

HIGHLIGHTS

Paddy production for 2025 Yala season, based on the sown extent as of end September 2025, is forecasted at 2.27 million metric tons, a 14.6% increase from the previous Yala season



Total fish production decreased by 7.2% (y-o-y) in October 2025, mainly attributed to considerable decline in inland fish production and marginal decline in marine fish production



Domestic Tea production decreased by 5.6% (y-o-y) in November 2025, mainly due to heavy rainfall



Coconut production maintained positive growth trajectory, recording a 40.6% (y-o-y) increase in November 2025

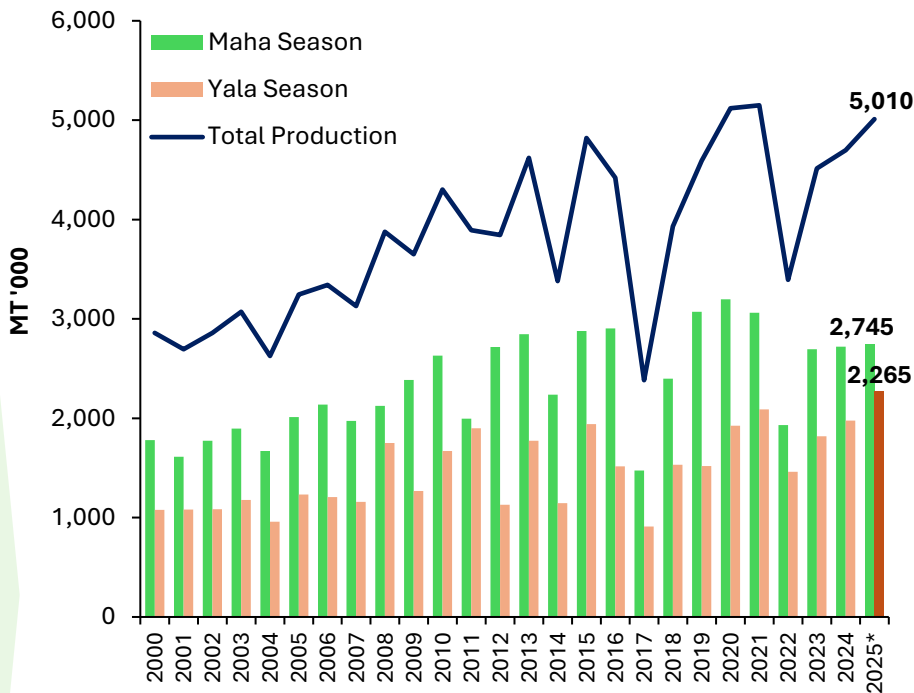


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* The data may not capture the impact of Cyclone Ditwah due to information lags.

Paddy Production

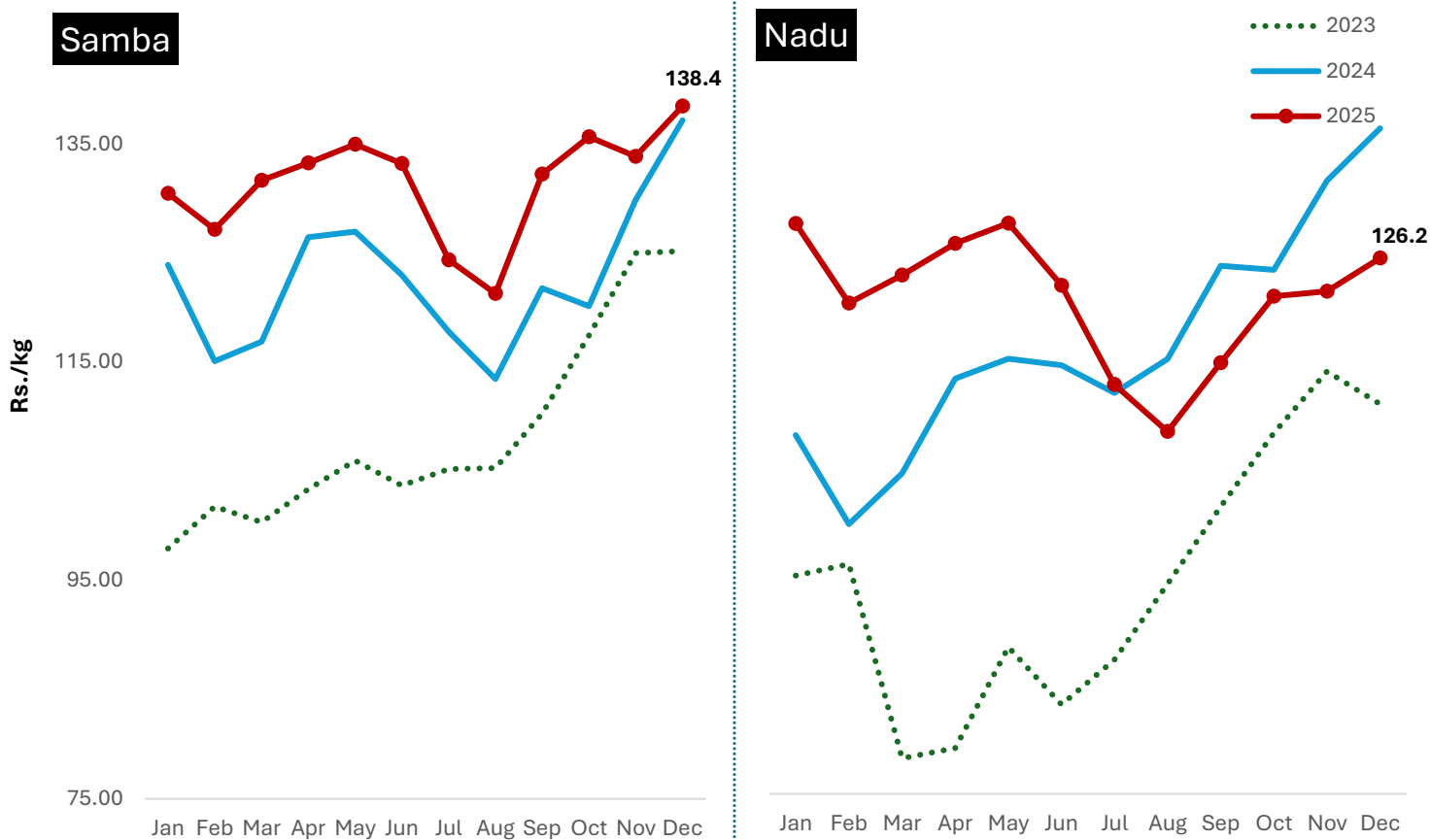


*2025 Yala season production is based on the Department of Agriculture forecast

Season	2023 (mn mt)	2024 (mn mt)	2025* (mn mt)	Growth % (y-o-y)
Maha	2.70	2.72	2.74	0.9
Yala	1.82	1.98	2.27	14.6
Annual	4.51	4.70	5.01	6.6

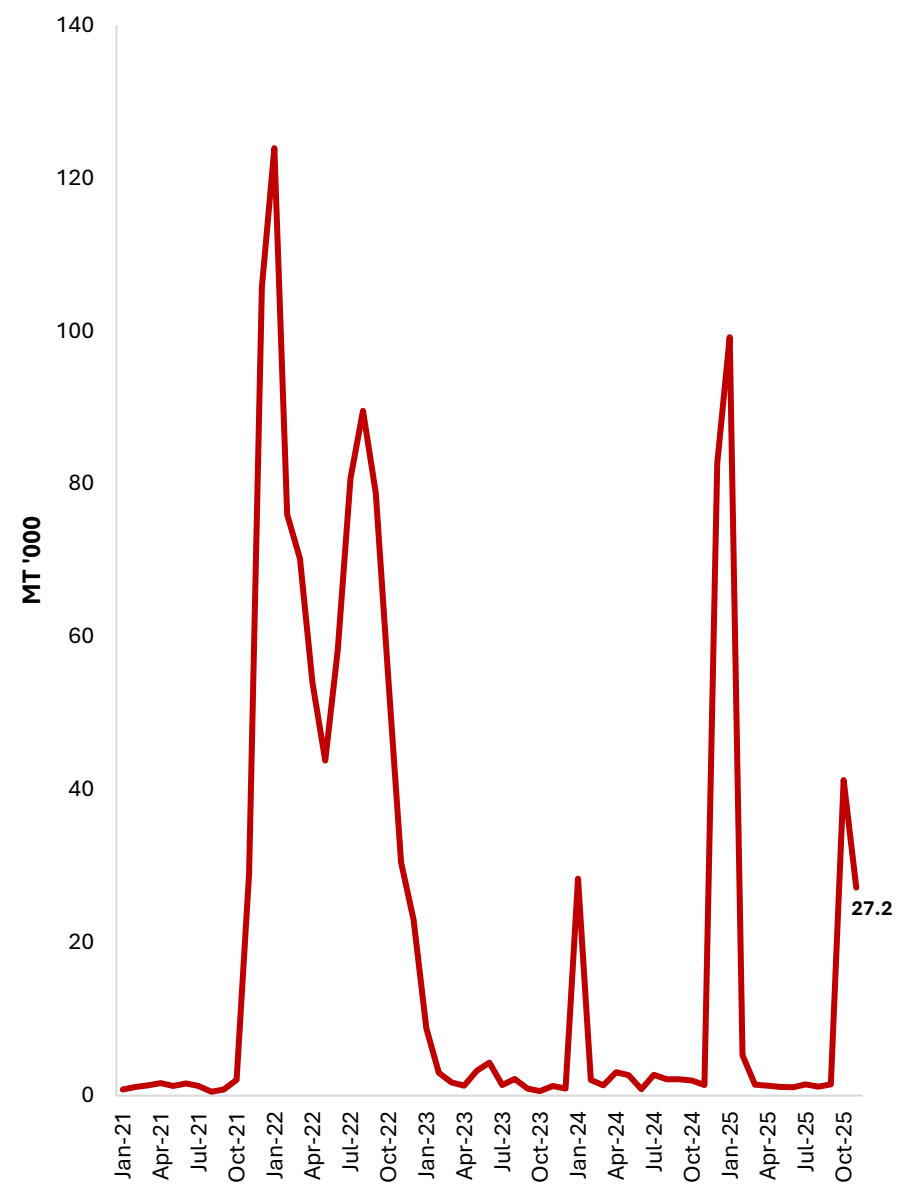
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Farmgate/Producer Prices of Paddy



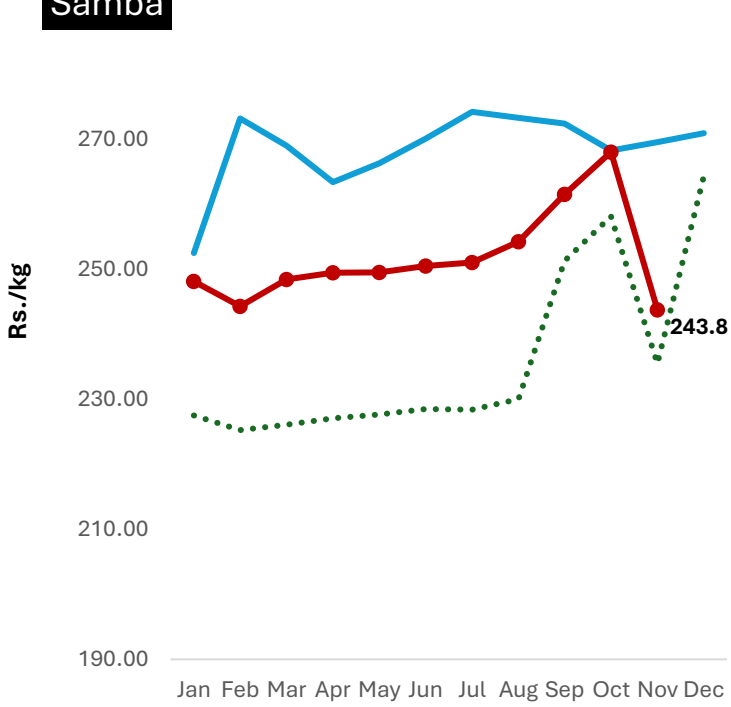
- Paddy production forecast of the Department of Agriculture for 2025 Yala season, based on the sown extent reported as of end September 2025, stands at **2.27 million metric tons (14.6% increase from the previous Yala season)**
- Accordingly, paddy production forecasts for 2025 is estimated as **5.01 million metric tons (6.6% increase from the previous year)**

Rice Imports

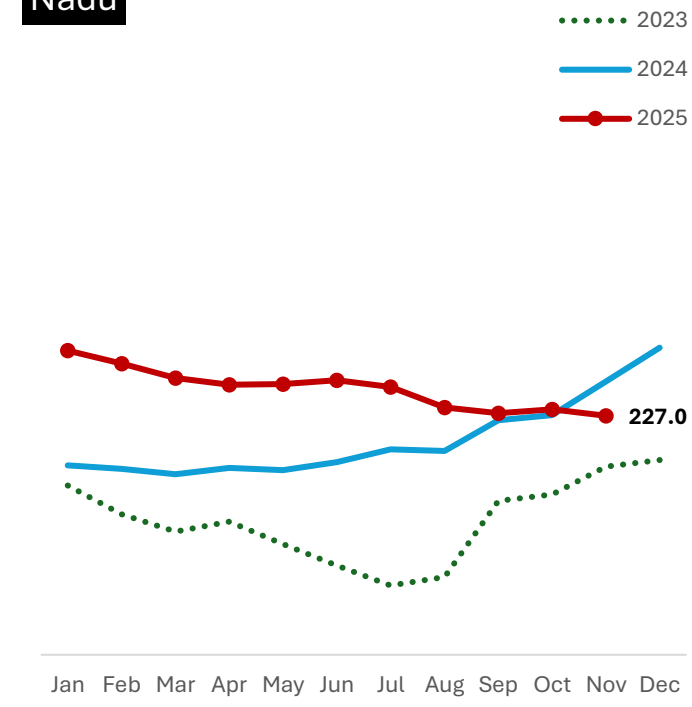


Retail Rice Prices

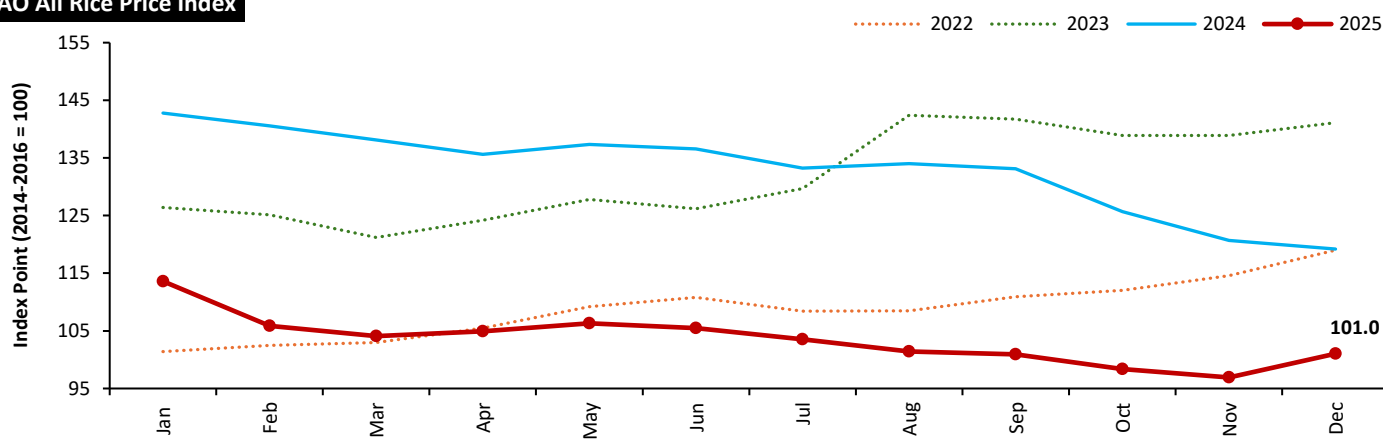
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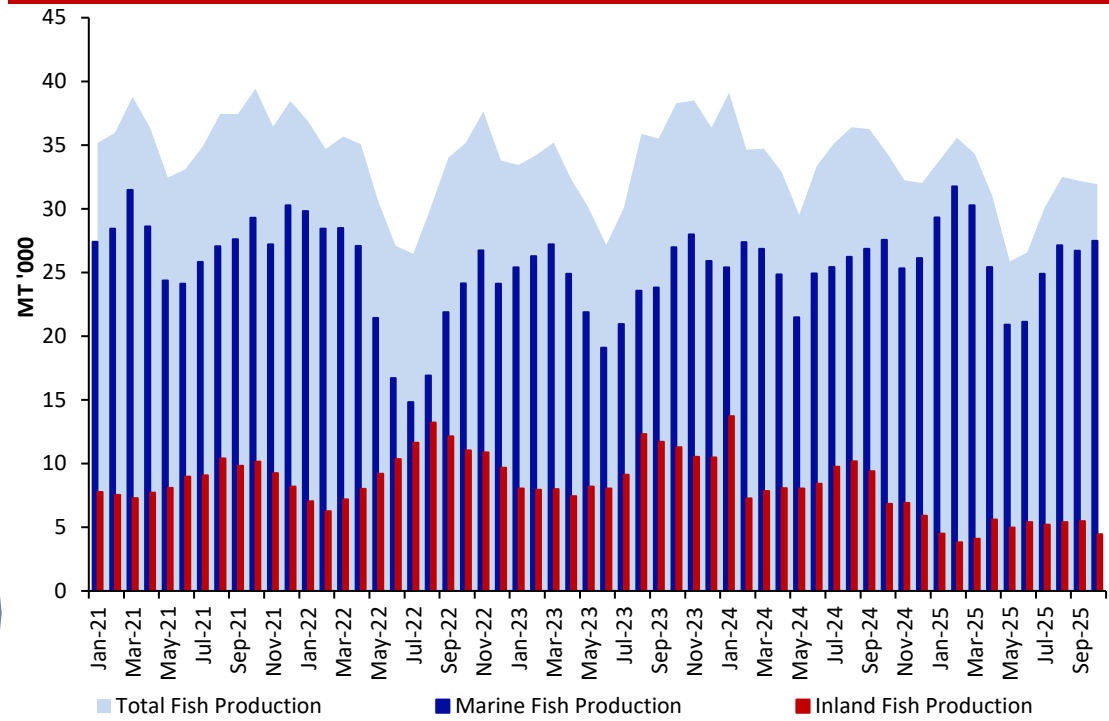
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FAO All Rice Price Index

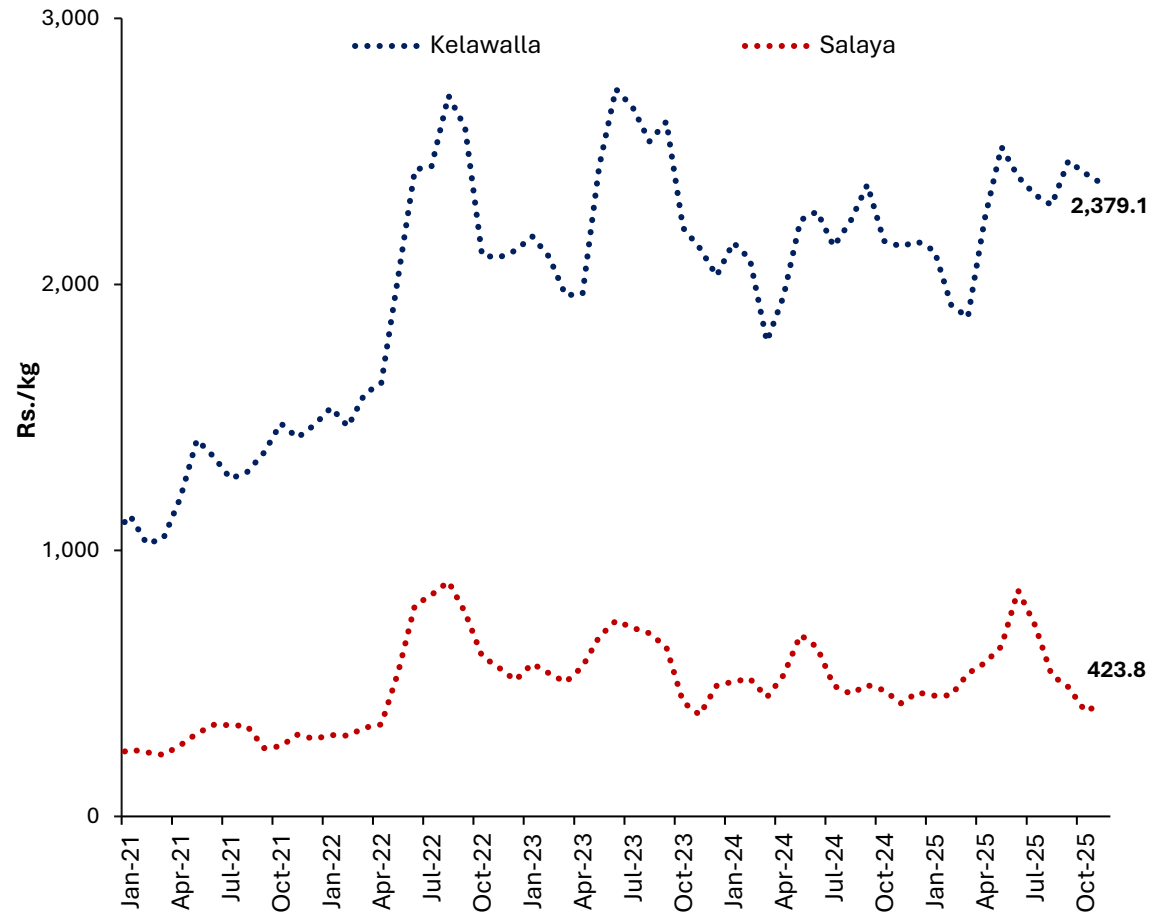


Fish Production



Production (MT '000)	2023	2024	2024 Jan-Oct	2025 Jan-Oct
Marine	294	308	257	265
Inland	113	102	90	49
Total	407	411	346	314

Retail Fish Prices



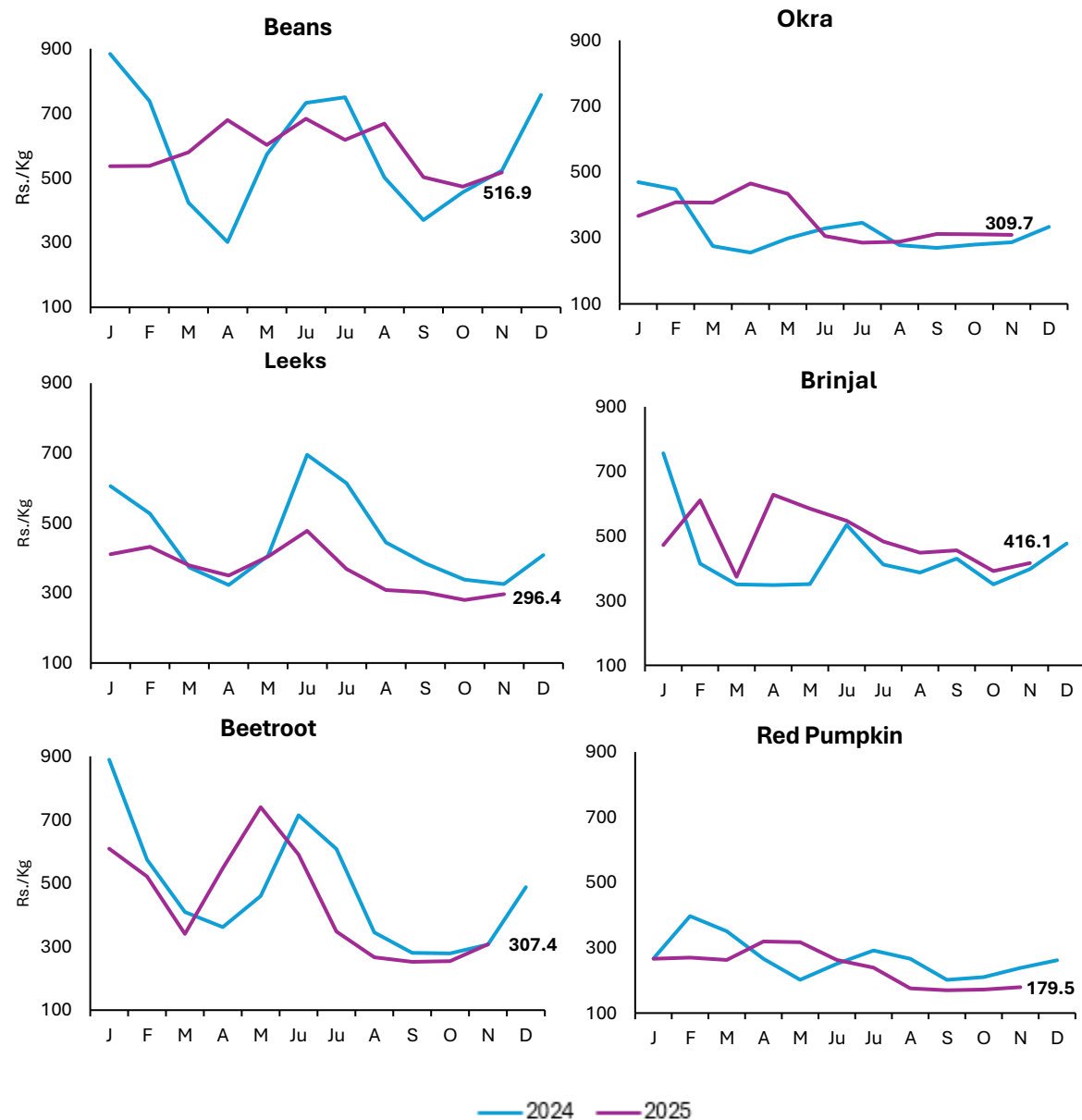
• **Fish production decreased by 7.2% (y-o-y) in October 2025, mainly attributed to 43.5% (y-o-y) decline in inland fish production, while marine fish production recorded a marginal decline of 0.3% (y-o-y) in October 2025**

Vegetable Production (MT)

	22/23 Maha	2023 Yala	23/24 Maha	2024 Yala	24/25 Maha	2025 Yala*	24/25 Yala Y-o-Y Change
Up Country							
Tomatoes	46,244	34,169	39,293	34,945	28,480	44,554	↑
Cabbage	52,310	47,773	58,552	48,242	41,811	59,249	↑
Carrot	40,084	25,267	48,836	24,374	25,604	38,943	↑
Beetroot	17,178	21,444	17,332	20,034	15,825	19,731	↓
Raddish	26,955	27,557	40,159	27,567	31,271	22,763	↓
Beans	41,139	25,287	36,345	26,128	20,468	36,159	↑
Low Country							
Luffa	24,852	18,417	22,225	18,521	20,465	14,022	↓
Okra	38,984	31,351	37,620	35,003	40,296	30,837	↓
Brinjal	80,637	54,450	69,584	54,660	64,545	57,022	↑
Cucumber	21,013	26,603	17,937	27,161	18,982	17,278	↓
Red pumpkin	59,163	41,779	46,890	42,565	48,389	58,782	↑
Ash plantain	35,369	22,833	33,783	24,477	29,506	5,905	↓
Long bean	35,395	27,456	35,539	28,855	34,926	32,004	↑

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Retail Vegetable Prices



Other Field Crops

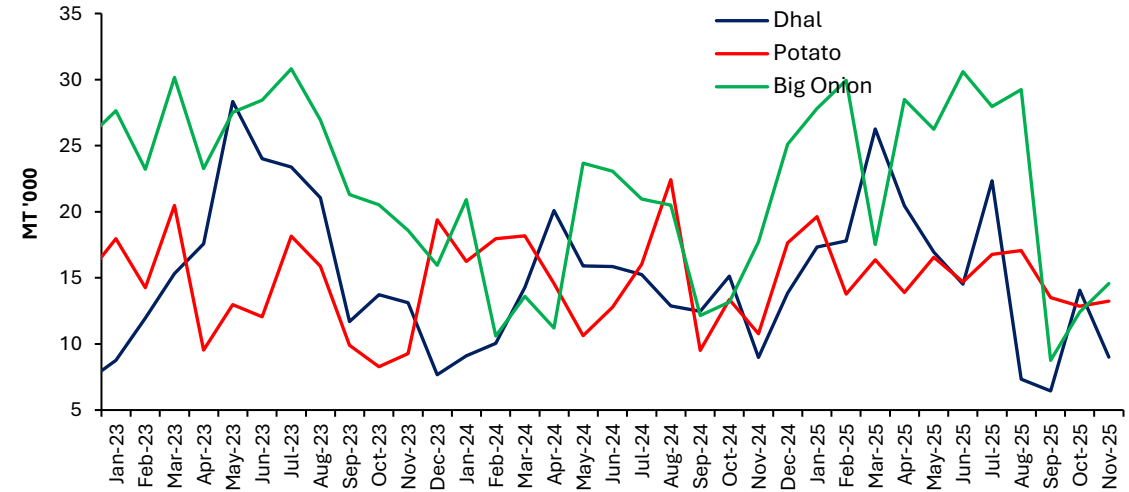
	22/23 Maha	2023 Yala	23/24 Maha	2024 Yala	24/25 Maha	2025 Yala*	24/25 Yala Y-o-Y Change
Potato	19,723	21,026	21,291	20,916	15,010	28,344	↑
Red Onion	26,673	22,678	24,762	19,749	24,440	29,507	↑
Big Onion	329	4,755	257	8,572	395	53,816	↑
Green Chillie	42,270	25,128	40,438	26,200	38,285	60,348	↑
Cowpea	7,022	5,779	5,955	5,458	6,307	5,337	↓
Black gram	8,346	1,437	8,518	1,828	7,224	1,543	↓
Maize	198,601	22,647	196,871	26,626	245,351	34,736	↑
Ground Nut	19,014	10,666	17,336	11,626	18,751	12,194	↑
Gingelly	2,701	8,651	2,210	8,293	1,675	15,831	↑
Green gram	6,940	5,514	6,156	8,909	6,754	14,938	↑

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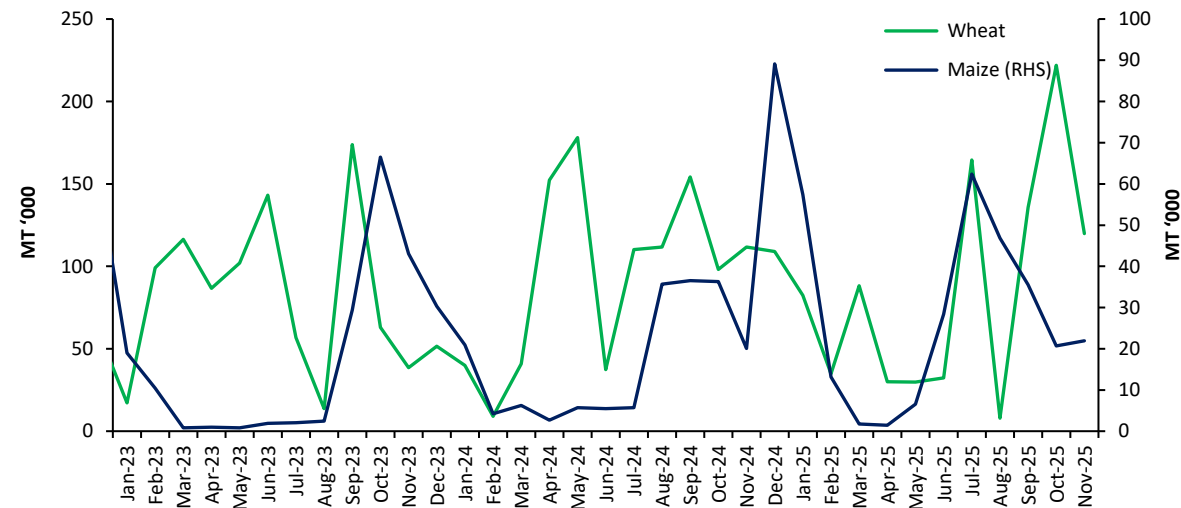
Imports (MT)	2023	2024	2024 Jan-Nov	2025 Jan-Nov
Dhal	196,601	163,881	150,033	172,512
Potato	168,184	180,121	162,468	168,352
Big Onion	294,386	212,720	187,627	253,592

Import Trend of Selected Food Items

MT '000



MT '000



Sources: Department of Census and Statistics, Sri Lanka Customs

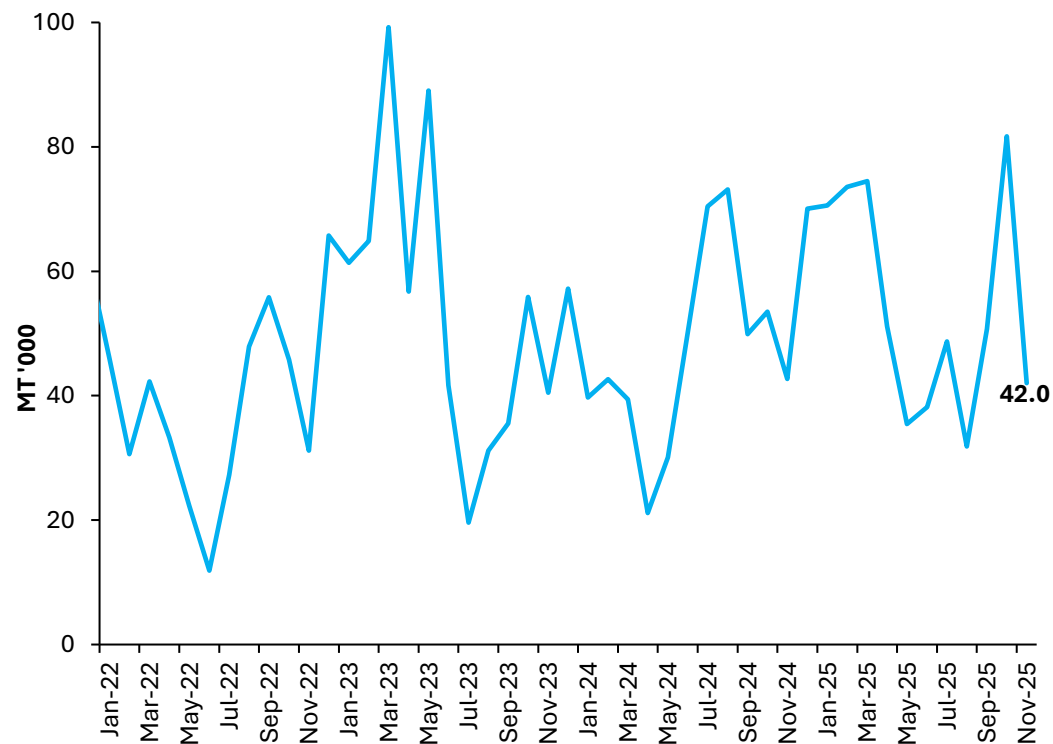
Sugar

	2024 Jan-Nov	2025 Jan-Nov
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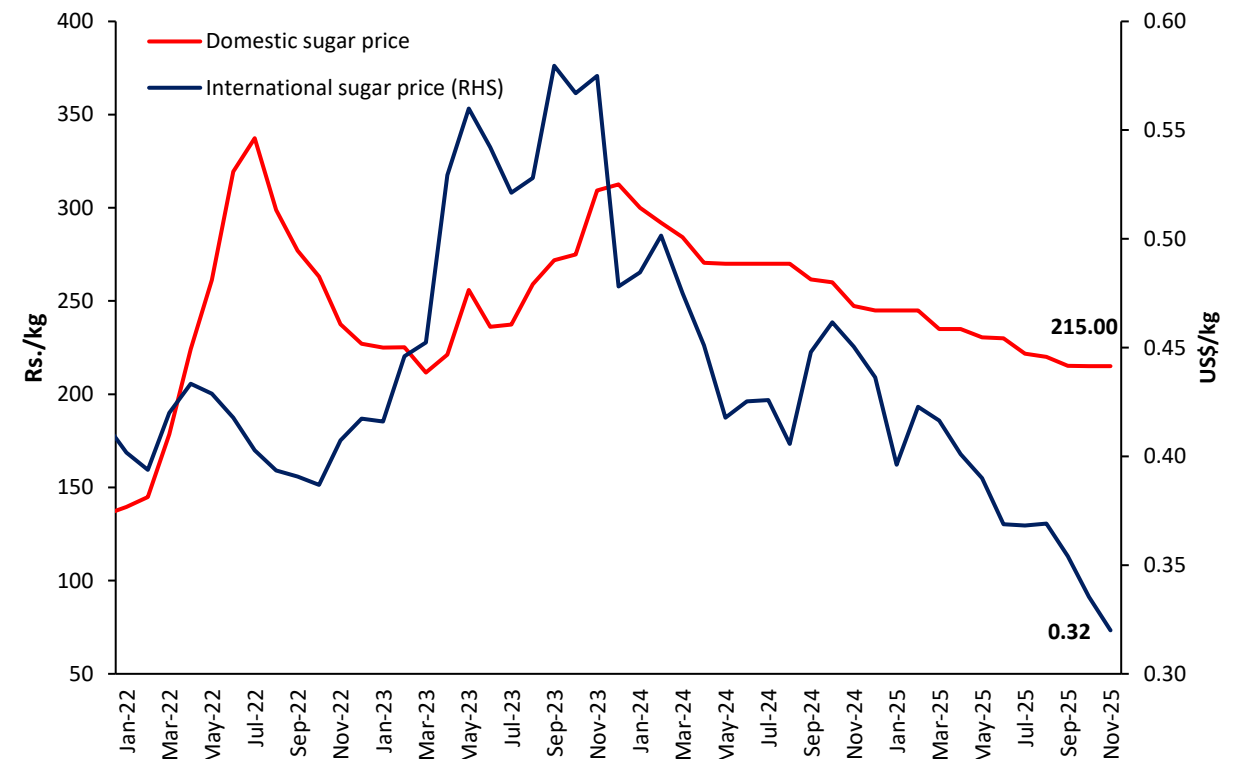
Sugar Production (MT)	79,986	68,567
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Sugar Imports (MT)	512,842	598,377
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Import Trend



Price Trend



International sugar prices declined in November 2025 driven by expectations of ample global supplies in the current season and strong production trends in Brazil, India and Thailand.

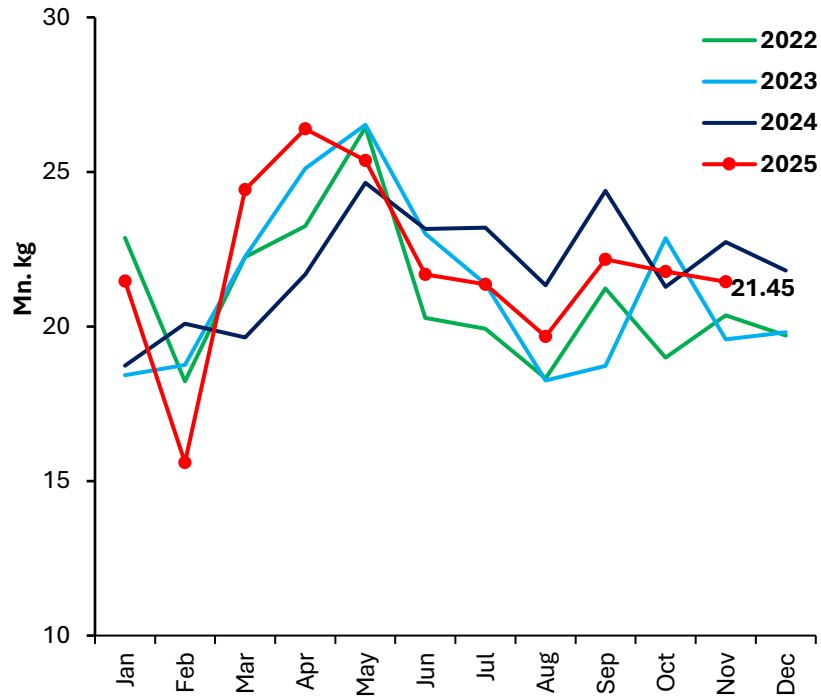
Livestock

	2024 September	2025 August	2025 September
Production	Egg (mn)	269	301
	Chicken (000 MT)	21	23
Price	Egg-White (Rs./egg)	45.5	32.3
	Egg - Red (Rs./egg)	50.0	34.5
	Chicken (Rs./kg)	1088.2	1,345.5
Cost of Production	Egg (Rs./egg)	30.6-35.6	28.1-31.6
	Chicken (Rs./kg)	702.8	826.2

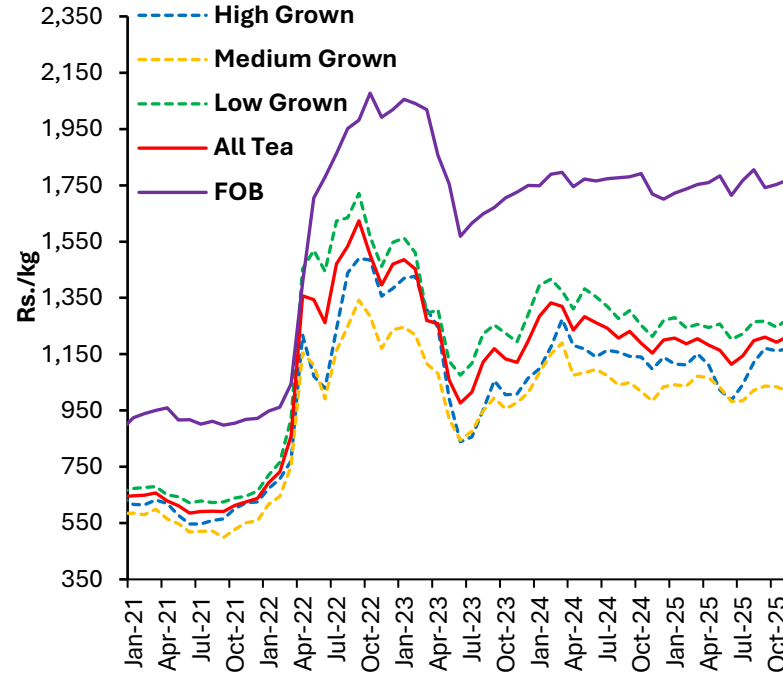
Feed Ingredients (Rs./kg)	2024 September	2025 August	2025 September
Maize	177.2	157.8	158.5
Soya bean meal	230.9	181.0	194.0
Fish meal	300.0-470.0	380.0-536.7	380.0-538.3
Rice polish	126.0	126.0	127.2

Tea

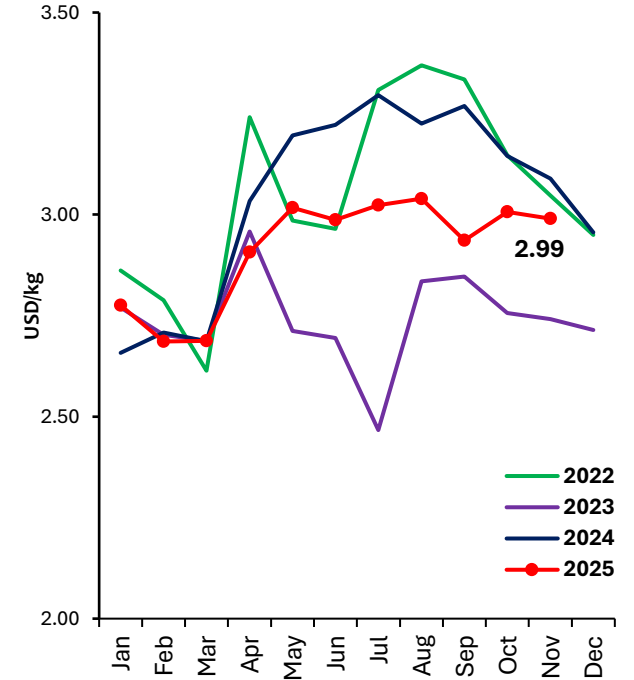
Tea Production



Tea Auction Prices & FOB Prices



International Tea Prices



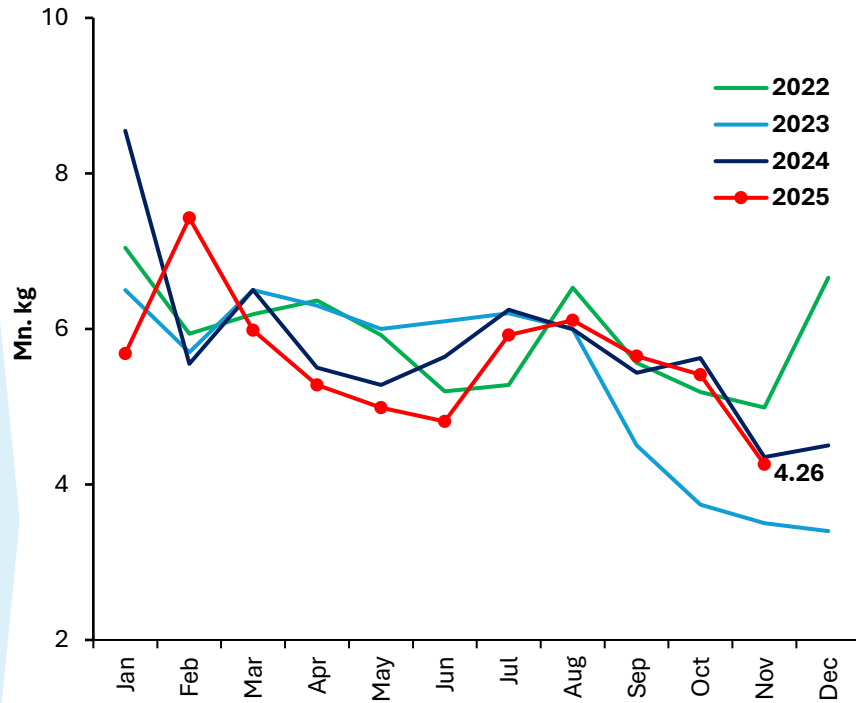
*Average Auction Price of Colombo, Kolkata & Mombasa

Tea Production (mn kg)	2024	2024 Jan-Nov	2025 Jan-Nov	Growth %
High grown	55.7	51.1	51.6	0.98
Medium grown	47.4	43.6	44.1	1.05
Low grown	159.6	146.2	145.7	(0.32)
Total	262.7	240.9	241.4	0.21

- Domestic tea production decreased by **5.6%** (y-o-y) during the month of November 2025, mainly due to heavy rainfall
- Global tea prices remained broadly stable in November 2025 compared to the previous month, with only Kolkata auction recording a decrease in the average price, while Colombo and Mombasa auctions recorded slight increases

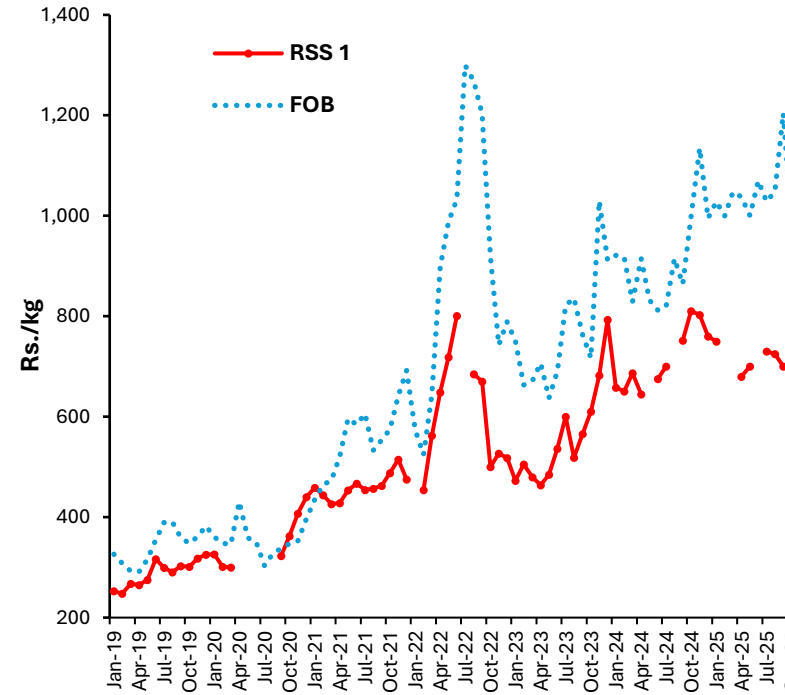
Rubber

Rubber Production



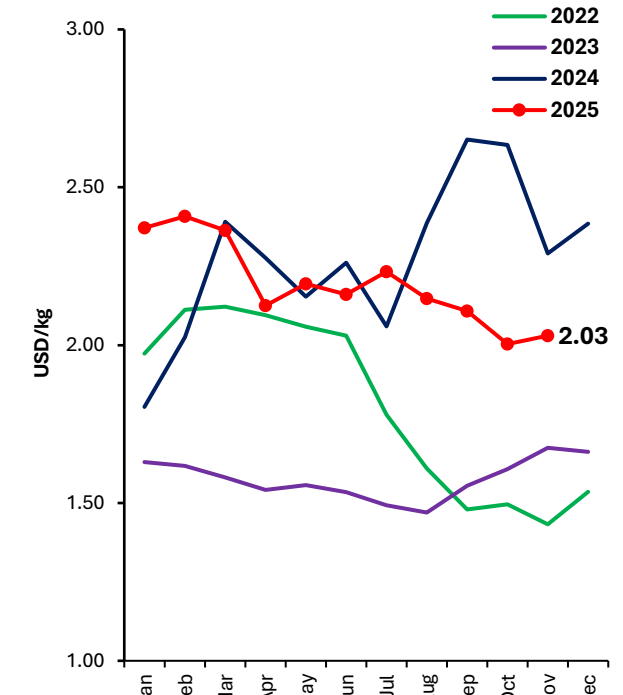
Rubber Production (mn kg)	2024	2024 Jan-Nov	2025 * Jan-Nov	Growth %
Sheet Rubber	33.5	31.2	30.5	(2.3)
Crepe Rubber	10.1	9.3	10.2	9.4
Other	25.6	24.2	20.9	(13.7)
Total	69.2	64.7	61.5	(4.9)

Rubber Auction Prices & FOB Prices



*There were no trades of RSS1 in some months

International Rubber Prices



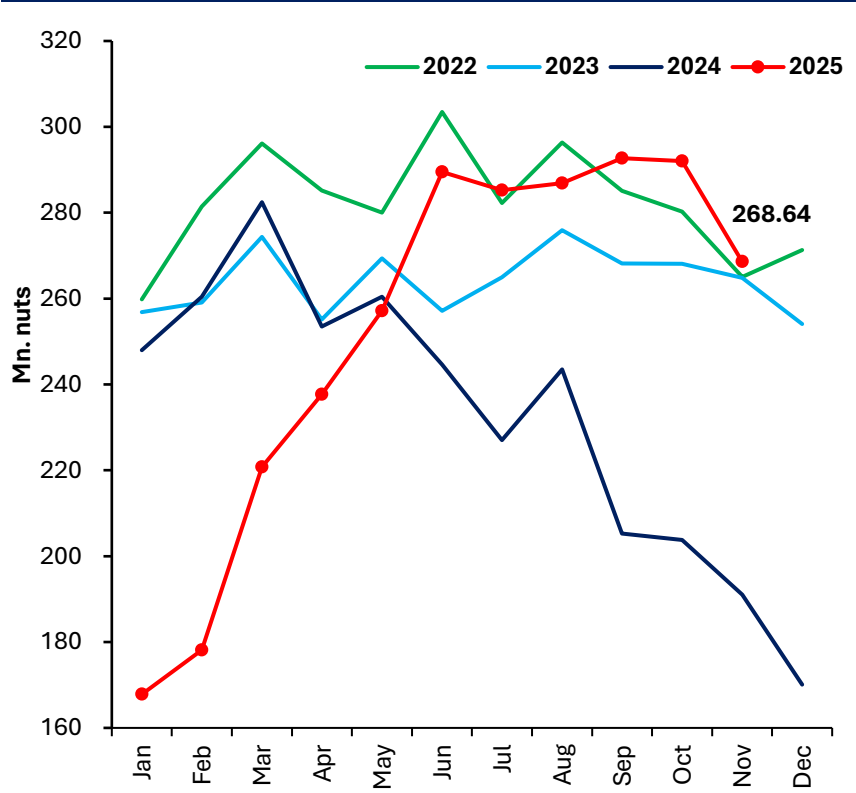
*Rubber, RSS3

- Domestic rubber production recorded a year-on-year decrease of **2.2%** in November 2025, according to highly provisional data from the Rubber Development Department (RDD)
- Global natural rubber prices marginally increased in November 2025 with the seasonal output increase

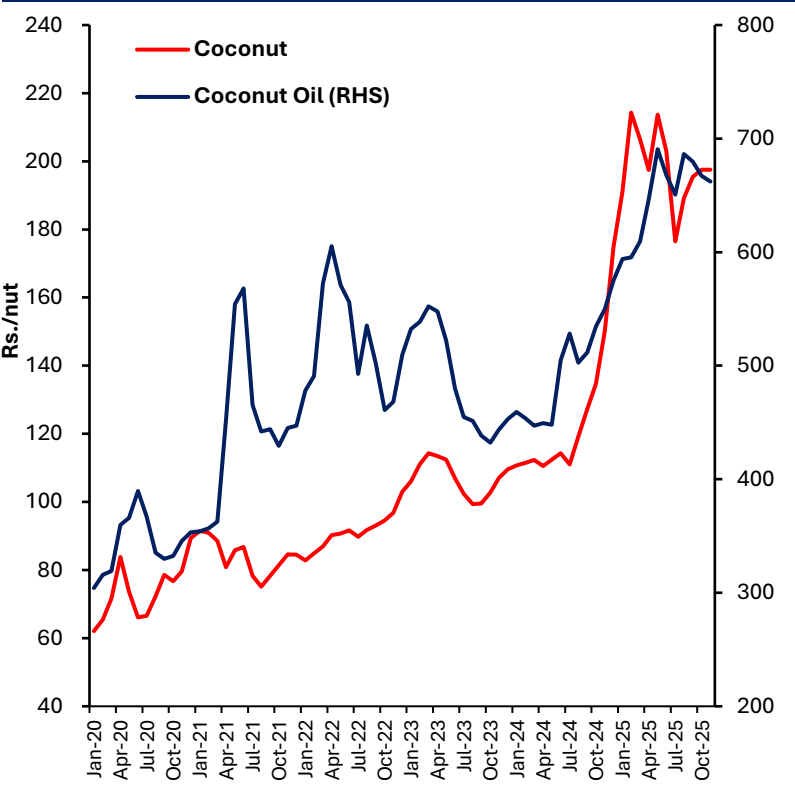
*Highly provisional data from RDD, due to delays in submissions from rubber production companies and subject to updates based on TSR and CESS collection data.

Coconut

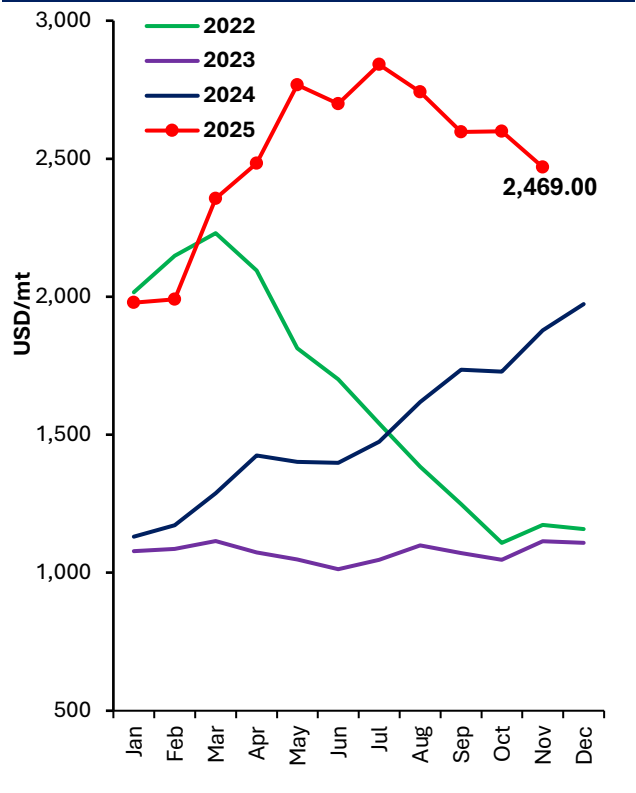
Coconut Production



Retail Price of Coconut and Coconut Oil



International Coconut Oil Prices



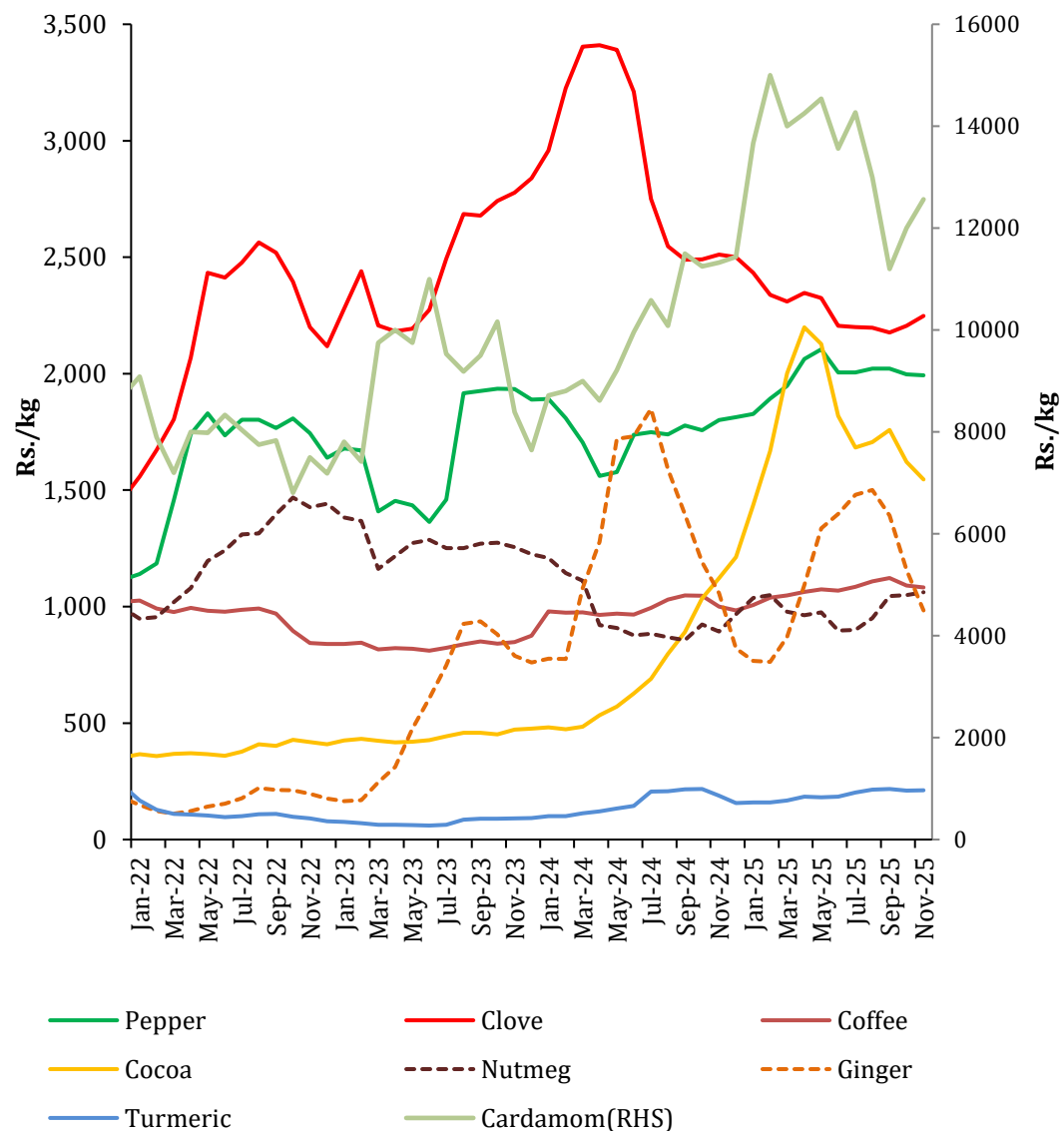
Coconut Production	2024	2024 Jan-Nov	2025 Jan-Nov	Growth %
Coconut (mn nuts)	2,790	2,620	2,785	6.3
Desiccated Nut (MT)	33,177	31,284	31,437	0.5
Coconut Oil (MT)	30,842	28,850	31,280	8.4

Coconut production recorded a **40.6%** y-o-y increase in November 2025, sustaining the growth momentum observed since mid-year, mainly reflecting a strong recovery and base effect following the sharp production decline in 2024

Recording the lowest prices after four months, in November 2025, the international coconut oil prices consecutively declined from the levels recorded in August 2025

Other Export Agriculture

Farmgate/Producer Prices of Selected Export Agriculture Crops



Farmgate/Producer Price of Cinnamon



- In November 2025, the market prices of export crops exhibited mixed changes compared to the previous month as prices of clove, cardamom, nutmeg, cinnamon and turmeric increased while pepper, coffee, cocoa and ginger prices registered a decline

Agricultural Input Import Trends

Imports	2023	2024	2024 Jan-Nov	2025 Jan-Nov
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Plants and Seeds

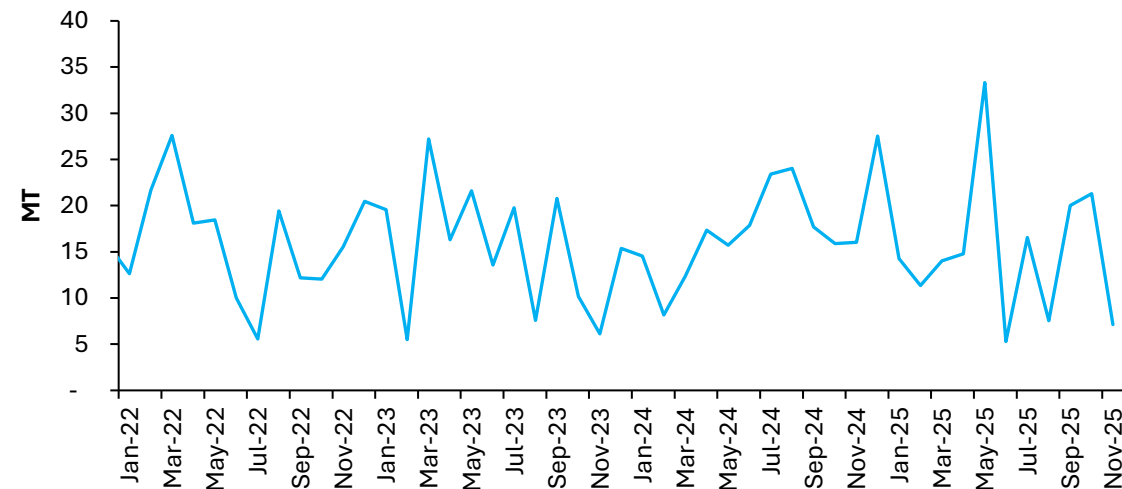
Vegetable seeds (MT)	184	211	183	166
Potato seed (MT)	797	773	296	350
Plants & parts (MT)	4,236	6,874	6,585	4,969
Live trees and other plants (No. '000)	1,039	1,248	1,241	970

Fertilizers (MT '000)

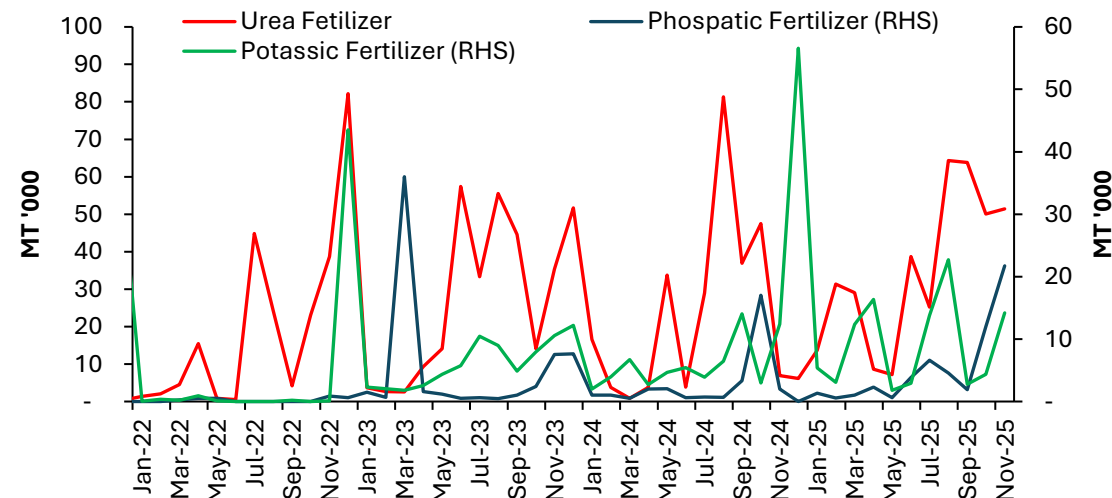
Urea	324	270	264	383
Other nitrogenous fertilizers	65	68	67	92
Phosphatic	61	31	31	56
Potassic	74	122	65	100
Other fertilizers	19	16	14	41

Import Trends of Selected Agricultural Inputs

Vegetable Seeds

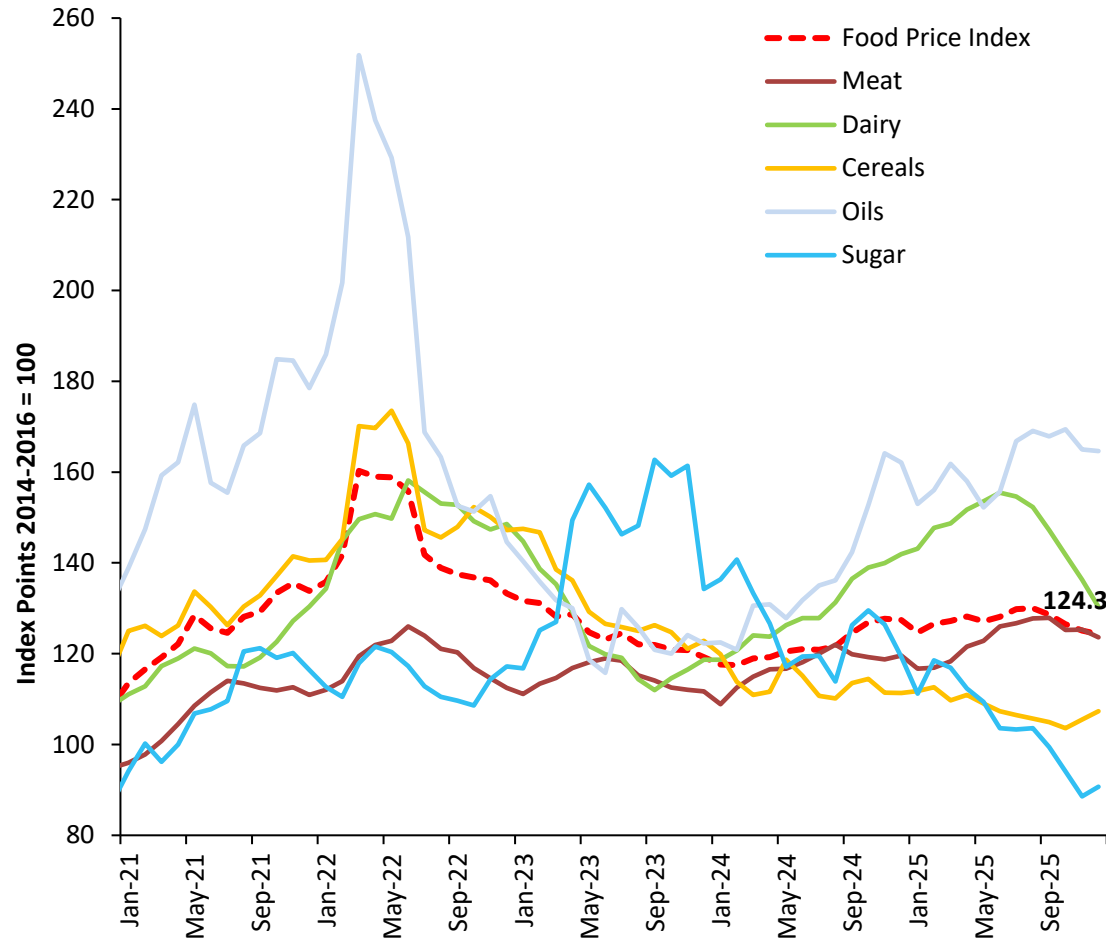


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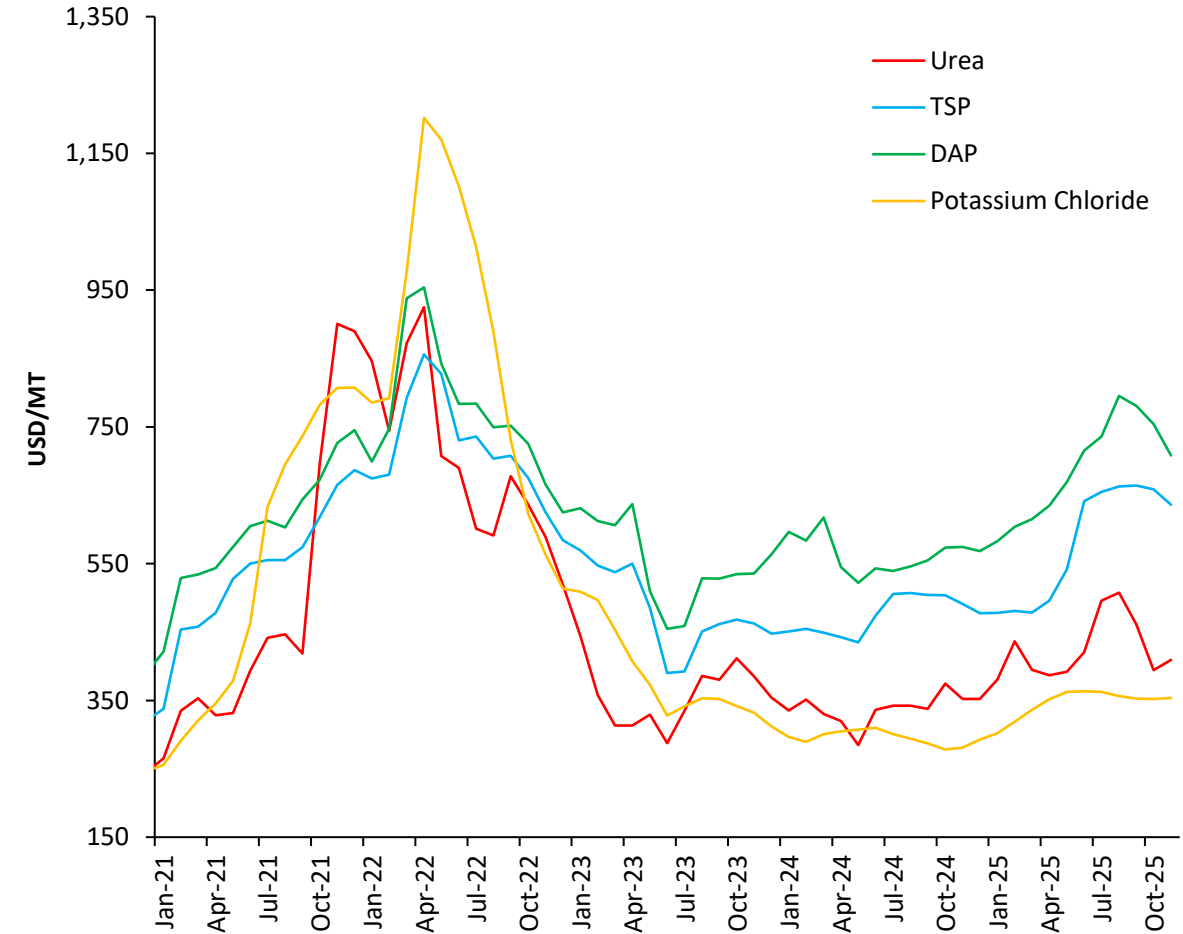


International Agricultural Commodity Prices

FAO Food Price Index



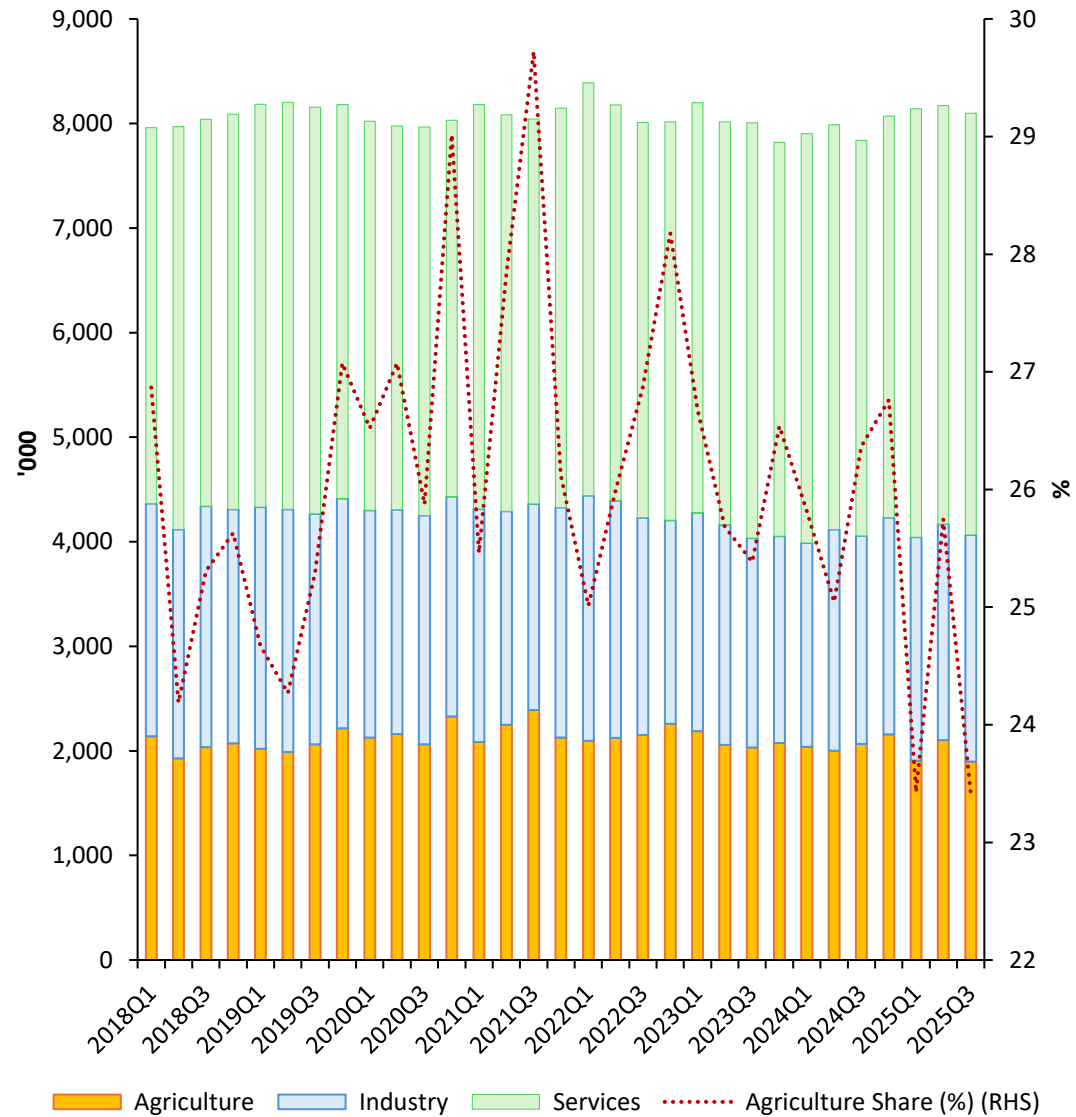
International Fertilizer Prices



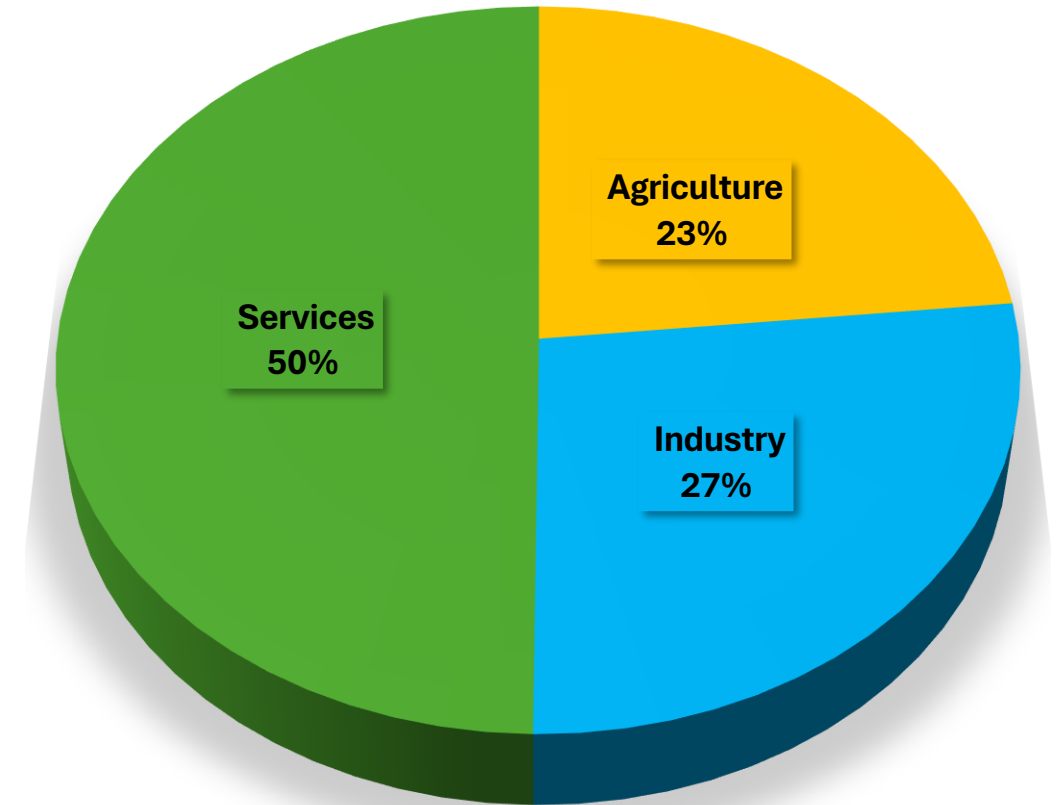
In December 2025, the FAO Food Price Index fell for the fourth consecutive month, as decreases in the price indices for dairy products, sugar, meat and vegetable oils outweighed the increase in the price index for cereals.

Employment in Agriculture

Sector-wise Employed Population



Sector-wise Employed Population – 2025 Q3





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