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Joint Market and Supply Chain Update

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Key messages

- ◆ May Bossaso port statistics released this week indicate that livestock export volumes increased by 16% and 2% when compared to last month and same period last year respectively.
- ◆ In the Capital Mogadishu, cooking gas prices slightly decreased compared to last week but is still high.
- ◆ Cross-border trade between Ethiopia/Somalia in Puntland and Somaliland is normal, supply and movement of commodities is ongoing smoothly.

Banadir and Hirshabelle

- In the capital Mogadishu, price of cooking gas decreased compared to last week but remain high. For instance, an 18kg cylinder decreased from \$35 to \$24 however charcoal prices remain the same as last week.
- Since end of April to date, main road linking Balcad and Jowhar is still cut off at Congo village near Jowhar town due to Shabelle river breaking its banks at Bary village, however, traders are using alternative transport means such as boats, donkey carts, four wheel drive automobiles to transport food and essential items from Congo village to Jowhar town.
- In Banadir, prices of fruits and vegetables remain the same as last week. For instance, potatoes, onions, green pepper and carrots are trading at 24,000 SO SH, 30,000 SO SH, 30,000 SO SH and 50,000 SO SH respectively per Kg.
- Prices of fresh fish is decreasing in Mogadishu from \$5 in March/April to \$3.5 per kilogram in June. This is normal trend as result of increased availability in the ocean.
- In Jowhar, prices of local cereals, imported food items and fuel remained the same as last week except vegetable oil and white maize that increased by 29% and 44% per litre and Kg respectively.
- In Elmaan and Warsheikh markets, prices of key commodities are increasing due to increased checkpoints along supply corridors linking Mogadishu, Elmaan and Warsheikh markets. The checkpoints have increased both the lead-time and transportation cost.

Galmuduug

- In South Mudug and Galgaduud main towns, vegetable oil prices are increasing compared to last week due to scarcity. For instance, in Hobyo and Dhusamareb prices increased from \$4 to \$5 per 3 litre container. In addition, prices of imported food items (rice, pasta, flour and sugar) are stable in the last two weeks with the exception of Dhusamareb where the sugar and wheat prices increased from \$0.65 to \$0.7 and \$0.55 to \$0.59 respectively per Kg.
- In most markets in Galmudug, prices of vegetables slightly decreased compared to last week. For instance, tomatoes averagely decreased from \$2.5 to \$2.1 per Kg and potatoes from \$0.9 to \$0.80 per Kg. However, prices of watermelon and bananas remained the same as last week.
- Retail prices of local cereals (white maize, red and white sorghum) are stable in most markets compared to last week except in Adado and Galkayo (South Mudug) where prices increased slightly by less than 5%.
- In Abudwaq, Dhusamareb and Guriel, the price of camel milk increased compared with last week from \$1.30 to \$1.50 per litre.
- In Galkayo (South Mudug) fuel prices, both petrol and diesel increased by 3% compared to last week.
- In Galmudug, supply of food items from upstream markets to downstream markets is ongoing smoothly, all roads are accessible and transport services are normal. In addition, cross border, trade with Ethiopia is open and goods are moving smoothly from both sides.

Somaliland

- Cross border between Ethiopia and Somaliland is normal, and supply of Khat is normal. However, there is a decrease in the supply of fruits and vegetables hence prices remain the same as last week except tomatoes which are increasing. For instance, in Hargeisa, prices of tomatoes increased from 8,800 SL SH to 9,500 SL SH per Kg. Potatoes, carrots, garlic and onions remained the same at 6,100 SL SH, 6,000 SL SH, 9,000 SL SH and 6,500 SL SH respectively per Kg. In addition, a medium sized watermelon is fluctuating between 20,000 SL SH. and 33,000 SL SH. per piece for three weeks in a row.
- Light rains were reported in few pockets in Woqooyi Galbeed regions including Hargeisa town, southern part of the district and Baki in Awdal. All roads are accessible and transport services are normal. In addition, port operations in Berbera are ongoing smoothly.
- Fuel prices remain the same as last week at 5200 SL SH and 5,600 SL SH for diesel and petrol respectively per litre following government directive issued last month.
- Supply flow of rice and sugar is affected throughout Somaliland due to COVID-19 lockdown in India, which is a key catchment market. For instance, prices of 50kg bags of sugar and rice increased from \$26.5 to \$28.5 and \$27 to \$31 respectively.
- Livestock prices remain the same as last week in most markets. For instance, in Hargeisa, local goat prices are fluctuating between \$75 and \$85 and camel export quality fluctuating between \$690 and \$700 per head. In addition, camel milk prices remained the same for three weeks in a row at 14,000 SL SH per litre.
- The exchange rate of local currency vs USD remained the same for two weeks in a row. For instance, Hargeisa exchange rate has remained at 8,420 SL SH per USD.

South West

- In Diinsoor, prices of imported food items, local cereals and fuel (petrol and diesel) remained the same as last week except camel milk that increased slightly compared to last week due to restricted movement between the town and surrounding villages as result of ongoing insecurity.
- In Baidoa, prices of local cereals, imported food items and fuel (diesel and petrol) remained the same as last week.
- In Xudur, prices of local cereals reduced by -13% to -20%, imported food items increased by 6% to 20% compared to last week. In addition, fuel prices both petrol and diesel increased by 33%.
- In Rabdhure, prices of imported food items are showing slight changes ($\pm 5\%$) compared to last week except vegetable oil that increased by 14% per litre.
- In Waajid, prices of locally produced food items such as maize, sorghum and beans slightly increased (<5%) compared to last week due to low availability. However, imported food items and fuel (petrol and diesel) prices remain the same as last week.
- In Qansaxdhere, despite low availability of local cereals and imported food items prices remained the same as last week.

Puntland

- May Bossaso port statistics released this week indicate that livestock export volumes increased by 16% compared to last month, also, increased slightly compared with the same period last year by 2%. In addition, total food imports of April 2021 increased by 61% compared to last month and by 80% compared with the same period last year. The increases in food imports may be attributed to decreasing local cereals stocks.
- Livestock prices are decreasing compared to last week. For instance, in Garowe and Qardho prices decreased by 15%. remain the same as last week in most markets, except wholesale sugar prices in Bossaso that decreased by 6% due to increased sugar imports. However, retail sugar prices remain the same as last week.
- Vegetables prices such as lettuce, cabbage and spinach remain the same as last in most markets, except potatoes that increased averagely by 12% compared to last week. In addition, fruits prices remain the same as last week except bananas that decreased by 25%.
- The exchange rate of local currency vs USD depreciated compared to last week. For instance, in Bossaso exchange rate increased from 42,000 to 44,000 SoSH per USD.
- Fuel (diesel and petrol) remained the same as last week in most markets throughout Puntland compared to last week.
- Supply of food items from upstream markets to downstream markets is ongoing smoothly throughout Puntland. All roads are accessible and transport services are normal. Furthermore, cross border, trade with Ethiopia is open and goods are moving smoothly from both sides.

Jubaland

- In Doolow and most markets, prices of local cereals, imported food items and fuel (diesel and petrol) remained the same as last week due to steady supply from source markets.
- In Afmadow, availability of food supplies due to improved access of supply corridors has led to decreased prices and increased purchasing power for consumers.
- Cross border, trade between Kenya and Somalia in BeletHawo, Elwaq and Dhobley is normal and movement of goods from both sides is smooth.

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