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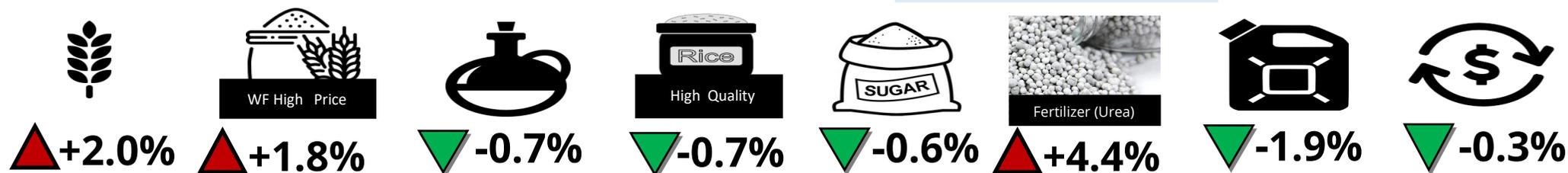
Highlights

- Due to stable supply from the sources markets , Prices of main food commodities such as Wheat, wheat flour, rice low quality are typically increased comparing to second week of April 2022. still prices are significantly higher comparing to last year same time and month of June 2021 before the political change in the country.
- Diesel prices decreased during third week of April due to increasing supply from sources markets . Comparing to last week prices are decreased by 1.9% and comparing to month of June its is still higher by 45 %.
- Comparing to last week, the value of Afghani against USD is slightly improved , but still lack of cash (USD) in Banks and high demand for it exists in the market. The value of Afghani against US Doller is considerably bellow comparing to last year same time and average level.
- Atypically , casual labour wage and number of days work available in main markets of the country is bellow average and gradually decreasing to deteriorating economy in the country.

Main Food Commodities/Food Access indicators	Price/rate & Changes (%)			
	3rd Week of April 2022	Compared to month of June 2021	Compared to the 2nd Week of April 2022	
WHEAT (Kg)	43.4	45%	▲	2.0% ▶
WHEAT FLOUR - High price (Kg)	49.7	49%	▲	0.8% ▶
WHEAT FLOUR - Low price (Kg)	45.2	50%	▲	1.8% ▶
RICE HIGH QAULITY (Kg)	105.8	20%	▲	-0.7% ▶
RICE LOW QAULITY (Kg)	53.7	12%	▲	0.8% ▶
COOKING OIL (Kg)	179.2	32%	▲	-0.7% ▶
PULSES (Kg)	113.6	23%	▲	0.0% ▶
SUGAR (Kg)	62.6	25%	▲	-0.6% ▶
DIESEL (LITER)	72.1	45%	▲	-1.9% ▶
ONE YEAR ALIVE FEMALE SHEEP (HEAD)	7975	6%	▶	-0.9% ▶
LABOUR UNSKILLED/DAY	290	-3%	▶	0.0% ▶
LABOUR SKILLED/DAY	577	-11%	▼	0.0% ▶
FERTILIZER (DAP) - 50 Kg	5616.8	97%	▲	-0.2% ▶
FERTILIZER (UREA) - 50 Kg	2999.2	129%	▲	4.4% ▶
EXCHANGE RATE	88.1	12%	▲	-0.3% ▶
PASTORALIST TOT	190.1	-26%	▼	-1.9% ▶
Casual Labour Wage TOT	6.7	-35%	▼	-1.5% ▶

Average weekly prices changes :

- ▲ Price increases above normal price fluctuation
- ▶ Normal Price Fluctuation
- ▼ Price Decrease below normal price fluctuation



	 WF High Price	 Rice Low Quality					 DAP
20%> Zabul 13%> Laghman 8%> Badgis -7%<Badakhshan	8%> Kunar 6%> Laghman 4%> Ghor 4%> Daykundi	20%> Baghlan 10%> Ghor 10%> Wardak 8%> Paktika	7%> Badghis 3%> Ghor -11%< Badakhshan -7% < Daykundi	8%> Kandahar 5%> Helmand 3%> Baghlan -3%< Khost	-.1%< Balkh -1% < Badakhshan -1%< Hilmand 1%> Urozgan	,-16%< Farah -15%< Baghlan -15%< Paktya 8%> Kandahar	13% > Logar 9% > Zabul 3% > Kandahar 1%> Daykundi
Third Week April 2022 Comparison to Last week							

During 3rd week of April 2022, prices of main food commodities compared to last week are slightly increased. Wheat grain, wheat flour and rice low quality prices are increased by (1-2 %), Where cooking oil prices decreased by 1% comparing to last week due to global increasing prices. Comparing to June 2021, prices of main food commodities is still significant higher and purchasing power is well bellow average.

Meanwhile, fertilizers prices has been significantly increased specially DAP by 97% and UREA by 129% comparting to June 2021 , limited financial access to DAP will be resulted in significant reduction of expected crop yield that is already affected by drought.

Casual Labour/Wheat ToT

During 3rd week of April 2022, Casual labour / Wheat TOT is deteriorated by 1.5% due to higher prices of wheat and low level of labour wage in main markets of the country.

This TOT has been drastically deteriorated in Nangarhar 38%, Laghman 32%, Sar-i-pul 32%, Samangan 31%, Badghis 28% Khost 27%, and Hirat 18% comparing to June 2021. Meanwhile , comparing to last week , this TOT has been significantly deteriorated in Zabul 16%, Laghman 16% and Nangarhar 10% indicating lower casual labour opportunities and above average wheat grain prices in these markets.

Number of days work is available

On average the number of days work available in the market is 2.1 days , that was 1.9 on average lats week .

At provincial level, the number rose in Zabul 4 days, Kandahar, Badakhshan, and Farah increased to 3 days compared from the last 3 weeks.

Due to seasonality its expected for short term number of days work available will increase in main cities , but again it will be dropped due to unstable economy in the country .

Pastoralist ToT

The national average for pastoralist ToT deteriorated by 1.9% this week. However this number is 26 % below the month of June 2021. precipitation during month of March has contributed to favourable livestock body condition and ensured fodder and pasture availability , which resulted in higher livestock prices and slight improvement in Pastoralist TOT.

During 3rd week of April , livestock prices almost remained the same , but wheat grain prices increased. This TOT has been improved in Khost 40%, Bamyar 25%Uruzgan 23%, Hilmand 20% comparing to last month, In addition, its atypically deteriorated in Wardak 47% and Ghazni 41%, comparing to June 2021.