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Key Messages

- The general inflation moved down to 9.24 percent in April from 9.33 percent last month, with reduced food inflation that declined to 8.84 percent (from 9.09 percent in March 2023). Non-food inflation was unchanged at 9.72 percent this month.
- The national average price of LPG for cooking was further reduced by BDT 244 in April 2023, driven by ample supplies and lower demand at the global level. The price hits BDT 1,178 per 12 kg cylinder (gas-only price), after having increased by BDT 76 per 12 kg cylinder in March 2023.
- In the domestic retail markets, month-on-month prices of basic food commodities like cereals, lentils, poultry, egg, edible oil, green chilli and garlic reduced, while prices of onion and potatoes increased.
- The total import of food grain during the ongoing Fiscal Year up to April 2023 was around 7.7 percent lower than the same month last year (Ministry of Food).
- The cost of a typical food basket (national) in April 2023 (BDT 2,516) moved slightly down by BDT 2 with a declining pattern of prices of some essential food items. In Cox's Bazar, food basket costs in April 2023 remained 11 percent higher year-on-year, putting a strain on a household's purchasing capacities.

The War in Ukraine and Global Markets – Impact on Bangladesh:

The war in Ukraine has had an outsized impact on the global economy, Bangladesh is no exception. The country has still been undergoing a long-term impact, though the situation around the world in recent times has improved, due to the major contributions Ukraine and Russia make to the production and trade of fuel, fertilizers and essential food commodities like wheat. Domestic food prices experienced an increase that is yet to decline, with food inflation being abnormally high. Bangladesh's export to the global market, particularly in the non-RMG sectors, has been squeezed by the ongoing war in Ukraine coupled with high inflation, and increased production costs due to price hikes of gas, electricity and locally sourced raw materials within the country. Even the country's exports in the RMG sector in April observed a significant decline, foreign exchange reserves also declined further in this month and BDT devalued to the biggest in the fiscal year FY2022-23. The per capita income in Bangladesh fell by 1 percent year-on-year to USD 2,765 in FY2022-23.¹ Along with the issues of import barriers and global unrest, the lack of internal governance and reforms has been a big challenge for the country to recover from the crisis. The efforts by the

government to reduce import expenditure and to save foreign exchange reserves have yielded little result.

The energy sector of the country has been observing an unstable situation. The government is going to increase electricity prices for the fourth time this year by June.² Despite increasing the prices of fertilizers, electricity and gas, the next fiscal year (FY2023-24) would see an additional allocation for gross subsidies to adjust to the amount required in excess of the allocation for the current fiscal year³.

The current global food insecurity and malnutrition crisis is enormous. Nearly 258 million people in 58 countries were in crisis or worse acute food insecurity (IPC/CH Phase 3 or above, or equivalent) in 2022 – up from 193 million in 53 countries in 2021.⁴ In Bangladesh, WFP's mVAM survey in April 2023 showed that 43 percent of low-income households were food insecure. 64 percent of the sample households had to adopt livelihood-based coping strategies; 62 percent reported the rise in food prices as their deepest concern.⁵

¹ <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/capita-income-falls-2763-630090>

² <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/power-rate-hike-again-june-meet-imf-conditions>

³ <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/next-fiscal-year-see-higher-allocation-gross-subsidy>

⁴ <https://www.fsinplatform.org/sites/default/files/resources/files/GRFC2023-hi-res.pdf>

⁵ <https://www.wfp.org/publications/wfp-bangladesh-mobile-vulnerability-analysis-and-mapping-mvam-reports>

Global food Indices

The FAO Food Price Index (FFPI)⁶, which measures the monthly changes in international prices of a basket of food commodities, averaged 127.2 points in April, slightly up from March 2023 (126.9 points). The index was still down by 20 percent from the corresponding month last year. The slight rebound this month was led by a steep increase in the sugar price index, along with an upturn in the meat price index, offsetting the consistent drop in the cereals, dairy and vegetable oil prices. The Index was 37.5 percent higher as compared to the pre-pandemic time in March 2020.

FAO Cereal Price Index in April 2023 was further down by 2 percent from last month reflecting a fall in international prices of all major cereals outweighing an increase in rice prices month-on-month. International monthly prices of wheat fell by 2.3 percent, and those of rice went up by 2.5 percent. The index was 20 percent lower year-on-year. The prices of vegetable oils and dairy products decreased by 1.3 and 1.7 percent respectively as compared to last month. However, the prices of sugar raised by as high as 17.6 percent, and that of meat raised by 1.3

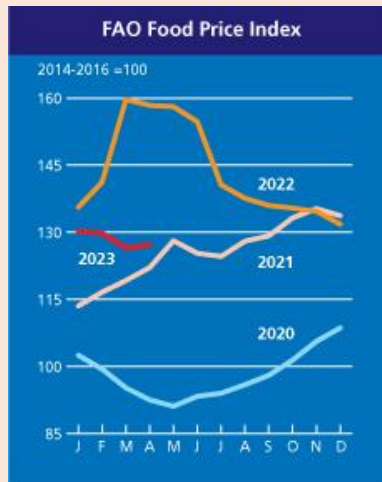


Figure 1: FAO Food Price Index (FFPI)

percent in April 2023 in the international markets. The overall downward pattern in the FFPI in April 2023 compared to the previous year was driven by ample exportable availability in Russia and Australia, favourable crop conditions in Europe, increased export avenues from Ukraine, higher seasonal supplies and improved crop conditions in South America.

The International Grains Council's (IGC) Grains and Oilseeds Index (GOI)⁷ – a measure of changes in major export quotations for a basket of commodities worldwide – averaged 279 points in April 2023, 3.8 percent lower than the previous month, but 20 percent lower than the same period last year.

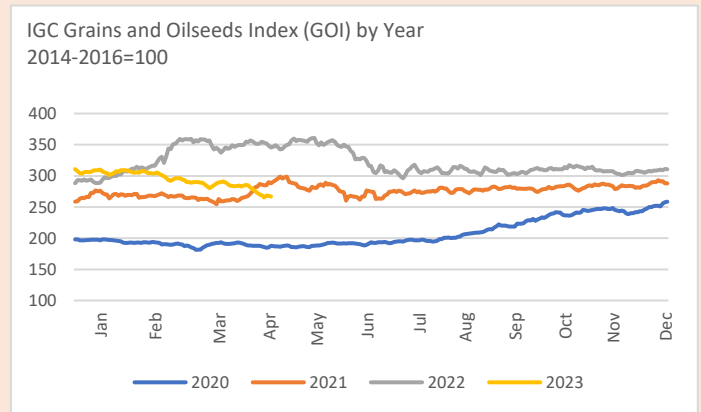


Figure 2: International Grains Council Grains and Oilseeds Index (GOI)

Bangladesh Economy:

The inflation rate moved slightly down to 9.24 percent in April from 9.33 percent last month with reduced food inflation, though the inflation figures for March and April are not directly comparable as the BBS has changed the base year to 2021-22, from 2005-06 considering the present financial situation and the IMF suggestions.⁸ The food inflation declined to 8.84 percent (from 9.09 percent in March 2023). Non-food inflation was stable at 9.72 percent this month. A similar downward trend was observed in both urban and rural inflation, food inflation in urban declined slightly by 0.4 percent month-on-month. The year-on-year increase in the annual general inflation in April 2023 was as high as 47 percent.⁹

In April 2023, the country's foreign exchange reserves decreased to USD 30.97 billion from 31.14 billion in March 2023.¹⁰ The country's earnings from RMG export decreased this month to USD 3.32 billion, which was 15.5 percent down compared to April 2022. However, overall earnings during July-April period of the ongoing FY grew 9 percent year-on-year to USD 38.57 billion.¹¹ BDT has been devalued for the 15th time in April 2023 against the USD reaching BDT 104.5, which was BDT 103 last month¹². Remittance inflow dropped this month by 16.3 percent to USD 1.7 billion, inspired by the banks' offering a lower exchange rate for USD to remitters.¹³ The inflow was 16.4 percent lower compared to April 2022 (USD 2.01 billion).

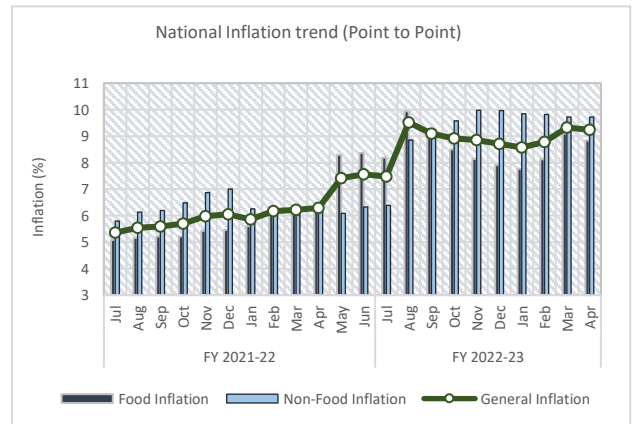


Figure 3: Inflation trend

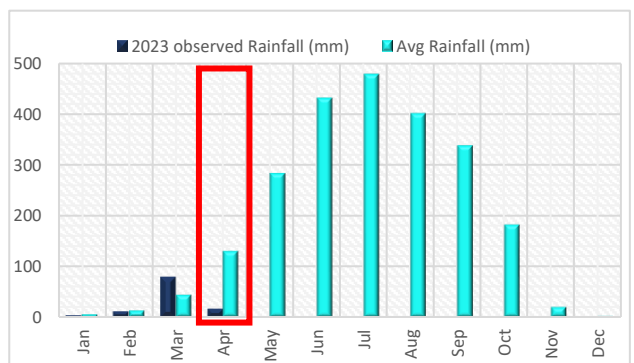


Figure 4: April 2023 rainfall vs 20-year average rainfall

⁶ <https://www.fao.org/worldfoodsituation/foodpricesindex/en/>

⁷ <https://www.igc.int/markets/marketinfo-goi.aspx>

⁸ <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/inflation-falls-slightly-924-april-625766>

⁹ <http://bbs.portal.gov.bd/sites/default/files/files/bbs.portal.gov.bd/6/2023-05-03-10-42-1178a60d5a279bff7e260d6520e39dc7.pdf>

¹⁰ <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/current-account-deficit-narrows-further-reserves-inch-30b-629694>

¹¹ <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/rmg-exports-reached-3857bn-during-july-april-fy2022-23-626014>

¹² <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/taka-devalued-tk15-biggest-fy23-625362>

¹³ <https://www.bb.org.bd/en/index.php/econdata/wageremittance>

Bangladesh Seasonality:

The average precipitation in April 2023 was observed at 16.9 mm, about 87 percent lower than the 20 years average rainfall this month. April is the harvesting season for wheat, potatoes, and some other seasonal crops.

National Price Trends for Key Commodities¹⁴:



Rice:

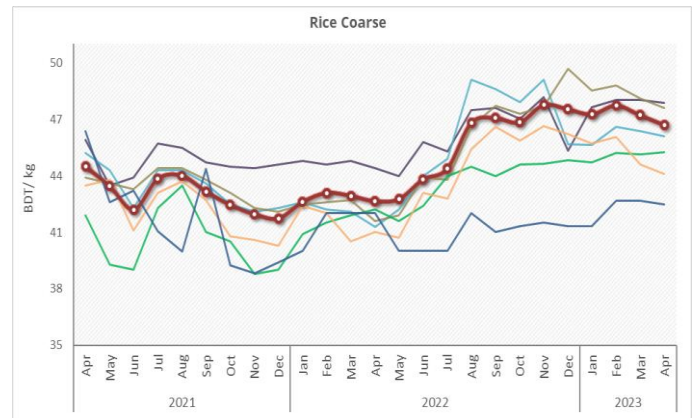
- The national average retail prices of coarse rice in domestic markets followed a downward shift and fell to BDT 46.7 per kg in April 2023. The national average price was 9.5 percent higher year on year, and 43.4 percent higher as compared to pre-COVID time (March 2020*).

- Divisional monthly prices of coarse rice were also reduced by 1-3 percent this month.

- In Cox's Bazar, retail prices of both the non-boiled BR 29 variety and the coarse variety (Gazi) in April were somewhat stable at BDT 54.7 and 42.4 per kg respectively.

- Despite satisfactory production and internal public procurement of Aman rice, the average retail price of rice has been quite high, primarily because of rising costs for production inputs and post-harvest processing.

— Dhaka — Rajshahi — Khulna — Sylhet — Rangpur — Cox's Bazar — National Overall



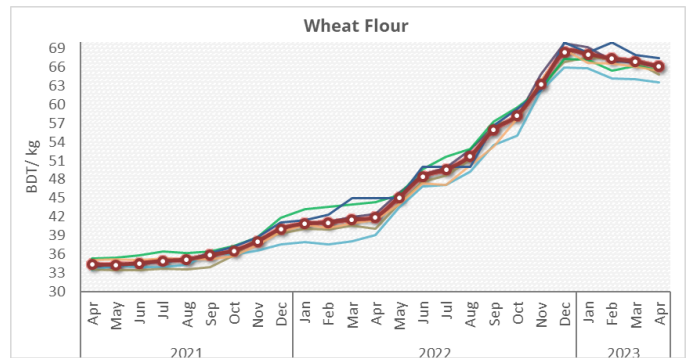
Wheat Flour:

- National average prices of wheat flour further eased in the retail markets in April 2023 on the back of ample global production and supply, as 85 percent of the domestic wheat requirement is met from imports.

- In April 2023, wheat flour price averaged BDT 65.9 per Kg, 1.5 percent lower than the previous month's price (BDT 66.9).

- The average price of wheat flour this month was however, 57 percent higher year on year, and 101 percent higher than pre-COVID time (March 2020).

- Prices in Cox's Bazar retail markets in April followed a stable pattern as last month, with a 5.5 percent increase year-on-year.

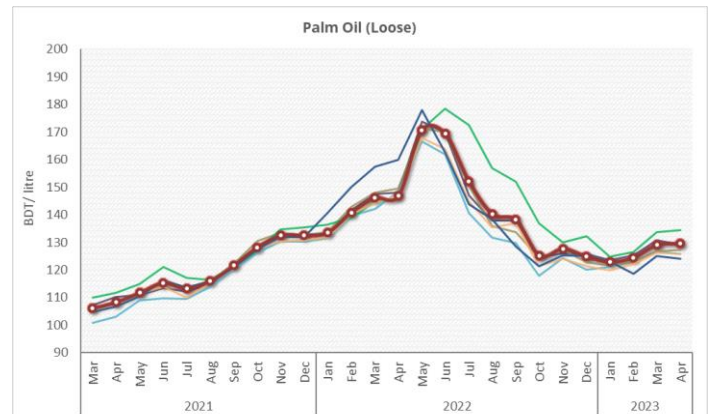


Vegetable oil:

- The national average price of edible oil eased in the domestic markets this month following the global trend. Palm oil price was a somewhat similar month on month at BDT 129.5 per litre. The price was, however, 11.8 percent lower year on year, but 68 percent higher as compared to pre-COVID (March 2020).

- Soybean Oil prices decreased this month to BDT 170.5 per litre. The prices remained 6.5 percent higher than in the same period last year (April 2022).

- In Cox's Bazar retail markets, both palm oil and soybean oil prices decreased slightly hitting BDT 124.1 and 184.1 per litre respectively this month.



Red lentils:

- The national average retail price of imported red lentils also moved down by 1.1 percent falling BDT 99.1 per kg in April 2023; the price was 2.2 percent higher year-on-year and 41.2 percent higher compared to the pre-COVID price in March 2020.

- An upward trend was observed across Cox's Bazar retail markets, with red lentils prices slightly increasing month-on-month hitting BDT 100.2 per kg. The price was 2.2 percent higher year-on-year.

- Imports meet as much as 80 percent of the country's total red lentil requirements. Despite having a considerable decrease in the international markets, lentil prices did not cool down much locally. The main reasons for such discrepancies, according to traders, are the rise in the prices of dollars, gas and electricity.

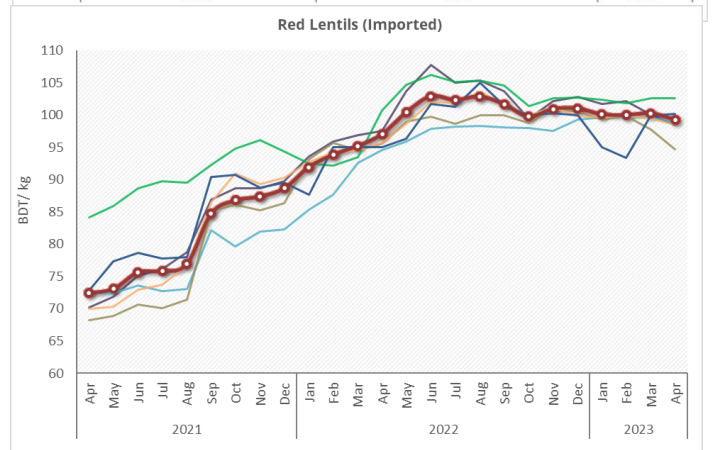


Figure 5-8. National monthly retail market price trends

* March 2020 is considered as the base for pre-COVID period.

¹⁴ Divisional price data Source- Department of Agricultural Marketing- <http://www.dam.gov.bd/>



Price Trend of other commodities (national and sub-national)

Poultry, Meat, and Eggs: National average retail prices of broiler chicken decreased by 8 percent, and that of eggs reduced by 2 percent in April 2023 compared to the previous month. In Cox's Bazar retail markets, broiler chicken prices reduced slightly by 1 percent month-on-month but raised by 34 percent as compared to last year. Similarly, prices of eggs were reduced by 4.6 percent compared to the previous month but were 25 percent higher year-on-year. Retail prices of beef with bones were BDT 700-715 per kg in April 2023 in Cox's Bazar markets.



Fresh Foods and Other Commodities: In April 2023, the national average prices of green chilli and garlic were reduced by 22 and 10 percent respectively last month, whereas, prices of potato and onion increased by 30 and 9 percent respectively. However, month-on-month prices of these commodities in Cox's Bazar showed an increasing trend with potato, green chilli, onion and garlic increasing by 24, 33, 17 and 3 percent respectively.

Retail prices of most fresh vegetables like chickpeas, cabbage, carrot, papaya increased by BDT 2-6, and that of tomato and cucumber increased by BDT 25-30. Prices of brinjal and lemon were reduced by BDT 4-8, and that of pumpkin, bottle

gourd and some leafy vegetables remained stable in Cox's Bazar markets as compared to the previous month.

In Cox's Bazar, prices of fresh fruits like apples, bananas, malta etc. showed a slightly increasing trend. The retail prices of milk powder and sugar also increased slightly compared to the previous month, selling at BDT 420 and BDT 117 per kg respectively. Salt prices were unchanged at BDT 40, Some non-food items like washing and toiletries faced an increase of 4 to 6 percent in April 2023.



Fuel and Gas: In April 2023, the national average price of LPG for cooking was reduced by 17 percent and fell to BDT 1,178 per 12 kg cylinder (gas-only price). LPG prices in Cox's Bazar also reduced by BDT 271 in the retail market and hit BDT 1,296 per 12 kg cylinder. The overall national price for LPG for cooking went down by BDT 244 in April after having down by BDT 76 per 12 kg cylinder in March 2023. The government adjusts the prices of LPG every month considering the decline in the prices of contract price (CP) in the Saudi markets. Due to the ample supplies and lower demand at the global level, LPG price had reduced in the Saudi Arabia's markets that influenced the price reduction in the local markets since Bangladesh imports LPG from Middle-East Market based on Saudi CP.



Figure 9-14. Monthly retail market price trends; National vs Cox's Bazar

National level Stock and Import situation of food grains

National food grain stock in April 2023 stood at 1.5 million mt, of which rice was 1.1 million mt and wheat was 0.41 million mt.¹⁵ The food grain stock was 18 percent lower than the previous month, as the Government continued to distribute food grains among the poor people during the month of Ramadan and Eid-al-Fitr. The government has been putting a higher emphasis on increasing local production to avoid dependency on imports alone. Public food stock is a vital factor for food price stabilization and the public food distribution system (PFDS). The current public stock is expected to reach a better position after the completion of the upcoming internal *Boro* rice procurement.

Total food grain import during the ongoing FY 2022-23 up to April 2023 was about 4.1 million mt, one-third of which was wheat. The total import of food grain during this period was 7.7 percent lower year-on-year (Ministry of Food). Due to the ongoing global economic crisis and depletion of the national forex reserve; instability in the production and supply chain globally, the government has been facing challenges in imports.

Cost of the food basket and Terms of trade (ToT) at the National level

In April 2023, the national average cost of a typical food basket¹⁶ was slightly down (by BDT 2) at BDT 2,516 per person per month, with a declining pattern in prices of most of the major food commodities including cereals and protein sources. The average costs of a food basket were higher in Barishal, Sylhet and Chattogram divisions as compared to the national average cost. The national average food basket cost in April 2023 was, however, BDT 375 (17.5 percent) higher year-on-year. This sharp increase in the cost of the basic food basket indicates the combined impacts of the global food crisis, persistent high food prices, ascending food inflation, leading to rising food insecurity; and the poor people are the hardest hits.

The Terms of Trade (ToT)¹⁷ of an agricultural day labourer's wage indicates the quantity of rice the household can buy with their daily wage. The national-level wage data was collected from the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS) up to November 2022. In November 2022, the daily wage for typical labour was worth buying about 11 kg of coarse rice based on a day's average wage of BDT 531.¹⁸ The lower rice purchasing power of agricultural day labour reflects instability in the market prices of basic food commodities that do not comply with the income of the wage earners, thus a threat to their food security.

Food	Minimum requirement Per person per Month (g)
Coarse Rice	7200
Wheat	900
Potato	1500
Pulses and Legumes	900
Leafy vegetables	4500
Vegetables	9000
Fruits	3000
Fish/ meat/ poultry	3000
Egg	1800
Milk	4500
Sugar	150
Cooking Oil	450
Spices	600

Table 1: Composition of national food basket adopted from the dietary guideline developed through a joint effort of the relevant Ministries and UN agencies

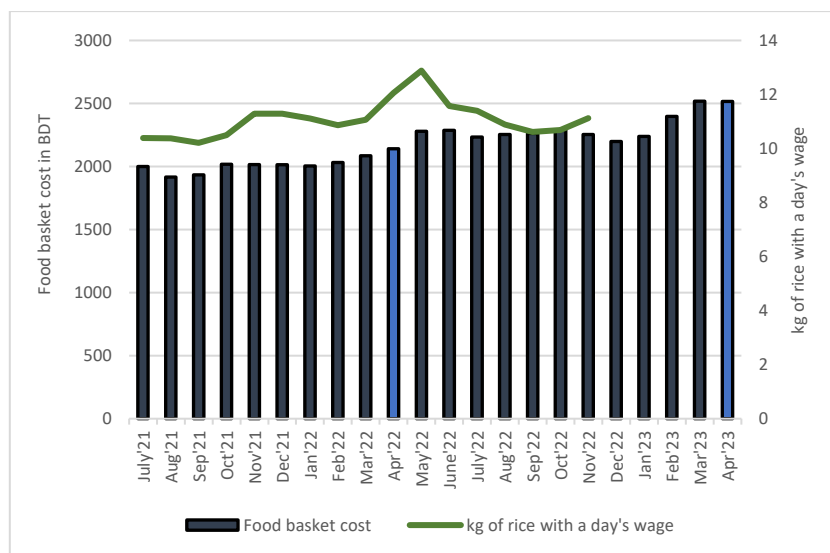


Figure 15: National level Cost of food basket (per person per month) and rice purchasing power

¹⁵ Ministry of Food: <http://fpmu.gov.bd>

¹⁶ Adopted from the National Dietary Guidelines for Bangladesh 2020, developed through a joint effort of the MoHFW, MoF, BIRDEM, NNS, IPHN, with technical support from the FAO, WHO and other stakeholders. The national food basket has been developed considering the minimum quantity of healthy and nutritious diet required for an adult person per day. Cost of the food basket was calculated per person per month at the national level. Market prices of the food items have been collected from the DAM

¹⁷ Terms of trade (ToT) is a proxy indicator for purchasing power

¹⁸ The rate of wage labourers varies between BDT 400-600 according to the BBS data, on an average of BDT 509 per day for the agricultural wage labourers. The rate is triangulated with every month's rice price to understand the rice purchasing power of the consumers

Cost of the food basket and terms of trade (ToT) in Cox's Bazar

In April 2023, the cost of a typical food basket in Ukhiya¹⁹ slightly decreased by BDT 5.5 as compared to last month. Prices of basic essential food commodities such as cereals (rice, wheat), edible oils and protein sources (chicken, eggs) were comparatively stable this month. However, the prices of potato, onion, garlic, green chilli, and most of the fresh vegetables went up which counterbalanced the overall impact on the food basket. The food basket cost in April 2023 remained 11 percent higher year on year, and 10.6 percent higher compared to two years earlier (in April 2021).

In April 2023, the daily wage for typical labour in the Ukhiya sub-district (upazila) could buy only 8.3 kg of rice based on a day's wage of BDT 450.²⁰ This was 6 percent lower year-on-year, when a typical day's income could buy 8.8 kg of rice. The rice purchasing power²¹ of regular day labour reflects a household's economic capacity and flexibility to choose preferred food items and the ability to spend for the non-food requirements. Generally, a lower quantity of rice bought for a day's wage indicates that the increase in the price of basic food commodities is not matched with the income levels.

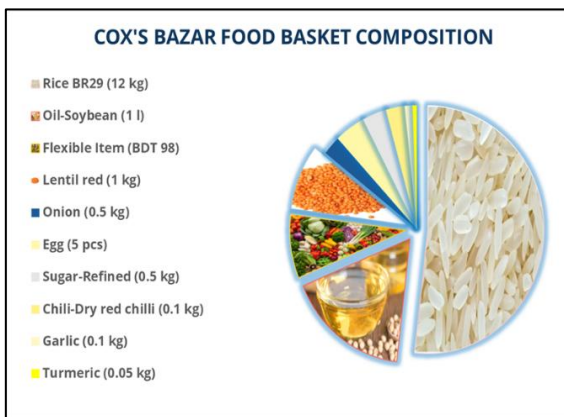


Figure 16: Composition of food basket in Cox's Bazar

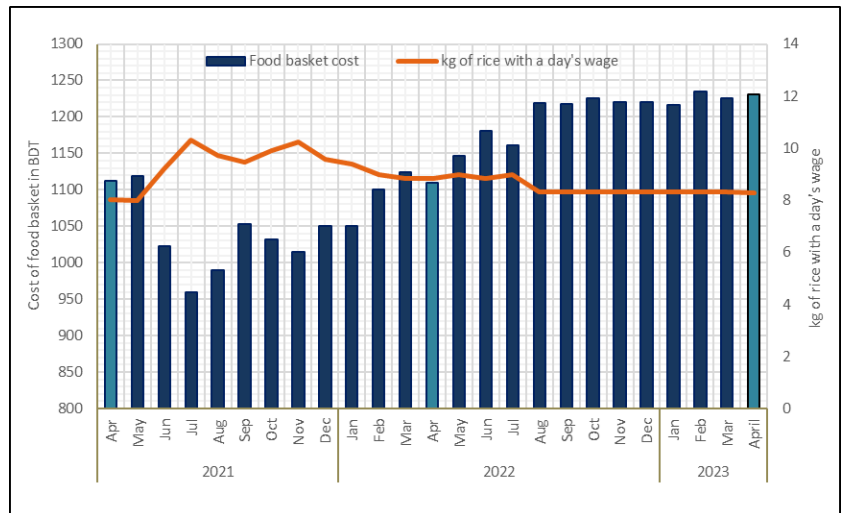


Figure 17: Cost of food basket (per person per month) and rice purchasing power in Cox's Bazar

Methodology and coverage

The WFP Market Monitor covers the entire country, effective April 2023. National-level prices have been obtained from the Department of Agricultural Marketing (DAM), Ministry of Agriculture. Through the development of this nationwide monitor, the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics was consulted, with further collaboration in the future. For Cox's Bazar, market surveys were conducted covering three upazilas and 15 markets in Cox's Bazar District- Cox's Bazar Sadar, Ukhiya and Teknaf. Data collection was conducted during the month's second and fourth weeks. The median prices per commodity are generated after cleaning the extreme outliers. Commodity prices are then aggregated monthly at the district and sub-district levels.



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¹⁹ The food basket value was not found to vary from Ukhiya to other sub-district or overall, as a result of which the basket value of Ukhiya with the largest makeshift camp residing within was considered as the base basket value.

²⁰ The rate of wage labourers varies between BDT 400-600 according to the 2016 government wage rate policy, on an average of BDT 450 per day for the wage labourers irrespective of skilled and unskilled classification. The rate is triangulated with every month's rice price to understand the purchasing power of the consumers

²¹ The purchasing power of households is calculated by measuring the ratio of the average wage rate of unskilled labourers and the average retail price of rice to indicate the amount of rice unskilled workers can purchase with their daily wage.

ANNEX I. The retail market price in April 2023 of main commodities across different divisions and Cox's Bazar

▲ over 5% increase ▼ over 5% decrease ◀ within (±) 5% change

Divisions	Commodity	Current price (BDT)	Price change			Commodity	Current price (BDT)	Price change		
			1 Month (%)	6 Month (%)	1 Year (%)			1 Month (%)	6 Month (%)	1Year (%)
National Overall	Rice Coarse	46.7	-1.1% ◀	-0.3% ◀	9.5% ▲	Wheat Flour	66.1	-1.2% ◀	13.5% ▲	57.6% ▲
Dhaka		47.9	-0.4% ◀	1.7% ◀	7.8% ▲		66.1	-1.0% ◀	14.0% ▲	55.4% ▲
Rajshahi		46.1	-0.6% ◀	-3.8% ◀	11.6% ▲		63.6	-0.7% ◀	15.6% ▲	62.9% ▲
Barisal		47.0	-3.1% ◀	0.3% ◀	10.6% ▲		68.5	-1.0% ◀	15.4% ▲	60.1% ▲
Khulna		47.6	-1.1% ◀	0.6% ◀	14.4% ▲		64.9	-2.9% ◀	12.4% ▲	61.7% ▲
Chattogram		49.0	-1.6% ◀	1.5% ◀	7.7% ▲		67.2	-1.7% ◀	13.1% ▲	54.6% ▲
Sylhet		45.3	0.3% ◀	1.5% ◀	7.3% ▲		65.6	-0.8% ◀	10.2% ▲	48.2% ▲
Rangpur		44.1	-1.2% ◀	-3.8% ◀	7.5% ▲		65.5	-0.9% ◀	13.3% ▲	58.2% ▲
Cox's Bazar		42.5	-0.5% ◀	2.8% ◀	1.1% ◀		67.5	-0.7% ◀	13.8% ▲	50.0% ▲
National Overall		Palm Oil (Loose)	129.5	0.3% ◀	3.4% ◀		-11.8% ▼	Red Lentil (Imported)	99.3	-1.0% ◀
Dhaka	129.4		-1.0% ◀	3.9% ◀	-12.5% ▼	98.5	-1.6% ◀		-1.0% ◀	1.0% ◀
Rajshahi	125.7		-0.8% ◀	6.5% ▲	-15.2% ▼	98.9	-0.8% ◀		0.9% ◀	4.6% ◀
Barisal	132.0		2.6% ◀	6.9% ▲	-8.8% ▼	100.6	-0.7% ◀		0.9% ◀	2.8% ◀
Khulna	127.3		0.4% ◀	2.4% ◀	-14.9% ▼	94.7	-3.1% ◀		-4.1% ◀	-0.9% ◀
Chattogram	132.1		0.6% ◀	2.9% ◀	-8.8% ▼	100.2	-1.0% ◀		-0.5% ◀	3.0% ◀
Sylhet	134.3		0.5% ◀	-1.9% ◀	-7.9% ▼	102.6	0.0% ◀		1.2% ◀	1.9% ◀
Rangpur	125.8		-0.3% ◀	3.7% ◀	-14.4% ▼	98.5	-0.9% ◀		-1.5% ◀	2.9% ◀
Cox's Bazar	124.1		-0.7% ◀	2.3% ◀	-22.4% ▼	100.2	0.2% ◀		0.2% ◀	5.5% ▲
National Overall	Potato (Holland-White)		24.2	29.6% ▲	-7.2% ▼	49.6% ▲	Soybean Oil		170.5	-1.3% ◀
Dhaka		26.9	32.3% ▲	-4.6% ◀	45.0% ▲	168.4		-1.5% ◀	2.2% ◀	6.3% ▲
Rajshahi		18.4	15.1% ▲	-36.6% ▼	16.5% ▲	163.8		-2.1% ◀	1.0% ◀	0.1% ◀
Barisal		27.4	39.1% ▲	11.8% ▲	-	167.1		-1.1% ◀	3.7% ◀	5.9% ▲
Khulna		25.0	39.1% ▲	-1.8% ◀	54.5% ▲	167.1		-1.6% ◀	2.4% ◀	4.6% ◀
Chattogram		27.3	27.7% ▲	1.5% ◀	49.0% ▲	173.9		-1.3% ◀	1.4% ◀	8.3% ▲
Sylhet		24.6	12.8% ▲	-4.4% ◀	46.0% ▲	186.3		-0.1% ◀	2.3% ◀	16.6% ▲
Rangpur		19.6	35.8% ▲	-12.7% ▼	73.9% ▲	167.1		-1.5% ◀	2.3% ◀	3.6% ◀
Cox's Bazar		27.8	24.4% ▲	-0.8% ◀	38.9% ▲	184.1		-0.3% ◀	-2.1% ◀	11.6% ▲
National Overall		Chicken Broiler	229.8	-7.8% ▼	25.2% ▲	33.9% ▲		Egg	10.7	-2.1% ◀
Dhaka	223.2		-8.6% ▼	23.0% ▲	35.5% ▲	10.7	-3.0% ◀		-9.8% ▼	28.9% ▲
Rajshahi	234.5		-9.3% ▼	22.2% ▲	36.1% ▲	10.3	-3.0% ◀		-9.3% ▼	27.1% ▲
Barisal	223.2		-1.9% ◀	30.9% ▲	31.0% ▲	11.1	-4.0% ◀		-5.2% ▼	25.8% ▲
Khulna	231.0		-9.0% ▼	21.4% ▲	33.9% ▲	10.7	-4.0% ◀		-8.7% ▼	26.2% ▲
Chattogram	228.1		-10.1% ▼	23.3% ▲	30.9% ▲	11.0	-1.3% ◀		-8.2% ▼	27.9% ▲
Sylhet	237.4		-9.6% ▼	21.1% ▲	31.7% ▲	11.2	-0.5% ◀		-4.7% ◀	26.7% ▲
Rangpur	224.4		-6.0% ▼	34.4% ▲	38.4% ▲	10.2	-3.2% ◀		-9.0% ▼	24.3% ▲
Cox's Bazar	236.7		1.1% ◀	29.4% ▲	40.8% ▲	10.0	-4.6% ◀		-16.5% ▼	25.2% ▲
National Overall	Onion (imported)		35.4	8.9% ▲	-9.2% ▼	34.2% ▲	Garlic (imported)		153.1	-9.6% ▼
Dhaka		36.0	5.9% ▲	-9.2% ▼	35.4% ▲	150.3		-6.9% ▼	14.5% ▲	21.3% ▲
Rajshahi		34.7	16.6% ▲	1.5% ◀	51.5% ▲	150.4		-3.6% ◀	18.8% ▲	10.9% ▲
Barisal		34.8	2.1% ◀	-15.6% ▼	7.9% ▲	200.2		-29.9% ▼	17.8% ▲	12.0% ▲
Khulna		30.0	-2.2% ◀	-23.7% ▼	31.4% ▲	144.6		1.6% ◀	12.1% ▲	12.0% ▲
Chattogram		42.7	16.7% ▲	-2.9% ◀	38.5% ▲	135.0		-4.0% ◀	16.0% ▲	14.4% ▲
Sylhet		37.4	14.3% ▲	-1.3% ◀	39.1% ▲	138.2		-7.2% ▼	15.4% ▲	12.7% ▲
Rangpur		32.4	8.1% ▲	-12.1% ▼	43.8% ▲	0.0		-	-	-
Cox's Bazar		44.3	16.7% ▲	-5.0% ▼	47.8% ▲	190.0		2.7% ◀	22.0% ▲	22.0% ▲
National Overall		Sugar	115.9	2.8% ◀	21.5% ▲	48.3% ▲		Green Chili	68.0	-22.4% ▼
Dhaka	117.1		3.8% ◀	22.3% ▲	49.0% ▲	78.7	-16.4% ▼		16.6% ▲	4.8% ◀
Rajshahi	116.3		3.8% ◀	19.9% ▲	49.1% ▲	62.4	-29.1% ▼		12.7% ▲	-4.7% ◀
Barisal	116.1		1.7% ◀	24.5% ▲	47.3% ▲	74.3	-18.5% ▼		2.5% ◀	15.6% ▲
Khulna	114.8		3.0% ◀	22.5% ▲	47.1% ▲	72.0	-20.4% ▼		31.2% ▲	1.0% ◀
Chattogram	117.5		3.4% ◀	21.7% ▲	49.7% ▲	73.2	-15.5% ▼		6.8% ▲	13.6% ▲
Sylhet	113.2		0.9% ◀	18.2% ▲	47.3% ▲	64.2	-22.2% ▼		7.7% ▲	-12.2% ▼
Rangpur	116.4		3.3% ◀	21.3% ▲	48.5% ▲	50.9	-36.7% ▼		-5.9% ▼	-12.2% ▼
Cox's Bazar	117.2		1.0% ◀	19.6% ▲	46.5% ▲	80.0	33.3% ▲		29.7% ▲	40.4% ▲

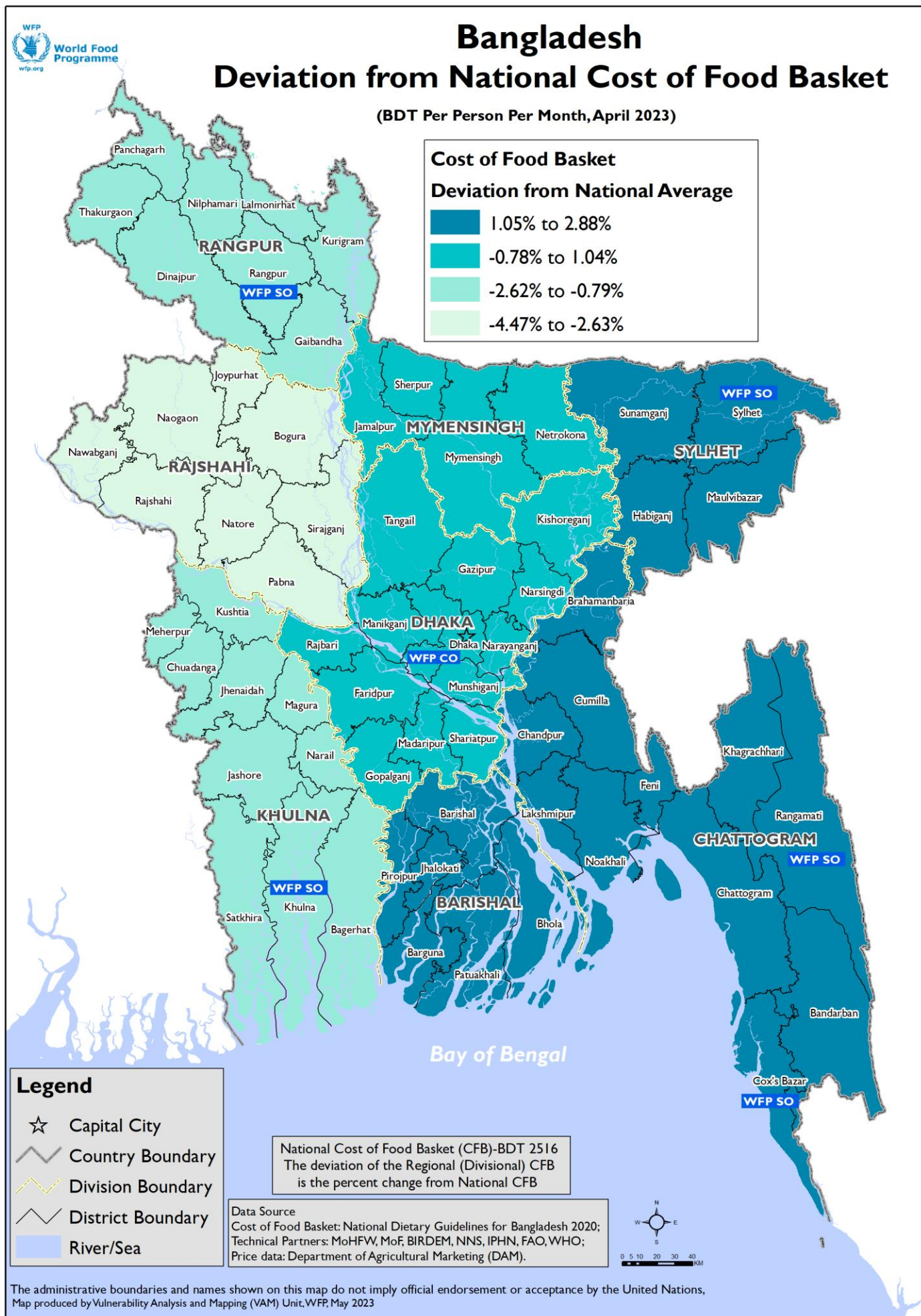
Annex1. Retail market price of main commodities across different divisions

ANNEX II. Cox's Bazar retail market price in April 2023 of main commodities across different sub-districts

▲ over 5% increase ▼ over 5% decrease ◀ within (±) 5% change

Sub-District	Commodity	Current price (BDT)	Price change			Commodity	Current price (BDT)	Price change		
			1Month (%)	6Month (%)	1Year (%)			1Month (%)	6Month (%)	1Year (%)
CXB Overall	RiceBR29	54.7	1.3% ◀	1.3% ◀	7.3% ▲	Soybean Oil	184.1	-0.3% ◀	-2.1% ◀	15.1% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		54.7	1.3% ◀	1.3% ◀	7.3% ▲		184.40	-0.3% ◀	-2.4% ◀	15.3% ▲
Teknaf		55.0	1.9% ◀	1.9% ◀	7.8% ▲		184.00	0.0% ◀	-3.2% ◀	15.0% ▲
Ukhiya		54.4	0.7% ◀	0.7% ◀	6.7% ▲		184.00	-0.5% ◀	-0.5% ◀	15.0% ▲
CXB Overall	Red Lentil	100.2	0.2% ◀	0.2% ◀	5.5% ▲	Onion	44.3	16.7% ▲	-5.0% ▼	47.8% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		100.0	0.0% ◀	0.0% ◀	5.3% ▲		44.60	17.4% ▲	-0.9% ◀	48.7% ▲
Teknaf		101.0	1.0% ◀	1.0% ◀	6.3% ▲		44.60	17.4% ▲	-10.8% ▼	48.7% ▲
Ukhiya		99.6	-0.4% ◀	-0.4% ◀	4.8% ◀		43.80	15.3% ▲	-2.7% ◀	46.0% ▲
CXB Overall	Sugar	117.2	1.0% ◀	19.6% ▲	46.5% ▲	Salt	40.0	0.0% ◀	14.3% ▲	26.3% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		117.0	-0.8% ◀	18.8% ▲	46.3% ▲		40.0	0.0% ◀	14.3% ▲	33.3% ▲
Teknaf		117.5	2.2% ◀	19.3% ▲	46.9% ▲		40.0	0.0% ◀	14.3% ▲	33.3% ▲
Ukhiya		117.0	1.7% ◀	20.6% ▲	46.3% ▲		40.0	0.0% ◀	14.3% ▲	14.3% ▲
CXB Overall	Garlic	140.3	2.7% ◀	22.0% ▲	21.9% ▲	LPG	1295.8	-17.3% ▼	1.8% ◀	-7.4% ▼
Cox's Bazar Sadar		141.0	4.4% ◀	22.6% ▲	22.6% ▲		1296.0	-17.5% ▼	1.3% ◀	-7.4% ▼
Teknaf		140.0	0.0% ◀	21.7% ▲	21.2% ▲		1295.0	-17.5% ▼	2.0% ◀	-7.5% ▼
Ukhiya		140.0	3.7% ◀	21.7% ▲	21.7% ▲		1296.5	-16.9% ▼	2.1% ◀	-7.4% ▼
CXB Overall	Broiler Chicken	239.3	1.1% ◀	29.4% ▲	40.8% ▲	Tilapia	178.1	-0.1% ◀	-7.1% ▼	-1.1% ◀
Cox's Bazar Sadar		238.0	3.5% ◀	32.2% ▲	40.0% ▲		179.5	-0.3% ◀	-5.5% ▼	-0.3% ◀
Teknaf		240.0	0.0% ◀	26.3% ▲	41.2% ▲		178.5	2.0% ◀	-8.5% ▼	-0.8% ◀
Ukhiya		240.0	0.0% ◀	29.7% ▲	41.2% ▲		176.3	-2.1% ◀	-7.2% ▼	-2.1% ◀
CXB Overall	Egg	10.0	-4.6% ◀	-16.5% ▼	27.9% ▲	Green Papaya	33.5	11.6% ▲	11.6% ▲	11.6% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		10.0	-4.8% ◀	-16.7% ▼	25.0% ▲		33.7	12.3% ▲	12.3% ▲	12.3% ▲
Teknaf		10.1	-4.3% ◀	-16.3% ▼	34.0% ▲		34.0	13.3% ▲	13.3% ▲	13.3% ▲
Ukhiya		10.0	-4.8% ◀	-16.7% ▼	25.0% ▲		32.8	9.2% ▲	9.2% ▲	9.2% ▲
CXB Overall	Red Chilli	444.3	1.0% ◀	-0.5% ◀	64.6% ▲	Potato	27.8	24.4% ▲	-0.8% ◀	38.9% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		445.5	1.3% ◀	-1.0% ◀	65.0% ▲		27.6	25.5% ▲	-1.4% ◀	38.0% ▲
Teknaf		446.0	1.4% ◀	0.2% ◀	65.2% ▲		27.7	20.4% ▲	-1.1% ◀	38.5% ▲
Ukhiya		441.5	0.3% ◀	-0.8% ◀	63.5% ▲		28.1	27.5% ▲	0.2% ◀	40.3% ▲
CXB Overall	Green Chilli	80.0	33.3% ▲	29.7% ▲	44.1% ▲	Banana	9.8	17.2% ▲	22.1% ▲	22.1% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		77.5	29.2% ▲	29.2% ▲	50.5% ▲		9.5	18.8% ▲	18.8% ▲	18.8% ▲
Teknaf		81.0	35.0% ▲	24.6% ▲	39.7% ▲		10.0	25.0% ▲	25.0% ▲	25.0% ▲
Ukhiya		81.5	35.8% ▲	35.8% ▲	43.0% ▲		9.8	8.9% ▲	22.5% ▲	22.5% ▲
CXB Overall	Spinach/Puishak	8.5	1.6% ◀	-15.3% ▼	-40.9% ▼	Bottle Gourd(Lau)	15.6	1.6% ◀	-0.5% ◀	1.6% ◀
Cox's Bazar Sadar		8.3	3.8% ◀	-17.0% ▼	-44.7% ▼		15.5	3.3% ◀	3.3% ◀	-3.1% ◀
Teknaf		8.5	-5.6% ▼	-15.0% ▼	-43.3% ▼		15.6	-2.5% ◀	-2.5% ◀	4.0% ◀
Ukhiya		8.6	7.5% ▲	-14.0% ▼	-33.8% ▼		15.7	4.3% ◀	-2.2% ◀	4.3% ◀

Annex 1. Retail market price of main commodities in different sub-districts



ANNEX IV: Coverage map for Cox's Bazar monitored markets

