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Producer Price Index – Agriculture (PPI-A) First quarter 2025 (Base period year 2018 = 100)

1. Introduction

The Producer Price Index-Agriculture (PPI-A) gives a measure of the average change in the selling prices which producers receive for their agricultural products.

This issue of the Economic and Social Indicators presents PPI-A indices for the months of January, February and March 2025 as well as figures for preceding months updated in the light of additional information that has now become available. Monthly weights are given in Table 13.

Table 11 presents the monthly indices as well as the quarterly and yearly average for the agricultural sector. Comparative monthly indices for the agricultural sector are given in Table 12.

The methodology for the computation of PPI-A is given in the annex of this publication.

2. Producer Price Index - Agriculture: First Quarter 2025

2.1 Structure of PPI-A (Base period: 2018=100)

PPI-A covers two sub-groups, namely: "Crop products" and "Animals and animal products". "Crop products" is further subdivided into "Sugar cane" and "Other crop products". "Other crop products" heavily influences both the "overall" index and that of the sub-group "Crop products", of which it constitutes 34.7% and 62.0% of the respective weights.

2.2 Changes in the monthly index

Fig 1: Overall monthly indices, April 2024–March 2025

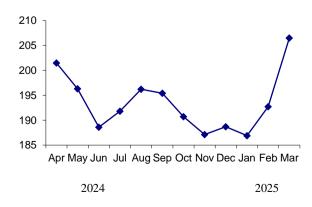


Figure 1 shows the monthly evolution of PPI-A for the period April 2024 to March 2025.

PPI-A, which was 188.7 in December 2024, increased by 9.4% to reach 206.5 in March 2025. The monthly changes were as follows: January (-1.0%), February (+3.1%) and March (+7.2%).

The index for the sub-group "Crop products", which carries 55.9% of the total weight, increased by 16.0% from 208.2 in December 2024 to 241.5 in March 2025. The monthly changes were as follows: January (-0.9%), February (+5.0%) and March (+11.4%).

2.2.1 Sugar cane

The index for the period July 2024 to March 2025 was 292.9 based on the forecasted price of sugar for the crop year 2024-2025. This represents a decrease of 8.1% over the price of sugar for the crop year 2023-2024.

2.2.2 Other crop products

The index for "Other crop products" which was 156.4 in December 2024, increased by 34.3% to reach 210.0 in March 2025, mainly due to an increase of 70.0% in the prices of fresh vegetables such as tomato (+147.1%), carrot (+379.5%), creepers (+29.4%) and other fresh vegetables (+84.5%).

In January, this index decreased by 1.9%, mainly due to a decrease of 16.5% in the prices of fruits and nuts, partly mitigated by an increase of 7.7% in the prices of fresh vegetables such as creepers (+8.3%), carrot (+38.7%), beans (+30.2%) and other fresh vegetables (+16.0%).

In February, the index increased by 11.0%, mainly due to an increase of 24.6% in the prices of fresh vegetables such as creepers (+39.3%), tomato (+26.7%), carrot (+79.4%), beans (+49.1%), brinjal (+57.8%) and other fresh vegetables (+30.7%).

In March, the index increased by 23.4%, mainly due to an increase of 26.6% in the prices of fresh vegetables such as tomato (+94.4%) and carrot (+92.7%) and, an increase of 35.6% in the prices of fruits and nuts such as pineapple (+45.6%).

2.2.3 Animals and animal products

The index for the sub-group "Animals and animal products" which was 163.9 in December 2024, decreased by 1.1% to reach 162.1 in March 2025, due to a decrease of 5.3% in the prices of eggs, partly mitigated by an increase of 1.8% in the prices of pigs.

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In February and March, the index for this sub-group remained unchanged.

More details of changes on a month-to-month basis are given in Table 6 and changes over the corresponding month of the previous year are in Table 7.

2.3 Changes in the quarterly index

Fig 2: Overall quarterly indices, 2nd quarter 2023 – 1st quarter 2025

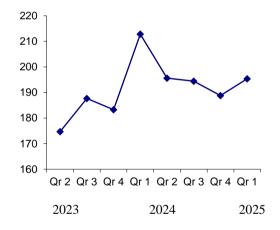


Figure 2 and Table 8 show the movement of quarterly PPI-A covering the period of 2^{nd} Quarter 2023 to 1^{st} Quarter 2025.

The overall index for the first quarter of 2025 increased by 3.5% when compared to the previous quarter and decreased by 8.2% when compared to the corresponding quarter. Percentage changes on a quarterly basis and the net contributions of commodity groups and products to the overall index are given in Table 9.

2.4 Changes in the yearly index

The average prices which producers received from the sale of agricultural products in the year 2024 were 9.9% higher compared to the year 2023. The annual indices for the years 2022 - 2024, annual changes and the net contributions of commodity groups and products to the change are presented in Table 10.

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(Base period: Year 2018=100)

Table 1: Monthly indices by commodity group and product, January 2025 - March 2025

Commodity Crown	Weight		2025	
Commodity Group	Weight	January	February	March
Crop Products	558.9	206.4	216.8	241.5
Sugar Cane	212.1	292.9 ¹	292.9 ¹	292.9 ¹
Other crops products	346.7	153.4	170.2	210.0
Fresh Vegetables ²	209.7	130.9	163.1	206.5
Beans	7.8	196.1	292.3	256.5
Brinjal	7.7	142.9	225.5	133.4
Cabbage	11.9	210.5	179.2	142.3
Cauliflower	3.0	227.9	219.6	242.3
Carrot	13.6	93.5	167.7	323.2
Onion	10.9	179.5	179.5	
Tomato	63.3	90.8	115.0	223.6
Creepers	60.8	137.7	191.8	164.6
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	142.0	185.6	225.8
Fruits and nuts ²	67.6	205.3	190.9	258.8
Banana	12.8	259.0	259.0	259.0
Pineapple	29.4	145.8	177.8	258.8
Other fruits	25.4	224.6	151.8	
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ²	5.8	120.3	124.9	147.7
Groundnut	2.1	211.5	207.5	192.2
Coconut	3.7	91.5	91.5	91.5
Edible roots and tubers ²	39.3	188.9	186.9	193.9
Potato	30.8	165.8	165.8	
Other Root crops	8.4	192.2	187.8	193.9
Stimulant & spice ²	14.6	151.8	157.8	139.0
Tea	12.0	137.9 ¹	137.9 ¹	137.9 ¹
Ginger	2.5	446.0	617.7	809.6
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	157.1	157.1	157.1
Anthurium	3.0	106.7	106.7	106.7
Rose	1.1	171.1	171.1	171.1
Other flowers	5.8	180.1	180.1	180.1
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	162.1	162.1	162.1
Cattle	43.7	126.0	126.0	126.0
Pigs	3.1	123.6	123.6	123.6
Goat	0.7	143.2	143.2	143.2
Deer	8.8	128.7	128.7	128.7
Poultry	283.9	173.3	173.3	173.3
Eggs	95.0	152.0	152.0	152.0
Milk	5.9	127.9	127.9	127.9
Overall Index	1,000.0	186.9	192.7	206.5

¹ Provisional

 2 The indices are computed based on the method of variable baskets with fixed monthly weights in the base year as explained at paragragh 12 of Annex. The composition of these baskets is shown in Table 13.

Monthly Producer Price Index - Agriculture (PPI-A) (Base period: Year 2018=100)

Commodity Group	Weight						20	24					
Commounty Group	8	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Crop Products	558.9	241.2	274.2	258.2	237.0	227.7	213.6	214.2	221.9	218.9	212.2	205.4	208.2
Sugar Cane	212.1	318.8	318.8	318.8	318.8	318.8	318.8	292.9 ¹					
Other crops products	346.7	193.7	247.0	221.1	187.0	172.0	149.3	166.1	178.4	173.6	162.8	151.9	156.4
Fresh Vegetables ²	209.7	203.9	296.6	261.6	203.9	176.2	139.8	153.5	163.8	158.7	145.0	127.4	121.5
Beans	7.8	244.7	301.3	229.3	163.0	211.3	220.0	206.2	186.9	127.1	129.9	147.6	150.6
Brinjal	7.7	278.4	365.0	155.4	174.1	269.8	216.1	252.9	196.5	159.1	194.4	157.0	134.2
Cabbage	11.9	190.6	235.9	225.0	128.0	101.9	98.2	127.4	134.6	126.5	130.0	149.4	203.8
Cauliflower	3.0	203.8	267.9	267.9	227.9	170.8	166.7	158.0	155.9	161.0	145.1	147.7	182.6
Carrot	13.6	267.3	310.4	203.7	267.5	254.8	157.6	117.7	88.5	66.3	62.6	62.9	67.4 ³
Onion	10.9	167.5	167.5				167.5	179.5	179.5	179.5	179.5	179.5	179.5
Tomato	63.3	188.0	318.5	340.6	243.4	179.9	84.3	65.3	54.0	45.2	67.3	74.7	90.5
Creepers	60.8	199.8	269.9	216.8	159.2	130.6	179.3	227.2	215.1	197.9	184.3	136.2	127.2
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	190.8	290.2	210.0	180.1	180.8	175.7	179.2	180.0	186.8	161.8	138.2	122.4
Fruits and nuts ²	67.6	209.9	187.9	161.5	169.6	178.3	179.5	210.7	241.4	224.7	213.5	203.8	246.0
Banana	12.8	235.4	235.4	235.4	247.7	247.7	247.7	259.0	259.0	259.0	259.0	259.0	259.0
Pineapple	29.4	169.6	162.3	133.6	139.6	159.7	206.4	222.6	233.4	208.5	195.4	132.4	100.1
Other fruits	25.4	225.3	218.6		137.0	110.9	103.6	100.3			189.3	234.6	271.4
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ²	5.8	107.5	119.7	130.6	142.0	159.3	113.0	115.3	113.0	127.3	130.1	150.5	163.6
Groundnut	2.1	189.0	194.3	163.1	178.5	209.1	197.9	202.6	222.9	244.3	220.0	199.4	215.3
Coconut	3.7	81.7	89.7	89.7	89.7	89.7	89.7	91.5	91.5	91.5	91.5	91.5	91.5
Edible roots and tubers ²	39.3	152.8	164.7	169.0	158.1	153.2	153.3	170.6	169.4	168.5	168.5	169.8	168.1
Potato	30.8	143.6	143.6				143.6	165.8	165.8	165.8	165.8	165.8	165.8
Other Root crops	8.4	154.1	165.5	169.0	158.1	153.2	156.5	177.6	187.9	188.7	200.2	204.1	186.3
Stimulant & spice ²	14.6	143.5	143.1	138.2	142.7	150.5	146.1	155.4	162.1	195.1	187.3	214.3	208.4
Tea	12.0	137.9	137.9	137.9	137.9	137.9	137.9	137.9 ¹	137.9				
Ginger	2.5	261.6	263.1	314.7	375.9	375.9	333.9	300.7	272.8	281.5	302.8	375.9	372.7
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	152.8	152.8	152.8	153.7	153.7	153.7	155.7	155.7	155.7	155.7	155.7	155.7
Anthurium	3.0	92.2	92.2	92.2	95.2	95.2	95.2	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0
Rose	1.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1
Other flowers	5.8	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	154.4	156.4	156.5	156.6	156.6	156.9	163.4	163.6	165.7	163.4	164.0	163.9
Cattle	43.7	121.0	121.0	121.0	122.2	122.2	122.2	122.2	124.7	124.7	126.0	126.0	126.0
Pigs	3.1	119.1	119.1	119.1	121.4	121.4	121.4	121.4	121.4	121.4	121.4	121.4	121.4
Goat	0.7	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.5	143.2	143.2	143.2	143.2	143.2	143.2
Deer	8.8	112.6	112.6	112.6	112.6	112.6	128.1	128.7	128.7	128.7	128.7	128.7	128.7
Poultry	283.9	166.5	166.5	166.5	166.5	166.5	166.5	176.0	176.0	176.0	173.3	173.3	173.3
Eggs	95.0	140.1	149.7	150.1	150.2	150.3	150.3	151.7	151.7	161.1	158.0	160.8	160.5
Milk	5.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9
Overall Index	1,000.0	202.9	222.2	213.3	201.5	196.3	188.6	191.8	196.2	195.4	190.7	187.1	188.7

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(Base period: Year 2018=100)

Table 3: Monthly indices by commodity group and product, January 2023 - December 2023

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Commodity Group	Weight	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Crop Products	558.9	183.4	193.5	205.3	199.3	193.9	190.4	213.4	218.1	211.5	205.1	209.3	213.5
Sugar Cane	212.1	263.2	263.2	263.2	263.2	263.2	263.2	318.8	318.8	318.8	318.8	318.8	318.8
Other crops products	346.7	134.5	150.8	169.8	160.3	151.6	145.8	148.9	156.5	145.8	135.6	142.4	149.0
Fresh Vegetables ¹	209.7	126.4	147.7	174.6	162.1	151.0	146.1	143.0	148.6	136.6	123.5	130.0	132.4
Beans	7.8	186.9	220.2	200.0	167.0	151.1	148.4	163.9	155.5	124.9	125.8	135.6	160.2
Brinjal	7.7	151.0	186.3	117.4	125.6	190.9	258.7	249.6	208.1	187.8	181.8	192.5	117.0
Cabbage	11.9	151.6	157.1	146.4	119.3	96.9	124.1	167.0	158.4	158.4	151.2	137.0	149.8
Cauliflower	3.0	142.2	168.2	168.9	191.1	191.1	190.2	163.0	151.3	169.2	162.0	160.9	176.5
Carrot	13.6	94.8	119.2	146.3	156.3	187.3	145.5	138.2	136.8	192.5	208.6	226.0	225.0
Onion	10.9	162.4	162.4				167.5	167.5	167.5	167.5	167.5	167.5	167.5
Tomato	63.3	77.9	107.3	212.2	206.3	163.1	145.0	119.7	114.9	62.1	47.2	66.4	98.8
Creepers	60.8	155.6	198.2	157.3	125.2	125.0	136.9	157.0	153.3	131.8	126.1	118.5	130.5
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	128.3	143.6	145.3	144.1	144.8	136.8	130.4	157.6	140.3	132.7	143.5	123.8
Fruits and nuts ¹	67.6	161.5	178.9	188.5	180.1	169.8	154.2	176.3	197.4	180.4	168.4	178.7	202.4
Banana	12.8	205.7	205.7	205.7	205.7	205.7	205.7	221.4	221.4	221.4	221.4	221.4	221.4
Pineapple	29.4	187.5	178.0	182.0	172.4	156.1	168.8	177.6	186.4	161.2	144.2	137.8	136.
Other fruits	25.4	138.5	148.4		139.5	160.3	104.9	104.9			155.1	193.4	212.
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ¹	5.8	97.0	97.1	120.4	125.3	124.2	90.9	99.9	99.9	107.8	115.8	139.1	140.
Groundnut	2.1	176.6	160.2	159.0	162.7	162.0	160.5	167.0	192.3	192.7	194.8	186.5	182.
Coconut	3.7	71.8	71.8	71.8	71.8	71.8	71.8	81.7	81.7	81.7	81.7	81.7	81.
Edible roots and tubers ¹	39.3	134.8	134.3	139.0	134.8	134.3	141.9	143.6	143.3	142.3	143.0	143.4	143.
Potato	30.8	133.4	133.4				143.6	143.6	143.6	143.6	143.6	143.6	143.
Other Root crops	8.4	135.0	134.3	139.0	134.8	134.3	141.3	143.6	141.9	132.7	136.1	141.8	144.
Stimulant & spice ¹	14.6	129.2	131.0	129.8	130.3	132.1	131.2	139.5	141.1	138.0	134.5	144.3	156.
Tea	12.0	129.7	129.7	129.7	129.7	129.7	129.7	137.9	137.9	137.9	137.9	137.9	137.
Ginger	2.5	119.6	159.2	167.9	162.0	174.1	167.2	152.3	155.4	138.1	126.8	157.8	199.
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.6	151.
Anthurium	3.0	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.8	88.
Rose	1.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.
Other flowers	5.8	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	153.1	144.7	144.9	147.0	147.2	154.9	157.8	157.8	147.0	142.7	154.1	154.
Cattle	43.7	116.2	116.2	118.6	118.6	119.8	119.8	119.8	119.8	119.8	119.8	119.8	119.
Pigs	3.1	116.5	116.5	116.5	116.5	116.5	116.5	119.1	119.1	119.1	119.1	119.1	119.
Goat	0.7	138.7	140.1	140.1	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.:
Deer	8.8	113.7	113.7	113.7	113.7	113.7	114.9	112.6	112.6	112.6	112.6	112.6	112.0
Poultry	283.9	172.2	172.2	172.2	172.2	172.2	172.2	172.2	172.2	155.3	155.3	166.5	166.
Eggs	95.0	119.7	80.3	80.3	90.0	90.4	125.9	139.8	139.8	139.8	120.1	139.6	139.9
Milk	5.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9
Overall Index	1,000.0	170.0	172.0	178.7	176.2	173.3	174.7	188.9	191.5	183.0	177.6	184.9	187.3

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Brinjal	7.7	114.2	184.1	205.1	247.8	292.1	264.7	193.1	143.6	142.1	145.4	135.7	139.7
Cabbage	11.9	140.9	187.7	228.2	182.0	168.0	143.0	87.8	76.5	94.0	109.5	128.0	149.4
Cauliflower	3.0	152.9	170.6	190.4	176.9	172.0	155.9	124.2	92.3	102.4	121.0	127.4	129.1
Carrot	13.6	106.5	235.5	362.8	281.4	183.9	87.3	52.0	49.2	42.2	50.3	67.9	78.4
Onion	10.9	119.7	119.7				162.4	162.4	162.4	162.4	162.4	162.4	162.4
Tomato	63.3	73.2	169.9	237.5	270.8	141.5	75.7	64.4	55.4	47.1	65.8	73.7	77.1
Creepers	60.8	126.5	201.1	190.8	119.9	135.3	118.9	131.2	134.7	148.4	140.8	133.5	146.6
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	126.7	140.5	200.0	167.5	131.1	115.8	123.4	134.1	148.8	141.6	132.6	114.9
Fruits and nuts ¹	67.6	129.5	140.2	168.7	171.1	164.8	165.3	170.5	187.0	202.5	202.5	172.2	133.2
Banana	12.8	129.8	129.8	169.7	169.7	169.7	169.7	169.7	169.7	169.7	169.7	186.8	186.8
Pineapple	29.4	140.0	143.7	168.3	171.3	164.8	189.1	184.9	194.9	217.9	227.3	208.8	181.7
Other fruits	25.4	124.1	141.1		177.1	151.8	129.5	124.7			165.2	144.6	118.8
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ¹	5.8	100.2	99.6	121.0	125.6	124.1	101.5	103.2	102.0	113.2	100.6	126.8	133.2
Groundnut	2.1	150.8	137.5	150.1	152.2	150.5	152.2	152.2	164.3	190.2	167.3	172.5	177.5
Coconut	3.7	84.2	84.2	84.2	87.5	87.5	87.5	89.7	89.7	89.7	71.8	71.8	71.8
Edible roots and tubers ¹	39.3	117.8	124.0	122.4	112.6	107.7	120.4	124.0	130.2	131.9	133.2	133.4	133.1
Potato	39.3	117.8	124.0				120.4	124.0	130.2	131.9	133.4	133.4	133.1
Other Root crops	8.4	111.2	111.2	 122.4	 112.6	 107.7	133.4	133.4	133.4	133.4	133.4	133.4	133.4
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Stimulant & spice ¹	14.6	119.8	121.8	121.2	121.5	121.8	121.8	128.0	125.9	118.9	119.9	123.6	124.1
Tea	12.0	121.2	121.2	121.2	121.2	121.2	121.2	129.7	129.7	129.7	129.7	129.7	129.7
Ginger	2.5	91.7	135.5	126.6	137.7	131.7	134.8	114.4	108.9	102.7	96.9	110.8	111.0
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3	129.6	151.0	151.0	151.0	151.0
Anthurium	3.0	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8	86.8
Rose	1.1	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1
Other flowers	5.8	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.0
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	109.6	112.1	123.3	123.7	130.2	144.3	144.4	152.7	151.1	151.9	154.6	154.7
Cattle	43.7	106.4	106.4	106.4	107.5	107.5	112.8	112.8	112.8	114.0	115.1	116.2	116.2
Pigs	3.1	111.1	111.1	113.3	116.5	116.5	116.5	116.5	116.5	116.5	116.5	116.5	116.5
Goat	0.7	122.1	125.7	125.7	125.7	127.0	130.8	130.8	130.8	130.8	134.7	138.7	138.7
Deer	8.8	105.1	105.1	105.1	105.1	105.1	114.4	120.0	120.0	120.0	116.3	113.7	113.7
Poultry	283.9	111.7	115.6	126.4	126.4	136.5	152.9	152.9	165.7	165.7	170.5	170.5	170.5
Eggs	95.0	105.2	105.5	125.1	125.3	125.3	138.1	138.1	138.3	130.0	119.5	131.7	132.0
Milk	5.9	103.5	103.5	103.5	119.8	119.8	119.8	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9
Overall Index	1,000.0	125.2	141.6	159.3	155.4	144.8	142.2	161.4	168.2	172.1	171.3	170.0	167.6

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¹ The indices are computed based on the method of variable baskets with fixed monthly weights in the base year as explained at paragragh 12 of Annex. The composition of these baskets is shown in Table 13.

(Base period: Year 2018 =100)

Table 5: Monthly indices by commodity group and product, January 2021 - December 2021

Commodity Group	Weight						20	21					
Commonity Group	weight	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Crop Products	558.9	122.0	125.5	135.1	134.3	141.2	139.7	135.8	130.5	135.0	132.7	128.9	135.1
Sugar Cane	212.1	144.9	144.9	144.9	144.9	144.9	144.9	172.7	172.7	172.7	172.7	172.7	172.7
Other crops products	346.7	108.0	113.6	129.1	127.8	138.9	136.5	113.3	104.7	112.0	108.2	102.1	112.1
Fresh Vegetables ¹	209.7	101.5	106.7	133.0	130.5	153.9	152.4	114.1	95.5	105.1	98.0	92.1	104.5
Beans	7.8	113.5	114.5	116.7	113.2	139.3	144.7	80.9	94.2	111.3	94.5	76.6	127.9
Brinjal	7.3	66.4	75.7	90.4	107.4	199.5	208.6	158.4	147.6	167.2	124.3	117.6	127.9
Cabbage	11.9	113.0	104.6	134.7	146.4	191.0	181.0	122.4	60.1	61.5	78.3	109.8	157.2
Cauliflower	3.0	135.8	184.7	178.4	165.6	171.3	162.1	107.1	80.5	101.3	140.2	144.3	140.2
Carrot	13.6	95.5	110.7	218.6	182.9	222.7	165.8	125.2	80.9	56.1	67.3	86.1	119.2
Onion	10.9	113.2	113.2				119.7	119.7	119.7	119.7	119.7	119.7	119.7
Tomato	63.3	92.9	110.5	136.9	133.1	145.5	145.4	86.5	46.8	20.5	42.7	52.1	55.1
Creepers	60.8	110.5	108.1	121.0	119.8	142.8	152.4	129.3	106.2	115.6	114.0	94.5	117.6
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	98.2	95.4	101.8	102.7	116.9	141.5	136.5	125.3	133.1	126.7	110.1	102.1
Fruits and nuts ¹	67.6												
Banana	67.6 12.8	122.1 138.9	141.1 138.9	127.1 138.9	130.0 138.9	116.4 119.9	115.2 119.9	110.1 129.8	126.2 129.8	132.0 129.8	134.1 129.8	121.1 129.8	132.6 129.8
Pineapple Other fruits	29.4 25.4	104.9	142.9	122.7	131.1	123.4	144.8	114.5	124.6	133.0	136.2	125.0	122.9
		127.5	137.3		62.7	64.0	71.0	66.2			134.9	116.2	134.6
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ¹	5.8	82.0	77.3	101.8	100.9	108.2	89.0	92.7	86.8	99.7	101.5	114.4	120.1
Groundnut	2.1	120.1	95.0	126.8	122.6	135.6	158.4	168.3	162.5	190.2	158.5	145.8	151.3
Coconut	3.7	70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	72.1	72.1	72.1	76.7	76.7	76.7
Edible roots and tubers ¹	39.3	119.5	108.7	126.3	122.6	117.2	110.1	110.4	109.4	111.1	110.8	111.3	111.3
Potato	30.8	103.1	103.1				111.2	111.2	111.2	111.2	111.2	111.2	111.2
Other Root crops	8.4	121.8	108.9	126.3	122.6	117.2	109.8	109.2	99.9	110.1	106.2	112.3	111.5
Stimulant & spice ¹	14.6	113.0	112.8	111.9	113.8	115.6	113.5	122.0	115.4	115.0	117.1	110.8	115.4
Теа	12.0	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.7	121.2	121.2	121.2	121.2	121.2	121.2
Ginger	2.5	139.5	138.6	233.2	212.8	186.6	154.7	128.1	89.0	105.4	107.8	88.7	102.1
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	112.4	112.4	112.4	111.3	112.4	112.4	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3
Anthurium	3.0	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7
Rose	1.1	126.3	126.3	126.3	115.8	126.3	126.3	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8
Other flowers	5.8	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	95.9	95.3	95.8	97.0	101.9	101.9	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.4	101.5	109.3
Cattle	43.7	99.3	99.3	99.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	104.3	104.3	104.3	104.3	104.3	104.3
Pigs	3.1	111.1	111.1	111.1	111.1	111.1	111.1	114.0	114.0	114.0	111.1	111.1	111.1
Goat	0.7	102.5	102.5	102.5	101.5	101.5	101.5	104.5	104.5	104.5	104.5	106.6	112.0
Deer	8.8	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	105.1	105.1	105.1	105.1	105.1	105.1
Poultry	283.9 95.0	97.8 97.5	96.1	96.1	96.1	103.3	103.3	103.3	103.3	103.3	103.0	103.0	111.7
Eggs Milk	95.0 5.9	87.5 97.4	89.7 97.4	92.0 97.4	96.9 97.4	98.0 97.4	98.0 97.4	85.4 97.4	85.4 97.4	85.2 97.4	85.7 97.4	95.4 97.4	105.2 97.4
Overall Index	1,000.0	110.5	112.2	117.8	117.8	123.9	123.0	119.8	116.9	119.4	118.0	116.8	123.7

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¹ The indices are computed based on the method of variable baskets with fixed monthly weights in the base year as explained at paragragh 12 of Annex. The composition of these baskets is shown in Table 13.

Monthly Producer Price Index - Agriculture (PPI-A)
(Base period: Year 2018=100)
Table 6: Percentage changes from previous month by commodity group and product, April 2024 - March 2025

							Percentage of	changes from					
Commodity Group	Weight	Mar 24 to Apr 24	Apr 24 to May 24	May 24 to Jun 24	Jun 24 to Jul 24	Jul 24 to Aug 24	Aug 24 to Sept 24	Sep 24 to Oct 24	Oct 24 to Nov 24	Nov 24 to Dec 24	Dec 24 to Jan-25	Jan 25 to Feb-25	Feb 25 to Mar-25
Crop Products	558.9	-8.2	-3.9	-6.2	0.3	3.6	-1.4	-3.1	-3.2	1.4	-0.9	5.0	11.4
Sugar Cane	212.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	-8.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other crops products	346.7	-15.4	-8.0	-13.2	11.3	7.4	-2.7	-6.2	-6.7	3.0	-1.9	11.0	23.4
Fresh Vegetables	209.7	-22.1	-13.6	-20.7	9.8	6.7	-3.1	-8.6	-12.1	-4.6	7.7	24.6	26.6
Beans	7.8	-28.9	29.6	4.1	-6.3	-9.4	-32.0	2.2	13.6	2.0	30.2	49.1	-12.2
Brinjal	7.7	12.0	55.0	-19.9	17.0	-22.3	-19.0	22.2	-19.2	-14.5	6.5	57.8	-40.8
Cabbage	11.9	-43.1	-20.4	-3.6	29.7	5.7	-6.0	2.8	14.9	36.4	3.3	-14.9	-20.6
Cauliflower	3.0	-14.9	-25.1	-2.4	-5.2	-1.3	3.3	-9.9	1.8	23.6	24.8	-3.6	10.3
Carrot	13.6	31.3	-4.7	-38.1	-25.3	-24.8	-25.1	-5.6	0.5	7.2	38.7	79.4	92.7
Onion	10.9				7.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Tomato	63.3	 -28.5	 -26.1	 -53.1	-22.5	-17.3	-16.3	48.9	11.0	21.2	0.0	26.7	94.4
Creepers	60.8	-26.6	-18.0	37.3	26.7	-5.3	-8.0	-6.9	-26.1	-6.6	8.3	39.3	-14.2
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	-14.2 5.0	0.4 5.1	-2.8 0.7	2.0 17.4	0.4 14.6	3.8 - 6.9	-13.4 -5.0	-14.6 -4.5	-11.4 20.7	16.0 -16.5	30.7 - 7.0	21.7 35.6
Fruits and nuts	67.6												
Banana	12.8	5.2	0.0	0.0	4.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pineapple	29.4	4.5	14.4	29.2	7.8	4.9	-10.7	-6.3	-32.2	-24.4	45.7	21.9	45.6
Other fruits	25.4		-19.1	-6.6	-3.2				23.9	15.7	-17.2	-32.4	
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits	5.8	8.7	12.2	-29.1	2.0	-2.0	12.7	2.2	15.7	8.7	-26.5	3.8	18.3
Groundnut	2.1	9.4	17.1	-5.4	2.4	10.0	9.6	-9.9	-9.4	8.0	-1.8	-1.9	-7.4
Coconut	3.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Edible roots and tubers	39.3	-6.4	-3.1	0.1	11.3	-0.7	-0.5	0.0	0.8	-1.0	12.4	-1.1	3.7
Potato	30.8				15.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other Root crops	8.4	-6.4	-3.1	2.2	13.5	5.8	0.4	6.1	1.9	-8.7	3.2	-2.3	3.2
Stimulant & spice	14.6	3.3	5.5	-2.9	6.4	4.3	20.4	-4.0	14.4	-2.8	-27.2	4.0	-11.9
Tea	12.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ginger	2.5	19.4	0.0	-11.2	-9.9	-9.3	3.2	7.6	24.1	-0.9	19.7	38.5	31.1
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	0.6	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0
Anthurium	3.0	3.3	0.0	0.0	7.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.6	0.0	0.0
Rose	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other flowers	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	4.1	0.1	1.3	-1.4	0.4	-0.1	-1.1	0.0	0.0
Cattle	43.7	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pigs Goat	3.1	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0
Deer	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Poultry	8.8	0.0	0.0	13.8	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Eggs	283.9	0.0 0.1	0.0 0.1	0.0 0.0	5.7	0.0 0.0	0.0	-1.5 -1.9	0.0 1.8	0.0	0.0 -5.3	0.0 0.0	0.0
Milk	95.0 5.9	0.1	0.1 0.0	0.0 0.0	0.9 0.0	0.0 0.0	6.2 0.0	-1.9 0.0	1.8 0.0	-0.2 0.0	-5.3 0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0
Overall Change	<u> </u>	-5.5	-2.6	-3.9	0.0 1.7	2.3	- 0.4	-2.4	- 1.9	0.0 0.9	- 1.0	0.0 3.1	7.2

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(Base period: Year 2018=100)

Table 7: Percentage changes from corresponding month of previous year by commodity group and product, April 2024 - March 2025

							Percentage of	changes from					
Commodity Group	Weight	Apr 23 to Apr 24	May 23 to May 24	Jun 23 to Jun 24	Jul 23 to Jul 24	Aug 23 to Aug 24	Sep 23 to Sep 24	Oct 23 to Oct 24	Nov 23 to Nov-24	Dec 23 to Dec 24	Jan 24 to Jan 25	Feb 24 to Feb 25	Mar 24 to Mar 25
Crop Products	558.9	18.9	17.4	12.2	0.4	1.7	3.5	3.5	-1.9	-2.5	-14.4	-20.9	-6.5
Sugar Cane	212.1	21.1	21.1	21.1	-8.1	-8.1	-8.1	-8.1	-8.1	-8.1	-8.1	-8.1	-8.1
Other crops products	346.7	16.7	13.5	2.4	11.6	14.0	19.1	20.1	6.7	5.0	-20.8	-31.1	-5.0
Fresh Vegetables	209.7	25.8	16.7	-4.3	7.3	10.2	16.2	17.4	-2.0	-8.2	-35.8	-45.0	-21.1
Beans	7.8	-2.4	39.8	48.2	25.8	20.2	1.8	3.3	8.8	-6.0	-19.9	-3.0	11.9
Brinjal	7.7	38.6	41.3	-16.5	1.3	-5.6	-15.3	6.9	-18.4	14.7	-48.7	-38.2	-14.2
Cabbage	11.9	7.3	5.2	-20.9	0.0	-15.0	-20.1	-14.0	9.1	36.0	10.4	-24.0	-36.8
Cauliflower	3.0	19.3	-10.6	-12.4	-3.1	3.0	-4.8	-10.4	-8.2	3.5	11.8	-18.0	-9.6
Carrot	13.6	71.1	36.0	8.3	-14.8	-35.3	-65.6	-70.0	-72.2	-70.0	-65.0	-46.0	58.7
Onion	10.9			0.0	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.2	
Tomato	63.3	18.0	10.3	-41.9	-45.4	-53.0	-27.2	42.6	12.5	-8.4	-51.7	-63.9	-34.4
Creepers	60.8	27.2	4.5	31.0	44.7	40.3	50.2	46.2	14.9	-2.5	-31.1	-28.9	-24.1
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	25.0	24.9	28.4	37.4	14.2	33.1	21.9	-3.7	-1.1	-25.6	-36.0	7.5
Fruits and nuts	67.6	-5.8	5.0	16.4	19.5	22.3	24.6	26.8	14.0	21.5	-2.2	1.6	60.2
Banana	12.8	20.4	20.4	20.4	17.0	17.0	17.0	17.0	17.0	17.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Pineapple	29.4	-19.0	2.3	22.3	25.3	25.2	29.3	35.5	-3.9	-26.7	-14.0	9.6	93.7
Other fruits	25.4	-1.8	-30.8	-1.2	-4.4			22.1	21.3	27.7	-0.3	-30.6	
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits	5.8	13.3	28.3	24.3	15.4	13.1	18.1	12.3	8.2	16.6	11.9	4.3	13.1
Groundnut	2.1	9.7	29.1	23.3	21.3	15.9	26.8	12.9	6.9	18.0	11.9	6.8	17.8
Coconut	3.7	24.9	24.9	24.9	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	2.0	2.0
Edible roots and tubers	39.3	17.3	14.1	8.0	18.8	18.2	18.4	17.8	18.4	17.0	23.6	13.5	14.7
Potato	30.8			0.0	15.5	15.5	15.5	15.5	15.5	15.5	15.5	15.5	
Other Root crops	8.4	17.3	14.1	10.8	23.7	32.4	42.2	47.1	43.9	28.7	24.7	13.5	14.7
Stimulant & spice	14.6	9.5	13.9	11.4	11.4	14.9	41.4	39.3	48.5	33.2	5.8	10.3	0.6
Теа	12.0	6.3	6.3	6.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ginger	2.5	132.0	115.9	99.7	97.4	75.5	103.8	138.8	138.2	86.8	70.5	134.8	157.3
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	1.4	1.4	1.4	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8
Anthurium	3.0	7.2	7.2	7.2	14.9	14.9	14.9	14.9	14.9	14.9	15.7	15.7	15.7
Rose	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other flowers	5.8	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	6.5	6.4	1.3	3.5	3.7	12.7	14.5	6.4	6.3	5.0	3.6	3.6
Cattle	43.7	3.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	4.1	4.1	5.2	5.2	5.2	4.1	4.1	4.1
Pigs	3.1	4.2	4.2	4.2	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	3.8	3.8	3.8
Goat	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Deer	8.8	-1.0	-1.0	11.5	14.3	14.3	14.3	14.3	14.3	14.3	14.3	14.3	14.3
Poultry	283.9	-3.3	-3.3	-3.3	2.2	2.2	13.3	11.6	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1
Eggs	95.0	66.9	66.3	19.4	8.5	8.5	15.2	31.6	15.2	14.7	8.5	1.5	1.3
Milk	5.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Overall Change	1.000.0	14.4	13.3	8.0	1.5	2.5	6.8	7.4	1.2	0.7	-7.9	-13.3	-3.2

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Quarterly Producer Price Index - Agriculture (PPI-A)
(Base period: Year 2018=100)

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Table 8: Quarterly indices ¹ by commodity group and product, 2nd Quarter 2023	- 1st Quarter 2025
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Commodity Group	Weight		2023				24		2025
Commonly Group	weight	2 nd Qr	3 rd Qr	4 th Qr	1 st Qr	2 nd Qr	3 rd Qr	4 th Qr	1 st Qr
Crop Products	558.9	194.7	214.1	209.3	257.9	226.5	218.2	208.5	221.5
Sugar Cane	212.1	263.2	318.8	318.8	318.8	318.8	292.9 ²	292.9 ²	292.9 ²
Other crops products	346.7	153.0	149.8	142.5	220.8	170.6	172.4	156.8	177.8
Fresh Vegetables ³	209.7	154.1	142.0	128.2	257.5	177.6	157.9	132.4	169.5
Beans	7.8	155.9	142.7	136.1	260.5	196.9	162.6	139.6	246.9
Brinjal	7.7	184.3	211.1	171.6	269.2	218.1	195.8	165.8	169.1
Cabbage	11.9	112.8	161.1	145.8	220.5	112.9	128.8	156.1	168.1
Cauliflower	3.0	190.6	162.2	164.7	239.4	174.4	158.4	153.7	228.0
Carrot	13.6	167.7	157.2	222.2	249.3	246.2	89.0	64.4 4	216.6
Onion	10.9	167.5	167.5	167.5	167.5	167.5	179.5	179.5	179.5
Tomato	63.3	175.3	107.3	68.0	297.5	179.3	59.1	76.2	150.7
Creepers	60.8	128.4	146.4	125.0	229.0	155.2	212.8	149.6	164.6
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	142.5	140.5	132.8	233.8	179.2	182.0	142.3	184.7
Fruits and nuts ³	67.6	165.9	184.1	190.3	193.2	176.5	224.6	228.4	213.1
Banana	12.8	205.7	221.4	221.4	235.4	247.7	259.0	259.0	259.0
Pineapple	29.4	165.7	175.3	139.5	155.0	169.7	221.7	142.8	194.8
Other fruits	25.4	116.3	104.9	205.9	224.4	107.1	100.3	259.3	214.3
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ³	5.8	112.2	104.4	132.3	118.0	137.9	121.5	148.7	129.4
Groundnut	2.1	162.0	187.6	186.4	179.1	196.9	232.2	210.1	201.8
Coconut	3.7	71.8	81.7	81.7	86.2	89.7	91.5	91.5	91.5
Edible roots and tubers ³	39.3	137.6	142.9	143.3	162.3	154.7	169.1	168.9	189.9
Potato	30.8	143.6	143.6	143.6	143.6	143.6	165.8	165.8	165.8
Other Root crops	8.4	136.9	139.5	140.9	163.3	155.9	184.5	198.1	191.3
Stimulant & spice ³	14.6	131.2	139.4	145.1	141.6	146.5	173.9	203.4	149.7
Теа	12.0	129.7	137.9	137.9	137.9	137.9	137.9 ²	137.9 ²	137.9 ²
Ginger	2.5	169.5	143.6	161.3	263.2	360.6	281.9	351.3	532.6
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	151.6	151.6	151.6	152.8	153.7	155.7	155.7	157.1
Anthurium	3.0	88.8	88.8	88.8	92.2	95.2	102.0	102.0	106.7
Rose	1.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1
Other flowers	5.8	180.0	180.0	180.0	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1
nimals & Animal Products	441.1	149.7	154.2	150.3	155.8	156.7	164.2	163.8	162.1
Cattle	43.7	119.4	119.8	119.8	121.0	122.2	123.9	126.0	126.0
Pigs	3.1	116.5	119.1	119.1	119.1	121.4	121.4	121.4	123.6
Goat	0.7	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.5	141.5	143.2	143.2	143.2
Deer	8.8 283.9	114.1 172.2	112.6 166.6	112.6 162.8	112.6 166.5	117.8 166.5	128.7 176.0	128.7 173.3	128.7 173.3
Poultry Eggs	283.9 95.0	172.2 102.1	139.8	162.8	166.5	150.3	176.0	173.3 159.8	173.3
Milk	93.0 5.9	102.1	139.8	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	127.9	132.0
Overall Index	1,000.0	174.7	187.7	183.3	212.8	195.6	194.4	188.8	195.4

³ The indices are computed based on the method of variable baskets with fixed monthly weights in the base year as explained at paragraph 12 of Annex. The composition of these baskets is shown in Table 13.

(Base period: Year 2018=100)

 Table 9: Quarterly changes (%) and net contributions of commodity group and product to the change, 1st Quarter 2024 - 1st Quarter 2025

		Percenta	age changes f	rom previous	quarter	Percentage of	0	correspondin us year	g quarter of		Net contributions from				
Commodity Group	Weight	1st Qr 24 to 2nd Qr 24	2nd Qr 24 to 3rd Qr 24	3rd Qr 24 to 4th Qr 24	4th Qr 24 to 1st Qr 25	2nd Qr 23 to 2nd Qr 24	3rd Qr 23 to 3rd Qr 24	4th Qr 23 to 4th Qr 24	1st Qr 24 to 1st Qr 25	1st Qr 24 to 2nd Qr 24	2nd Qr 24 to 3rd Qr 24	3rd Qr 24 to 4th Qr 24	to		
Crop Products	558.9	-12.2	-3.7	-4.4	6.2	16.3	1.9	-0.4	-14.1	-18.20	-9.49	-2.45	11.01		
Sugar Cane	212.1	0.0	-8.1	0.0	0.0	21.1	-8.1	-8.1	-8.1	0.00	-5.49	0.00	0.00		
Other crops products	346.7	-22.7	1.1	-9.0	13.4	11.5	15.1	10.0	-19.5	-18.20	-4.00	-2.45	11.01		
Fresh Vegetables	209.7	-31.0	-11.1	-16.1	28.0	15.2	11.2	3.3	-34.2	-16.05	-6.32	-4.41	10.22		
Beans	7.8	-24.4	-17.4	-14.1	76.9	26.3	13.9	2.6	-5.2	-0.49	-0.27	-0.18	0.83		
Brinjal	7.7	-19.0	-10.2	-15.3	2.0	18.3	-7.2	-3.4	-37.2	-0.39	-0.17	-0.23	0.03		
Cabbage	11.9	-48.8	14.1	21.2	7.7	0.1	-20.0	7.1	-23.8	-1.28	0.19	0.33	0.14		
Cauliflower	3.0	-27.2	-9.2	-3.0	48.3	-8.5	-2.3	-6.7	-4.8	-0.20	-0.05	-0.01	0.22		
Carrot	13.6	-1.2	-63.9	-27.6	236.3	46.8	-43.4	-71.0	-13.1	-0.04	-2.13	-0.33	2.06		
Onion	10.9	0.0	7.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.2	7.2	7.2	0.00	0.13	0.00	0.00		
Tomato	63.3	-39.7	-67.0	28.9	97.8	2.3	-44.9	12.1	-49.3	-7.48	-7.61	1.08	4.72		
Creepers	60.8	-32.2	37.1	-29.7	10.0	20.9	45.4	19.7	-28.1	-4.49	3.50	-3.84	0.91		
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	-23.4	1.6	-21.8	29.8	25.8	29.5	7.2	-21.0	-1.68	0.09	-1.22	1.30		
Fruits and nuts	67.6	-8.6	27.3	1.7	-6.7	6.4	22.0	20.0	10.3	-2.39	1.50	1.72	0.39		
Banana	12.8	5.2	4.6	0.0	0.0	20.4	17.0	17.0	10.0	0.16	0.14	0.00	0.00		
Pineapple	29.4	9.5	30.6	-35.6	36.4	2.4	26.5	2.4	25.7	0.43	1.53	-2.32	1.53		
Other fruits	25.4	-52.3	-6.3	158.5	-17.4	-7.9	-4.4	25.9	-4.5	-2.98	-0.17	4.04	-1.14		
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits	5.8	16.9	-11.9	22.4	-13.0	22.9	16.4	12.4	9.7	0.05	0.08	-0.05	-0.02		
Groundnut	2.1	9.9	17.9	-9.5	-4.0	21.5	23.8	12.7	12.7	0.04	0.07	-0.05	-0.02		
Coconut	3.7	4.1	2.0	0.0	0.0	24.9	12.0	12.0	6.1	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00		
Edible roots and tubers	39.3	-4.7	9.3	-0.1	12.4	12.4	18.3	17.9	17.0	-0.06	0.93	0.11	-0.06		
Potato	30.8	0.0	15.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.5	15.5	15.5	0.00	0.68	0.00	0.00		
Other Root crops	8.4	-4.5	18.3	7.4	-3.4	13.9	32.3	40.6	17.1	-0.06	0.24	0.11	-0.06		
Stimulant & spice	14.6	3.5	18.7	17.0	-26.4	11.7	24.7	40.2	5.7	0.25	-0.20	0.18	0.46		
Tea	12.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Ginger	2.5	37.0	-21.8	24.6	51.6	112.7	96.3	117.8	102.4	0.25	-0.20	0.18	0.46		
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	0.6	1.3	0.0	0.9	1.4	2.7	2.7	2.8	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.01		
Anthurium	3.0	3.3	7.1	0.0	4.6	7.2	14.9	14.9	15.7	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.01		
Rose	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Other flowers	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	0.6	4.8	-0.2	- 1.0	4.7	6.5	9.0	4.0	0.00	3.30	-0.20	-0.73		
Cattle	43.7	1.0	1.4	1.7	0.0	2.3	3.4	5.2	4.1	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.00		
Pigs	3.1	1.9	0.0	0.0	1.8	4.2	1.9	1.9	3.8	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Goat	0.7	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Deer	8.8	4.6	9.3	0.0	0.0	3.2	14.3	14.3	14.3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Poultry	283.9	4.0 0.0	5.7	-1.5	0.0	-3.3	5.6	6.4	4.1	0.00	2.70	-0.77	0.00		
Eggs	95.0	2.5	3.0	3.2	-4.9	47.2	10.7	20.0	3.7	0.35	0.43	0.47	-0.74		
Milk	5.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Overall	1,000.0	-8.1	-0.6	-2.9	3.5	12.0	3.6	3.0	-8.2	-17.74	-6.19	-2.65	10.28		

Annual Producer Price Index - Agriculture (PPI-A) (Base period: Year 2018=100)

Table 10: Annual indices, annual changes (%) and net contributions of commodity group and product to the change, 2022-2024

Commodity Group	Weight		Annual index ¹			changes from	Net contributions from		
Commonly Group	weight	2022	2023	2024	2022 to 2023	2023 to 2024	2022 to 2023	2023 to 2024	
Crop Products	558.9	172.3	203.3	227.2	18.0	11.8	17.18	15.44	
Sugar Cane	212.1	217.9	291.0	305.8 ²	33.5	5.1	15.51	3.14	
Other crops products	346.7	143.0	148.6	179.1	3.9	20.5	1.68	12.30	
Fresh Vegetables ³	209.7	147.0	144.1	185.8	-2.0	28.9	-0.62	8.74	
Beans	7.8	148.5	160.4	190.7	8.0	18.9	0.09	0.24	
Brinjal	7.7	183.6	179.5	216.8	-2.2	20.8	-0.03	0.29	
Cabbage	11.9	162.1	141.1	168.3	-13.0	19.3	-0.25	0.32	
Cauliflower	3.0	131.9	167.2	172.3	26.8	3.1	0.11	0.02	
Carrot	13.6	172.3	165.3	187.9 ⁴	-4.1	13.7	-0.09	0.31	
Onion	10.9	161.9	167.4	179.3	3.4	7.1	0.06	0.13	
Tomato	63.3	136.6	131.5	182.8	-3.7	39.0	-0.32	3.25	
Creepers	60.8	145.7	143.9	188.9	-1.2	31.3	-0.11	2.74	
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	141.0	138.8	186.2	-1.6	34.1	-0.07	1.46	
Fruits and nuts ³	67.6	158.9	180.3	209.2	13.5	16.0	1.45	1.96	
Banana	12.8	166.9	214.0	250.9	28.2	17.2	0.60	0.47	
Pineapple	29.4	182.2	165.6	171.1	-9.1	3.3	-0.49	0.16	
Other fruits	25.4	127.7	180.3	232.4	41.2	28.9	1.34	1.32	
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ³	5.8	113.3	114.0	132.3	0.6	16.1	0.00	0.11	
Groundnut	2.1	165.2	177.4	207.2	7.4	16.8	0.03	0.06	
Coconut	3.7	84.2	78.5	90.4	-6.8	15.2	-0.02	0.04	
Edible roots and tubers ³	39.3	130.6	142.4	167.9	9.0	17.9	0.47	1.00	
Potato	30.8	133.3	143.6	165.6	7.7	15.3	0.32	0.68	
Other Root crops	8.4	120.4	138.4	176.3	15.0	27.4	0.15	0.32	
Stimulant & spice ³	14.6	122.3	137.3	170.0	12.3	23.8	0.22	0.48	
Tea	12.0	125.5	133.8	137.9 ²	6.6	3.1	0.10	0.05	
Ginger	2.5	107.6	153.9	321.3	43.0	108.8	0.12	0.43	
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	136.0	151.6	154.5	11.5	1.9	0.15	0.03	
Anthurium	3.0	84.4	88.8	97.8	5.2	10.1	0.01	0.03	
Rose	1.1	148.2	171.1	171.1	15.5	0.0	0.02	0.00	
Other flowers	5.8	160.0	180.0	180.1	12.5	0.1	0.12	0.00	
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	137.7	150.4	160.1	9.2	6.4	5.60	4.30	
Cattle	43.7	111.2	119.0	123.3	7.0	3.6	0.34	0.19	
Pigs	3.1	115.3	117.8	120.8	2.2	2.5	0.01	0.01	
Goat	0.7	130.1	141.0	142.3	8.4	0.9	0.01	0.00	
Deer	8.8	112.0	113.2	121.9	1.1	7.7	0.01	0.08	
Poultry	283.9	147.1	168.4	170.6	14.5	1.3	6.05	0.62	
Eggs	95.0	126.2	117.1	152.9	-7.2	30.6	-0.86	3.40	
Milk	5.9	119.8	127.9	127.9	6.8	0.0	0.05	0.00	
Overall	1,000.0	157.0	179.9	197.8	14.6	9.9	22.78	19.74	

¹ Using data for base period (2018) as weights ² Provisional ⁴ Revised

³ The indices are computed based on the method of variable baskets with fixed monthly weights in the base year as explained at paragraph 12 of Annex. The composition of these baskets is shown in Table 13.

Month	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	125.2	170.0	202.9	186.9 ¹
February	141.6	172.0	222.2	192.7 ¹
March	159.3	178.7	213.3	206.5 1
1st quarter	142	173.6	212.8	195.4 ¹
April	155.4	176.2	201.5	
May	144.8	173.3	196.3	
June	142.2	174.7	188.6	
2nd quarter	147.6	174.7	195.6	
July	161.4	188.9	191.8 ¹	
August	168.2	191.5	196.2 ¹	
September	172.1	183	195.4 ¹	
3rd quarter	167.3	187.7	194.4 ¹	
October	171.3	177.6	190.7 ¹	
November	170	184.9	187.1 ¹	
December	167.6	187.3	188.7 ¹	
4th quarter	169.6	183.3	188.8 ¹	
Yearly average ²	157.0	179.9	197.8	
Annual change (%)	32.7	14.6	9.9	

Table 11: Monthly and Quarterly Price Indices - Agriculture (PPI-A): January 2022 -March 2025(Base period : Year 2018=100)

¹Provisional

² Using data for base period (2018) as weights

Month	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	94.3	90.0	87.8	95.3	99.8	104.1	100.1	93.0	98.8	104.0	94.2	107.4	110.5	125.2	170.0	202.9	186.9 ²
February	99.1	94.5	91.0	96.7	100.7	107.5	98.6	95.9	103.3	105.2	98.2	116.3	112.2	141.6	172.0	222.2	192.7 ²
March	100.6	94.3	91.3	98.8	100.2	101.3	102.6	97.3	105.2	106.4	104.5	129.7	117.8	159.3	178.7	213.3	206.5 ²
April	98.4	93.3	91.9	97.3	100.6	102.6	95.5	94.7	106.1	103.5	107.3	127.7	117.8	155.4	176.2	201.5	
May	97.0	89.6	91.1	96.3	101.7	100.0	87.3	94.7	114.0	103.1	99.4	108.7	123.9	144.8	173.3	196.3	
June	96.8	89.3	89.6	95.7	101.7	100.6	90.5	95.2	115.0	96.8	90.3	96.9	123.0	142.2	174.7	188.6	
July	87.2	87.3	97.6	100.7	101.5	93.4	90.2	100.7	96.9	95.8	100.6	103.6	119.8	161.4	188.9	191.8 ²	
August	86.6	87.4	97.9	99.2	101.5	95.6	93.5	99.9	93.0	97.1	108.3	104.5	116.9	168.2	191.5	196.2 ²	
September	85.5	84.1	97.3	96.5	101.0	91.2	93.4	99.8	88.7	98.8	102.4	109.3	119.4	172.1	183.0	195.4 ²	
October	84.5	86.1	95.3	97.0	99.2	86.4	90.8	97.6	91.9	96.0	97.4	107.9	118.0	171.3	177.6	190.7 ²	
November	86.4	87.5	95.8	99.1	98.3	88.0	90.3	98.2	96.8	96.2	97.1	104.7	116.8	170.0	184.9	187.1 ²	
December	84.4	84.7	96.3	98.3	98.8	88.4	91.3	102.4	103.0	97.1	98.4	104.6	123.7	167.6	187.3	188.7 ²	
Yearly Average ³	91.3	88.9	93.5	97.3	100.4	96.3	93.4	97.6	101.0	100.0	99.8	110.1	118.3	157.0	179.9	197.8	
Annual change (%)	-3.3	-2.6	5.2	4.0	3.2	-4.1	-3.0	4.5	3.5	-1.0	-0.2	10.3	7.4	32.7	14.6	9.9	

Table 12: Monthly Producer Price Index - Agriculture (PPI-A)¹: January 2009 - March 2025

(Base period: Year 2018=100)

¹ The indices for January 2009 to December 2021 previously based on 2013=100, have been converted to the new base 2018=100

² Provisional

³ Using data for base period (2018) as weights

(Base period: Year 2018 =100)

Table 13: Weight distribution for the base period and its months by commodity group and product

Commodity Group		Weight												
Commounty Group	Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	
Crop Products	558.9	558.9	558.9	558.9	558.9	558.9	558.9	558.9	558.9	558.9	558.9	558.9	558.9	
Sugar Cane	212.1	212.1	212.1	212.1	212.1	212.1	212.1	212.1	212.1	212.1	212.1	212.1	212.1	
Other crops products	346.7	346.7	346.7	346.7	346.7	346.7	346.7	346.7	346.7	346.7	346.7	346.7	346.7	
Fresh Vegetables	209.7	209.7	209.7	209.7	209.7	209.7	209.7	209.7	209.7	209.7	209.7	209.7	209.7	
Beans	7.8	9.7	7.5	5.8	5.1	5.4	6.8	5.9	13.5	13.7	10.3	6.3	6.5	
Brinjal	7.7	8.6	7.6	6.9	7.4	7.2	7.9	8.2	8.4	13.6	5.9	6.6	5.1	
Cabbage	11.9	12.9	13.4	22.6	14.6	12.2	10.5	5.7	7.4	8.3	9.9	9.3	9.6	
Cauliflower	3.0	2.4	1.5	0.9	0.6	2.2	4.9	7.1	6.2	5.3	3.9	2.4	2.3	
Carrot	13.6	13.4	9.3	16.5	23.0	24.7	11.6	6.8	13.3	8.8	5.9	13.9	14.3	
Onion	10.9	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4	3.0	25.7	41.3	42.1	11.0	
Tomato	63.3	59.6	84.4	80.0	77.4	74.4	79.8	74.2	38.8	25.8	46.4	49.7	48.6	
Creepers	60.8	69.8	55.5	51.2	51.0	50.7	57.5	66.0	84.1	76.6	55.3	56.8	75.6	
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	31.8	30.5	25.7	30.6	32.8	30.6	35.5	35.1	31.8	30.7	22.6	36.7	
Fruits and nuts	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	67.6	
Banana	12.8	8.4	14.6	18.5	18.8	18.1	12.7	17.5	21.2	21.6	20.0	9.7	5.3	
Pineapple	29.4	20.2	41.2	49.1	45.5	42.7	32.0	38.4	46.4	46.0	39.1	22.7	9.6	
Other fruits	25.4	39.0	11.7	0.0	3.2	6.9	22.8	11.7	0.0	0.0	8.4	35.2	52.6	
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	
Groundnut	2.1	1.4	1.7	3.2	3.4	3.4	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.4	1.7	3.2	3.4	
Coconut	3.7	4.4	4.1	2.6	2.4	2.4	4.5	4.6	4.8	4.4	4.0	2.6	2.4	
Edible roots and tubers	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	39.3	
Potato	30.8	4.8	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.7	23.4	32.8	34.6	36.2	35.2	34.8	
Other Root crops	8.4	34.5	37.8	39.3	39.3	39.3	29.6	15.9	6.4	4.6	3.1	4.1	4.5	
Stimulant & spice	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6	14.6	
Tea	12.0	13.9	14.0	14.5	14.3	13.8	13.9	13.0	11.9	8.8	10.2	9.9	10.2	
Ginger	2.5	0.7	0.6	0.0	0.3	0.8	0.6	1.6	2.6	5.8	4.4	4.7	4.4	
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	9.9	
Anthurium	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	
Rose	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	
Other flowers	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	441.1	441.1	441.1	441.1	441.1	441.1	441.1	441.1	441.1	441.1	441.1	441.1	
Cattle	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.7	43.7	
Pigs	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	
Goat	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	
Deer	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8	
Poultry	283.9	283.9	283.9	283.9	283.9	283.9	283.9	283.9	283.9	283.9	283.9	283.9	283.9	
Eggs	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	
Milk	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	
Overall Index	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	

<u>ANNEX</u>

Producer Price Index – Agriculture (PPI-A)

Methodology for the computation of PPI-A

1. Introduction

The analysis of price data implies a comparison of current and past prices. Comparison overtime is required to study the price movement in order to understand the history and to indicate future outlook. While price relatives of single commodities can be studied in isolation, a general conclusion can only be derived from averages, covering a given set or class of commodities. The indicators of average price changes are the price indices.

2. Scope

The PPI-A covers agricultural products that are classified according to the latest Central Product Classification (CPC) Ver.2.1. There are two divisions: Division 01 - Crop Products and Division 02 - Animals & Animal Products. "Crop Products" is further divided into 7 Commodity Groups namely:

Group 012: Fresh vegetables

Group 013: Fruit and nuts

Group 014: Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits

Group 015: Edible roots and tubers

Group 016: Stimulant and spice

Group 018: Sugar cane

Group 019: Flowers, ornamental plants

3. Commodity Coverage

The bulk of the products in agriculture, with the exception of forestry, fishing and agricultural services, is taken into account in the producer price index. Thus, about 75% of the gross output of the agricultural sector has been considered.

4. **Observation Units**

There are essentially three types of observation units for collecting producer prices: (i) producers (ii) purchasers and (iii) markets. However, in the context of Mauritius, different types of observation units are used for different commodities as shown below:

(a) For main commercial crops (sugar cane and tea leaf etc.), the respective marketing agency is the source of the price data.

(b) For vegetables, price data are obtained at the National Wholesale Market at Wooton.

(c) For fruits, prices are recorded from different sources such as planters and first middlemen.

(d) For animals and animal products, price data are available at sources varying from marketing agencies to producers.

5. Definition of prices

A price is a pure price when the same amount of money refers to what the buyer pays and what the seller receives. Since the price series form the basis for calculation, the index of the output prices must be representative of what the farmer actually receives.

The prices must be recorded at a point in the marketing of the product which is as close as possible to the farmer. This means that the selling prices should be recorded at the farm gate or (if this is not possible) at the next stage of the commodity flow.

6. Purpose of the agricultural price indices

The purpose of the price indices is to provide information on trends in producer prices of agricultural products and purchase prices of the means of agricultural production.

The selling prices of agricultural products and the purchase of the means of production have a decisive influence on farmers' income. It would, therefore, be useful to have indicators showing how agricultural revenue and expenditure are influenced by their price component.

The agricultural price indicators are of two types: -

- (i) Prices received by farmers represent the producer prices of agricultural products (output prices)
- (ii) Prices paid by farmers are the purchase prices of agricultural requisites (input prices)

The two classes of prices mentioned above are considered important in the context of economic analysis and agricultural policy decisions. Index numbers based on them show the average changes in these prices.

It is to be noted that only the output price index for different groups of commodities is compiled.

7. Price received by agricultural producers

As mentioned earlier, the prices for the index should be farm-gate prices, but this is not possible in many cases. Hence, in place of the farm-gate price, the wholesale price of the product is recorded at the National Wholesale Market at Wooton.

In regards to sugarcane, there is no actual market price for the product. The final price for a crop is only available after the crop year to which it refers. Provisional estimates of the price of sugar is provided by Mauritius Sugar Syndicate. This is however revised as soon as the final price is available. The same procedure is applied to tea whereby prices are obtained from National Agricultural Products Regulatory Office (NAPRO).

8. Frequency of Price Collection

The frequency of price collection varies from weekly for some commodities to only once a year in others. Broadly speaking, the frequency of price collection is as follows: -

- (i) For vegetables, price data are collected every second and fourth week of a month at the earlier mentioned auction market.
- (ii) For commodities for which prices are fairly stable, data suppliers are visited on a quarterly basis, but prices are collected for each month of the quarter. For example, crop products potato, onion, etc.
- (iii) For the main commercial crops like sugar cane and tea, the reported prices are normally fixed for the crop year by the respective marketing agency.
- (iv) For the remaining types of items not mentioned above, the price data are collected on a monthly basis.

9. Weighting scheme and choice of the base period

As price data are associated with a commercial transaction, it is logical to relate prices to sales rather than total production. However, since the value of production for the market (sales) is not available here, the value of the total production is considered as a proxy in the calculation of weights. Furthermore, since meteorological conditions and market forces may generate high fluctuations, the weighted base is taken as the average of the total production for three years.

It may be noted that 'Food and Agriculture Organisation' and 'Eurostat' recommend that if the quantity weight base is the average of 3 years, then the reference base for prices should be the middle year. In the new set of indices, the weights have been derived by multiplying the average of production during the years 2017, 2018, and 2019 by the average of unit prices in 2018, the reference period. The weight is assigned to each commodity group on the basis of total production (as a proxy for sales) pertaining to the particular group. At the commodity level, the weights are apportioned within the commodity group on the basis of the product.

Quarterly and annual indices have been computed using a weighting system based on the production value for the base period.

10. Index calculation

The PPI will be calculated according to a Laspeyres formula:

$$I_{t} = \frac{\sum W_{i} (P_{ti}/P_{oi})}{\sum W_{i}} \times 100$$

Where:

It	is the index for the current period t
Pti	is the price of commodity i in the current period t
Poi	is the price of the commodity i in the reference period o (2018)
Wi	is the weight associated with commodity i

As per the International Monetary Fund's recommendation to harmonize the method of computation of all indices, prices of commodities collected at different auction markets are computed using geometric mean instead of simple average.

11. Uses of agricultural price indices

The construction of agricultural price index numbers may serve various purposes as shown below: -

- (i) <u>Economic analysis</u>, in particular the estimation of general price trends and their relationship with other pertinent variables, e.g. the study of domestic price changes in relation to prices observed in external markets or the movement of agricultural production.
- (ii) <u>Monitoring</u> the implementation of agricultural price policy decisions such as the introduction or modification of support prices
- (iii) <u>Forecasting</u> price movements in connection with market studies or business cycle research.
- (iv) <u>Compilation of national accounts</u> at constant prices. In order to estimate the growth of the real product of the agricultural sector, deflator indices are needed. They are appropriately weighted indices of agricultural commodities or input items.

12. Seasonality

Prices and quantities of many agricultural commodities show seasonal variations. As vegetables and fruits are extremely seasonal products, it is therefore decided to use the method of variable baskets with fixed monthly weights in the base year.

There are 12 monthly baskets of representative products. The composition of these baskets varies each month. Certain products whose marketing period covers the whole year appear in all 12 monthly baskets, while others, which are more seasonal, appear only in some of them. However, the composition of the basket for a given month is fixed over time.

13. Missing Prices

There is also, in the field of agricultural price observation, the case of missing prices for a product must be taken into account because there is an index weight for the respective month. In these cases, imputation is carried out as per International Monetary Fund's recommendations.

14. Periodicity

The index is calculated on a monthly, quarterly as well as on an annual basis. While quarterly and annual price indices can normally be calculated as the simple (unweighted) average of the monthly indices, it is recommended that the monthly sales figures for the base year be used as weights to calculate the quarterly and annual indices. If sales figures are not available, total production can be used as a proxy when most of the production is available for sales. Such is the case in Mauritius and the values of total production have been used as weights.

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