

## WFP MONTHLY MARKET UPDATE

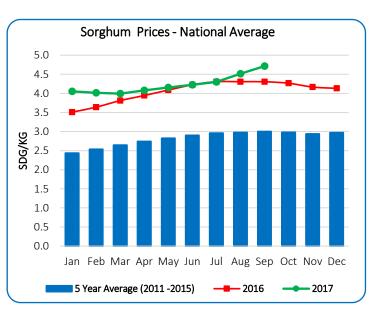
SUDAN, SEPTEMBER 2017

## Highlights

- The national average price of sorghum increased this month by 4.0 percent compared to the previous month (August).
- The retail prices of sorghum increased sharply in Kassala, Blue Nile and White Nile, significantly in Red Sea and Central Darfur, which attributed to the shortage of rainfall in in some states, and border trades in Eastern states.
- The national average price of goat increased by 3.0 percent compared to the previous month due to the poor range condition this season; the highest increase was in South Darfur, South Kordofan and West Darfur states.
- The national average price of groundnut increased by only 2.0 percent compared to the previous month. The highest increase was in West Kordofan and Central Darfur states.

## Summary

The national average price of sorghum continued its significant increase, which increased by 4.0 percent compared to August 2017. The current national retail price of sorghum increased by 10 percent compared to the same period of previous year (August 2016), which reflect the poor performance of the current agricultural season concerning sorghum cultivation. The delay of rainfall in some areas, long dry spell during early August in some main production areas and low prices also contributed to this significant increase in sorghum price.



The national average price of sorghum was 57 percent higher than the five-year average of same month (September).



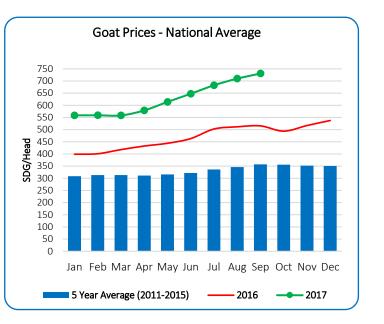
The national average price of goat increased by 3.0 percent compared to the previous month (August) this slight increase attributed to the low rainfall in the main rangeland and grazing areas around Sudan. The national average goat price increased by 48 percent compared to the same month of the previous year (September 2016).

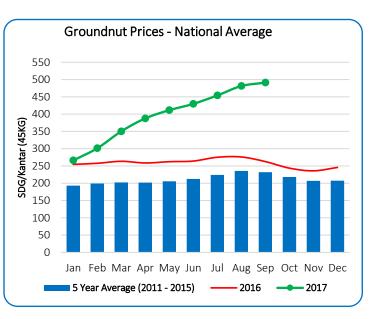
The national average price of goat was 104 percent higher than the five-year average of the same month (September). This high variation in the national average price of goat mainly attributed to the inflationary increase in the cost of production, such as medicines and feeding ingredients, where most of it are imported.

The national average price of groundnut increased by 2.0 percent compared to August 2017. This slight increase is due to the closeness of the harvesting period in most production areas around Sudan. It's expected to drop by the onset of the harvesting period in October/November.

The groundnut price was higher by 102.0 percent compared to the same period of the previous year (September 2016) due high demand from the local oil industry and export market.

The national average price of groundnut was 112.0 percent higher than the five-year average of the same month (September).





Additional price data for the three commodities for 2015, 2016 and 2017 by the state found in annex 1 (page 7).

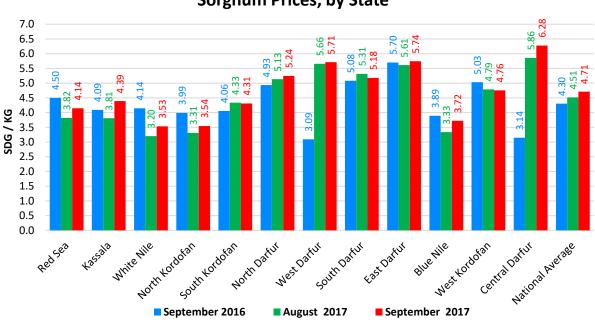


# Sorghum

The sorghum retail prices increased in September in all states except South Darfur (decreased by 2.5 percent), West Kordofan (decreased by 0.7 percent) and South Kordofan (decreased by 0.5 percent) compared to the previous month (August). It sharply increased in Kassala (15 percent), Blue Nile (11.8 percent), White Nile (10.4 percent), Red Sea (8.4 percent), Central Darfur (7.2 percent), North Kordofan (7.0 percent) while it slightly increased in East Darfur (2.4 percent), North Darfur (2.2 percent) and West Darfur (1.0 percent). The significant increase in the sorghum prices in some states, which mainly attributed to very poor rainfall and frequent dry spells during the current season in many production areas in addition to shift of many farmers to cultivate cash crops.

The sorghum prices varied in all states compared to the same period of the previous year (September 2016). It sharply increased in two states, Central Darfur (100 percent) and West Darfur (85 percent), slightly in Kassala (7.0 percent), North Darfur (6.3 percent) and South Kordofan (6.0 percent). Sorghum prices sharply decreased in White Nile (15 percent), North Kordofan (11 percent) and Red Sea (8 percent), while it decreased slightly in West Kordofan (6 percent) and Blue Nile (4 percent).

The sorghum prices were higher by 1 to 155 percent in all states compared to the 5-year average of the same month (September).





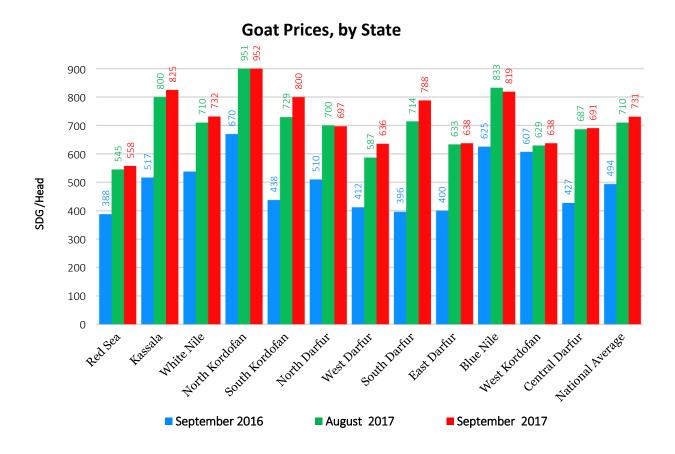


# Goat

The prices of goat sharply increased in South Darfur (10 percent), South Kordofan (9.7 percent) and West Darfur (8.3 percent) compared to the previous month (August). It slightly increased (by 1 to 3 percent) in White Nile, Kassala, Red Sea, West Kordofan and East Darfur, while it decreased Blue Nile and North Darfur. The stability and/or slight increase the goat prices in most states, which attributed to the poor rainy season and rangeland in the main livestock production areas.

The price of goat increased by 5 to 99 percent in all states compared to the same month of the previous year (September 2016), while it was higher by 32 to 160 percent in all states compared to the 5-year average of the same month.

The increase in goat prices compared to the previous years attributed to the inflationary increase in the cost of inputs and services.

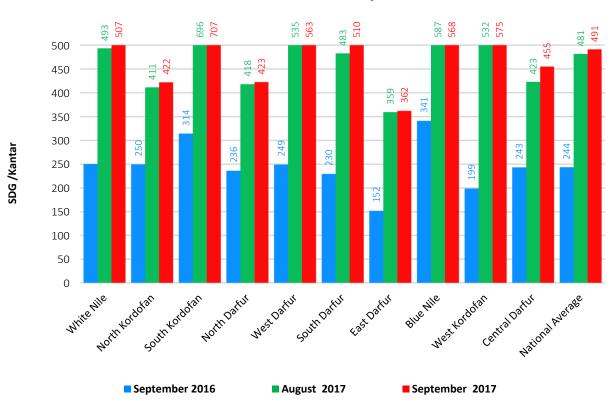




# Groundnut

The groundnut prices continued its increase in all states compared to the previous month (August), except Blue Nile where it decreased by 3 percent. It significantly increased in West Kordofan (8 percent), Central Darfur (7.6 percent), South Darfur (5.7 percent) and West Darfur (5.2 percent), while it slightly increased (by 1 to 3 percent) in White Nile, North Kordofan, South Kordofan, North Darfur and East Darfur. The increasing trend of groundnut prices in most states attributed to the high costs of production and high demand of oilseeds from internal and export markets.

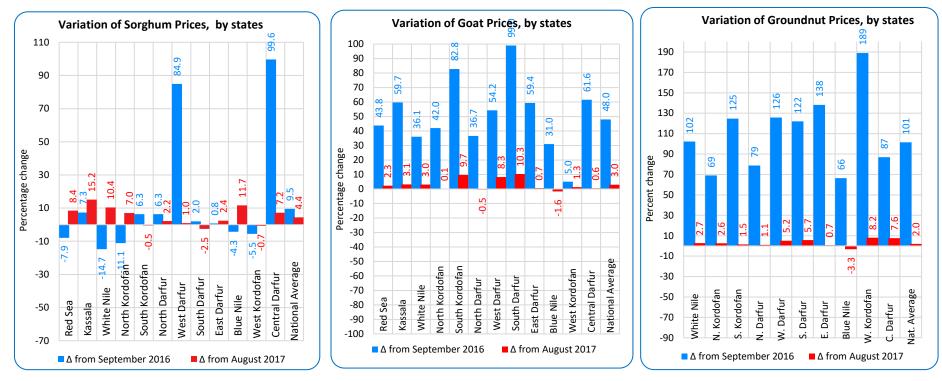
The groundnut prices increased by 66 to 200 percent in all states compared to the same month of the previous year (August 2016) while it remained higher in all states by 79 to 157 percent compared to the five-year average of September.



**Groundnut Prices, by State** 



#### THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE OF SORGHUM, GOAT AND GROUNDNUT PRICES COMPARED TO THE AUGUST 2017 AND SEPTEMBER 2016



#### **R**ANKING OF THE **S**TATES ACCORDING TO THE **M**AGNITUDE OF VARIATION IN THE **P**RICES OF THREE **C**OMMODITIES

September 2017 Compared to August 2017				
Ranking	Sorghum	Goat	Groundnut	
First	Kassala (+)	South Darfur (+)	West Kordofan (+)	
Second	Blue Nile (+)	South Kordofan (+)	Central Darfur (+)	
Third	White Nile (+)	Kassala (+)	South Darfur (+)	
Fourth	Red Sea (+)	White Nile (+)	White Nile (+)	
Fifth	Central Darfur (+)	Red Sea (+)	North Kordofan (+)	

September 2017 compared to September 2016				
Ranking	Sorghum	Goat	Groundnut	
First	Central Darfur (+)	South Darfur (+)	West Kordofan (+)	
Second	West Darfur (+)	South Kordofan (+)	East Darfur (+)	
Third	Kassala (+)	Central Darfur (+)	West Darfur (+)	
Fourth	South Darfur (+)	Kassala (+)	South Kordofan (+)	
Fifth	South Kordofan (+)	West Darfur (+)	South Darfur (+)	

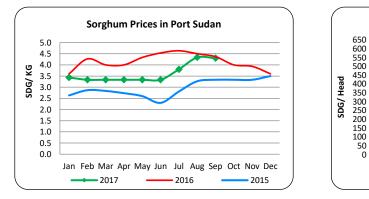
Key: Increase in price = (+), Decrease in price = (-), Steady price = (0)

Note: Compared to the previous month (August 2017), the sorghum prices increased in most states, where it increased in nine states, while it either slightly decreased or remained unchanged in W. Kordofan, S. Kordofan and S. Darfur states. Compared to August 2017, the goat prices increased in all states, except for Blue Nile and North Darfur while the groundnut prices increased in all states except Blue Nile.

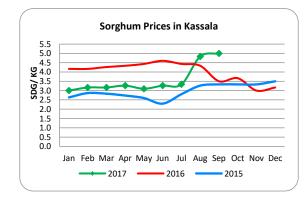


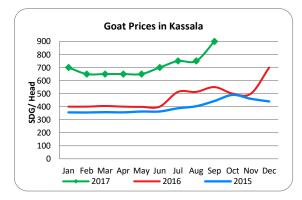
### Annex 1: The Sorghum, Goat and Groundnut prices for 2015, 2016 and 2017 by States:

Red Sea









**Goat Prices in Port Sudan** 

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

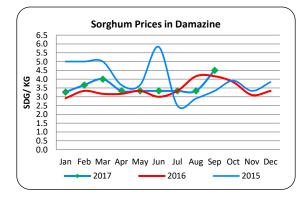
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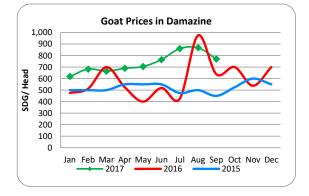
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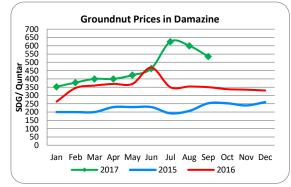
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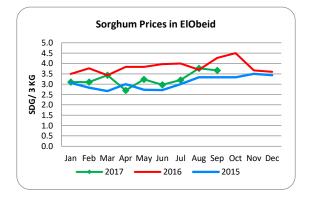
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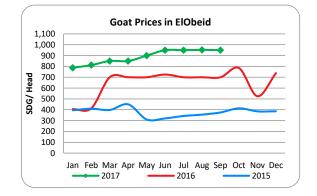


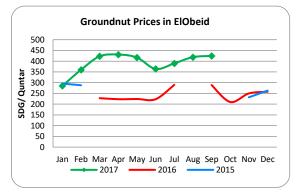




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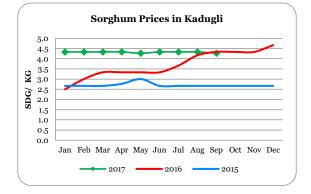


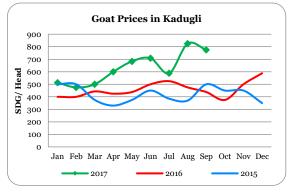


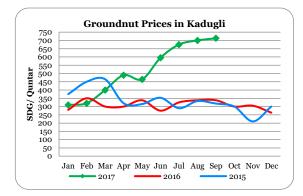




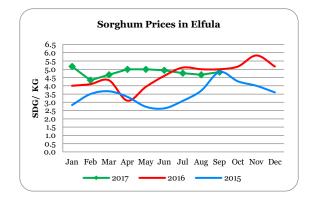
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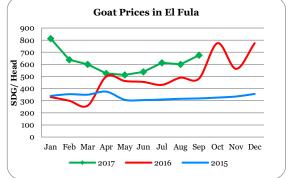


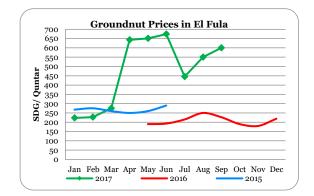




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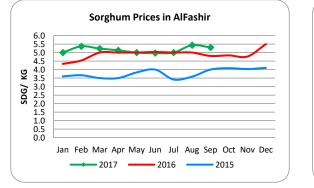




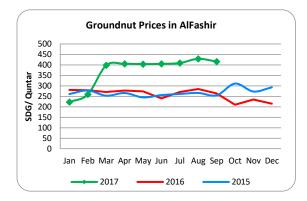




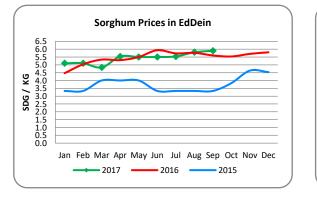
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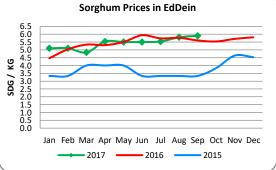


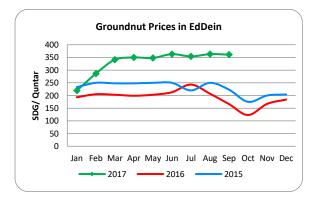




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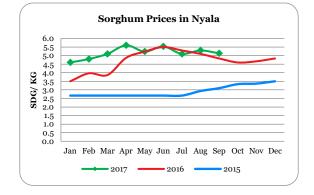


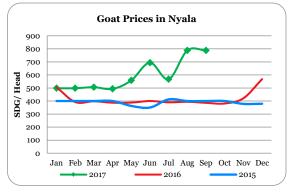


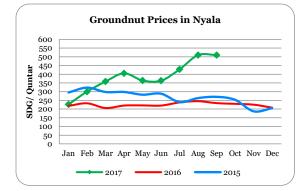




### South Darfur





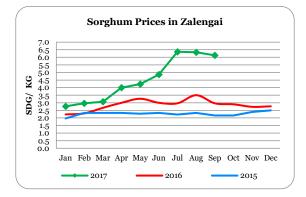


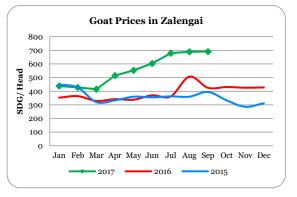
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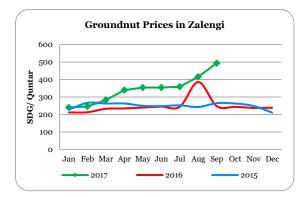




#### **Central Darfur**

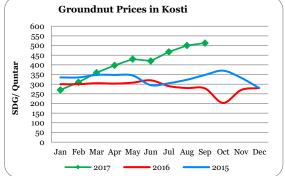






#### White Nile







#### National Average

