, Kurunegala, Polonnaruwa and Hambanthota Districts. According to the latest assessment issued by the Department of Agriculture, the targeted paddy extent of the season is 534,495 ha. The cultivation progress up to end of September is 502,460 ha and it is 94% of the target. The cultivation progress is 12% higher than that of the average extent of last three *Yala* seasons. The expected paddy production is 2.09 Million tonnes and the crop damages were reported in Gampaha and Puttalam producing areas due to the flood.

District/Area	Targeted Extent (ha)	Achievement (ha)	Achievement as a % of the Targeted Extent	Production Forecast based on Progress (mt)	Total Affected Extent - (ha)	Expected Production Loss for Affected Area (mt)	Revised Production Forecast (mt)
Colombo	2,166	2,364	109	6,430	-	0	6,430
Gampaha	7,928	9,190	116	25,779	2,734	6036	19,743
Kalutara	7,729	9,336	121	26,611	137	210	26,401
Galle	14,000	8,524	61	20,146	-	0	20,146
Matara	14,927	14,541	97	40,869	290	363	40,505
Ratnapura	8,686	8,319	96	31,326	-	0	31,326
Kegalle	7,364	6,030	82	18,359	-	0	18,359
Kurunegala	72,798	63,837	88	261,732	507	921	260,811
Puttalam	19,108	17,502	92	66,202	812	3028	63,175
Kandy	5,947	5,632	95	17,189	-	0	17,189
Matale	7,905	7,974	101	35,497	-	0	35,497
N eliya	2,778	2,170	78	4,598	-	0	4,598
Badulla	5,253	4,517	86	19,005	-	0	19,005
Monaragala	13,366	11,664	87	50,865	-	0	50,865
Jaffna	-	-	-	-	-	0	-
Kilinochchi	9,750	9,797	100	44,207	-	0	44,207
Vavuniya	5,499	5,476	100	25,678	-	0	25,678
Mullativu	6,151	6,151	100	27,799	-	0	27,799
Mannar	2,000	2,540	127	12,660	-	0	12,660
Andradhapura	41,685	21,965	53	90,251	-	0	90,251
Trincomalee	30,290	24,692	82	116,529	-	0	116,529
Batticaloa	33,197	33,197	100	120,713	-	0	120,713
Ampara	1,647	1,710	104	8,322	-	0	8,322
Hambantota	12,197	11,496	94	60,166	-	0	60,166
Udawalawa	10,000	11,509	115	64,171	-	0	64,171
System H	10,157	16,918	167	76,875	-	0	76,875
System H1	3,570	6,452	181	29,318	-	0	29,318
System B	19,934	20,529	103	86,714	-	0	86,714
System C	21,704	22,090	102	93,308	-	0	93,308
System G	4,300	5,470	127	21,617	-	0	21,617
System D	1,020	1,058	104	4,469	-	0	4,469
Rambakanoya	890	887	100	3,598	-	0	3,598
System L	899	980	109	3,756	-	0	3,756
Sri Lanka	534,495	502,460	94	2,107,994	4,746	10,980	2,097,015

Table 1.1 Progress of paddy cultivation in Maha season as at end of September 2021

Source: Crop Forecast, Yala 2021, Volume 06(Final), Department of Agriculture

Producer Prices

An increasing trend of prices began from the latter part of the month in most of the major producing areas due to the end of the harvesting of paddy crop in 2021 *Yala* season. Prices have increased mainly due to the competitive buying of newly harvested paddy by the rice millers. The monthly average prices of long grain white and short grain paddy have increased by 4%-15% with the highest increase from Polonnaruwa. The prices of short grain and long grain white were ranged between Rs.50.00-67.00/kg and Rs.50.00-65.00/kg in major producing areas. The monthly average prices of long grain red paddy ranged between Rs 50.00-57.00/kg in producing areas in Southern province. According to the field information it is expected to that the increasing trend of prices will be continue during the next month.

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	Price Range	А	verage Pri	ce		Change	Compared	to	
	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	Augus	t 2021	Sept.	2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%	
Short Grain									
Anuradhapura	56.00-62.00	57.80	53.48	-	4.32	8.07	-	-	
Polonnaruwa	57.00-67.00	62.21	54.65	-	7.56	13.84	-	-	
Kalawewa	50.00-67.00	59.17	54.62	54.22	4.54	8.32	4.95	9.12	
Kurunegala	50.00-56.00	52.63	54.31	-	-1.69	-3.11	-	-	
Dehiattakandiya	53.00-62.00	56.83	53.92	-	2.92	5.41	-	-	
Nikaweratiya	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ampara	50.00-56.00	58.67	55.50	-	3.17	5.71	-	-	
Long Grain White									
Anuradhapura	54.00-60.00	56.00	50.90	-	5.10	10.02	-	-	
Polonnaruwa	55.00-65.00	60.40	52.73	-	7.67	14.54	-	-	
Kalawewa	48.00-63.00	55.96	50.00	49.44	5.96	11.92	6.52	13.18	
Kurunegala	48.00-52.00	49.63	51.29	-	-1.67	-3.25	-	-	
Dehiattakandiya	50.00-60.00	55.33	52.08	-	3.25	6.24	-	-	
Embilipitiya	-	-	-	53.70	-	-	-	-	
Nikaweratiya	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Matara	-	-	-	53.20	-	-	-	-	
Hambantota	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ampara	50.00-56.00	52.96	50.95	-	2.00	3.93	-	-	
Long Grain Red	•					•			
A' pura	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Matara	51.00-57.00	53.83	51.25	-	2.58	5.03	-	-	
Hambantota	50.00-56.00	53.25	51.06	-	2.19	4.28	-	-	
Embilipitiya	55.00-56.00	55.44	51.69	-	3.75	7.26	-	-	
Sources Information									

 Table1.2: Producer prices of paddy – September 2021

Source: Information Division/HARTI

Rice Prices Demand/Supply Situation

Wholesale Prices

Prices have stable at the beginning of the month mainly due to the government strictly adopt the price ceilings. Prices of all types of local rice varieties have decreased. In addition to at the beginning of the month government has launched an investigation into the hoarding of paddy and rice in major rice producing areas and Colombo and its suburbs in order to stabilize the prices. However, during the latter part of the month prices of *Samba* and *Nadu* have shown an increasing trend due to limited supply. Meanwhile the prices of raw white and raw red rice were remained

around the ceiling price and the supply was adequate. The average wholesale prices of samba grade II, nadu grade II and raw white have decreased by 6%, 2% and 3% respectively and the price ranges were Rs.101.00- 130.00/kg, Rs.95.00-108.00/kg and Rs 90.00 – 100.00/kg respectively. Meanwhile the prices of Nadu I and raw red have increased by 2% and prices ranged between Rs 107.00-112.00/kg and Rs 90.00-95.00/kg. Compared to the same period of last year prices of all local rice varieties have increased. The prices of samba grade II, Nadu grade I and Nadu II, have increased in the range of 6% -14% and the highest increase was reported for Nadu I.

Retail Prices

During the first part of the month retail markets in most of the major consuming areas are not functioned as normal due to the Covid pandemic related restrictions. However, some limited outlets in particular cities open under the supervision of health authorities. During the latter part of the month functioning of retail outlets increased. However, by the end of month adequate stocks of *Keeri samba, Samba* and *Nadu* rice were not available in most of the retail markets. Meanwhile the prices of raw white and raw red rice remained around the ceiling price and the supply was adequate. In order to increase the market supply government has taken a decision to remove the ceiling prices of all the rice varieties with effect from 28/09/2021.

The monthly average prices of *Samba* and *Nadu* rice have gone down by 14% and 8% respectively. The Price of Samba I and II rice ranged between Rs.102.00-150.00/kg and the prices of *Nadu* ranged between Rs.98.00-125.00/kg. Compared to the same period of last year prices of all local rice varieties have increased.

	Price Range	A	verage Pri	ce	Change Compared to				
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	August 2021		Sept.	2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%	
Wholesale Prices									
Samba 1	-	-	126.63	-	-	-	-	-	
Samba 2	101.00-130.00	111.08	117.63	104.90	-6.55	-5.57	6.18	5.89	
Samba 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Nadu 1	107.00-112.00	109.33	107.45	96.00	1.89	1.75	13.33	13.89	
Nadu 2	95.00-108.00	101.02	103.31	92.63	-2.29	-2.22	8.39	9.06	
Raw red	90.00-95.00	92.85	91.35	90.28	1.50	1.64	2.57	2.85	
Raw white	90.00-100.00	95.18	98.55	89.28	-3.37	-3.42	5.91	6.62	
Imported Samba	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Imported Raw White	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Imported Nadu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Retail Prices									
Samba 1	103.00-150.00	127.21	147.78	106.43	-20.57	-13.92	20.78	19.52	
Samba 2	102.00-140.00	118.18	137.66	-	-19.49	-14.16	-	-	
Samba 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Nadu 1	98.00-125.00	113.72	122.81	99.85	-9.09	-7.40	13.87	13.89	
Nadu 2	98.00-120.00	106.73	117.10	-	-10.37	-8.86	-	-	
Raw red	94.00-110.00	102.87	101.28	97.54	1.59	1.57	5.33	5.46	
Raw white	94.00-110.00	105.80	108.81	97.08	-3.01	-2.77	8.72	8.98	
Imported Ponni Samba	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Imported Raw White	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Imported Nadu	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

 Table 1.3: Wholesale and retail prices of rice – September 2021

2. Other Field Crops

2.1 Chilli

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Supply of green chilli from major producing areas has increased during this month due to prevailing peak harvesting season. Hence, both wholesale and retail prices of green chilli have decreased by about Rs.14.00/kg and Rs.4.00/kg respectively. Average wholesale and retail prices of green chilli were Rs.151.00/kg and Rs.272.22/kg respectively. Compared to the same period of last year, wholesale price of green chilli has increased by 11% while the retail price has decreased by 3%.

Both wholesale and retail prices of dried chilli have increased by about Rs.1.00/kg and Rs.4.00/kg respectively due to limited imports. Average wholesale and retail prices of imported dried chilli were Rs.512.17/kg and Rs.593.55/kg respectively and both prices have increased by about 88% and 62% respectively.

	Price Range	Av	Change Compared to						
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021 Aug. 2021 Sept. 2020 Aug. 2021 Set		ent 2021 Sent 2020 Aug 2021 Se		Aug. 2021		2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%	
Wholesale Price									
Green Chilli	120.00-280.00	151.00	165.33	136.00	-14.33	-8.67	15.00	11.03	
Dried Chilli	500.00-525.00	512.17	511.38	424.25	0.79	0.15	87.92	20.72	
Retail Price									
Green Chilli	150.00-400.00	272.22	276.41	281.36	-4.18	-1.51	-9.14	-3.25	
Dried Chilli	550.00-650.00	593.55	589.40	531.06	4.15	0.70	62.48	11.77	

Source: Information Division/HARTI

Crop Situation

The targeted extent of land of green chilli cultivation in *yala* 2021 was 7386 ha. Extent of lands cultivated with green chilli was 5876 ha by the end of September and it was 80% of the target. However, chilli was not largely cultivated in major producing areas during this month due to the end of the *yala* season. A large quantity of green chilli was produced in most of the producing areas by the end of September and this was more than 70% of total green chilli production. According to the cultivated extent in this month, the expected production of green chilli was 30,810 mt of which 54% was expected from Puttalam (16%), Mahaweli areas (9%), Anuradhapura (8%), Inter Provincial DPA areas (8%), Vavuniya (7%) and Batticaloa (6%).

Areas	Targeted Extent	Cultivation prog Septen	Expected	
Aleas	(ha)	Extent (ha)	% of the Targeted Extent	Production (Mt)
Anuradhapura	632	429	68	2,448
Puttalam	641	544	85	4,692
Moneragala	408	334	82	1,702
Batticaloa	560	459	82	1,827
Vavuniya	299	368	123	2,037
Matale	504	351	70	1,723
Inter Provincial DPA areas	491	499	102	2,475
Mahaweli areas	677	503	75	2,635
Other areas	3,174	2,389	76	11,271
Total	7,386	5,876	80	30,810

Table 2.1.2: Cultivation Progress of Green Chlli for Yala 2021

Source: Crop Forecast, Yala 2021, Volume 06(Final), Department of Agriculture

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Location	1 st week	2 nd week	3 rd week	4 th week
Dambulla	-	129.00	129.00	120.00
Hambantota	-	-	-	-
Embilipitiya	181.25	205.00	188.00	188.00
Puttalam	110.00	112.00	106.00	109.00
A'Pura	148.00	148.00	128.00	148.00

Source: Information Division/HARTI

2.2 Red Onion and Big Onion

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Both imported and local big onion varieties were available at the market. Though the peak harvest will be expected during the next month, a significant price drop could not be expected. Wholesale price of local big onion has increased by Rs.15.00/kg with availability of good quality stocks at the market. Prices ranged between Rs.105.00-135.00/kg at the wholesale level and Rs.130.00-160.00/kg at the retail level.

A quantity of 6,085 Mt of big onion was imported during this month and it was lower than that of big onion imported in the previous month by 23,867 Mt. Average CIF price was Rs.70.72/kg that has decreased by Rs.7.33/kg compared to the CIF price of the previous month. An import tax (Special Commodity Levy) of Rs.40.00/kg imported by the government on big onion with effect from 7th September 2021. Hence, both wholesale and retail prices of imported big onion have increased by about Rs.18.00/kg and Rs.19.00/kg respectively. Compared to the same period of last year, current retail prices of both imported and local big onions have decreased by about 21% and 22% respectively.

Wholesale prices of both sinnan and vedalan have increased by about Rs.33.00/kg and Rs.22.00/kg respectively due to low supplies from main producing areas with the tail end of the *Yala* harvesting season. However, retail price of sinnan has decreased by Rs.12.00/kg due to

availability of low quality stocks at the market while the retail price of vedalan has increased by about Rs.2.00/kg.

A quantity of 594 Mt of red onion was imported from India during this month and it was an increase of 544 MT compared to the previous month. Average CIF price was Rs.114.73/kg and it was a decreased of Rs.3.69/kg compared to the last month. Both wholesale and retail prices of imported red onion have decreased by about Rs.13.00/kg and Rs.15.00/kg respectively.

	Price Range	Α	verage Pric	e	Change Compared to				
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	Augus	st 2021	Sept.	2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%	
Wholesale Prices									
Red Onion (Sinnan)	165.00-230.00	192.78	159.97	155.58	32.81	20.51	37.20	23.91	
Red Onion (Vedalan)	200.00-260.00	234.88	212.75	168.82	22.13	10.40	66.06	39.13	
Red Onion (Imported)	180.00-240.00	204.65	217.50		-12.85	-5.91	-	-	
Big Onion (imported)	70.00-140.00	109.75	91.78	145.88	17.98	19.59	-36.13	-24.76	
Big Onion (Local)	105.00-135.00	117.53	102.50	145.25	15.03	14.66	-27.72	-19.08	
Retail Prices									
Red Onion (Sinnan)	240.00-300.00	266.69	278.87	-	-12.18	-4.37	-	-	
Red Onion (Vedalan)	280.00-350.00	311.79	309.97	220.60	1.81	0.58	91.19	41.34	
Red Onion (Imported)	280.00-320.00	304.53	319.55	-	-15.02	-4.70	-	-	
Big Onion (imported)	110.00-160.00	141.61	122.89	179.16	18.72	15.24	-37.55	-20.96	
Big Onion (Local)	130.00-160.00	138.94	-	178.34	-	-	-39.39	-22.09	

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

Source: Information Division/HARTI

Table 2.2.2: Monthly average CIF and gross margin of wholesale and retail prices forimported onion September 2021

Item	Month	CIF Price	Wholesale Price	Retail Price	Gross Mar	gin (Rs/kg)
		(Rs/kg)	(Rs/kg)	(Rs/kg)	WP-CIF	RP-WP
-	September,2021	70.72	109.75	141.61	39.03	31.86
Big onion	August,2021	78.05	91.78	122.89	13.73	31.11
_	September,2020	73.27	145.88	179.16	72.61	33.28
	September,2021	114.73	204.65	304.53	89.92	99.88
Red onion	August,2021	118.42	217.5	319.55	99.08	102.05
	September,2020	-	168.82	220.60	-	51.78

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Table 2.2.3: Quantity imported, CIF price, wholesale and retail price of big onionApril 2021 to September 2021

Month	Quantity Imported (mt)	CIF Price (Rs/kg)	Wholesale Price (Rs/kg)	Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (RP-CIF) (Rs/kg)
September-2021	6,085	70.72	109.75	141.61	70.89
August-2021	29,952	78.05	91.78	122.89	44.84
July-2021	18,443	68.97	78.17	111.94	42.97
June-2021	32,544	75.32	80.04	117.43	42.11
May -2021	27,568	65.21	71.52	100.75	35.54
April -2021	23,819	61.70	64.55	97.66	35.96

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

	Quant	ity (mt.)	Value ((Rs. mn)	CIF Price (Rs/kg)	
Item	September 2021	August 2021	September 2021	August 2021	September 2021	August 2021
Red Onion	594.52	50.60	68.21	5.99	114.73	118.42
Big Onion	6085.39	29951.75	430.36	2337.66	70.72	78.05

Table 2.2.4:	Quantity, value and CI	F prices of imported l	big onion and red onion
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Source: Department of Customs; Marketing, Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

Crop Situation

Total extent of land targeted for cultivating big onion in this *Yala* season was 4,951 ha that comprised, 2001 ha in Matale, 746 ha in Anuradhapura (non Mahaweli), 1,076 ha in Mahaweli H1 areas, 261 ha in Mahaweli H and 677 ha in other areas. At the end of September 2021, total extent of lands cultivated with big onion was 4,035 ha which representing 82% of the targeted extent. Big onion was not cultivated in any major producing areas during this month due ti the end of season. Out of the total cultivated extent of big onion, around 43% was reported from Matale district which representind the highest targeted extent and the highest cultivated extent. According to the cultivated extent of big onion at the end of September, 2021 the expected production of big onion was 82,658 Mt and out of that 85% supplied from Matale (53%), Anuradhapura (14%), Anuradhapura Interprovincial area (11%) and Mahaweli H1 (7%) areas.

Table 2.2.3. Cultivation 110gress of Dig Onion 101 Taua 2021										
A 1000	Targeted Extent	- 0	Cultivation progress and the end of September 2021							
Areas	(ha)	Cultivated Extent	% of the	Production (Mt)						
		(ha)	Targeted Extent							
Matale	2,001	1,706	86	43,364						
Anuradhapura	746	708	95	11,354						
Anuradhapura IP	176	528	300	8,620						
areas	170	528	500	8,020						
Mahaweli H1	1,076	359	34	5,758						
Mahaweli H	261	260	100	4,166						
Other areas	691	474	69	9,396						
Total	4,951	4,035	82	82,658						

Table 2.2.5: Cultivation Progress of Big Onion for Yala 2021

Source: Crop Forecast, Yala 2021, Volume 06(Final), Department of Agriculture

Main producing districts of red onion were Jaffna, Puttalam, Vavuniya, Mullaitivu and Trincomalee. Total extent of lands cultivated with red onion in *Yala* season, 2021 was 3,242 ha in the country and it was 71% of the targeted extent. Cultivation of red onion in 2021/2022 *Maha* season had commenced in some of areas and around 80% of the total harvest of the *Yala* season was reaped. Jaffna and Puttalam districts had produced 79% of the national red onion production, with representing 53% from Jaffna and 26% from Puttalam.

Amoog	Targeted Extent		Cultivation progress and the end of September 2021				
Areas	(ha)	Cultivated Extent (ha)	% of the Targeted Extent	Production (Mt)			
Jaffna	2,000	1,820	91	22,677			
Puttalam	530	574	109	11,055			
Vavuniya	285	227	80	2,755			
Mullaitivu	350	86	25	1,037			
Trincomalee	656	199	31	2,133			
Other areas	787	336	43	3,484			
Total	4,608	3,242	71	43,141			

 Table 2.2.6:Cultivation Progress of Red Onion for Yala 2021

Source: Crop Forecast, Yala 2021, Volume 06(Final), Department of Agriculture

2.3 Potato

Crop Situation and Progress

The targeted extent of potato for *yala* 2021 is 2,793 ha and about 3,145 ha were cultivated in the country by the end of the season exceeding the targeted extent by 113%. Compared to last month, the cultivated extent in September was at low level, which was recorded as 282 ha. Compared to the same period of *Yala* 2020, the cultivated extent during this *Yala* season is at a high level. According to the cultivated extent up to end of the season, the expected production of potato is 61,228 mt for this *yala* season with 74% from Badulla and 26% from Nuwara Eliya respectively (Table 2.3.1).

In the Nuwara Eliya district, the targeted extent is 752 ha for this *yala* season and about 767 ha was cultivated by the end of this month exceeding the targeted extent by 102%. During the month of September, 173 ha were cultivated in Nuwara Eliya which is higher than the extent cultivated in last month. Compared to *Yala* 2020, the cultivated extent is at low level in this *Yala* season in Nuwara Eliya.

In the Badulla district, the targeted extent was 2,029 ha and cultivation progress (2,377 ha) has exceeded the targeted extent by 117%. About 109 ha were cultivated in Badulla, which was lower than the extent cultivated in August. Compared to last *Yala* season, the cultivated extent during this *Yala* season was at high level in the district. The *Yala* harvesting of potato has been commenced in later part of August for Welimada potato and the harvesting is expected to continue till November (Table 2.3.1).

District	Targeted Extent (ha)		Achievement (ha)		Progress (%)	Expected
	Yala 2020*	Yala 2021	Yala 2020*	Yala 2021	Yala 2021	production (Mt)
N'Eliya	854	752	898	767	102	16,058
Badulla	2,063	2,029	1,946	2,377	117	45,158
Sri Lanka	2,917	2,793	2,844	3,145	113	61,228

 Table 2.3.1: Cultivation progress and expected production of potato (Yala 2021)

Source: MFPAD/HARTI

*Crop Forecast, Yala 2020, Vol 06 Socio-Economics & Planning Centre/DOA Crop Forecast, Yala 2021, Vol 06 Socio-Economics & Planning Centre/DOA

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

A quantity of 8,439 mt of potato had been imported in September which was 755 mt lower than that was imported in August. Value of imports were Rs.544 million. Special Commodity Levy of imported potatoes is remained at Rs.55.00/kg. Compared to September, 2020 (5,513 mt), the imports were high during this month. Average CIF price was Rs.64.00/kg in September (Table 2.3.3).

Both local and imported stocks were available in the market. With regard to local potato, the harvesting of Welimada potato was commenced by the end of August. On average, the producer prices of Welimada and Nuwara Eliya potato were Rs.109.00/kg and Rs.129.00/kg in September. Stocks of both Welimada and Nuwara Eliya potatoes were available in the market in September. Wholesale prices of Welimada and Nuwara Eliya potatoes have decreased by 33% and 19% respectively. Further, the retail price of Nuwara Eliya potato has decreased by 9%. Meanwhile, the wholesale and retail prices of imported potato have decreased by 18% and 10% respectively. During the month, the wholesale prices of Nuwara Eliya, Welimada and imported potatoes ranged between Rs.135.00-195.00/kg, Rs.100.00-175.00/kg and Rs.90.00-160.00/kg respectively. Compared to the same period of last year, the current retail prices of Nuwara Eliya (5%) and Welimada (1%) potatoes have increased. Prices of local potatoes are expected to be decreased further in October with the arrival of *Yala* harvest of potato (Table 2.3.2).

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	Price Range		Average		L	nange Co	mpared to)
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	Augus	t 2021	Sept.	2020
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Producer Prices (PP)								
Welimada	104.00-126.25	109.58	155.29	-	-45.71	-29.44	-	-
Nuwara Eliya	121.20-140.00	128.70	181.83	108.75	-53.13	-29.22	19.95	18.34
Imported – CIF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wholesale Prices (WP)								
Welimada	110.00-175.00	130.41	195.00	110.88	-64.59	-33.12	19.53	17.62
Nuwara Eliya	135.00-195.00	152.63	189.57	126.79	-36.95	-19.49	25.83	20.37
Imported	90.00-160.00	112.83	138.13	112.25	-25.30	-18.32	0.58	0.51
Retail Prices (RP)								
Welimada	160.00-200.00	178.43	-	176.68	-	-	1.74	0.99
Nuwara Eliya	180.00-240.00	211.28	233.39	201.15	-22.11	-9.47	10.13	5.04
Imported	130.00-160.00	149.22	164.95	150.37	-15.74	-9.54	-1.15	-0.77
Gross Margin (RP-PP)								
Welimada		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nuwara Eliya		82.58	51.56	92.40	31.02	60.17	-9.82	-10.63
Imported (RP-CIF)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gross Margin (RP - WP))							
Welimada		48.02	-	65.81	-	-	-17.79	-27.04
Nuwara Eliya		58.66	43.82	74.36	14.84	33.86	-15.70	-21.12
Imported		36.39	26.83	38.12	9.56	35.64	-1.73	-4.53
Sources Information Divisi								

Table: 2.3.2: Producer, wholesale and retail prices of potato – September 2021

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Month	Quantity	Value	CIF price	Retail Price	Gross Margin
WIOIIII	(mt.)	(Rs.mn)	(Rs/kg)	(Rs/kg)	(Rs/kg)
September-2021	8,439	543.62	64.42	149.22	84.80
August-2021	9,194	628.69	68.38	164.95	96.57
July-2021	11,176	744.24	66.59	149.55	82.96
June-2021	5,209	335.20	64.35	147.50	83.15
May -2021	5,428	316.58	58.32	143.73	85.41
April -2021	12,779	711.24	55.66	122.92	67.26

 Table 2.3.3: Quantity, Value and CIF prices of Imported Potato - April 2021 to Sept. 2021

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

2.4 Green gram and Cowpea Prices and Supply/ Demand Situation

The farm gate price of Green gram ranged between Rs 400.00- 550.00/Kg in Anuradhapura and Embilipitiya areas during the mid-month. The wholesale and retail prices of green gram ranged Rs 600.00-800.00/Kg and Rs 800.00-900/Kg respectively. With compared to the same period of last year both wholesale and retail prices of Green gram have increased more than 100 present. Meanwhile the retail prices of both White and Red Cowpea ranged between Rs 550.00-800.00/Kg. With compared to the same period of last year nearly 70% increase was recorded for the current retail prices of both White and Red Cowpea.

	Price Range	Average Price			Change Compared to		Change Compared to		
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	August 2021		Sept. 2020		
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%	
Wholesale Prices									
Green gram	600.00-800.00	702.60	706.88	303.16	-4.28	-0.61	399.44	131.76	
Cowpea (White)	490.00-560.00	539.10	550.87	361.11	-11.77	-2.14	177.99	49.29	
Cowpea (Red)	310.00-400.00	348.78	398.25	297.38	-49.47	-12.42	51.41	17.29	
Retail Price									
Green gram	800.00-900.00	836.64	793.43	341.83	43.21	5.45	494.81	144.75	
Cowpea (White)	600.00-800.00	700.95	678.77	408.12	22.18	3.27	292.83	71.75	
Cowpea (Red)	550.00-700.00	643.63	654.21	391.78	-10.58	-1.62	251.85	64.28	

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

Source: Information Division/HARTI

Crop Situation

The government continuously restricted the importation of Green gram and Cowpea in order to increase the domestic production of pulses. As a result of this both cultivated extent and production of these two pulse crops have increased. The local green gram production increased by nearly three times with compared to the last year production. Green gram cultivation considerably increased especially in Hambanthota and Anuradhapura districts as inter season. The table 2.4.2 reveals that the cultivated extent and production of both Green gram and Cowpea in 2021, have increased with compared to 2020. It was recorded that the Hambanthota, Moneragala, Kurunegala and Mannar districts are the major producing areas for the Green gram cultivation and Ampara and Moneragala are for Cowpea.

Item	Unit	Green gram	Cowpea
Yala 2021			
Targeted Extent	На	20984	10166
Achievement	На	27568	7937
Crop affected area due to flood	На	775	85
Expected Production	Mt	23980	9320
Achievement in Extent from the Target	%	131	78
Yala 2020			
Cultivated Extent	На	6769	6290
Production	Mt	8439	7451

 Table 2.4.2: Target and Cultivated Extent of Green gram and Cowpea as at end

 September,2021 in Yala season, 2021

Source: Crop Forecast, Yala 2021, Volume 06(Final), Department of Agriculture

2.5 Red dhal

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The wholesale price of red dhal ranged between Rs.235/kg and Rs.252/kg with an average of Rs.242/kg, and the retail price ranged between Rs.260/kg and Rs.280/kg with an average of Rs.271/kg. Wholesale price has been increased by 18% and the retail price has increased by 23% compared with the August 2021.

Red Dhal	Price Range		Change Compared to					
	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	August 2021		Sept. 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Price	235.00-252.00	242.34	206.23	140.80	36.12	17.51	101.54	72.12
Retail Price	260.00-280.00	271.01	219.53	155.26	51.48	23.45	115.75	74.55

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

Source: Information Division/HARTI

3. Vegetables

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

The wholesale prices of brinjal, bitter gourd and lime has increased by 12%,8% and 95% respectively while the price of the other vegetable varieties decreased by 1% to 49%. The highest decrease of wholesale price is recorded for beetroot and lowest price decrease for tomato and luffa. During the month, the highest wholesale price of Rs. 340.00/kg was recorded for lime. The lowest wholesale price of Rs. 10.00 /kg was noted for cucumber (10.00 /kg). The wholesale price of beetroot, radish, ladies fingers and ash plantain was recorded as Rs 30.00/kg.

Compared to the same period of last year, the wholesale prices of most of the vegetable varieties had decreased by 14%- 62% recording the highest for ash plantain and the lowest for knolkhol. However the wholesale price of lime had increased by 275% recording the highest increased in price when compare to the same period of last year.

The retail prices of most of the vegetable varieties have decreased by 1%-23% recording the lowest price fall for cabbage, luffa, green chillies and the highest for beetroot. However, retail prices tomato, bitter gourd and lime had increased by 1%,2% and 35% respectively. The highest retail price of Rs. *500.00*/kg was recorded for lime followed by green chillies(Rs. 400.00/kg) and drumstick, brinjal (Rs. 320.00/kg). The lowest retail price of Rs. 40.00/kg was noted for cucumber.

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	Price Range		Average		C	hange Co	ompared to)	
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	August	2021	Sept. 2020		
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%	
Beans (green)	70.00-220.00	125.50	207.58	217.25	-82.08	-39.54	-91.75	-42.23	
Carrot	60.00-100.00	78.25	106.87	126.02	-28.62	-26.78	-47.77	-37.91	
Leeks	110.00-180.00	149.50	194.27	47.63	-44.77	-23.04	101.88	213.91	
Beetroot	30.00-90.00	44.89	88.12	69.00	-43.23	-49.06	-24.11	-34.95	
Knolkhol	50.00-110.00	78.00	101.04	90.63	-23.04	-22.80	-12.63	-13.93	
Radish	30.00-70.00	43.50	63.29	64.50	-19.79	-31.27	-21.00	-32.56	
Cabbage	80.00-130.00	99.89	127.50	78.13	-27.61	-21.66	21.76	27.85	
Tomato	35.00-120.00	78.63	79.00	118.00	-0.38	-0.47	-39.38	-33.37	
Ladies Fingers	30.00-70.00	47.00	78.14	58.75	-31.14	-39.85	-11.75	-20.00	
Brinjal	130.00-200.00	169.00	151.00	58.75	18.00	11.92	110.25	187.66	
Capsicum	120.00-200.00	158.89	230.29	277.50	-71.41	-31.01	-118.61	-42.74	
Pumpkin	40.00-90.00	65.88	107.54	114.75	-41.67	-38.74	-48.88	-42.59	
Cucumber	10.00-30.00	21.13	38.63	43.50	-17.50	-45.31	-22.38	-51.44	
Bittergourd	80.00-150.00	117.59	108.94	174.25	8.65	7.94	-56.66	-32.52	
Snakegourd	60.00-120.00	88.88	131.54	121.50	-42.67	-32.44	-32.63	-26.85	
Drumstick	120.00-170.00	145.75	159.02	202.75	-13.27	-8.34	-57.00	-28.11	
Luffa	60.00-110.00	81.75	82.04	129.00	-0.29	-0.36	-47.25	-36.63	
Long Beans	40.00-80.00	64.25	113.83	130.25	-49.58	-43.56	-66.00	-50.67	
Ash Plantain	30.00-50.00	39.50	45.58	104.25	-6.08	-13.35	-64.75	-62.11	
Green Chillies	120.00-280.00	151.00	165.33	136.00	-14.33	-8.67	15.00	11.03	
Lime	100.00-340.00	194.25	99.76	51.75	94.49	94.72	142.50	275.36	

 Table 3.1: Wholesale prices of vegetables – September 2021

Table 3.2: Retail prices of vegetables – September 2021

	Price Range		Average		C	hange Co	mpared to	
Items	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	August	2021	Sept. 2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Beans (green)	90.00-280.00	209.63	259.25	269.76	-49.62	-19.14	-60.13	-22.29
Carrot	80.00-200.00	156.18	175.05	187.93	-18.87	-10.78	-31.76	-16.90
Leeks	140.00-280.00	224.59	252.86	116.56	-28.27	-11.18	108.03	92.69
Beetroot	50.00-160.00	117.77	153.14	133.64	-35.37	-23.10	-15.86	-11.87
Knolkhol	80.00-200.00	144.85	180.16	163.98	-35.31	-19.60	-19.14	-11.67
Radish	50.00-160.00	105.26	130.66	136.09	-25.40	-19.44	-30.83	-22.65
Cabbage	100.00-240.00	188.28	191.89	155.03	-3.61	-1.88	33.25	21.44
Tomato	60.00-240.00	156.90	154.63	179.40	2.27	1.47	-22.49	-12.54
Ladies Fingers	60.00-200.00	141.00	153.70	132.40	-12.70	-8.26	8.59	6.49
Brinjal	170.00-320.00	224.58	230.94	124.69	-6.35	-2.75	99.89	80.11
Capsicum	160.00-300.00	237.98	294.42	377.40	-56.44	-19.17	-139.42	-36.94
Pumpkin	70.00-240.00	141.47	170.84	179.21	-29.37	-17.19	-37.74	-21.06
Cucumber	40.00-120.00	95.51	104.95	104.63	-9.44	-9.00	-9.12	-8.71
Bittergourd	140.00-280.00	213.10	209.66	267.88	3.44	1.64	-54.78	-20.45
Snakegourd	100.00-240.00	191.26	201.21	177.71	-9.94	-4.94	13.55	7.63
Drumstick	150.00-320.00	236.84	248.59	295.18	-11.75	-4.73	-58.34	-19.76
Luffa	80.00-240.00	191.88	193.89	186.41	-2.01	-1.04	5.47	2.93
Long Beans	70.00-240.00	153.69	178.49	193.44	-24.80	-13.90	-39.76	-20.55
Ash Plantain	50.00-160.00	111.37	121.64	155.08	-10.27	-8.44	-43.71	-28.18
Green Chilli	150.00-400.00	272.22	276.41	281.36	-4.18	-1.51	-9.14	-3.25
Lime	120.00-500.00	325.11	240.81	152.05	84.29	35.00	173.05	113.81

4. Fruits

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

In September, the wholesale prices of all the major fruit types except *ambul* banana have increased further due to off-season for some of the fruit varieties. Considering the prices of banana varieties, the highest price increase of 46% was reported for *kolikuttu* banana, followed by *ambul* (15%) and *seeni* (11%) varieties. During the month, the wholesale prices ranged between Rs.170.00-240.00/kg (*kolikuttu*), Rs.60.00-80.00/kg (*seeni*), Rs.40.00-60.00/kg (*ambul*), Rs.12.00-16.00/fruit (*ambun*) and Rs.10.00-13.00/fruit (*anamlu*).

Prices of al the sizes of pineapple have increased in the range of 52%-65% due to lean harvesting season for pineapple in Gampaha district. Monthly average wholesale prices were Rs.283.00/fruit (large), Rs.206.00/fruit (medium) and Rs.143.00/fruit (small) sizes of fruits respectively. As the peak supply season was over for mango, the prices of all the varieties, except *betti* mango have increased. Prices of *Karthakolomban* (20%) and *Vilad* (9%) have increased. During the month, the highest price range of Rs.100.00-150.00/fruit was recorded for *karthakolomban* mango. In addition, the prices of slime apple (35%) orange (22%) and papaw (19%) have increased due to limited supply.

	Price Range		Average		(Change Co	ompared t	0
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	Augu	st 2021	Sept.	2020
	(Rs)	(R s)	(R s)	(Rs)	(Rs)	%	(Rs)	%
Plantain	·							
Ambul (Kg)	40.00-60.00	51.88	45.19	81.25	6.68	14.79	-29.38	-36.15
Kolikuttu (Kg)	170.00-240.00	211.46	144.38	211.67	67.08	46.46	-0.21	-0.10
Seeni (Kg)	60.00-80.00	67.08	60.21	77.71	6.88	11.42	-10.63	-13.67
Anamalu (Fruit)	10.00-13.00	11.08	11.13	13.44	-0.04	-0.37	-2.35	-17.52
Ambun (Fruit)	12.00-16.00	14.08	14.08	16.92	0.00	0.00	-2.83	-16.75
Pineapple								
Large (Fruit)	190.00-350.00	283.00	172.77	203.83	110.23	63.80	79.17	38.84
Medium (Fruit)	150.00-260.00	206.25	135.55	159.64	70.70	52.16	46.61	29.20
Small (Fruit)	100.00-180.00	143.00	86.77	113.64	56.23	64.80	29.36	25.84
Mango	·							-
Betti (Fruit)	-	-	26.10	-	-	-	-	
Karthakolomban(fruit)	100.00-150.00	129.09	107.80	119.92	21.29	19.75	9.17	7.64
Vilad (Fruit)	30.00-50.00	40.30	37.02	47.05	3.29	8.88	-6.75	-14.34
Kohu (Fruit)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Papaw (Kg)	60.00-120.00	89.36	75.29	70.13	14.07	18.69	19.23	27.42
Passionfruit (Fruit)	10.00-13.00	11.31	11.00	7.40	0.31	2.84	3.92	52.96
Woodapple (Fruit)	10.00-16.00	12.00	27.14	6.47	-15.14	-55.78	5.53	85.55
Orange (Fruit)	25.00-50.00	40.00	32.81	25.10	7.19	21.90	14.90	59.34
Avocado (Fruit)	30.00-50.00	42.08	39.23	41.79	2.86	7.28	0.30	0.71
Slime Apple (Fruit)	40.00-63.00	50.67	37.54	39.31	13.13	34.97	11.36	28.89
Grapes Imported (Kg)	571.00-933.00	766.40	845.64	601.16	-79.24	-9.37	165.23	27.49

 Table 4.1: Wholesale prices of fruits – September 2021

Meanwhile, due to ongoing harvesting season, the wholesale price of wood apple (56%) has decreased significantly. Compared to the same period of 2020, the current wholesale prices of all the banana varieties have decreased, while the prices of other fruit types have increased with the highest price increase of 85% was noted for wood apple (Table 4.1).

	Price Range	-	Average		(ompared t	0
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020		st 2021		2020
	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	(Rs)	%	(Rs)	%
Plantain								
Ambul (Kg)	80.00-140.00	111.23	112.18	138.57	-0.95	-0.85	-27.34	-19.73
Kolikuttu (Kg)	250.00-380.00	311.45	223.77	272.56	87.68	39.18	38.88	14.27
Seeni (Kg)	100.00-150.00	133.19	130.77	135.24	2.42	1.85	-2.05	-1.52
Anamalu (Fruit)	16.00-20.00	18.46	18.68	19.83	-0.21	-1.14	-1.36	-6.88
Ambun (Fruit)	20.00-25.00	23.27	23.57	24.79	-0.30	-1.26	-1.52	-6.13
Pineapple								
Large (Fruit)	240.00-350.00	295.85	236.38	248.94	59.48	25.16	46.92	18.85
Medium (Fruit)	180.00-300.00	238.45	176.46	186.27	61.99	35.13	52.18	28.01
Small (Fruit)	140.00-240.00	170.88	138.70	141.58	32.18	23.20	29.30	20.69
Mango								
Betti (Fruit)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Karthakolomban(fruit)	-	-	147.62	-	-	-	-	-
Vilad (Fruit)	-	-	67.13	73.42	-	-	-	-
Kohu (Fruit)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Papaw (Kg)	120.00-160.00	142.91	147.69	129.34	-4.78	-3.24	13.57	10.50
Passion fruit (Fruit)	20.00-25.00	23.11	23.2163	18.43	-0.11	-0.48	4.67	25.36
Woodapple (Fruit)	40.00-70.00	49.17	88.8356	29.77	-39.67	-44.65	19.40	65.17
Orange (Fruit)	50.00-80.00	64.60	63.5731	44.66	1.03	1.62	19.94	44.64
Avocado (Fruit)	50.00-120.00	76.87	80.6963	67.93	-3.83	-4.74	8.93	13.15
Slime Apple (Fruit)	100.00-120.00	108.57	88.6514	74.62	19.92	22.47	33.96	45.51
Grapes Imported (Kg)	1200.00-1500.00	1311.7 0	1286.53	909.82	25.16	1.96	401.88	44.17

 Table 4.2: Retail prices of fruits – September 2021

Source: Information Division/HARTI

Though the wholesale prices have increased for most of the fruit varieties, the retail prices of most of the varieties have decreased due to low demand as the retail markets were not functioned regularly in September with quarantine curfew in the country. Accordingly, the prices of all the banana varieties except for *kolikuttu* and *seeni* banana have decreased slightly. Price of *koikuttu* banana has increased by 39%. Prices of all the sizes of pineapple have increased in the range of 23%-35% due to increased wholesale prices and the prices ranged between Rs.140.00-350.00/fruit in Colombo suburbs markets. Considering the other types of fruits, the retail prices of wood apple (45%), avocado (5%) and papaw (3%) have decreased in line with the decreased wholesale prices. Prices of slime apple (22%), grapes (2%) and orange (2%) have increased due to limited stocks. Compared to the same period of 2020, the current retail prices of all the fruit varieties except banana have increased with the highest price decrease of 65% noted for wood apple (Table 4.2).

	Price Range		Average			Change C	ompared to	
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	8 I		August 2021		2020
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Ambul	28.00-32.00	29.00	26.47	65.50	2.53	9.56	-36.50	-55.73
Kolikuttu	131.25-192.50	162.81	98.29	188.75	64.52	65.64	-25.94	-13.74
Papaw	53.75-66.25	61.25	61.94	53.17	-0.69	-1.11	8.08	15.20

 Table 4.3: Producer prices of selected fruits – September 2021

Source: Information Division/HARTI

Exports/Imports of Fruits

A quantity of 84 mt of pineapple was exported during the month and it has decreased compared to last month. Total quantity of export earnings from pineapple, mango and orange was Rs.37.47 Mn in September (Table 4.4). In September, orange was the mostly imported fruit type with the quantity of 741 mt, followed by apple (703 mt). Quantity of imports have increased for apple and oranges in September compared to July and August. The total import expenditure of apple, grapes and oranges were Rs. 362.12 million in September (Table 4.5).

Table 4.4: Quantity, Value and FOB Prices of Exported Fruits - July to September 2021

	1	September-2	021		August - 202	21	July - 2021			
Type of Fruit	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 Mango	21.42	10.81	504.72	18.39	14.58	792.93	41.11	31.70	771.06	
Fresh Avocado	4.93	2.97	601.58	4.06	2.22	546.66	2.72	1.25	461.04	
Fresh Pineapple	84.47	23.69	280.42	150.21	34.92	232.51	100.84	29.75	295.03	

Source: Department of Customs

Table 4.5: Quantity, Value and CIF Prices of Imported Fruits - July to September 2021

Turne of		September-20)21		August - 202	21	July - 2021			
Type of Fruit	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	703.26	138.98	197.62	458.09	103.14	225.14	409.30	92.94	227.08	
Grapes	262.54	99.69	379.71	408.43	165.31	404.74	371.32	145.87	392.83	
Oranges	740.76	123.45	166.66	151.24	21.91	144.84	101.14	17.31	171.13	

Source: Department of Customs

5. Fish, Dried Fish, Eggs and Meat

Fish

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

With further tightening of the Covid related market disruptions during the month, prices had slightly dropped for most of the fresh fish varieties, at the wholesale market, in September 2021. Of the varieties which showed a price drop, the highest was reported for both salaya and hurulla as 18% due to low demand during the nationwide quarantine curfew came in to effect on August 20th. Next prices of thora, paraw, mora and balaya had decreased in the range of 2% -15% due to demand interruptions. However, a significant short supply of deep-sea fish varieties such as thalapath and kelawalla was observed, starting from a week before imposition of the quarantine curfew, and continued throughout the month. As a result, prices of kelawalla and thalapath had upsurged by 5% and 3% respectively. Further, prices of shrimp (small) also increased by 7% at

the wholesale level. Compared to the same period of the last year, price of most of the fresh fish varieties at the wholesale level had slightly increased with the highest price increase reported for thalapath as 14%.

Retail market price – movements showed an opposite direction price movement for kelawalla, showing a price decrease of 13% at the retail level despite the price increase at the wholesale level. This might be due to the transportation interruptions coupled with decreased demand during the curfew period.

Prices of all the fresh fish varieties, except for shrimp (small), thalapath and balaya had dropped, in the range of 3% -17%. Yet, prices of shrimp (small), thalapath and balaya had increased by less than 5% at the retail level. Compared to the same period of the last year, price of most of the fresh fish varieties had increased with the highest price increase reported for mora as 40%.

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	Price Range		Average			Change (Compared (to
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	Augus	t 2021	Sept.	2020
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wholesale Price	S	•						
Salaya	120.00-250.00	169.89	206.42	198.32	-36.52	-17.69	-28.43	-14.33
Hurulla	330.00-450.00	390.92	475.71	424.00	-84.79	-17.82	-33.08	-7.80
Balaya	300.00-460.00	396.46	406.46	416.25	-10.00	-2.46	-19.79	-4.75
Kelawalla	600.00-800.00	707.92	674.29	685.00	33.63	4.99	22.92	3.35
Thora	1100.00-1600.00	1360.89	1605.00	1245.83	-244.11	-15.21	115.06	9.24
Paraw	60.00-900.00	722.29	794.04	686.25	-71.75	-9.04	36.04	5.25
Mora	600.00-720.00	645.42	684.54	663.03	-39.13	-5.72	-17.61	-2.66
Shrimp (small)	900.00-1150.00	1006.67	941.63	928.61	65.04	6.91	78.06	8.41
Thalapath	750.00-1300.00	1065.42	1031.29	931.25	34.13	3.31	134.17	14.41
Retail Prices								
Salaya	200.00-360.00	284.54	343.11	295.94	-58.57	-17.07	-11.40	-3.85
Hurulla	400.00-680.00	522.19	594.94	520.51	-72.74	-12.23	1.68	0.32
Balaya	800.00-1200.00	910.86	906.41	715.25	4.45	0.49	195.61	27.35
Kelawalla	800.00-1400.00	1082.01	1246.53	1103.26	-164.52	-13.20	-21.25	-1.93
Thora	1600.00-2600.00	1889.82	2000.00	1639.27	-110.18	-5.51	250.55	15.28
Paraw	900.00-1400.00	1225.10	1259.88	1243.68	-34.78	-2.76	-18.59	-1.49
Mora	900.00-1000.00	936.67	966.67	670.00	-30.00	-3.10	266.67	39.80
Shrimp (small)	1100.00-1300.00	1193.21	1151.31	1256.35	41.90	3.64	-63.14	-5.03
Thalapath	1400.00-1720.00	1515.71	1446.69	1325.90	69.03	4.77	189.81	14.32

Table 5.1: Wholesale and retail prices of fish – September2021

Source: Information Division/HARTI

Dried Fish

Prices and Supply/Demand Situation

Prices of most of the dried fish varieties had slightly decreased at the wholesale level. The main supply area for the local varieties was Mannar. Of the varieties which showed a price decrease, the highest drop was reported for balaya as 8% followed by both maduwa and salaya as 4%. Prices decreases were mainly due to the demand decreases during the covid curfew period.

Besides, most of the imported dried fish varieties were not available at the market due to import interruptions.

Yet, prices of mora, anguluwa and sprats had increased in the range of 3% - 7%, with the highest price increase reported for mora. Compared to the same period of the last year, price of most of the dried fish varieties at the wholesale level had significantly increased, with the highest price increase reported for sprats (imported) as 52%. The reported high margin price increase for imported sprats in the third consecutive month might be a result of the depreciation of value of rupee, against USD.

Retail prices of most of the dried fish varieties, except for sprats and salaya, had slightly decreased, with the highest price decrease noted for balaya as 10%. Further, an opposite direction price movement (a price increase) was observed for salaya (local) at the retail market, compared to its' price movements at the wholesale market, due to transportation interruptions at the retail level. On the other hand, anguluwa and mora prices had slightly dropped (3% and 1% respectively) at the retail level, against its' price increases at the wholesale market, due to demand interruptions during the curfew period.

Compared to the same period of the last year, retail price of most of the dried fish varieties had up surged, with the highest price upsurge reported for sprats (imported) 23%.

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

Eggs

Prices of both brown and white eggs had dropped by 10% and 12% at the wholesale level compared to August 2021, because of low demand from the industrial sector. The monthly average wholesale price of brown and white eggs was in the range of 17.00-18.50/egg and 14.50 - 17.00. In line with the wholesale price behaviour, prices of both brown and white eggs had decreased by 6% and 8% respectively at the retail level. The monthly average retail prices of a brown and a white egg was in the range of Rs.17.50 - 21.00/egg and Rs.15.00 - 19.00/egg respectively.

	Price Range		Average		- 0	Change Co	mpared	to
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	Augu	st 2021	Sept	. 2020
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	%	Rs	%
Wholesale Price								
Eggs – Brown (each)	17.00-18.50	17.80	19.78	18.28	-1.98	-10.02	-0.48	-2.65
White (each)	14.50-17.00	15.72	17.83	17.73	-2.11	-11.83	-2.01	-11.34
Retail Price								
Eggs- Brown (each)	17.50-21.00	19.03	20.32	19.77	-1.28	-6.32	-0.74	-3.74
White (each)	15.00-19.00	17.40	18.94	18.84	-1.54	-8.15	-1.44	-7.63

Table 5.3: Wholesale and retail prices of eggs – September 2021

Source: Information Division/HARTI

Meat

Prices of all the meat varieties had slightly decreased at the retail market, compared to last month, due to demand decrease during the Covid curfew period. The highest price decrease was noted for pork as 7%. Further, prices of both chicken (curry), and chicken (broiler) had dropped by 6%. prices beef (without bones) and mutton had dropped by 3% and 0.4% at the retail level. Compared to the same period of the last year, prices of all the meat varieties had slightly increased with the highest was reported for mutton by 9%.

	Price Range		Average		Cl	Change Compared to			
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept. 2021	August 2021	Sept. 2020	Augus	t 2021	Sept.	2020	
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%	
Meat									
Beef (without		1 1 45 00	1 176 50	1057.50	-31.59	-2.68	87.50	8.27	
bones)	1100.00-1300.00	1,145.00	1,176.59	1037.30	-31.39	-2.08	87.30	0.27	
Chicken (Broiler)	590.00-760.00	664.43	709.67	613.98	-45.24	-6.37	50.45	8.22	
Chicken (curry)	600.00-750.00	667.70	712.05	630.33	-44.35	-6.23	37.37	5.93	
Mutton	2000.00-2100.00	2,065.77	2,074.07	1892.83	-8.30	-0.40	172.94	9.14	
Pork	750.00-900.00	803.89	861.11	803.75	-57.22	-6.65	0.14	0.02	

 Table 5.4: Retail prices of meat – September 2021

6. Wheat grain, Wheat flour and Sugar

Wheat flour and Sugar

The retail price of wheat flour ranged between Rs.97.00-101.00/Kg and the average price was Rs.99.00/Kg. The average retail price of wheat flour has changed by 6% compared to the same period of last year.

With regard to the retail price of sugar for the month of September the price ranged between Rs.126.00-130.00/Kg and the average retail price was Rs.128.00/Kg. The average retail price for sugar has decreased by 20% during the month. Further, compared to the same period of last year, average retail price of sugar has also decreased by 6%.

	Price Range		Average		Change C	Compare	d to	
Item	Sept. 2021	Sept.August20212021		Sept. 2020	August	August 2021		2020
	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	Rs/kg	%	Rs/kg	%
Wheat Flour	97.00-101.00	98.59	95.30	92.84	3.29	3.45	5.76	6.20
Sugar	126.00-130.00	127.58	158.81	135.14	-31.23	-19.67	-7.56	-5.59

Table 6.1: Open mark	et retail prices of whe	eat flour and sugar -	- September 2021

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

Table 6.2: Quantity, value and CIF prices of wheat flour & grain- April 2021 to September 2021

Marida	Quantity	Value	CIF price	Retail Price	Gross Margin
Month	(mt.)	(Rs.mn)	(Rs/kg)	(Rs/kg)	(Rs/kg)
Wheat Flour					-
September-2021	831.51	76.44	91.92	98.59	6.67
August-2021	1,018.28	94.18	92.49	95.30	2.81
July-2021	643.11	54.42	84.63	95.53	10.90
June-2021	1,304.89	109.17	83.66	93.75	10.09
May -2021	914.41	70.89	77.53	92.69	15.16
April -2021	722.61	56.83	78.65	92.64	13.99
Wheat Grain					
September-2021	81,044.60	4,697.65	57.96	98.59	40.63
August-2021	173,379.91	10,827.82	62.45	95.30	32.85
July-2021	80,875.27	4,759.85	58.85	95.53	36.67
June-2021	133,925.91	8,551.84	63.85	93.75	29.90
May -2021	64,058.57	4,043.31	63.12	92.69	29.57
April -2021	90,293.00	5,137.86	56.90	92.64	35.74

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HARTI

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

Table 6.3: Quantity, value and CIF prices of sugar- April 2020 to September 2021

Month	Quantity (mt.)			Retail Price (Rs/kg)	Gross Margin (Rs/kg)
September-2021	4554.41	441.29	96.89	127.58	30.68
August-2021	5263.00	507.70	96.47	158.81	62.34
July-2021	1147.00	114.49	99.81	130.21	30.39
June-2021	45545.90	4380.63	96.18	118.91	22.72
May -2021	24764.21	2408.64	97.26	117.77	20.50
April -2021	45500.22	4459.82	98.02	115.70	17.68

Source: Department of Customs; Marketing Food Policy and Agribusiness Division/HART

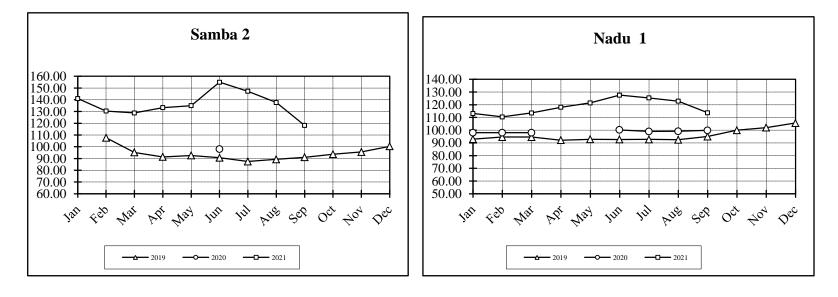
Table 7. Import of selected food items – September 2021													
	Quant	ity (mt)	% Change	Value ((Rs. mn)	% Change	CIF	(Rs/kg)	% Change				
Item	Sept. Aug. 2021 2021		Compared to last month		Aug. 2021	Compared to last month	Sept · Aug. 2021 2021		Compared to last month				
Rice	815	504	62	150	82	83	184	162	13				
Red Onion	595	51	1,075	68	6	1,038	115	118	-3				
Big Onion	6,085	29,952	-80	430	2,338	-82	71	78	-9				
Potato	8,439	9,194	-8	544	629	-14	64	68	-6				
Masoor Dhal	12,996	18,199	-29	2,143	2,735	-22	165	150	10				
Wheat flour	832	1,018	-18	76	94	-19	92	92	-1				
Wheat grain	81,045	173,380	-53	4,698	10,828	-57	58	62	-7				
Sugar & sugar confectionery	4,554	5,263	-13	441	508	-13	97	96	0				

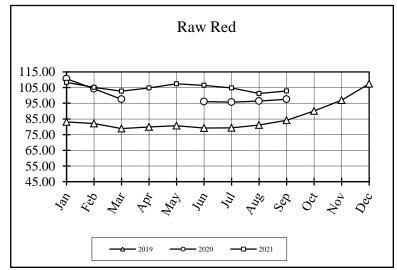
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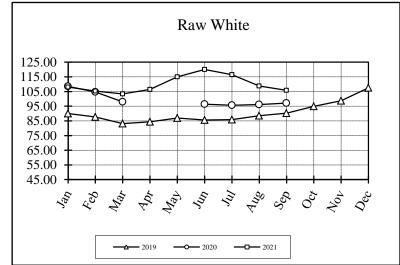
Source: Automated data Processing Division, Department of Customs, HARTI

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		135.00	92.83		121.48	80.74		107.41	87.00		115.04	
Jun	90.71	98.00	155.00	92.73	100.19	127.50	79.19	96.10	106.45	85.64	96.36	120.00	
Jul	87.49		147.27	92.75	98.97	125.36	79.31	95.73	104.83	85.86	95.59	116.53	
Aug	89.38		137.66	92.49	99.16	122.81	81.14	96.47	101.28	88.49	96.13	108.81	
Sep	91.08		118.18	95.00	99.85	113.72	84.14	97.54	102.87	90.23	97.08	105.80	
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 01:Retail Price of Rice in Colombo & Suburbs (Rs/kg)

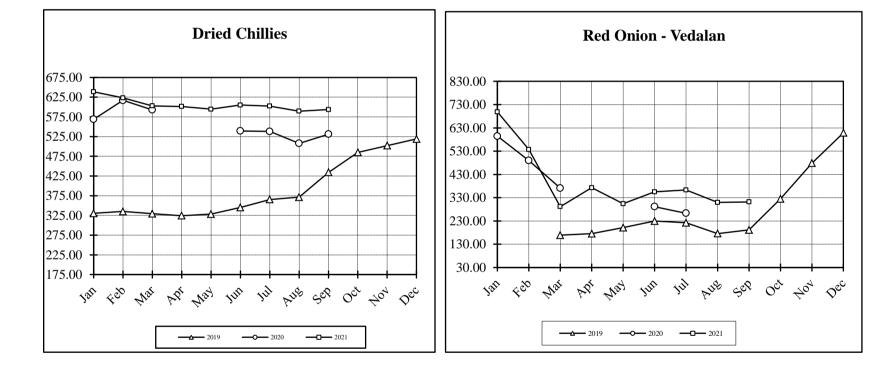


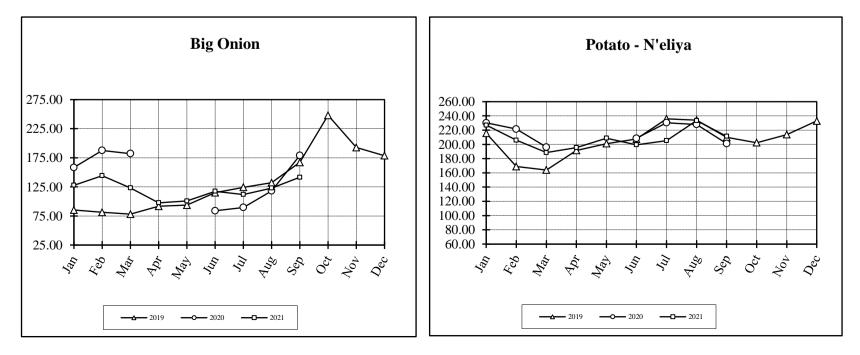




Month	Dı	ried Chillie	s]	Red Onion			Big Onion		Potato - N'Eliya			
	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	2019	2020	2021	
Jan	330.31	568.88	638.57		594.62	698.55	85.22	158.34	127.78	215.71	230.30	227.08	
Feb	335.00	616.91	623.15		489.95	537.28	81.33	187.64	144.28	168.89	221.45	205.92	
Mar	329.23	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		594.37	201.43		304.18	93.54		100.75	200.97		208.71	
Jun	345.06	539.23	605.00	229.57	291.67	355.40	114.91	83.89	117.42	207.45	208.57	199.41	
Jul	365.35	538.09	602.48	222.51	263.40	363.39	124.20	89.58	111.94	235.89	230.38	205.29	
Aug	371.46	507.84	589.40	175.95		309.97	132.13	118.02	122.89	234.10	227.97	233.39	
Sep	434.22	531.06	593.55	191.81		311.79	167.17	179.16	141.61	209.86	201.15	211.28	
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 02: Retail Pricees of Chillies, Onions & Potato in Colombo & Suburbs (Rs/kg)





Sep-21														
Commodity	1 St	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Commodity	1 St	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Commodity	1 St	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
v	Week	Week	Week	Week		Week	Week	Week	Week	2	Week	Week	Week	Week
Paddy					Potato					Leeks				
<u>Short grain</u>					N'Eliya	128.00	140.00	125.60	121.20	Welimada	148.00	148.00	127.40	94.60
A'pura	56.80	56.80	56.80	60.80	Badulla	104.00	121.25	126.25	108.75	N'Eliya	153.00	158.00	137.80	95.60
P'naruwa	57.50	60.33	64.50	66.50	Welimada	96.80	106.00	109.20	104.40					
Kalawewa	52.17	60.00	60.00	64.50	Pulses					Beetroot				
Kurunegala	55.50	51.50	51.00	52.50	<u>Green Gram</u>					Hanguranketha			53.00	35.00
Dehiattakandiya	53.00	53.00	60.00	61.33	Galgamuwa					N'Eliya	54.00	33.00	36.80	26.80
Ampara	59.00	58.33	58.33	59.00	Kalawewa	533.33	533.33	533.33	443.33	Dambulla		29.60	33.00	38.40
Long grain (White)					Embilipitiya				405.00	Kurunegala				42.50
A'pura	55.20	55.20	54.80	58.80	Kurunegala					Welimada	27.00	31.00	28.40	26.20
P'naruwa	55.75	58.33	63.00	64.50	A'pura	520.00		488.00	520.00	Knokhol				
Kalawewa	49.67	56.33	56.33	61.50	Cowpea					Hanguranketha				
Kurunegala	50.00	49.50	49.00	50.00	A'pura	370.00	370.00			N'Eliya	33.00	31.00	37.60	37.60
Dehiattakandiya	50.00	52.00	60.00	59.33	Galgamuwa					Welimada	28.00	32.00	37.80	38.40
Embilipitiya					Nikaweratiya					Radish				
Ampara	54.67	52.50	52.33	52.33	Kalawewa	410.00	373.33	373.33	373.33	Hanguranketha			20.00	
Matara	51.33	51.66	56.00	56.33	Embilipitiya					N'Eliya	22.00	21.20	22.00	21.20
Hambantota					Kurunegala					Welimada	18.00	17.60	16.80	19.60
Long grain (Red)					Maize					<u>Cabbage</u>				
Matara	51.33	51.66	56.00	56.33	A'Pura			67.00	64.00	Hanguranketha			62.00	68.00
Hambantota	51.00	51.00	55.50	55.50	Kalawewa	71.67	65.00	65.00	73.75	N'Eliya	94.00	97.20	97.00	91.20
Ampara	54.67	52.67	52.67	52.67	Gingelly					Welimada	67.60	75.00	88.00	58.00
Embilipitiya	55.25	55.50	55.50	55.50	A'Pura					Hambantota				
Other Food Crops					Kalawewa					Badulla	85.00	80.00	72.50	65.00
Dried Chillies					Black Gram					Tomato				
A'Pura					Kalawewa	320.00	375.00	375.00	380.00	Hanguranketha			48.00	69.00
Galgamuwa					A'Pura					Welimada	85.00	74.00	58.00	43.00
Kalawewa					Vegetables (Up Country)					Hambantota	65.00	65.00	55.00	35.00
Red Onion					Beans					Dambulla		62.60	60.20	50.00
Puttalam	182.00	184.00	172.50	180.00	Dambulla		85.40	95.20	149.50	Low Country				
					Welimada	92.20	116.00	67.80	186.00	Ladies Fingers				
Big Onion					Badulla	110.00	100.00	92.50	175.00		34.00	37.00	37.00	37.00
Dambulla		93.00	99.00	101.00	Carrot					Dambulla		58.80	37.60	40.40
Kalawewa					Hanguranketha			80.00	76.00	Hambantota	35.00	35.00	35.00	35.00
A'Pura					N'Eliya	68.00	68.00	67.80	84.00		50.00	47.00	43.00	43.00
Kurunegala					Welimada	57.00	55.00	60.40	72.00	1 2	46.67	41.67	38.33	46.67

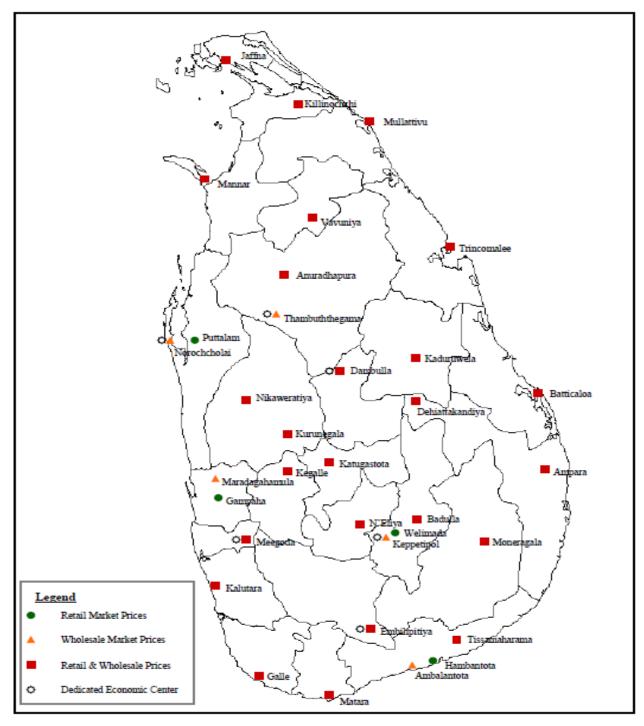
Appendix 03: Farmgate\Producer Prices of Food Commodities

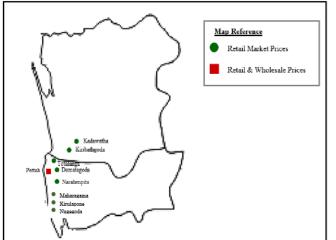
in Selected Producing Areas (Rs/Kg)

Appendix 03: contd.....

Commodity	1 St	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Commodity	1 St	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	Commodity	1 St	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
· ·	Week	Week	Week	Week	5	Week	Week	Week	Week	2	Week	Week	Week	Week
Brinjals					Pumpkin					Lime				
A'pura	94.00	94.00	134.00	144.00	Dambulla		60.80	34.20	40.00	Hambantota				
Dambulla		108.00	144.50	119.60	Hambantota	55.00	45.00	45.00	35.00	Embilipitiya	76.25	112.50	180.00	191.25
Hambantota	90.00	110.00	130.00	130.00	Embilipitiya	78.75	67.00	58.00	50.00	Moneragala				
Embilipitiya	105.00	143.75	182.50	126.25	Matara		42.50	43.33	45.00	<u>Fruits (Rs/Kg)</u>				
Matara					A'pura	64.00	64.00	44.00	44.00	<u>Banana</u>				
Welimada	94.00	104.00	108.40	124.00	Moneragala					Ambul				
					Cucumber					Moneragala				
Capsicum					A'pura	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	Embilipitiya	28.00	28.00	28.00	32.00
Welimada	134.00	144.00	165.00	165.00	Dambulla		23.40	20.60	23.40	Hambantota				
Bitter Gourd					Hambantota	13.33	13.33	13.33	13.33	Kolikuttu				
A'pura	84.00	108.00	124.00	114.00	Matara	32.50				Moneragala				
Dambulla		99.00	131.00	131.00	Long beans					Embilipitiya	136.25	191.25	192.50	131.25
Hambantota					Dambulla		43.40	45.00	59.80	Hambantota				
Embilipitiya	150.00	151.25	185.00	170.00	Hambantota	36.67	36.67	36.67	43.33	Papaw				
					Embilipitiya	66.25	73.75	61.25	62.50	Moneragala				
Snake Gourd					Matara	53.33	41.67	36.67	48.33	Embilipitiya	53.75	60.00	66.25	65.00
Dambulla		80.80	81.60	79.60	A'Pura	52.00	54.00	57.00	64.00	Hambantota				
Hambantota	60.00	60.00	60.00	73.33	Ash Plantain					Pineapple				
Embilipitiya	70.00	76.25	71.25	71.25	Hambantota	20.00	20.00	20.00	18.33	Divulapitiya				
Matara	48.33	48.33	46.67	66.67	Embilipitiya	21.00	24.00	22.00	22.00					
A'pura	74.00	74.00	64.00	67.00	Matara		30.00	22.50	32.50					
Luffa					Green Chillies									
Dambulla		56.80	59.20	51.80	Dambulla		129.00	129.00	120.00					
Hambantota	65.00	60.00	45.00	45.00	Hambantota									
Embilipitiya	96.25	91.25	49.00	54.00	Embilipitiya	181.25	205.00	188.00	188.00					
Matara	48.33	46.67	46.67	43.33	Puttalam	110.00	112.00	106.00	109.00					
A'pura	76.00	64.00	54.00	47.00	A'Pura	148.00	148.00	128.00	148.00					

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