



## Joint Market and Supply Chain Update

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### Key messages

- ◆ Livestock prices are increasing in some markets for two weeks in a row due to increased demand due to Eid Al Adha festivities.
- ◆ Light to moderate rains continued in most districts in the northwest regions, all roads are accessible and transport services are normal.
- ◆ Prices of fruits and vegetables remain high in Puntland regions due to low supply from Southern and central production regions.

#### Banadir and Hirshabelle

- In Mogadishu, the price of cooking gas decreased by -5% per 13Kg gas cylinder compared to last week. However, charcoal prices remain the same as last week.
- In Buloburto and Beletweyne, prices of local cereals, imported food items and fuel (diesel and petrol) remain the same as last week.
- In Jowhar, prices of local cereals, imported food items and fuel (diesel and petrol) remained the same as last week except vegetable oil (L) and red sorghum (Kg) that decreased by -4% and -11%.
- In Mogadishu, the prices of fruits and vegetables such as onions, potatoes, pepper, spinach, carrots, bananas and mangoes remain the same as last week.
- In Mogadishu markets, prices of imported food commodities such as rice, sugar, wheat flour, vegetable oil and pasta are increasing. The price hikes continue to be experienced for imported food commodities such as rice, sugar, wheat flour vegetable oil and pasta. The price increases are attributed to the ripple effect of price increases at the source markets coupled with high sea tides increasing lead-time.
- The cross border trade between Somalia and Ethiopia through Beletweyne town is normal and goods are moving smoothly from both sides.
- Fuel prices, both diesel and petrol remain the same as last week in major markets throughout Banadir region. In addition, exchange rate of the local currency against the USD remain the same.

#### Galmuduug

- In Abduwak, prices of imported food items increased slightly compared to last week due to high demand caused by Eid Al Adha festivities. For instance, sugar and rice increased from \$0.64 to \$0.65 and \$0.56 to \$0.57 respectively per Kg.
- In most markets of Galmudug, vegetables prices slightly decreased compared to last week. For instance, tomatoes decreased from \$2.5 to \$2.2 per kg and potatoes from \$0.9 to \$0.85 per Kg.
- Fuel prices, both diesel and petrol increased by 10% per litre compared to last week in major markets throughout Galmudug.
- The exchange rate of local currency vs USD remained stable for four weeks in a row. For instance in Galkayo, the exchange rate between local currency and USD is 40,000 SO SH.
- Throughout Galmudug, most roads are accessible including Abudwaq and Balanbale 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, prices of fruits and vegetables slightly decreased compared with last week except carrots and garlic that remained the same. For instance, in Hargeisa, prices of tomatoes, potatoes and onions decreased by -2% to -5% respectively. Carrots and garlic remained the same at 6,000 SL SH and 10,000 SL SH respectively per Kg., in addition, a medium sized watermelon is fluctuating between 30,000 SL SH. and 50,000 SL SH. per piece.
- In Hargeisa, prices of imported food items increased slightly due to an increase in transport cost. For instance, the prices of rice, sugar and pasta increased from \$0.62 to \$0.7, \$0.65 to \$0.76 and \$0.8 to \$1 respectively per Kg.
- According to farmers livestock export volume reduced in Somaliland due to effects of COVID-19 related restrictions and the low profile Hajj season affecting demand from Saudi Arabia. This has affected mostly pastoralists and urban poor who depend on livestock trade, resulting in decreasing prices due to low demand.
- Several districts including Hargeisa, Baki, Berbera, Sheikh, and CeelAfweyn received Karan rains that were sporadic and infrequent. Movement from rural areas to the markets is ongoing smoothly, all roads are accessible and transport services are normal. In addition, port operations are ongoing smoothly in Berbera.
- Fuel prices remain the same for two weeks in a row at 5,800 SL SH and 6,200 SL SH per litre following government directive issued due to increasing demand and prices globally.
- Camel milk prices are decreasing in Hawd livelihood zone, due to camels giving birth. In most markets prices decreased by approximately 15% to 20%.

### South West

- In Xudur town, prices of local cereals and imported food items prices decreased by -3% to -13% compared to last week. In addition, fuel (diesel and petrol) slightly decreased by -3% per litre but is high at \$3.1 per litre for both diesel and petrol. In addition, there is scarcity of camel milk and charcoal due to insecurity limiting supply from the rural areas.
- In Rabdhure, prices of imported food items, local cereals and fuel remained the same for three weeks in a row except pasta and sugar that increased slightly by <5% per Kg compared to last week.
- In Qansaxdhere, prices of imported food items and local cereals decreased by 5% to 13% compared to last week. However, camel milk and fuel, both diesel and petrol remained the same as last week.
- In Baidoa, prices of local cereals and imported food items, slightly increased (<5%) compared to last week, except vegetable oil and dates that remained the same. In addition, fuel supply improved but prices remain the same as last week but high.
- In Diinsoor, prices of local cereals and imported food items, slightly decreased by (<5%) compared to last week. In addition, camel milk prices increased from \$0.68 to \$0.72 per litre and there is scarcity of fruits and vegetables in the markets.

### Puntland

- 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.
- In Bossaso and Garowe markets livestock prices increased due to increased demand due to Eid Al Adha festivities. For instance, local goat prices increased by 23%, from \$ 65 to \$80 per head.
- In Bossaso, prices of local cereals and imported food items remain the same as last week, except rice prices that increased by 13% per Kg.
- In Bossaso, prices of vegetables remain the same as last week except lettuce and cabbage that increased by 25% due to low availability.
- Fruits prices are increasing in some markets compared to last week due to reduced supply and increased demand due to Eid Al Adha. For instance, in Garowe and Qardho, prices of mangoes and watermelons increased by approximately 40% and 20% respectively.
- Camel milk prices remain the same in the main markets of Qardho, Bossaso and Garowe. However, goat milk increased by 20% to 30% compared to last week.
- Water prices are increasing in some livelihood zones such as coastal Deeh, East Golis and parts of North Inland Pastoral (NIP) where water increased by 20% to 25% compared to last week due to scarcity.
- Fuel prices, both diesel and petrol remain the same as last week in major markets throughout Puntland.

### Jubaland

- In Doolow and Belethawa, prices of livestock, fresh fruits and vegetables increased significantly due to high demand caused by Eid Al Adha festivities. For instance, local goat and a piece of mango increased from \$50 to \$70 and \$0.5 to \$0.9 respectively.
- Light rains were reported in Kismayu along the coast and Dhobley town and its environs, all roads are accessible, and transport services are normal.
- In Afmadow, prices of imported food items remain the same as last week, except wholesale prices of sugar (25 kg) that decreased by (10%) and vegetable oil (20 litres) that increased by 9%. In addition, most traders are sourcing wheat flour from Ethiopia side due to lower cost compared to Mogadishu due to illegal taxes by insurgents (A.S) along the corridor connecting Mogadishu and Gedo.
- In Afmadow, water prices remain the same as last week. However, prices are likely to increase in the coming days; some water catchments have dried and the main source currently are boreholes.
- Operations in the port of Kismayo are still low due to the high tides in the ocean caused by the monsoon winds that are common during Hagaa season.
- In Afmadow, camel milk prices are increasing due to pastoralists and livestock migrating to coastal areas in search of water and pasture.
- Cross-border trade between Kenya and Somalia in Belethawo, Elwaq and Dhobley is normal and movement of goods from both sides is ongoing smoothly as last week.

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