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Rice Price - Weekly

Weekly Rice Price Update

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Report Highlights:

Rice export prices remained steady while traders await for the government to announce on July 11 the sale results of the remaining 2 million metric tons of government rice stocks.

Post: Bangkok

Market Tone

| Quality | Exporter Observations | | | | | | | | Period Average | |
|-----------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|----------------|--|
| | #1 | #2 | #3 | #4 | #5 | #6 | #7 | CUR. | PRV | |
| FWR 100 B | 1,100 | | | 1,100 | 1,130 | 1,100 | *8 | 1,108 | 1,108 | |
| WR 100 B | 390 | | 390 | 391 | 400 | 392 | 400 | 394 | 394 | |
| PB 1004e | 380 | | 380 | 380 | 390 | 380 | 390 | 383 | 388 | |
| PB 546 | 375 | | 375 | 375 | 385 | 375 | 385 | 378 | 383 | |
| WR 540 | 380 | | 380 | 381 | 390 | 381 | 390 | 384 | 384 | |
| WR 10% | 377 | 3.5 | - | 378 | | 378 | 7.5 | 378 | 378 | |
| WR 15% | 374 | 3.5 | - | | | 375 | | 375 | 375 | |
| WR 25% | 372 | | - | 1.5 | | 373 | | 373 | 373 | |
| WR 354e | - | | - | | | | | | - | |
| A1 SUP | - | - | | | - | | - 2 | - | | |
| A1 SPEC | | | | | | 2 | 25 | - | | |

Export prices for most grades of rice did not change this week except for parboiled rice which declined 1 percent due to the lack of new inquiries. Traders are awaiting the government's decision on the sale of the remaining 2 million metric tons of government rice stocks which consist of 1.5 million metric tons of non-food grade rice and 0.5 million metric tons of deteriorated rice. Around 60 percent of these rice stocks are 5% grade white rice from MY2011/12 – MY2012/13 pledging program. The government announced that it will finalize the sale on July 11, 2018.

Rice Export Update

Unofficial and preliminary rice exports (excluding premium white and fragrant rice) for June 25 – July 1, 2018, totaled 144,409 metric tons, down 47,553 metric tons from the previous week and down 35,394 metric tons from the four-week moving average of 179,083 metric tons (Table 2.1). Rice exports from January 1 – July1, 2018 totaled 4,554,183 metric tons.

| WEEK ENDING | QUANTITY | 4-WK AVG | YEAR TO DATE | YEAR AGO | % Growth from Last Year | |
|----------------|----------|----------|-----------------|----------|----------------------------|--|
| | (MI) | (MI) | (TMT) | (TMT) | (%) | |
| Apr 29, 2018 | 173,330 | 124,464 | 3,088 | 2,759 | 11.9 | |
| May 6, 2018 | 131,885 | 133,017 | 3,220 | 2,943 | 9.4 | |
| May 13, 2018 | 175,467 | 150,638 | 3,395 | 3,145 | 8.0 | |
| May 20, 2018 | 152,116 | 158,199 | 3,547 | 3,331 | 6.5 | |
| May 27, 2018 | 151,361 | 152,707 | 3,699 | 3,514 | 5.3 | |
| Jun 3, 2018 | 136,488 | 153,858 | 3,835 | 3,685 | 4.1 | |
| Jun 10, 2018 | 210,924 | 162,722 | 4,046 | 3,835 | 5.5 | |
| Jun 17, 2018 | 171,918 | 167,673 | 4,218 | 4,009 | 5.2 | |
| Jun 24, 2018 | 191,962 | 177,823 | 4,410 | 4,190 | 5.2 | |
| Jul 1, 2018 | 144,409 | 179,803 | 4,554 | 4,371 | 4.2 | |

Note on data: Export figures since March 22, 2002, do not include fragrant rice. In addition, during May 1, 2013 - December 18, 2016, export data and not include 25% - 100% grade white rice exports as the reporting authority was moved from the That Board of Trade to the Ministry of Commerce's Office of Commodity Standards, which does not release official export data. FAS/BKK reports only the official export numbers available from the Board of Trade of Thatland. The reader should bear in mind these differences when comparing historical data with current data.

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