



Joint Market and Supply Chain Update

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Key messages

- ◆ Watermelon is out of stock in Hargeisa however in the entire Northwest regions, prices of fruits and vegetables such as bananas, tomatoes, onions, carrots and potatoes are normal.
- ◆ Moderate to heavy rains received in some parts of Mudug, Hiraan, Gedo, Lower Shabelle, Bay and Bakool signalling the onset of Deyr rains and trucks are facing some challenges due to muddy roads.
- ◆ Camel milk prices are decreasing in Northern regions however, prices remain high.

Banadir and Hirshabelle

- Accessibility of the road between Mogadishu and Beletweyne is still difficult and some parts are inaccessible due to muddy road caused by Deyr rains.
- In Bakara and Beletweyne markets, retail prices of both local cereals (white maize, red and white sorghum) and imported food items (rice, pasta, wheat flour, sugar, dates and vegetable oil) remain the same as last week.
- In Buloburto, the roads between Mogadishu to Buloburto is inaccessible due to illegal checkpoints by the militants.
- In Buloburto, most of the commodities retail prices remained the same as last week except white maize that decreased from \$0.6 to \$0.5 (-17%). In addition, wholesale prices of pasta (10Kgs) and rice (25Kgs) increased by 8% and 20% respectively.
- In Jowhar, local cereals prices remained the same as last week except white maize prices that decreased from 10,000 to 9,000 SO SH. (10%). In addition, pasta increased from 18,000 to 20,000 SO SH. (11%) per Kg and wheat flour from 12,000 to 13,500 SO SH. (13%) per Kg.
- Fuel prices have remained low and the same as last week in most markets. For instance, in Mogadishu prices remained at \$0.45 and \$0.50 for diesel and petrol respectively.

Galmuduug

- The road linking Galkayo to Garacad, Balibusle, Jar-iiban and surrounding villages is slightly affected by the rains. Trucks are experiencing some difficulties due to the muddy state of the road. As a result, prices are increasing in affected due to increased transport costs. For instance, tomatoes increased from \$1.5 to \$1.8 (20%) per Kg, onion increased from \$1 to \$1.3 (30%) per Kg, potatoes increased from \$1 to \$1.2 (20%) and banana increased from \$0.3 to \$0.4 (33%) per piece.
- In addition, mangoes are out of stock Galkayo in the main market.
- In Adado and Abudwaq, camel milk prices remain the same and high as last week at \$1.6 per litre and in Galkayo market at \$ 2.50 per litre due to scarcity.
- The building of Garacad port resumed due to subsiding of monsoon winds. The port construction when complete will cover the needs of Mudug and Galgaduug regions.
- Fuel prices increased slightly in most markets but are low. For instance, in most main markets in Galmudug, petrol price increased from \$0.4 to \$0.5 (25%) per litre and diesel from \$0.5 to \$0.55 (10%) per litre.
- In Galkayo, the daily labour rate increased slightly from 160,000 to 165,000 SO. SH (3%) compared to last week.

Somaliland

- Cross border between Ethiopia and Somaliland is normal and supply of fruits and vegetables is ongoing, prices are showing mixed trends compared to last week and are normal. For instance, in Hargeisa, prices tomatoes increased from 8,000 to 8,700 SL. SH (9%), potatoes slightly decreased from 6,200 to 6,000 SL. SH (-3%), garlic decreased slightly from 9,000 to 8,900 SL. SH (-3%), garlic from 9,000 to 8,900 SL. SH (-1%), carrots and onions remain the same as last week at 5,000 SL SH and 6,800 SL SH respectively.
- In addition, watermelons are currently out of stock in Hargeisa main market.
- White maize prices increased compared to last week and are very high in some markets of Somaliland. In markets such as Berbera, Ceerigaabo and Laascanood white maize prices increased from 3,900 to 4,200 SL SH. (8%) per Kg. However, white and red sorghum prices remained the same as last week.
- Petrol prices increased in most markets compared to last week; however, diesel prices remain the same compared to last week and are low. For instance in Hargeisa, diesel is currently trading at 4,200 SL. SH and petrol increased from 5,000 to 5,500 SL SH. (10%) per litre.
- In most markets in Somaliland, camel milk prices decreased compared with last week but is high. For instance in Hargeisa, price of camel milk decreased from 9,000 to 8,500 SL SH (-6%) per litre.
- Livestock prices (goat and sheep) remained the same as last week. For instance, In Hargeisa, goat prices remain at \$72 per head and export camel price at \$685.
- In most urban centres in Somaliland, both goat and camel meat prices have remained the same as last week. For instance in Hargeisa price of kg goat meat and camel meat remain at \$7.3 and \$6.0 respectively.
- The exchange rate of local currency vs USD remains the same in most markets compared to last week. For instance, in Hargeisa exchange rate has remained at 8,550 SL SH per USD.

South West

- Moderate rains received in some parts of Lower Shabelle, Gedo, Bay and Bakool however, main corridors remain accessible and transport services are normal.
- In Baidoa, fuel prices remain the same compared with last week and are low. Diesel and petrol prices remain at \$0.72 and \$0.8 respectively per litre.
- In Baidoa, prices of both imported food items (rice, pasta, sugar, dates, and vegetable oil) and local cereals (white maize, red and white sorghum) prices remained the same as last week.
- In Diinsor, Camel milk increased from \$2.5 to \$3 (20%) per litre due to increased demand.
- In Diinsor, militants (A.S) have restricted movements of good, in and out of the district and traders are now enforced to use air transport to move commodities from Mogadishu that has resulted increased food prices.
- In Wanlaweyn, the exchange rate of local currency vs USD slightly depreciated from 25,000 to 26,000 SO SH per USD.
- In Xudur, local and imported food items remained the same as last week except sugar prices that increased slightly by 3%.

Puntland

- Supply flow of food commodities from upstream market to downstream markets is ongoing normally and business activities are normal.
- There is limited supply of vegetables in Burtinle due to low production in the district.
- Diesel prices increased in most main markets from \$0.5 to \$0.55 (10%) due to increased demand.
- In Puntland, there are no price changes compared to last week for both local and imported food items. However, prices remain high due to devaluation of Somali Shilling.
- In Garowe and Qardho markets, vegetable prices increased by (10% to 20%) compared to last week due to low supply. While in Bossaso vegetable prices increased by (5% to 10%) compared to last week.
- Camel milk prices decreased averagely by (-7%) in the main markets of Puntland due to increased supply resulting from camel calving.
- In Bossaso and Garowe local markets, male mature camel prices increased by 22% compared to last week.
- Ethiopia/Somalia border trade movement is ongoing and active with goods moving from both sides.
- Exchange rate of Somali Shilling against USD remains the same as last week, however it is the highest compared with other regions.

Jubaland

- In Gedo, livestock prices remain the same as last week and are low due to low demand.
- In Doolow, retail prices of imported food items (rice, wheat flour, pasta, sugar, dates) and local cereals (white maize, red and white sorghum) remain the same as last week.
- Ethiopia/Somalia border trade movement is ongoing and active with goods moving from both sides. In addition, Kenya/Somalia border is still closed although smuggling of commodities from Mandera through porous points in Beled Xaawo is ongoing.
- In Doolow, the corridor linking Mogadishu to Doolow remain closed due to militants erecting illegal checkpoints.
- In Kismayu, there is increased supply of imported food commodities after a ship carrying food supplies arrived this week.
- In Belethawa, the road between Belethawa and Mogadishu is still closed due to militants erecting illegal checkpoints and no food commodities are entering the market.
- In Garbaharey, the essential food commodities prices have slightly increased due to road inaccessibility caused by Deyr rains.

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