



COMMODITY: POTATO

ASSESSMENT

Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Draduction	Annual Deficit /Complus
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (May-July)	Local Production (Tons)	Annual Deficit /Surplus (Tons)
22,877	1,906	5,718	33,491	10,614

Currently local supply of fresh potato is arriving in bulk quantity, therefore price of fresh potato is on lower side.

Source: Agriculture Statistics of Pakistan, Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) & CRS Punjab Population; Pakistan=241.499 Millions and Punjab=127.689 Million (PBS, Digital Census 2023)

FORECASTING

- Due to availability of local supply in significant quantity, price & supply of potato are expected to remain stable.
- During June weather tends to be hot, thereafter potato starts arriving from cold storages. Due to addition of cold storages cost, potato prices are expected to slightly increase in local markets.

- Monthly consumption requirement of potato for district Khushab is 1,906 tons and daily requirement is 64 tons. **DC Khushab** with the help of local commission agents should ensure maximum supply of potato as per consumption requirement. Moreover, transmission of surplus supply of potato to the deficit districts should also be facilitated. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Khushab in this regard.
- DC Khushab through EADA(E&M) & Secretary MC should ensure fair auction process of potato.
- DC Khushab through Price Control Magistrates should rationalize the gap between notified rates and spot rates.





COMMODITY: ONION

ASSESSMENT

Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Production	Annual Deficit /Surplus
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (May-July)	(Tons)	(Tons)
17,112	1,426	4,278	10,053	-7,059

Currently main supply of onion is arriving from Punjab and Sindh, thus supply & price situation of onion is stable.

FORECASTING

- Due to bulk arrival of onion from Punjab and Sindh, supply & price situation of onion is expected to remain stable.
- However, during Eid-ul-Azha demand will be high, but production season in Sindh will be closed and in Punjab will be near to end, therefore onion price may likely to increase at eve of Eid-ul-Azha.

MITIGATIVE STRATEGY

- Monthly consumption requirement of onion for district Khushab is 1,426 tons and daily requirement is 48 tons. DC Khushab with the help of local commission agents should ensure supply of onion as per requirement from major producing districts of Sindh i.e. Jamshoro, Mirpurkhas, Matiari, Sanghar & S.B. Abad and Punjab i.e. Lodhran, Multan, Attock, Rajanpur & Vehari to meet daily consumption requirement. Moreover, future contracts should be undertaken to ensure supplies from KPK & Balochistan to meet demand of Eid-ul-Azha. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Khushab in this regard.
- Deputy Director Agriculture (Extension) Khushab should enhance local production either through increasing cultivated area by 802 acres or promoting intercropping technique as well as vertical expansion (varietal improvement) to overcome deficit of 7,059 tons per annum. Production period of onion in Punjab should also be expanded to cater for consumption requirement.

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COMMODITY: TOMATO

ASSESSMENT

Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Production	Annual Deficit /Surplus
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (May-July)		(Tons)
9,187	766	2,298	13,988	4,801

Currently main supply of tomato is arriving from Punjab along with some arrival from Sindh. Due to availability of local supply, tomato price is lying within normal range



- During Eid-ul-Azha demand will be high so price is expected to increase.
- Moreover, after mid-June local production season will reach to end, then major supplies will be arriving from other provinces i.e. KPK & Balochistan, due to which tomato price is likely to increase in future

- Monthly consumption requirement of tomato for district Khushab is 766 tons and daily requirement is 26 tons. DC Khushab with the help of local commission agents should ensure maximum supply of local crop to meet daily consumption requirement as well as demand of Eid-ul-Azha. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Khushab in this regard.
- **Deputy Director Agriculture (Extension) Khushab** should keep improving local production as Khushab is a potential/surplus producing district of tomato, Moreover, production period of tomato in Punjab should also be expanded to cater for consumption requirement.





COMMODITY: GRAM

ASSESSMENT

Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Production	Annual Deficit /Surplus
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (May-July)	(Tons)	(Tons)
2,342	195	585	29,700	27,358



[•] Local crop is available. However, due to less rain fall during production season, local crop is experiencing failure over the years, resulting in stress supply situation.

FORECASTING

• Due to less rainfall and low yield, local production is not appreciable, moreover international prices are also showing increasing trend. Thus, supply of gram is expected to remain under stress and prices will likely to depict increasing trend in future.

- Monthly consumption requirement of gram for district Khushab is 195 tons and daily requirement is 7 tons. **DC Khushab** with the help of local commission agents/traders should ensure maximum supply of gram either from local supply or through importers based in Faisalabad to meet consumption requirement. Moreover, transmission of surplus supply/stocks of gram to the deficit districts should also be facilitated. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Khushab in this regard.
- **Deputy Director Agriculture (Extension) Khushab** should further increase cultivated area of gram in Khushab, promote intercropping techniques, high efficiency irrigation systems and use of drought resistant seed varieties, in order to enhance local production.
- DC Khushab through Price Control Magistrates should control hoarding and over profiteering by the traders.





COMMODITY: MOONG

ASSESSMENT

Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Production	Annual Deficit /Surplus	
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (May-July)	(Tons)	(Tons)	
1,261	105	315	392	-869	

- Local moong crop is mostly grown in Thal areas of Punjab i.e. Mianwali, Bhakkar, Rajanpur, Layyah & Lodhran.
- This year crop affected due to rain fall at the time of harvesting, therefore supply is under stress.
- However, during year 2021-22 record production of 2,49,800 tons was attained, which has been declined to 1,15,630 tons during year 2024-25.

FORECASTING

- As a result of low production, price of moong remained on higher side.
- Local production season of moong will begin during August-September, afterwards local supply will be available and prices are likely to decline.

- Monthly consumption requirement of moong for district Khushab is 105 tons and daily requirement is 4 tons. DC Khushab with the help of local commission agents/traders should ensure maximum supply of moong from core producing districts (Mianwali, Bhakkar, Rajanpur, Layyah & Lodhran) to meet daily & monthly consumption requirement and to overcome annual deficit 869 tons. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Khushab in this regard.
- DC Khushab should conduct stocks taking exercise regularly to arrange requisite stocks.
- DC Khushab through Price Control Magistrates should control hoarding and over profiteering by the traders.





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DISTRICT: KHUSHAB

COMMODITY: MASH

ASSESSMENT

Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Production	Annual Deficit /Surplus
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (May-July)		(Tons)
901	75	225	-	-901

- Domestic production of Mash is negligible, therefore 97% of its consumption requirement is met through import.
- 10 years ago, during 2013-14 local production of Mash in Punjab was recorded 5938 tons, which has been reduced to 780 tons during 2024-25.

 During year 2013-14, major producing districts of Mash in Punjab were Narowal, Sialkot, Rawalpindi, Chakwal & Jhelum, etc but now production has been limited to only Narowal, Gujrat & Rawalpindi.

FORECASTING

- On account of considerable decrease in international prices, import is smoothly in progress. Resultantly, local prices are showing stable trend.
- Supply & price of Mash is expected to remain stable subject to smooth import situation.

- Monthly consumption requirement of mash for district Khushab is 75 tons and daily requirement is 3 tons. **DC Khushab** with the help of local commission agents/traders should ensure maximum supply of mash through import to meet daily & monthly consumption requirement as well as to overcome annual deficit of 901 tons. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Khushab in this regard.
- DC Khushab should conduct stock taking exercise regularly to arrange requisite stock. Moreover, hoarding and over profiteering by the traders should also be controlled with the help of Price Control Magistrates.





COMMODITY: MASOOR

ASSESSMENT

Consu	mption Requirem	ent (Tons)	Local Production	Annual Deficit /Surplus	
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (Tons)	(Tons)		
1,081	90	270	•	-1,081	



- 10 years ago, during 2013-14 local production of Masoor in Punjab was recorded 4,246 tons, which has been reduced to 573 tons during 2023-24.
- During year 2013-14, major producing districts of Masoor in Punjab were Rawalpindi, Chakwal, Narowal, Jhelum, Gujrat, Jhang, Layyah, Muzaffargarh & M.B.Din & T.T. Singh but now production has been limited to only Attock, Rawalpindi, Jhelum, etc.

FORECASTING

Subsequent to decline in international prices, local prices of Masoor are likely to remain stable subject to smooth import.

- Monthly consumption requirement of masoor for district Khushab is 90 tons and daily requirement is 3 tons. **DC Khushab** with the help of commission agents/traders should ensure maximum supply of masoor through import to meet daily & monthly consumption requirement as well as to overcome annual deficit of 1,081 tons. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Khushab in this regard.
- DC Khushab should conduct stock taking exercise regularly to arrange requisite stock.
- DC Khushab through Price Control Magistrates should control hoarding and over profiteering by the traders.





COMMODITY: GARLIC

ASSESSMENT

Consumption Requirement (Tons)				
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (May-July)	Local Production (Tons)	Annual Deficit /Surplus (Tons)
1,004	84	252	56	-948





Supply situation is stable due to availability of local crop as well as smooth import from China.

FORECASTING

- On account of availability of local crop supply & price situation of garlic is stable.
- However, at occasion of Eid-ul-Azha demand will be high and local production season will be approaching its end, so prices are likely to increase in local markets.

- Monthly consumption requirement of garlic for district Khushab is 84 tons and daily requirement is 3 tons. **DC Khushab** with the help of commission agents/traders should ensure maximum supply of local garlic from surplus producing districts i.e. Sahiwal, Attock, Layyah, T.T.Singh, M.B,Din, Wazirabad, Nankana Sahib, Narowal & Lodhran to meet daily and monthly consumption requirement. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Khushab in this regard.
- DC Khushab should ensure transparency in price fixation and ensure implementation of notified rates through Price Control Magistrates.
- **Deputy Director Agriculture (Extension) Khushab** should enhance local production through increasing cultivated area, promoting intercropping technique, varietal improvement and kitchen gardening to overcome deficit of 948 tons per annum.







COMMODITY: GINGER

ASSESSMENT Consumption Requirement (Tons) Annual Monthly Coming 3 months (May-July) 515 43 1 - -515



Supply situation is stable due to smooth import from Thailand and China.

FORECASTING

- Smooth import of ginger is in progress from Thailand & China, therefore supply and price situation of ginger is stable in local markets.
- However, demand will increase at eve of Eid-ul-Azha, which will cause increase in ginger prices in local markets.

- Monthly consumption requirement of ginger for district Khushab is 43 tons and daily requirement is 1 tons. DC Khushab with the help of commission agents/traders should ensure maximum supply of ginger through import to meet daily & monthly requirement as well as demand of Eid-ul-Azha. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Khushab in this regard.
- DC Khushab should ensure transparency in price fixation and ensure implementation of notified rates through Price Control Magistrates.
- Deputy Director Agriculture (Extension) Khushab should promote local production of ginger by promoting seed varieties which are more feasible to local climate to overcome deficit of 515 tons, so that burden of import of ginger could be reduced. As India is producing ginger under climate situation similar to Pakistan, therefore production of ginger may be ensured in the country.







COMMODITY: chilli

ASSESSMENT

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Consumption Requirement (Tons)						
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (May-July)	Local Production (Tons)	Annual Deficit /Surplus (Tons)		
1,253	104	312	14	-1,239		

- Domestic production of chilli is 1,20,624 tons, whereas domestic consumption requirement is 2,01,295 tons. Sindh has major share (71%) in domestic production of chilli, followed by Punjab (22%) and Balochistan (7%). Pakistan exports chilli to other countries mainly Saudi Arabia, China, UAE, etc but also imports small quantity from China and Afghanistan.
- During year 2024-25 (July-Mar) country has exported chilli of 2532 tons (Rs.1251 million) and imported 1558 tons (Rs.3661 million)
- Production season of chilli in Sindh will commence during August, whereas in Punjab will start during July, 2025. Surplus producing districts of chilli in Punjab are Lodhran Multan and Rajanpur.



• Production season of chilli in Sindh will commence during August and in Punjab will begin during July, 2025, afterwards supply & price situation is expected to be stable in local markets.

- Monthly consumption requirement of chilli for district Khushab is 104 tons and daily requirement is 3 tons. **DC Khushab** with the help of commission agents/traders should ensure maximum supply of chilli to meet daily & monthly consumption requirement. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Khushab in this regard.
- DC Khushab should ensure transparency in price fixation and ensure implementation of notified rates through Price Control Magistrates.
- **Deputy Director Agriculture (Extension) Khushab** should enhance local production and promote intercropping technique, varietal improvement and kitchen gardening to overcome deficit of 1,239 tons per annum.

