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Bangladesh Market Monitor

November 2023

Key Messages

- The general inflation fell to a seven-month low at 9.49 percent in November 2023 after reaching a record highest previous month. Monthly food inflation declined by 14 percent, and that of non-food fell by 2 percent, hitting 10.76 and 8.16 percent respectively.
- The national average price of LPG for cooking continued to increase since August 2023, further raised by BDT 18 in November hitting BDT 1,381 per 12 kg cylinder (gas-only price), driven by the dollar and fuel crises in recent times caused by the war.
- In the domestic retail markets, month-on-month prices of basic food commodities like animal protein sources (poultry, egg, fish), green chilli, garlic, fresh fruits and vegetables considerably reduced, while prices of rice, wheat, potato, onion and edible oils faced moderate increase as compared to previous month.
- The government has significantly reduced its import budget for grains in the ongoing FY. There has been no rice import at all during the July-November period, and total wheat import in this period was 51 percent lower year-on-year (Ministry of Food).
- The monthly cost of a typical food basket (national) decreased by BDT 71 in November hitting BDT 2,833/person/month with falling prices of some basic food commodities. The basket price in Cox's Bazar reduced by BDT 25, hitting BDT 1,352 this month.

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

Global economic growth continues to exhaust because of the economic crisis during the recent past, while geopolitical risks have been increasingly weighing on the outlook. The conflict in Gaza, ongoing war in Ukraine continued to exert a gradual downside tension towards greater economic fragmentation. Global oil prices rose by nearly 30 percent since the first quarter of the current FY due to upward global demand and production reductions. Annual world trade growth has fallen by nearly 1 percent in August 2023, for the first time since March 2021.¹ Similar is the case in Bangladesh where political unrest in recent times is crippling the country's already shaky economy and hurting small traders. Domestic food inflation averaged more than 9 percent in recent months amid the spill over effects of the wars, global production and supply chain disruption, extreme weather events and surging price of the US dollar. Production inputs such as energy, fuel and fertilizers prices remained significantly high due to the lingering effects of the war in Ukraine and the associated trade restrictions.

Although Bangladesh has shown certain level of improvement in some macro-economic indicators during the reporting month, concerns about sustainability and diversification

persist. Amid the ongoing dollar crisis triggered by the war in Ukraine, net usable foreign reserves are less than what was officially stated.

Along with the issues of import barriers and global unrest, challenges within the fragile banking sector exacerbated by poor monetary policy, lack of internal governance and reforms has been a big challenge for the country to recover from the crisis. The government has recently taken various plans to control inflation including, but not limited to, improving the balance of payment situation, reforming export price and stabilising the exchange rate of foreign currency.

The geopolitical and macroeconomic unrests have been contributing to drive up global food insecurity and existing vulnerabilities. The Global Report on Food Crisis, updated in September 2023,² revealed 238 million people facing high levels of acute food insecurity, 10 percent higher compared to 2022. WFP's mVAM survey in November 2023 showed that more than 36 percent of low-income households were food insecure. 68 percent of the sample households had to adopt livelihood-based coping strategies; about 70 percent reported the rise in food prices as their deepest concern.³

¹ <https://atradiuscollections.com/documents/atradius-economic-research-economic-update-november-2023.pdf>

² <https://www.wfp.org/publications/global-report-food-crisis-2023-mid-year-update#:~:text=The%20GRFC%202023%20Mid%20Year%20Update%20is%20the%20output%20of,Food%20Security%20Information%20Network%20in>

³ <https://www.wfp.org/publications/wfp-bangladesh-mobile-vulnerability-analysis-and-mapping-mvam-reports>

Global food Indices

The FAO Food Price Index (FFPI)⁴, which measures the monthly changes in international prices of a basket of food commodities, averaged 120.4 points in November 2023, remained unchanged from last month. The November index was 11 percent lower year-on-year, and about 25 percent below the peak it reached in March 2022. The month-on-month stable pattern in the index reflected that increases in the price indices for vegetable oils, dairy products and sugar counterbalanced the decreases in those of cereals and meat.

FAO Cereal Price Index in November declined by 3 percent from last month, averaging at 121 points. The price fall reflected a drop in the international prices of coarse grains in this month. Wheat price Index declined by 2.4 percent in November as compared to previous month driven by increased seasonal

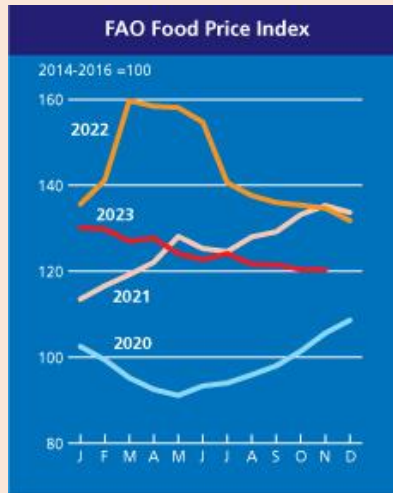


Figure 1: FAO Food Price Index (FFPI)

supplies. Rice Price Index in November went stable month-on-month in November owing to contrasting price volatility.

The FAO Price Index of vegetable oils, dairy products and sugar followed an inclining trend in November 2023. The month-on-month prices of vegetable oils raised by 3.4

percent, dairy product by 2.2 percent and sugar by 1.4 percent in November. The meat Index, on the other hand, had a moderate fall in this month. The overall stable pattern in the FFPI in November 2023 was driven by increased seasonal supplies from ongoing harvests with higher production prospect and improved crop conditions in Brazil and the United States of America, as well as subdued global import demand.

The International Grains Council's (IGC) Grains and Oilseeds Index (GOI)⁵ – a measure of changes in major export quotations for a basket of commodities worldwide – averaged 258 points in November 2023, slightly lower than the previous month, but 17 percent lower compared to the same period last year.

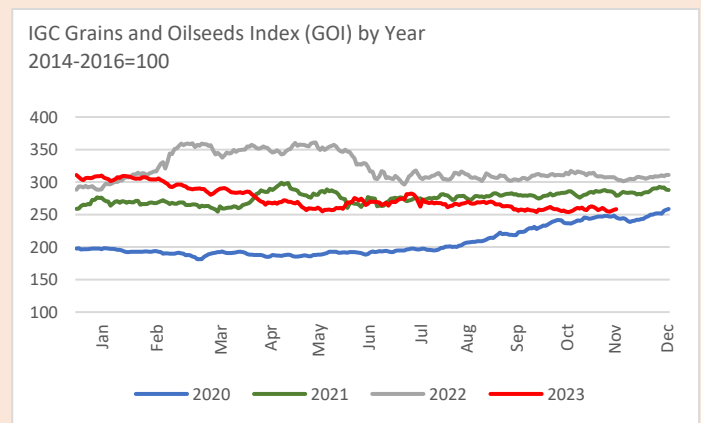


Figure 2: International Grains Council Grains and Oilseeds Index (GOI)

Bangladesh Economy:

The general inflation fell to a seven-month low of 9.49 percent in November 2023 after reaching a record high in previous month. The inflation rate had a notable decline month-on-month by 4.4 percent in face of easing of both food and non-food inflation. Food inflation declined by as much as 14 percent, and that of non-food fell by 2 percent, hitting 10.76 and 8.16 percent respectively in this month. The general inflation in November was 7 percent higher year-on-year. Similar was the trend of both urban and rural inflation, month-on-month fall of food inflation in urban area was 16 percent, and that for rural was 13 percent in November 2023.⁶ The economists attributed the decline in food inflation to bumper rice harvests for both *Aman* and *Boro* seasons.

Month-on-month export earnings increased by as high as 27 percent to USD 4.8 billion in November on the back of higher demands during the peak festival season⁷. The country's foreign exchange reserve continued the dropping trend since beginning of the FY, hitting 24.9 billion in November, more than 6 percent down from previous month.⁸ BDT against the USD has continued to increase in this month hitting BDT 110.9⁹ despite the downward adjustment initiative of local currency by the Central Bank. Remittance inflow further declined in November by 2.5 percent as compared to previous month, standing at USD 1.93 billion.¹⁰ This decline may further strain the country's already downing foreign exchange reserves. The inflow this month was, however, 21 percent higher year-on-year.

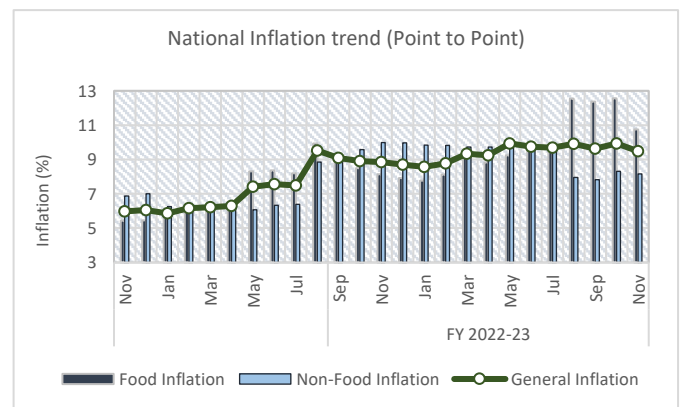


Figure 3: Inflation trend

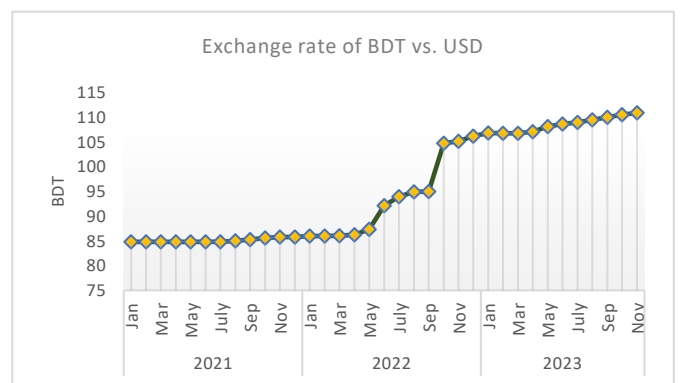


Figure 4: Exchange Rate of BDT vs. USD

⁴ <https://www.fao.org/worldfoodsituation/foodpricesindex/en/>

⁵ <https://www.igc.int/markets/marketinfo-goi.aspx>

⁶ <http://bbs.portal.gov.bd/sites/default/files/files/bbs.portal.gov.bd/6/2023-05-03-10-42-1178a60d5a279b7e260d6520e39dc7.pdf>

⁷ <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/rmg/garment-exports-decline-745-nov-751374>

⁸ <https://www.bb.org.bd/en/index.php/econdata/intreserve>

⁹ <https://www.bb.org.bd/en/index.php/econdata/exchangerate>

¹⁰ <https://www.tbsnews.net/economy/banking/remittances-21-193b-november-banks-offer-higher-prices-expatriates-750942>

National Price Trends for Key Commodities¹¹:

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



Rice:

- The national average monthly retail prices of coarse rice in domestic markets increased again by 3.7 percent in November after having a significant fall previous month. The price this month hit BDT 46 per kg, about 4 percent lower year-on-year, but 41 percent higher as compared to pre-COVID time (March 2020*).
- Divisional monthly prices of coarse rice also showed similar rising pattern by 3-8 percent in November. The jump in prices were higher in Barishal, Khulna and Chattogram divisions.
- In Cox's Bazar, retail prices of the non-boiled BR 29 variety had a moderate decline by 2 percent in November as compared to previous month after having increased during last three consecutive months. Price of the coarse variety (Gazi) went stable in this month.
- Despite satisfactory internal production and internal public procurement, national average retail prices of rice are still very high, primarily due to rising costs for fertilizer and irrigation as well as import challenges.



Wheat Flour:

- National average prices of wheat flour in the retail markets raised in November after following a declining trend since January 2023, though international prices are still downward. The retail price hit BDT 54.3 per kg in November, 4.3 percent higher from the previous month's price. About 85 percent of the domestic wheat requirement is met from imports, mostly done by private sectors.
- The average price of wheat flours in November was 14.4 percent lower year on year, but 66 percent higher than pre-COVID time (March 2020). Among the divisions, month-on-month wheat price in Sylhet raised by as much as 32 percent in November.
- Prices in Cox's Bazar retail markets went stable in November at BDT 56.7 but was 9 percent lower year-on-year.



Vegetable oil:

- The national average price of soybean oil in the domestic markets continued to decline since June-Oct 2023, but increased slightly by 1 percent in November hitting BDT 159.3 per litre. The price in this month was 8 percent lower year-on-year, and 16 percent lower from the recent peak it reached in June 2022.
- In Cox's Bazar retail markets, soybean oil prices showed same pattern increasing by 2.7 percent month-on-month and hit BDT 168.3 per litre in November.
- National average prices of palm oil have also followed same pattern, declined since June-Oct, then raised by 1.5 percent in November hitting BDT 129 per litre. The prices were 1 percent higher year-on-year, and 67 percent higher as compared to pre-COVID (March 2020).
- In Cox's Bazar markets, monthly prices of palm oil reduced slightly by 0.6 percent hitting BDT 138.3 per litre in November.



Red lentils:

- The national average retail price of imported red lentils continued to increase since September 2023 due to higher import cost. In November, the price hit BDT 112 per kg, 1 percent higher as compared to last month and 11 percent higher year-on-year.
- In Cox's Bazar retail markets, monthly prices of red lentils decreased in November by 2 percent hitting BDT 101.7 per kg. The price this month was 1.4 percent higher year-on-year. Prices in Sylhet division remained exceptionally high as compared to national average, at BDT 129 in this month.
- Imports meet as much as 80 percent of the country's total red lentil requirements. Lentil prices did not cool down in the local markets, mainly due to increased import costs on the back of the rise in the prices of dollars.

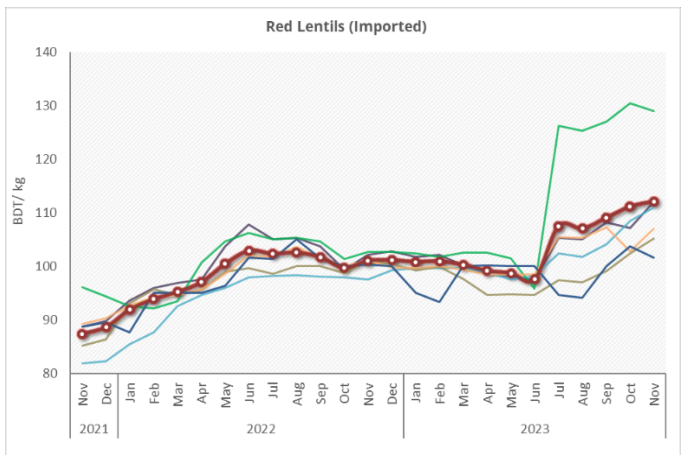
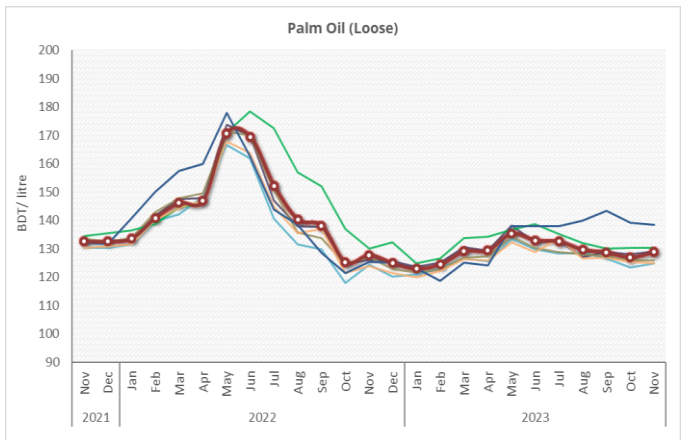
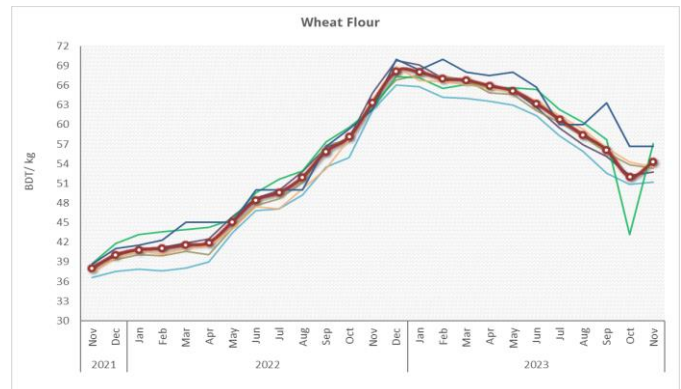


Figure 5-8. National monthly retail market price trends

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

¹¹ 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 animal protein sources such as, broiler chicken, egg, fish decreased by around 3-6 percent in November 2023 compared to the previous month. Prices of chicken and fish in this month were 9 and 20 percent higher respectively year-on-year. In Cox's Bazar retail markets, month-on-month prices of broiler chicken increased slightly, but that of eggs and fishes had a significant fall in November. Retail prices of beef with bones in this month were BDT 700-750 per kg in Cox's Bazar markets.



Fresh Foods, Other Commodities: In November, the national average price of onion had a sharp rise by 47 percent and that of potato by 6 percent compared to last month, and that of potato increased by 7 percent. On the contrary, prices of green chilli and garlic reduced by 37 and 4 percent respectively in this month. Month-on-month prices of these commodities showed similar pattern in Cox's Bazar retail markets, having onion and potato prices raised by 32 and 4 percent respectively, and that of green chilli and garlic reduced by 45 and 5 percent respectively in November.

Retail prices of most of the fresh fruits and vegetables reduced significantly in the local markets on the back of

ample production during the winter season. Prices of bottle gourd, eggplant, cabbage, cucumber and leafy vegetables reduced by BDT 6-16, and that of cauliflower fell by BDT 40 in November. On the other hand, prices of pumpkin and tomato increased moderately by BDT 2 in this month.

Among the fresh fruits, monthly prices of apple and malta decreased by BDT 4-6 this month. The retail prices of dry fish and red chilli decreased by BDT 40-50, and that of sugar raised by BDT 2-5 compared to previous month. Price of salt and milk powder went stable at BDT 40 and 413 respectively. Some non-food items like washing and toiletries faced moderate increase in November 2023.



Fuel and Gas: The national average price of LPG for cooking continued to increase since August 2023 and hit BDT 1,381 per 12 kg cylinder (gas-only price) in November, a monthly increase by BDT 18. LPG prices in Cox's Bazar also followed similar increasing trend during this month, went up by BDT 40. The local price of LPG has been fluctuating due to the elevated import costs induced by the ongoing dollar and fuel crises. The government adjusts the prices of LPG every month considering the prices of contract price (CP) in the Saudi markets since Bangladesh imports LPG from Middle East Markets based on Saudi CP.

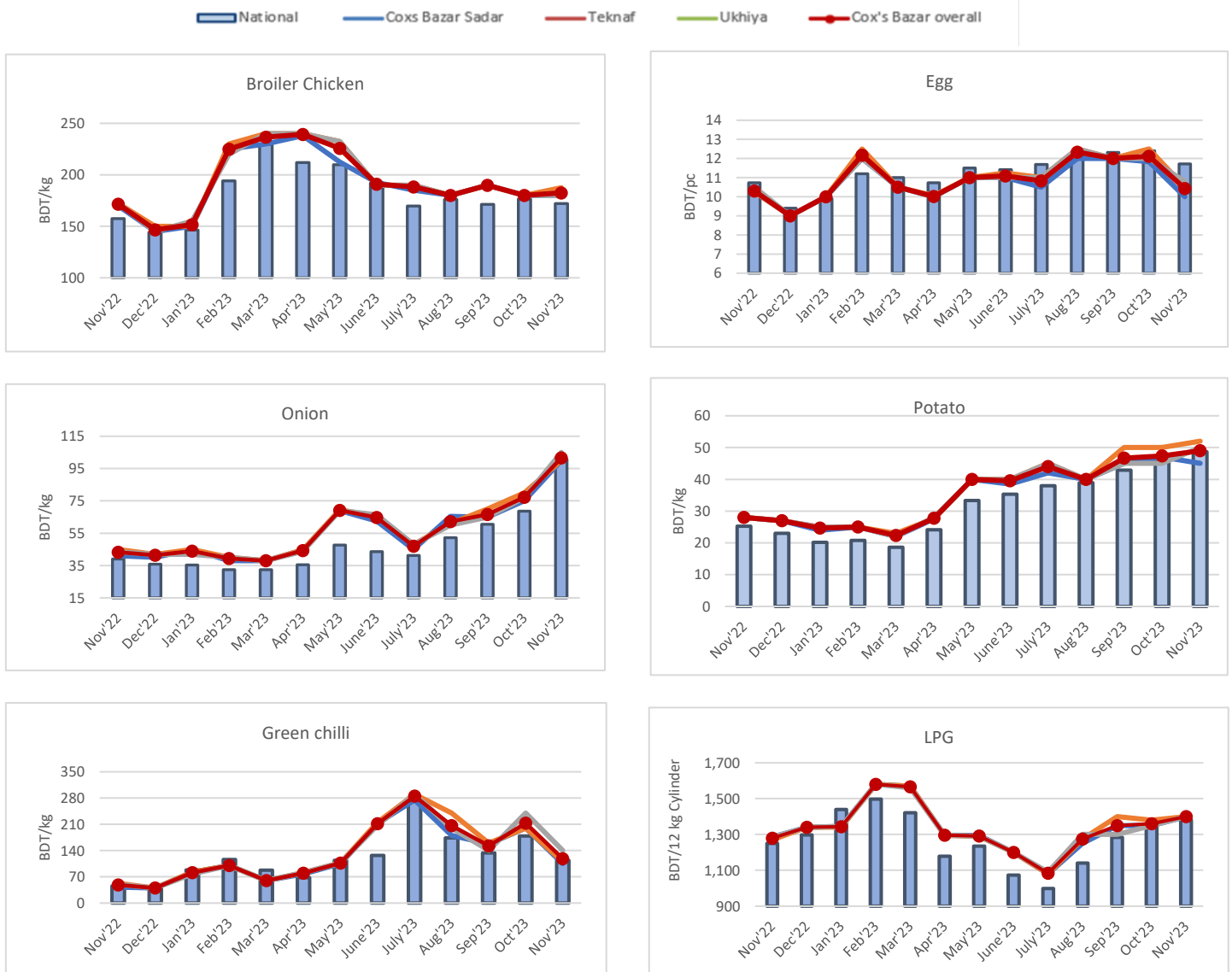


Figure 9-14. Monthly retail market price trends; National vs Cox's Bazar

National level Stock and Import situation of food grains

National food grain stock up to October 2023 stood at 1.4 million mt, of which rice was 1.2 million mt and wheat was 0.2 million mt.¹² The food grain stock this month was 15 percent lower month-on-month and 14 percent lower compared to the same period last year. Public food stock is a vital factor for food price stabilization and the public food distribution system (PFDS). The government has increased food distribution under various schemes such as the Open Market Sales (OMS) and the Food-Friendly Programme during the current FY to combat high inflation pressure. The foodgrain distribution during the ongoing FY up to November 2023 was 23 percent higher as compared to same period last year¹³.

The government has significantly reduced its budget for the import purchase of grains in the ongoing FY. There has been no rice import at all during the July-November period, and total wheat purchase in this period was 51 percent lower year-on-year. 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. During the ongoing FY up to November 2023, total foodgrain import was 62 percent lower than same period last year.

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

The month-on-month national average cost of a typical food basket¹⁴ decreased by BDT 71 in November 2023 hitting BDT 2,833 per person per month. The cost reduction in this month was followed by easing food inflation and the government's intervention to check commodity prices in the markets. This has induced a considerable price fall of animal protein sources (poultry, egg, fish), garlic, green chilli, fresh fruits and vegetables that had somewhat counterbalanced the moderate increase in prices of rice, wheat, potato, onion and edible oils. The average costs of a food basket in November were higher in Chattogram, Dhaka and Sylhet divisions as compared to the national average cost. The national average food basket cost this month was BDT 328 (13 percent) higher year-on-year. However, such high 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)¹⁵ 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 December 2022. In December 2022, the daily wage for typical labour was worth buying about 11.2 kg of coarse rice based on a day's average wage of BDT 533.¹⁶ However, the national food poverty line (HIES 2022) stands at BDT 1,851 which is the minimum per capita expenditure that a person needs to be able to afford the cost of basic consumption needs.

Food	Minimum requirement Per person per Month (g)
Coarse Rice	7800
Wheat	900
Potato	1500
Pulses and Legumes	900
Leafy vegetables	4500
Vegetables	4500
Fruits	3000
Fish/ meat/ poultry	3000
Egg	1800
Milk	4500
Sugar	750
Cooking Oil	900
Spices	600

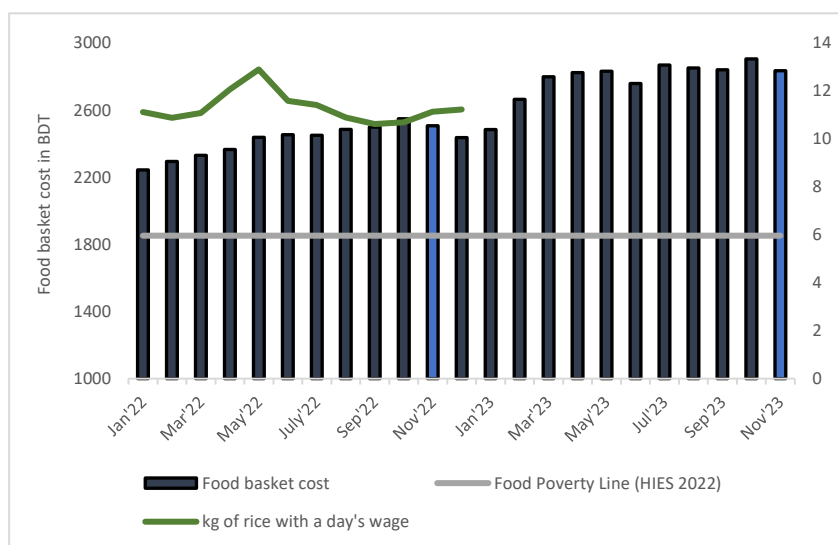


Table 1: Composition of national food basket adopted from the Food Composition Table for Bangladesh

Figure 17: National level Cost of food basket (per person per month) and rice purchasing power

¹² Ministry of Food: <http://fpmu.gov.bd>

¹³ <https://www.thedailystar.net/business/news/food-welfare-expands-election-looms-3484256>

¹⁴ Adopted from the Food Composition Table for Bangladesh 2013, Institute of Nutrition and Food Science, University of Dhaka, with technical support from the National Food Policy Capacity Strengthening Programme. The national food basket represents the minimum required quantity of a nutritious diet for an adult person per day offering 2,100 kcal with recommended percentage of protein and fat. The 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.

¹⁵ Terms of trade (ToT) is a proxy indicator for purchasing power

¹⁶ The rate of wage labourers varies between BDT 400-600 according to the BBS data, on an average of BDT 533 per day for the agricultural wage labourers.

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

The cost of a typical food basket in Ukhiya¹⁷ in November 2023 was BDT 1,352, reduced by BDT 25 as compared to last month mainly on the back of moderate fall in the prices of animal rice (BR 29), protein sources, lentils, green chilli, red chilli, fresh fruits and vegetables. However, prices of soybean oil, potato, onion increased and that of wheat and sugar remained stable in this month. The food basket cost in November 2023 was 6 percent higher year on year.

In November 2023, the daily wage for a typical labour in the Ukhiya sub-district (upazila) could buy 8.3 kg of rice based on a day's wage of BDT 450¹⁸. This was slightly higher as compared to the previous month on the back of 2 percent reduction in rice (BR 29) prices in this month. The rice purchasing power¹⁹ of a 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. WFP assisted voucher value in Cox's Bazar was reduced since March 2023 following the ration cut initiative due to resource shortfall. The voucher value has been adjusted to USD 8 since June 2023.

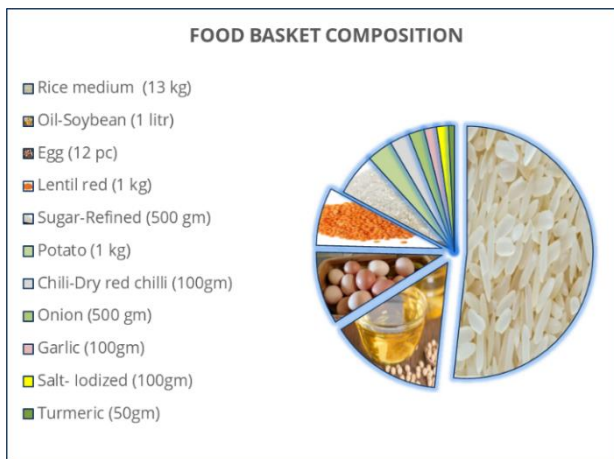


Figure 18: Composition of food basket in Cox's Bazar

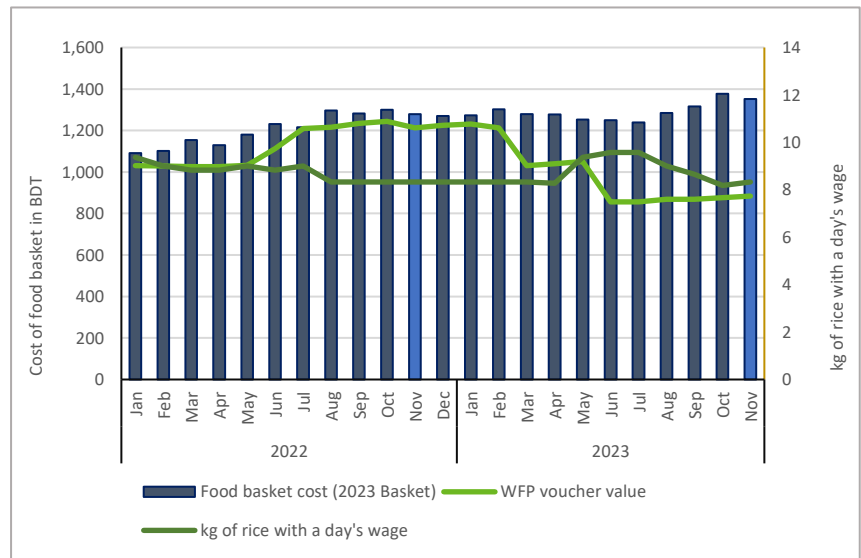


Figure 19: Cost of food basket (per person per month) in Cox's Bazar

Methodology and coverage

The WFP Market Monitor covers the entire country, effective for November 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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¹⁷ 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.

¹⁸ 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

¹⁹ 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 November 2023 of main commodities across different divisions and Cox's Bazar

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

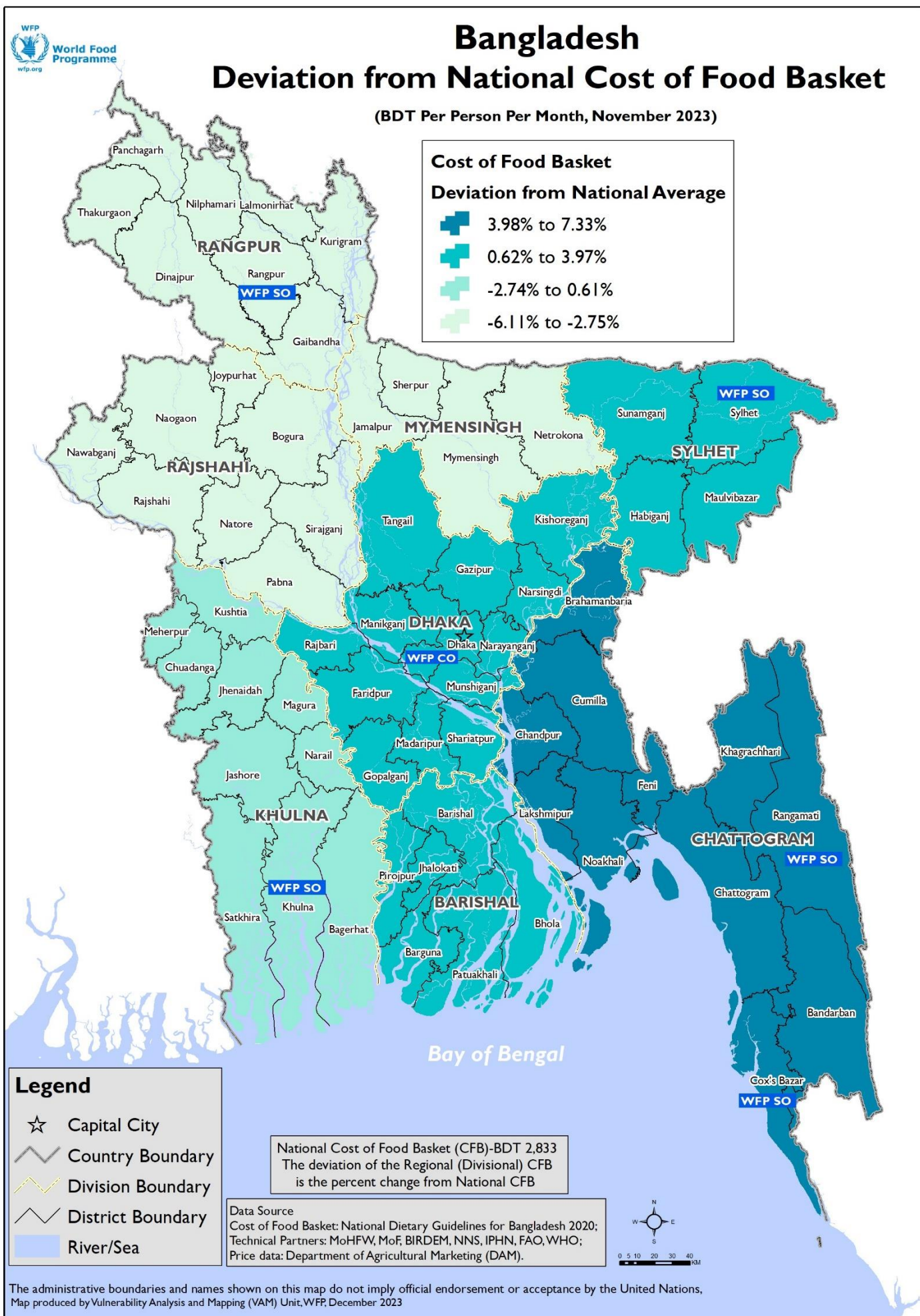
Divisions	Commodity	Current price (BDT)	Price Change			Commodity	Current price (BDT)	Price Change		
			1 Month (%)	6 Month (%)	1 Year (%)			1 Month (%)	6 Month (%)	1 Year (%)
National Overall	Rice Coarse	46.1	4.1% ◀	1.3% ◀	-3.5% ◀	Wheat Flour	53.9	3.7% ◀	-17.2% ▼	-14.9% ▼
Dhaka		48.1	3.7% ◀	0.3% ◀	-0.2% ◀		52.7	1.0% ◀	-19.3% ▼	-18.7% ▼
Rajshahi		44.3	1.5% ◀	-5.0% ▼	-9.9% ▼		51.2	0.7% ◀	-18.8% ▼	-17.8% ▼
Barisal		47.1	8.0% ▲	2.9% ◀	-3.0% ◀		55.0	-2.0% ◀	-16.8% ▼	-12.8% ▼
Khulna		46.8	7.3% ▲	4.2% ◀	-1.9% ◀		53.3	-1.0% ◀	-17.5% ▼	-15.6% ▼
Chattogram		46.2	5.9% ▲	-2.8% ◀	-6.8% ▼		54.8	1.8% ◀	-17.5% ▼	-14.5% ▼
Sylhet		45.7	2.7% ◀	9.0% ▲	2.4% ◀		57.1	32.2% ▲	-13.1% ▼	-8.6% ▼
Rangpur		44.5	0.0% ◀	1.3% ◀	-4.6% ▼		53.5	-1.3% ◀	-17.7% ▼	-16.2% ▼
National Overall		Palm Oil (Loose)	127.6	0.4% ◀	-5.8% ▼		-0.1% ◀	Redlentil(imported)	113.6	2.2% ◀
Dhaka	129.0		0.8% ◀	-6.6% ▼	2.3% ◀	112.0	4.5% ◀		14.0% ▲	9.6% ▲
Rajshahi	124.8		1.1% ◀	-6.6% ▼	0.3% ◀	111.0	2.4% ◀		13.8% ▲	13.9% ▲
Barisal	128.5		0.0% ◀	-3.6% ◀	-3.0% ◀	117.8	3.7% ◀		18.0% ▲	16.9% ▲
Khulna	125.7		-0.2% ◀	-6.4% ▼	-1.1% ◀	105.2	2.7% ◀		11.0% ▲	4.1% ◀
Chattogram	129.8		1.8% ◀	-6.9% ▼	-0.3% ◀	113.0	0.2% ◀		12.2% ▲	10.8% ▲
Sylhet	130.2		-0.1% ◀	-4.8% ◀	0.2% ◀	129.1	-1.1% ◀		27.2% ▲	25.7% ▲
Rangpur	124.9		-0.4% ◀	-5.5% ▼	0.8% ◀	107.0	4.1% ◀		8.7% ▲	5.8% ▲
National Overall	Potato(Holland-White)		48.6	5.8% ▲	46.0% ▲	92.3% ▲	SoybeanOil		158.0	0.2% ◀
Dhaka		49.5	3.6% ◀	38.9% ▲	73.0% ▲	158.1		0.5% ◀	-8.6% ▼	-7.9% ▼
Rajshahi		45.5	7.4% ▲	46.3% ▲	70.3% ▲	153.3		0.9% ◀	-12.2% ▼	-10.7% ▼
Barisal		43.3	9.7% ▲	28.3% ▲	81.2% ▲	154.3		-0.5% ◀	-10.5% ▼	-8.4% ▼
Khulna		53.0	9.7% ▲	55.4% ▲	118.3% ▲	152.4		0.2% ◀	-12.4% ▼	-10.9% ▼
Chattogram		49.4	5.1% ▲	39.7% ▲	89.3% ▲	162.9		1.4% ◀	-10.1% ▼	-6.7% ▼
Sylhet		48.3	2.8% ◀	34.3% ▲	91.8% ▲	169.1		-0.9% ◀	-11.1% ▼	-6.1% ▼
Rangpur		51.4	19.9% ▲	89.1% ▲	131.0% ▲	156.1		-0.3% ◀	-8.8% ▼	-9.7% ▼
National Overall		ChickenBroiler	170.7	-3.4% ◀	-18.6% ▼	8.4% ▲		Eggs	11.9	-4.1% ◀
Dhaka	177.7		-4.8% ◀	-14.7% ▼	8.8% ▲	11.6	-7.8% ▼		-0.2% ◀	8.1% ▲
Rajshahi	169.8		-4.0% ◀	-17.0% ▼	6.4% ▲	11.0	-8.1% ▼		-0.8% ◀	6.4% ▲
Barisal	177.7		2.7% ◀	-18.4% ▼	11.6% ▲	11.5	-9.0% ▼		-2.9% ◀	6.2% ▲
Khulna	171.5		-5.1% ▼	-18.2% ▼	6.6% ▲	11.3	-9.0% ▼		-1.8% ◀	4.1% ◀
Chattogram	169.9		-3.4% ◀	-21.1% ▼	5.8% ▲	15.1	18.3% ▲		28.2% ▲	35.3% ▲
Sylhet	170.2		-5.6% ▼	-19.7% ▼	8.2% ▲	11.9	-8.1% ▼		3.7% ◀	7.4% ▲
Rangpur	165.6		-3.4% ◀	-21.0% ▼	11.5% ▲	10.9	-8.8% ▼		-2.6% ◀	7.8% ▲
National Overall	Onion(imported)		100.6	46.6% ▲	111.1% ▲	157.4% ▲	Garlic(imported)		187.4	-2.7% ◀
Dhaka		103.0	47.6% ▲	116.0% ▲	157.3% ▲	189.0		-6.9% ▼	22.6% ▲	51.4% ▲
Rajshahi		96.9	49.9% ▲	69.9% ▲	185.5% ▲	187.1		-3.3% ◀	29.2% ▲	50.7% ▲
Barisal		100.9	43.6% ▲	95.9% ▲	128.3% ▲	185.2		-5.5% ▼	18.8% ▲	43.2% ▲
Khulna		103.2	45.4% ▲	208.1% ▲	160.1% ▲	192.3		-4.4% ◀	20.7% ▲	43.4% ▲
Chattogram		103.7	45.9% ▲	70.7% ▲	133.4% ▲	172.2		-0.4% ◀	21.4% ▲	47.7% ▲
Sylhet		99.1	47.4% ▲	101.2% ▲	170.5% ▲	178.8		-0.3% ◀	27.9% ▲	55.6% ▲
Rangpur		97.8	46.4% ▲	187.5% ▲	180.6% ▲	207.0		2.2% ◀	70.6% ▲	-
National Overall		Sugar	136.3	4.5% ◀	5.0% ▲	26.8% ▲		GreenChili	113.1	-36.9% ▼
Dhaka	137.1		4.9% ◀	4.7% ◀	26.5% ▲	120.6	-33.1% ▼		-2.5% ◀	139.0% ▲
Rajshahi	135.6		4.7% ◀	5.0% ▲	26.5% ▲	102.5	-39.3% ▼		-10.3% ▼	161.5% ▲
Barisal	137.4		4.1% ◀	3.2% ◀	31.5% ▲	112.6	-36.8% ▼		-1.9% ◀	132.4% ▲
Khulna	145.6		11.6% ▲	13.8% ▲	37.2% ▲	98.9	-40.7% ▼		-18.0% ▼	161.1% ▲
Chattogram	130.7		-0.8% ◀	-1.4% ◀	19.5% ▲	131.8	-28.8% ▼		13.6% ▲	133.4% ▲
Sylhet	130.0		2.2% ◀	4.6% ◀	20.5% ▲	122.5	-38.4% ▼		9.9% ▲	155.6% ▲
Rangpur	138.0		5.1% ▲	5.5% ▲	26.6% ▲	102.6	-41.9% ▼		7.9% ▲	167.5% ▲

Annex 1. Retail market price of main commodities across different divisions

ANNEX II. Cox's Bazar retail market price in November 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		
			1 Month (%)	6 Month (%)	1 Year (%)			1 Month (%)	6 Month (%)	1 Year (%)
Overall	Rice BR29	54.0	-1.8% ◀	14.1% ▲	-1.2% ◀	Soybean Oil	168.3	2.7% ◀	-12.9% ▼	-6.7% ▼
Cox's Bazar Sadar		55.0	0.0% ◀	17.0% ▲	0.0% ◀		170.00	6.3% ▲	-11.2% ▼	-5.6% ▼
Teknaf		55.0	0.0% ◀	17.0% ▲	0.0% ◀		168.00	0.0% ◀	-12.0% ▼	-7.2% ▼
Ukhiya		52.0	-5.5% ▼	8.3% ▲	-3.7% ◀		167.00	2.1% ◀	-15.2% ▼	-7.2% ▼
Overall	Red Lentil	101.7	-1.9% ◀	1.7% ◀	1.3% ◀	Onion	101.7	31.5% ▲	47.0% ▲	135.5% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		100.0	-2.4% ◀	0.0% ◀	0.0% ◀		100.00	33.3% ▲	44.9% ▲	143.9% ▲
Teknaf		100.0	-2.0% ◀	0.0% ◀	-1.0% ◀		100.00	25.0% ▲	43.9% ▲	122.2% ▲
Ukhiya		105.0	-1.4% ◀	5.0% ▲	5.0% ▲		105.00	36.4% ▲	52.2% ▲	141.4% ▲
Overall	Sugar	139.3	0.7% ◀	3.2% ◀	21.2% ▲	Salt	40.0	0.0% ◀	0.0% ◀	12.1% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		140.0	3.7% ◀	3.7% ◀	21.7% ▲		40.0	0.0% ◀	0.0% ◀	12.7% ▲
Teknaf		140.0	0.0% ◀	3.7% ◀	21.7% ▲		40.0	0.0% ◀	0.0% ◀	9.6% ▲
Ukhiya		138.0	-1.4% ◀	2.2% ◀	20.0% ▲		40.0	0.0% ◀	0.0% ◀	14.3% ▲
Overall	Garlic	173.3	-5.5% ▼	16.2% ▲	50.7% ▲	LPG	1400.0	2.9% ◀	8.4% ▲	9.4% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		170.0	0.0% ◀	13.3% ▲	54.5% ▲		1400.0	3.7% ◀	8.1% ▲	8.9% ▲
Teknaf		180.0	-10.0% ▼	22.0% ▲	53.2% ▲		1400.0	1.4% ◀	8.5% ▲	10.2% ▲
Ukhiya		170.0	-5.6% ▼	13.3% ▲	44.7% ▲		1400.0	3.7% ◀	8.5% ▲	8.9% ▲
Overall	Broiler Chicken	182.5	1.4% ◀	-19.2% ▼	6.3% ▲	Tilapia	166.7	-10.7% ▼	-9.1% ▼	-8.3% ▼
Cox's Bazar Sadar		180.0	0.0% ◀	-15.3% ▼	5.9% ▲		170.0	-5.6% ▼	-8.1% ▼	-2.9% ◀
Teknaf		187.5	4.2% ◀	-19.4% ▼	8.7% ▲		160.0	-20.0% ▼	-11.1% ▼	-15.8% ▼
Ukhiya		180.0	0.0% ◀	-22.6% ▼	4.3% ◀		170.0	-5.6% ▼	-8.1% ▼	-5.6% ▼
Overall	Egg	10.4	-13.8% ▼	-5.2% ▼	1.0% ◀	Green Papaya	31.7	-5.0% ▼	-20.8% ▼	8.6% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		10.0	-15.5% ▼	-9.1% ▼	-2.4% ◀		30.0	0.0% ◀	-25.0% ▼	9.1% ▲
Teknaf		10.5	-16.0% ▼	-4.5% ◀	2.4% ◀		35.0	0.0% ◀	-12.5% ▼	16.7% ▲
Ukhiya		10.8	-10.0% ▼	-1.8% ◀	2.9% ◀		30.0	-14.3% ▼	-25.0% ▼	0.0% ◀
Overall	Red Chili	433.3	-3.3% ◀	-3.7% ◀	-1.5% ◀	Potato	49.0	3.5% ◀	22.5% ▲	75.0% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		430.0	-1.7% ◀	-4.4% ◀	-2.3% ◀		45.0	-4.3% ◀	12.5% ▲	60.7% ▲
Teknaf		450.0	0.0% ◀	0.0% ◀	2.3% ◀		52.0	4.0% ◀	30.0% ▲	85.7% ▲
Ukhiya		420.0	-8.2% ▼	-6.7% ▼	-4.5% ◀		50.0	11.1% ▲	25.0% ▲	78.6% ▲
Overall	Green Chili	118.3	-44.5% ▼	10.9% ▲	144.8% ▲	Banana	6.7	-2.4% ◀	-18.4% ▼	-4.8% ◀
Cox's Bazar Sadar		105.0	-47.5% ▼	0.0% ◀	147.1% ▲		6.0	-14.3% ▼	-25.0% ▼	-14.3% ▼
Teknaf		110.0	-45.0% ▼	2.3% ◀	109.5% ▲		7.0	0.0% ◀	-17.6% ▼	0.0% ◀
Ukhiya		140.0	-41.7% ▼	30.2% ▲	180.0% ▲		7.0	7.7% ▲	-12.5% ▼	0.0% ◀
Overall	Spinach/ Puiishak	18.3	-17.9% ▼	129.2% ▲	107.5% ▲	Bottle Gourd(Lau)	36.7	-18.5% ▼	129.2% ▲	129.2% ▲
Cox's Bazar Sadar		20.0	-20.0% ▼	150.0% ▲	150.0% ▲		40.0	-20.0% ▼	166.7% ▲	166.7% ▲
Teknaf		20.0	-33.3% ▼	150.0% ▲	122.2% ▲		40.0	14.3% ▲	135.3% ▲	122.2% ▲
Ukhiya		15.0	25.0% ▲	87.5% ▲	57.9% ▲		30.0	-40.0% ▼	87.5% ▲	100.0% ▲



ANNEX IV: Coverage map for monitored markets in Cox's Bazar and Bhasan Char

