Producer Price Index – Agriculture (PPI-A) First quarter 2022 (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.

In order to reflect changes in the production pattern of agricultural products, a new set of weights has been worked out with year 2018 as base period, the previous one being 2013. The weights for the PPI-A have been worked out based on the results of the Census of Agriculture conducted in 2014 and information about crop productions and livestock obtained from the Ministry of Agro Industry and Food security. Table A.1 shows the previous and the new sets of weights. Monthly weights by commodity group and product are given in Table 12.

This issue of the Economic and Social Indicators presents PPI-A indices for the months of January, February and March 2022 as well as for the period January 2018 to December 2021 is based on the new weighting pattern and base period.

Table 10 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 11.

The methodology for the computation of PPI-A as well as the revision of the weights from base 2013 to that of 2018 are given in the annex of this publication.

2. Changes in production pattern (weights) from 2013 to 2018

The changes in the weights from 2013 to 2018 as well as main explanations for the changes are as follows:

The weight of "Crop products" has decreased from 611.6 in 2013 to 558.9 in 2018 while that of "Animals and animal products" has increased from 388.4 in 2013 to 441.1 in 2018. In the sub group "Crop products", the decrease in weight is mainly attributable to a decrease in the weight of "Sugar cane" from 356.8 in 2013 to 212.1 in 2018, partly offset by increases in the weights of "Fresh vegetables" from 134.2 in 2013 to 209.7 in 2018, "Fruits and nuts" from 64.0 in 2013 to 67.6 in 2018, "Edible roots and tubers" from 35.7 in 2013 to 39.3 in 2018 and "Flowers, ornamental plants" from 7.9

in 2013 to 9.9 in 2018. Regarding the sub-group "Animals and animal products", the rise in the weight is mainly due to increases in the weights of cattle from 25.2 in 2013 to 43.7 in 2018, poultry from 267.1 in 2013 to 283.9 in 2018 and that of eggs from 66.3 to 95.0 (Table A.1).

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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 2021 – March 2022

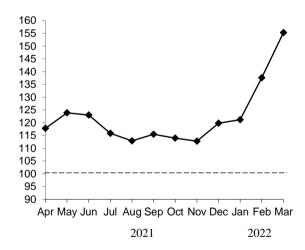


Figure 1 shows the monthly evolution of PPI-A for the period April 2021 to March 2022.

PPI-A, which was 119.8 in December 2021, increased by 29.6% to reach 155.3 in March 2022. The monthly increases were as follows: January (+1.2%), February (+13.5%) and March (+12.9%).

The index for the sub-group "Crop products", which carries 55.9% of the total weight, increased by 41.1% from 128.0 in December 2021 to 180.6 in March 2022. The monthly increases were as follows: 1.8% in January, 21.0% in February and 14.5% in March respectively.

2.2.1 Sugar cane

The index for the period July 2021 to March 2022 was 154.5 based on the forecast for the crop year 2021-2022. This index will be revised at the end of June 2022 when the final price is available.

2.2.2 Other crop products

The index for "Other crop products" which was 111.9 in December 2021, increased by 75.7% to reach 196.6 in March 2022, mainly due to increases in the prices of fresh vegetables (tomato, creepers, carrot and other fresh vegetables) (+120.8%) and, fruits and nuts (+27.2%).

In January, this index increased by 3.3%, mainly due to increases in the prices of fresh vegetables (tomato, creepers and other fresh vegetables) (+6.0%), partly offset by decreases in the prices of fruits and nuts (-2.3%).

In February, the index increased by 38.1%, mainly due to increases in the prices of fresh vegetables (tomato and creepers) (+61.6%).

In March, the index rose by 23.1%, mainly due to increases in the prices of fresh vegetables (tomato, carrot, beans and other fresh vegetables) (+28.9%) and, fruits and nuts (+20.3%).

2.2.3 Animals and animal products

The index for the sub-group "Animals and animal products" which was 109.3 in December 2021, increased by 12.8% to reach 123.3 in March 2022, mainly due to increases in the prices of poultry (+13.2%) and eggs (+18.9%).

In January, this index increased by 0.3%, mainly due to increases in the prices of cattle (+2.0%).

In February, the index increased by 2.3%, mainly due to increases in the prices of poultry (+3.5%).

In March, the index rose by 10.0%, mainly due to increases in the prices of poultry (+9.3%), and eggs (+18.6%).

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 in Table 7.

2.3 Changes in the quarterly index

Fig 2: Overall quarterly indices, 2^{nd} quarter $2020 - 1^{st}$ quarter 2022

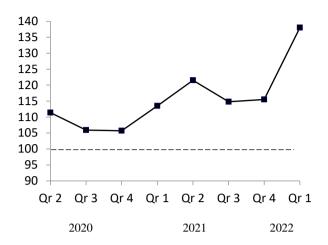


Figure 2 and Table 8 show the movement of quarterly PPI-A covering the period of 2^{nd} Quarter 2020 to 1^{st} Quarter 2022.

The overall index for the first quarter of 2022 increased by 19.5% when compared to the previous quarter and by 21.6% 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 2021 were 5.6% higher compared to the year 2020. The annual indices for the years 2019 - 2021, 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 2022 - March 2022

Commodity Group	Weight —		2022	
Commouny Group	weight	January	February	March
Crop Products	558.9	130.3	157.7	180.6
Sugar Cane ¹	212.1	154.5	154.5	154.5
Other crops products	346.7	115.6	159.7	196.6
Fresh Vegetables ²	209.7	110.8	179.0	230.7
Beans	7.8	127.1	184.4	298.5
Brinjal	7.7	114.2	184.1	205.1
Cabbage	11.9	140.9	187.7	228.2
Cauliflower	3.0	152.9	170.6	190.4
Carrot	13.6	106.5	235.5	362.8
Onion	10.9	119.7	119.7	
Tomato	63.3	73.2	169.9	237.5
Creepers	60.8	126.5	201.1	190.8
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	126.7	140.5	200.0
Fruits and nuts ²	67.6	129.5	140.2	168.7
Banana	12.8	129.8	129.8	169.7
Pineapple	29.4	140.0	143.7	168.3
Other fruits	25.4	124.1	141.1	
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ²	5.8	100.2	99.6	121.0
Groundnut	2.1	150.8	137.5	150.1
Coconut	3.7	84.2	84.2	84.2
Edible roots and tubers ²	39.3	117.8	124.0	122.4
Potato	30.8	111.2	111.2	
Other Root crops	8.4	118.8	124.5	122.4
Stimulant & spice ²	14.6	110.8	112.7	111.7
Tea ¹	12.0	111.7	111.7	111.7
Ginger	2.5	91.7	135.5	126.6
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	128.3	128.3	128.3
Anthurium	3.0	82.7	82.7	82.7
Rose	1.1	136.8	136.8	136.8
Other flowers	5.8	150.0	150.0	150.0
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	109.6	112.1	123.3
Cattle	43.7	106.4	106.4	106.4
Pigs	3.1	111.1	111.1	113.3
Goat	0.7	122.1	125.7	125.7
Deer	8.8	105.1	105.1	105.1
Poultry	283.9	111.7	115.6	126.4
Eggs	95.0	105.2	105.5	125.1
Milk	5.9	103.5	103.5	103.5
Overall Index	1,000.0	121.2	137.6	155.3

¹ Provisional

... Not applicable

 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 12.

(Base period: Year 2018 =100)

Table 2: Monthly indices by commodity group and product, January 2021 - December 2021

	Weight				20)21					
February	January	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
125.5	558.9 122.0	135.1	134.3	141.2	139.7	128.7	123.4	128.0	125.6	121.8	128.0
144.9	212.1 144.9	144.9	144.9	144.9	144.9	154.5 ¹	154.5 ¹	154.5 ¹	154.5 ¹	154.5 ¹	154.5 ¹
113.6	346.7 108.0	129.1	127.8	138.9	136.5	112.9	104.4	111.8	107.9	101.8	111.9
106.7	209.7 101.5	133.0	130.5	153.9	152.4	114.1	95.5	105.1	98.0	92.1	104.5
114.5	7.8 113.5	116.7	113.2	139.3	144.7	80.9	94.2	111.3	94.5	76.6	127.9
75.7	7.7 66.4	90.4	107.4	191.6	208.6	158.4	147.6	167.2	124.3	117.6	180.8
104.6	11.9 113.0	134.7	146.4	192.0	181.0	122.4	60.1	61.5	78.3	109.8	157.2
184.7	3.0 135.8	178.4	165.6	171.3	162.1	107.1	80.5	101.3	140.2	144.3	140.2
110.7	13.6 95.5	218.6	182.9	222.7	165.8	125.2	80.9	56.1	67.3	86.1	119.2
113.2	10.9 113.2				119.7	119.7	119.7	119.7	119.7	119.7	119.7
110.5	63.3 92.9	136.9	133.1	145.5	145.4	86.5	46.8	20.5	42.7	52.1	55.1
108.1	60.8 110.5	121.0	119.8	142.8	152.4	129.3	106.2	115.6	114.0	94.5	117.6
95.4	30.7 98.2	101.8	102.7	116.9	141.5	136.5	125.3	133.1	126.7	110.1	102.1
141.1	67.6 122.1	127.1	130.0	116.4	115.2	110.1	126.2	132.0	134.1	121.1	132.6
138.9	12.8 138.9	138.9	138.9	119.9	119.9	129.8	129.8	129.8	129.8	129.8	129.8
142.9	29.4 104.9	122.7	131.1	123.4	144.8	114.5	124.6	133.0	136.2	125.0	122.9
137.3	25.4 127.5		62.7	64.0	71.0	66.2			134.9	116.2	134.6
77.3	5.8 82.0	101.8	100.9	108.2	89.0	92.7	86.8	99.7	101.5	114.4	120.1
95.0	2.1 120.1	126.8	122.6	135.6	158.4	168.3	162.5	190.2	158.5	145.8	151.3
70.0	3.7 70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	70.0	72.1	72.1	72.1	76.7	76.7	76.7
108.7	39.3 119.5	126.3	122.6	117.2	110.1	110.4	109.4	111.1	110.8	111.3	111.3
103.1	30.8 103.1				111.2	111.2	111.2	111.2	111.2	111.2	111.2
108.9	8.4 121.8	126.3	122.6	117.2	109.8	109.2	99.9	110.1	106.2	112.3	111.5
112.8	14.6 113.0	111.9	113.8	115.6	113.5	113.5	107.6	109.2	110.5	104.4	108.8
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112.4	9.9 112.4	112.4	111.3	112.4	112.4	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3	128.3
82.7	3.0 82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7
126.3	1.1 126.3	126.3	115.8	126.3	126.3	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8
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95.3	441.1 95.9	95.8	97.0	101.9	101.9	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.4	101.5	109.3
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102.5	0.7 102.5	102.5	101.5	101.5	101.5	104.5	104.5	104.5	104.5	106.6	112.0
101.1	8.8 101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	105.1	105.1	105.1	105.1	105.1	105.1
96.1	283.9 97.8	96.1	96.1	103.3	103.3	103.3	103.3	103.3	103.0	103.0	111.7
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(Base period: Year 2018 =100)

Table 3: Monthly indices by commodity group and product, January 2020 - December 2020

Commodity Group	Weight	2020											
	weight	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Crop Products	558.9	116.8	132.7	157.2	153.1	119.1	99. 7	111.8	114.4	122.8	117.5	112.1	112.1
Sugar Cane	212.1	117.3	117.3	117.3	117.3	117.3	117.3	144.9	144.9	144.9	144.9	144.9	144.9
Other crops products	346.7	116.4	142.2	181.6	175.0	120.2	88.9	91.5	95.7	109.3	100.7	92.0	92.0
Fresh Vegetables ¹	209.7	116.7	162.0	213.8	215.0	134.0	81.2	80.8	89.9	105.0	88.8	81.8	85.7
Beans	7.8	179.9	151.5	159.7	137.7	91.6	57.5	76.1	121.9	112.4	56.6	62.8	107.4
Brinjal	7.7	85.9	106.8	145.5	279.0	188.6	124.7	82.4	121.7	117.1	76.1	59.8	61.3
Cabbage	11.9	123.3	184.4	264.4	269.4	101.9	51.6	49.6	47.2	60.8	87.2	95.9	109.4
Cauliflower	3.0	125.4	145.0	181.8	185.4	176.4	129.1	111.4	95.7	99.1	113.1	112.2	120.9
Carrot	13.6	87.5	137.6	303.1	261.2	126.4	52.0	55.0	57.4	41.7	56.1	54.6	76.7
Onion	10.9	102.6	102.6				102.6	113.2	113.2	113.2	113.2	113.2	113.2
Tomato	63.3	111.8	217.6	248.5	222.5	148.3	59.1	42.2	26.5	26.8	43.2	58.4	60.4
Creepers	60.8	116.5	117.6	151.7	190.2	134.6	111.0	112.0	109.8	134.7	102.4	81.0	91.6
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	124.9	103.4	159.6	174.6	110.6	90.5	107.2	110.6	111.7	117.1	96.3	93.8
Fruits and nuts ¹	67.6	131.5	118.4	133.1	97.1	89.7	96.8	107.1	101.6	123.0	130.7	106.1	93.0
Banana	12.8	112.8	112.8	119.9	119.9	112.8	112.8	112.8	112.8	112.8	118.8	118.8	118.8
Pineapple	29.4	159.9	125.2	138.0	86.4	81.2	101.1	112.3	96.5	127.8	142.7	101.3	76.3
Other fruits	25.4	120.7	101.2		114.7	81.7	81.8	81.8			103.2	105.8	93.5
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ¹	5.8	82.3	82.0	100.2	102.0	101.6	82.1	79.0	74.4	80.7	90.6	107.7	107.0
Groundnut	2.1	131.2	119.9	126.8	126.8	126.8	138.9	123.9	114.1	126.8	145.7	141.4	135.9
Coconut	3.7	66.7	66.7	66.7	66.7	66.7	66.7	66.7	66.7	66.7	66.7	66.7	66.7
Edible roots and tubers ¹	39.3	95.6	103.4	149.9	145.9	105.1	98.4	105.7	104.5	104.9	104.3	104.6	105.7
Potato	30.8	99.1	99.1				99.1	103.1	103.1	103.1	103.1	103.1	103.1
Other Root crops	8.4	95.2	103.6	149.9	145.9	105.1	98.2	109.6	111.3	118.3	118.1	116.9	125.9
Stimulant & spice ¹	14.6	115.2	115.2	106.9	111.6	117.0	113.5	115.4	114.4	118.5	113.9	113.9	115.6
Теа	12.0	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.7
Ginger	2.5	297.2	317.5	362.0	357.1	303.2	272.5	145.4	127.0	128.7	119.0	118.3	124.9
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	112.7	112.5	112.2	112.2	112.2	128.1	128.1	128.1	128.1	119.6	119.6	119.6
Anthurium	3.0	83.7	83.1	82.1	82.1	82.1	82.1	82.1	82.1	82.1	82.1	82.1	82.1
Rose	1.1	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3	136.8	136.8	136.8	136.8	126.3	126.3	126.3
Other flowers	5.8	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	150.0	137.5	137.5	137.5
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	95.6	95.6	94.9	95.5	95.5	93.4	93.3	91.9	92.2	95.8	95.3	95.1
Cattle	43.7	99.8	99.8	99.8	98.8	98.8	98.8	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3
Pigs	3.1	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	111.1	108.5	111.1	111.1	111.1
Goat	0.7	101.9	101.9	101.9	100.9	100.9	100.9	100.5	100.5	100.5	100.5	100.5	100.5
Deer	8.8 283.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1
Poultry	283.9 95.0	96.4 90.6	96.4 90.6	96.4 87.3	92.6 102.6	94.4 96.8	94.4 86.5	96.2 80.9	95.1 77.2	96.2 75.4	96.7 90.1	96.7 87.9	96.7 87.2
Eggs Milk	93.0 5.9	90.6 93.4	90.6 93.4	87.3 93.4	102.6 93.4	96.8 93.4	86.5 97.4	80.9 97.4	97.4	75.4 97.4	90.1 97.4	87.9 97.4	87.2 97.4
Overall Index	1,000.0	107.4	116.3	129.7	127.7	108.7	96.9	103.6	104.5	109.3	107.9	104.7	104.6

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(Base period: Year 2018 =100)

Table 4: Monthly indices by commodity group	p and product, January 2019 - December 2019
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Fresh Vegetables ¹	209.7	89.2	109.7	133.5	146.2	118.6	74.6	85.4	114.7	93.7	78.3	73.6	78.3
Beans	7.8	90.7	135.7	121.4	145.5	97.4	79.1	126.5	152.3	58.3	46.8	75.1	102.4
Brinjal	7.7	75.6	83.0	69.0	123.6	119.8	111.9	94.9	136.4	98.5	60.9	98.0	91.2
Cabbage	11.9	96.6	113.1	153.7	142.7	99.6	80.8	80.3	110.7	88.3	58.9	90.9	94.0
Cauliflower	3.0	140.2	164.0	167.4	155.4	178.6	122.8	114.8	105.5	100.8	93.8	117.8	95.5
Carrot	13.6	137.2	164.9	207.0	261.5	197.6	65.1	58.3	56.0	41.4	41.8	40.0	46.4
Onion	10.9	102.6	102.6				102.6	102.6	102.6	102.6	102.6	102.6	102.6
Tomato	63.3	75.5	108.2	166.0	163.6	128.7	44.4	44.1	66.6	87.2	62.2	42.2	49.6
Creepers	60.8	91.2	111.1	74.9	84.7	75.8	91.3	105.9	131.9	102.0	85.0	74.5	89.6
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	86.1	90.7	103.2	125.1	109.0	105.2	124.3	132.7	99.9	82.8	87.5	87.0
Fruits and nuts ¹	67.6	110.5	112.7	124.5	122.9	101.7	96.6	100.3	116.7	110.2	105.4	109.3	107.6
Banana	12.8	126.2	126.2	126.2	126.2	126.2	126.2	98.5	112.8	112.8	112.8	112.8	119.9
Pineapple	29.4	115.8	110.5	123.8	124.2	94.2	93.9	106.8	118.5	109.0	98.7	99.1	108.7
Other fruits	25.4	104.4	103.3		84.0	84.1	84.0	81.8			119.2	115.0	106.2
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ¹	5.8	101.6	105.4	99.4	104.4	91.4	102.3	105.6	104.9	108.4	86.6	105.3	110.8
Groundnut	2.1	107.2	118.6	99.1	107.4	85.3	110.8	126.8	129.2	135.9	132.8	137.1	142.5
Coconut	3.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	66.7	66.7	66.7
Edible roots and tubers ¹	39.3	94.1	92.3	93.0	101.3	92.8	90.3	94.2	99.2	99.4	99.0	99.5	99.6
Potato	30.8	99.1	99.1				99.1	99.1	99.1	99.1	99.1	99.1	99.1
Other Root crops	8.4	93.4	92.0	93.0	101.3	92.8	87.5	87.1	99.6	101.5	97.8	102.5	103.1
Stimulant & spice ¹	14.6	105.4	107.9	102.8	106.8	111.2	109.5	118.9	130.1	146.2	140.9	144.4	148.4
Tea	12.0	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5	106.5
Ginger	2.5	166.9	232.8	292.8	315.6	265.8	268.3	221.3	238.0	206.1	221.1	224.6	245.9
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	112.2	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5
Anthurium	3.0	82.1	83.1	83.1	83.1	83.1	83.1	83.1	83.1	83.1	83.1	83.1	83.1
Rose	1.1	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.3
Other flowers	5.8	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0	125.0
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	95.5	94.5	95.8	95.5	94.5	95.8	99.5	99. 7	96.6	93.9	94.5	95.2
Cattle	43.7	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8	99.8	99.8	99.8
Pigs	3.1	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3
Goat	0.7	102.0	102.0	102.0	100.9	100.9	100.9	100.9	100.9	100.9	101.9	101.9	101.9
Deer	8.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Poultry	283.9	94.3	94.3	94.3	94.3	94.3	94.3	98.0	98.0	95.9	94.8	94.8	95.3
Eggs	95.0	94.4	89.9	96.1	94.4	89.9	96.1	103.9	104.9	96.6	87.7	90.7	92.6
Milk	5.9	121.8	121.8	121.8	121.8	121.8	121.8	93.4	93.4	93.4	93.4	93.4	93.4
Overall Index	1,000.0	94.2	98.2	104.5	107.3	99.4	90.3	100.6	108.3	102.4	97.4	97.1	98.4

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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 12.

(Base period: Year 2018 =100)

Table 5: Monthly indices by commodity group and product, January 2018 - December 2018

Commo diter Crosse	Wataba						20	018					
Commodity Group	Weight	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Crop Products	558.9	107.1	109.2	111.7	106.0	105.5	92.7	91.0	92.5	95.8	94.8	96.3	97.2
Sugar Cane	212.1	110.4	110.4	110.4	110.4	110.4	110.4	89.6	89.6	89.6	89.6	89.6	89.6
Other crops products	346.7	105.0	108.5	112.5	103.4	102.5	81.9	91.9	94.3	99.6	97.9	100.4	101.9
Fresh Vegetables ¹	209.7	108.9	113.8	120.3	107.8	106.1	70.5	86.3	88.9	100.1	95.4	97.2	104.4
Beans	7.8	129.8	145.6	148.6	101.7	106.4	72.8	67.2	78.6	101.0	89.9	73.0	85.4
Brinjal	7.7	104.9	100.0	101.0	113.5	91.5	105.6	106.9	98.8	107.0	88.9	88.9	93.0
Cabbage	11.9	112.5	112.5	151.8	116.2	96.1	93.7	70.2	65.6	81.6	88.5	99.4	111.9
Cauliflower	3.0	140.2	134.3	134.3	95.5	117.9	98.4	97.0	54.4	58.7	77.9	92.7	98.6
Carrot	13.6	106.7	96.3	105.7	106.6	114.2	87.8	76.6	92.8	93.5	94.4	112.9	112.6
Onion	10.9	96.2	96.2				101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3	101.3
Tomato	63.3	97.8	100.3	120.3	113.6	116.7	45.0	78.1	107.5	107.1	87.4	99.1	126.9
Creepers	60.8	114.2	131.5	114.3	101.5	95.6	80.7	92.0	83.4	102.2	99.3	92.7	96.6
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	110.6	119.7	112.5	100.4	98.4	89.1	93.5	91.4	98.9	100.4	95.9	92.0
Fruits and nuts ¹	67.6	95.9	99.9	95.9	97.9	98.1	103.5	97.8	104.7	97.5	104.1	107.6	93.7
Banana	12.8	92.7	92.7	92.7	98.5	98.5	98.5	98.5	98.5	98.5	110.3	110.3	110.3
Pineapple	29.4	91.1	99.2	97.1	97.2	97.5	110.4	99.0	107.6	97.0	102.0	115.8	86.2
Other fruits	25.4	99.2	111.1		104.4	101.1	96.6	92.6			98.8	101.5	93.4
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ¹	5.8	95.8	95.1	95.8	99.6	92.3	97.3	101.1	100.1	102.8	108.2	111.3	102.7
Groundnut	2.1	82.4	82.9	92.4	99.0	86.8	87.3	105.4	99.7	112.0	126.8	120.7	104.8
Coconut	3.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Edible roots and tubers ¹	39.3	105.6	103.2	111.0	93.1	95.1	93.2	104.3	100.3	100.3	99.3	100.0	99.8
Potato	30.8	99.7	99.7				100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1
Other Root crops	8.4	106.4	103.4	111.0	93.1	95.1	90.9	110.6	101.5	101.5	89.8	98.9	97.8
Stimulant & spice ¹	14.6	97.2	96.9	97.4	97.4	98.0	97.2	103.8	101.7	98.9	94.4	109.2	109.5
Tea	12.0	97.4	97.4	97.4	97.4	97.4	97.4	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5	102.5
Ginger	2.5	92.0	86.5	91.2	98.5	110.5	91.0	114.4	98.1	93.5	75.3	123.4	125.9
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	99.2	99.2	99.2	99.2	99.2	99.2	99.2	99.2	99.2	102.5	102.3	102.3
Anthurium	3.0	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	102.6	102.0	102.0
Rose	1.1	94.7	94.7	94.7	94.7	94.7	94.7	94.7	94.7	94.7	115.8	115.8	115.8
Other flowers	5.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	100.1	100.1	99.6	100.3	100.1	102.0	101.8	102.9	102.6	97.5	96.1	96.9
Cattle	43.7	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1	100.1	99.8	99.8	99.8
Pigs	3.1	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	97.3	108.2	108.2	108.2
Goat	0.7	98.6	98.6	98.6	99.5	99.5	99.5	100.9	100.9	100.9	100.9	100.9	100.9
Deer	8.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Poultry	283.9	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	102.7	102.7	96.4	94.3	96.4
Eggs	95.0	98.0	98.2	95.9	98.0	97.1	105.5	105.5	106.2	104.7	97.8	97.8	95.3
Milk	5.9	87.3	87.3	87.3	105.6	105.6	105.6	93.4	93.4	93.4	113.7	113.7	113.7
Overall Index	1,000.0	104.0	105.2	106.4	103.5	103.1	96.8	95.8	97.1	98.8	96.0	96.2	97.1

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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 12.

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 2021 - March 2022

		Percentage changes from											
Commodity Group	Weight	Mar 21 to	Apr 21 to	May 21 to	Jun 21 to	Jul 21 to	Aug 21 to	Sep 21 to	Oct 21 to	Nov 21 to	Dec 21 to	Jan 22 to	Feb 22 to
~		Apr 21	May 21	Jun 21	Jul 21	Aug 21	Sep 21	Oct 21	Nov 21	Dec-21	Jan 22	Feb 22	Mar 22
Crop Products	558.9	-0.6	5.1	-1.1	-7.9	-4.1	3.7	-1.9	-3.0	5.1	1.8	21.0	14.5
Sugar Cane	212.1 346.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.6 17.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other crops products Fresh Vegetables	209.7	-1.0 -1.9	8.7 17.9	-1.7 -1.0	-17.3 -25.1	-7.5 -16.3	7.1 10.1	-3.5 -6.8	-5.7 -6.0	9.9 13.5	3.3 6.0	38.1 61.6	23.1 28.9
Beans	7.8	-3.0	23.1	-1.0 3.9	- 23.1 -44.1	-10.3 16.4	18.2	-15.1	-18.9	67.0	-0.6	45.1	20.9 61.9
Brinjal	7.8	-3.0	23.1 78.4	3.9 8.9	-44.1 -24.1	-6.8	13.3	-13.1 -25.7	-18.9 -5.4	53.7	-36.8	43.1 61.2	11.4
5	11.9												
Cabbage		8.7	31.1	-5.7	-32.4	-50.9	2.3	27.3	40.2	43.2	-10.4	33.2	21.6
Cauliflower	3.0	-7.2	3.4	-5.4	-33.9	-24.8	25.8	38.4	2.9	-2.8	9.1	11.6	11.6
Carrot	13.6	-16.3	21.8	-25.6	-24.5	-35.4	-30.7	20.0	27.9	38.4	-10.7	121.1	54.1
Onion	10.9				0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Tomato	63.3	-2.8	9.3	-0.1	-40.5	-45.9	-56.2	108.3	22.0	5.8	32.8	132.1	39.8
Creepers	60.8	-1.0	19.2	6.7	-15.2	-17.9	8.9	-1.4	-17.1	24.4	7.6	59.0	-5.1
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	0.9	13.8	21.0	-3.5	-8.2	6.2	-4.8	-13.1	-7.3	24.1	10.9	42.3
Fruits and nuts	67.6	2.3	-10.5	-1.0	-4.4	14.6	4.6	1.6	-9.7	9.5	-2.3	8.3	20.3
Banana	12.8	0.0	-13.7	0.0	8.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30.7
Pineapple	29.4	6.8	-5.9	17.3	-20.9	8.8	6.7	2.4	-8.2	-1.7	13.9	2.6	17.1
Other fruits	25.4		2.1	10.9	-6.8				-13.9	15.8	-7.8	13.7	
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits	5.8	-0.9	7.2	-17.7	4.2	-6.4	14.9	1.8	12.7	5.0	-16.6	-0.6	21.5
Groundnut	2.1	-3.3	10.6	16.8	6.3	-3.4	17.0	-16.7	-8.0	3.8	-0.3	-8.8	9.2
Coconut	3.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	6.4	0.0	0.0	9.8	0.0	0.0
Edible roots and tubers	39.3	-2.9	-4.4	-6.1	0.3	-0.9	1.6	-0.3	0.5	0.0	5.8	5.3	-1.3
Potato	30.8				0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Other Root crops	8.4	-2.9	-4.4	-6.3	-0.5	-8.5	10.2	-3.5	5.7	-0.7	6.5	4.8	-1.7
Stimulant & spice	14.6	1.7	1.6	-1.8	0.0	-5.2	1.5	1.2	-5.5	4.2	1.8	1.7	-0.9
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	-8.7	-12.3	-17.1	-17.2	-30.5	18.4	2.3	-17.7	15.1	-10.2	47.8	-6.6
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	-1.0	1.0	0.0	14.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Anthurium	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rose	1.1	-8.3	9.1	0.0	8.3	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	20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	1.3	5.1	0.0	-2.3	0.0	0.0	-0.2	2.1	7.7	0.3	2.3	10.0
Cattle	43.7	2.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
Pigs	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	-2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0
Goat	0.7	-1.0	0.0	0.0	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	5.1	9.0	2.9	0.0
Deer	8.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Poultry	283.9	0.0	7.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.0	8.4	0.0	3.5	9.3
Eggs	95.0	5.3	1.1	0.0	-12.9	0.0	-0.2	0.6	11.3	10.3	0.0	0.3	18.6
Milk	5.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	0.0	0.0
Overall Change	1,000.0	0.0	5.2	-0.7	-5.8	-2.6	2.3	-1.3	-1.1	6.2	1.2	13.5	12.9

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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 2021- March 2022

							Percentage	changes from					
Commodity Group	Weight	Apr 20 to Apr 21	May 20 to May 21	Jun 20 to Jun 21	Jul 20 to Jul 21	Aug 20 to Aug 21	Sep 20 to Sept 21	Oct 20 to Oct 21	Nov 20 to Nov 21	Dec 20 to Dec 21	Jan 21 to Jan 22	Feb 21 to Feb 22	Mar 21 to Mar 22
Crop Products	558.9	-12.3	18.6	40.1	15.1	7.9	4.2	6.9	8.7	14.2	6.8	25.7	33.7
Sugar Cane	212.1	23.5	23.5	23.5	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6
Other crops products	346.7	-27.0	15.6	53.5	23.4	9.1	2.3	7.1	10.7	21.6	7.0	40.6	52.3
Fresh Vegetables	209.7	-39.3	14.9	87.7	41.2	6.2	0.1	10.4	12.6	21.9	9.2	67.8	73.5
Beans	7.8	-17.8	52.1	151.7	6.3	-22.7	-1.0	67.0	22.0	19.1	12.0	61.0	155.8
Brinjal	7.7	-61.5	1.6	67.3	92.2	21.3	42.8	63.3	96.7	194.9	72.0	143.2	126.9
Cabbage	11.9	-45.7	88.4	250.8	146.8	27.3	1.2	-10.2	14.5	43.7	24.7	79.4	69.4
Cauliflower	3.0	-10.7	-2.9	25.6	-3.9	-15.9	2.2	24.0	28.6	16.0	12.6	-7.6	6.7
Carrot	13.6	-30.0	76.2	218.8	127.6	40.9	34.5	20.0	57.7	55.4	11.5	112.7	66.0
Onion	10.9			16.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	
Tomato	63.3	-40.2	-1.9	146.0	105.0	76.6	-23.5	-1.2	-10.8	-8.8	-21.2	53.8	73.5
Creepers	60.8	-37.0	6.1	37.3	15.4	-3.3	-14.2	11.3	16.7	28.4	14.5	86.0	57.7
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	-41.2	5.7	56.4	27.3	13.3	19.2	8.2	14.3	8.8	29.0	47.3	96.5
Fruits and nuts	67.6	33.9	29.8	19.0	2.8	24.2	7.3	2.6	14.1	42.6	6.1	-0.6	32.7
Banana	12.8	15.8	6.3	6.3	15.1	15.1	15.1	9.3	9.3	9.3	-6.6	-6.6	22.2
Pineapple	29.4	51.7	52.0	43.2	2.0	29.1	4.1	-4.6	23.4	61.1	33.5	0.6	37.2
Other fruits	25.4	-45.3	-21.7	-13.2	-19.1			30.7	9.8	44.0	-2.7	2.8	
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits	5.8	-1.1	6.5	8.4	17.3	16.7	23.5	12.0	6.2	12.2	22.2	28.8	18.9
Groundnut	2.1	-3.3	6.9	14.0	35.8	42.4	50.0	8.8	3.1	11.3	25.6	44.7	18.4
Coconut	3.7	4.9	4.9	4.9	8.1	8.1	8.1	15.0	15.0	15.0	20.3	20.3	20.3
Edible roots and tubers	39.3	-16.0	11.5	11.9	4.4	4.7	5.9	6.2	6.4	5.3	-1.4	14.1	-3.1
Potato	30.8			12.2	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	7.9	
Other Root crops	8.4	-16.0	11.5	11.8	-0.4	-10.2	-6.9	-10.1	-3.9	-11.4	-2.5	14.3	-3.1
Stimulant & spice	14.6	2.0	-1.2	0.0	-1.6	-5.9	-7.8	-3.0	-8.3	-5.9	-1.9	-0.1	-0.2
Теа	12.0	4.9	4.9	4.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Ginger	2.5	-40.4	-38.5	-43.2	-11.9	-29.9	-18.1	-9.4	-25.0	-18.3	-34.3	-2.2	-45.7
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	-0.8	0.2	-12.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	7.3	7.3	7.3	14.1	14.1	14.1
Anthurium	3.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rose	1.1	-8.3	0.0	-7.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.3
Other flowers	5.8	0.0	0.0	-16.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.1	9.1	9.1	20.0	20.0	20.0
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	1.6	6.7	9.1	6.8	8.4	8.0	3.8	6.5	14.9	14.3	17.6	28.7
Cattle	43.7	2.5	2.5	2.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.2	7.2	7.2
Pigs	3.1	14.2	14.2	14.2	17.2	2.6	5.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0
Goat	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	6.1	11.4	19.1	22.6	22.6
Deer	8.8	1.1	1.1	1.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Poultry	283.9	3.8	9.4	9.4	7.4	8.6	7.4	6.5	6.5	15.5	14.2	20.3	31.5
Eggs	95.0	-5.6	1.2	13.3	5.6	10.6	13.0	-4.9	8.5	20.6	20.2	17.6	36.0
Milk	5.9	4.3	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	6.3	6.3
Overall Change	1.000.0	-7.8	14.0	26.9	11.9	8.0	5.7	5.7	7.7	14.5	9.7	22.6	31.8

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(Base period: Year 2018=100)

Table 8: C	Duarterly indic	es ¹ by commod	ity group and	product, 2nd (Quarter 2020 - 1s	t Ouarter 2022
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Commodity Crosse	Weight		2020			202			2022
Commodity Group	Ū.	2 nd Qr	3 rd Qr	4 th Qr	1 st Qr	2 nd Qr	3 rd Qr	4 th Qr	1 st Qr
rop Products	558.9	124.9	116.6	113.8	127.5	138.3	126.9	125.1	156.
Sugar Cane	212.1	117.3	144.9	144.9	144.9	144.9	154.5 ²	154.5 ²	154
Other crops products	346.7	130.5	99.6	94.7	116.9	134.2	110.1	107.1	157.
Fresh Vegetables ³	209.7	152.1	91.9	85.4	114.6	144.4	106.3	97.6	178
Beans	7.8	97.4	107.4	69.5	114.7	131.7	99.5	96.5	194
Brinjal	7.7	206.0	107.2	66.2	77.5	163.7	160.6	134.3	168
Cabbage	11.9	166.6	53.9	96.1	121.2	169.1	80.3	110.0	197
Cauliflower	3.0	151.1	103.8	114.5	161.6	165.6	98.9	141.4	166
Carrot	13.6	174.4	51.1	62.4	155.3	197.1	84.9	93.6	255
Onion	10.9	102.6	113.2	113.2	113.2	119.7	119.7	119.7	119
Tomato	63.3	153.6	36.1	53.4	116.5	140.6	65.6	49.5	173
Creepers	60.8 20.7	149.0	120.0	91.7	113.0	136.8	117.8	108.6	172
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	129.9	109.6	103.6	98.3	117.7	132.6	114.0	155
Fruits and nuts ³	67.6	94.7	110.2	102.4	128.4	119.6	121.8	129.3	141
Banana	12.8	115.1	112.8	118.8	138.9	126.0	129.8	129.8	143
Pineapple	29.4	89.8	112.0	107.0	124.2	133.4	123.9	127.9	150
Other fruits	25.4	84.0	81.8	97.0	128.9	69.3	66.2	129.8	126
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ³	5.8	94.5	78.8	102.1	85.8	99.3	95.2	112.4	105
Groundnut	2.1	128.9	123.9	139.9	115.8	135.3	180.8	150.6	146
Coconut	3.7	66.7	66.7	66.7	70.0	70.0	72.1	76.7	84
Edible roots and tubers ³	39.3	114.3	104.9	104.7	118.1	115.9	110.4	111.1	121
Potato	30.8	99.1	103.1	103.1	103.1	111.2	111.2	111.2	111
Other Root crops	8.4	116.0	113.0	119.7	118.9	116.4	106.5	110.2	122
Stimulant & spice ³	14.6	114.1	116.4	114.5	112.6	114.3	109.9	107.9	111
Tea	12.0	106.5	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.7 ²	111.7 ²	111
Ginger	2.5	301.2	130.3	120.7	140.7	179.5	104.6	99.2	112
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	117.5	128.1	119.6	112.4	112.0	128.3	128.3	128
Anthurium	3.0	82.1	82.1	82.1	82.7	82.7	82.7	82.7	82
Rose	1.1	129.8	136.8	126.3	126.3	122.8	136.8	136.8	136
Other flowers	5.8	133.3	150.0	137.5	125.0	125.0	150.0	150.0	150
nimals & Animal Products	441.1	94.8	92.5	95.4	95.7	100.3	99.6	103.4	115
Cattle	43.7	98.8	99.3	99.3	99.3	101.3	104.3	104.3	106
Pigs	3.1	97.3	105.6	111.1	111.1	111.1	114.0	111.1	111
Goat	0.7	100.9	100.5	100.5	102.5	101.5	104.5	107.7	124
Deer	8.8	100.0	101.1	101.1	101.1	101.1	105.1	105.1	105
Poultry	283.9	93.8	95.8	96.7	96.7	100.9	103.3	105.9	117
Eggs	95.0	95.3	77.8	88.4	89.7	97.6	85.3	95.4	117
Milk	5.9	94.7	97.4	97.4	97.4	97.4	97.4	97.4	103
Overall Index	1,000.0	111.4	105.9	105.7	113.5	121.5	114.8	115.5	138

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 ot these baskets is shown in Table 12.

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(Base period: Year 2018=100)

Table 9: Ouarterly changes (%) and net contributions of commodit	v group and product to the change	, 1st Quarter 2021 - 1st Quarter 2022

		Percent	age changes f	rom previous	quarter	Percentage	-	correspondin	g quarter of	f Net contributions from			
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Commodity Group	Weight	1 st Qr 21 to	2 nd Qr 21 to	3 rd Qr 21 to	4 th Qr 21 to	2 nd Qr 20 to	3 rd Qr 20 to	4 th Qr 20 to	1 st Qr 21 to	1 st Qr 21 to	2 nd Qr 21 to	3 rd Qr 21 to	4 th Qr 21 to
		2 nd Qr 21	3 rd Qr 21	4 th Qr 21	1 st Qr 22	2 nd Qr 21	3 rd Qr 21	4 th Qr 21	1 st Qr 22	2 nd Qr 21	3 rd Qr 21	4 th Qr 21	1 st Qr 22
Crop Products	558.9	8.5	-8.2	-1.4	24.9	10.7	8.8	9.9	22.5	4.54	-6.79	-0.07	18.24
Sugar Cane	212.1	0.0	6.6	0.0	0.0	23.5	6.6	6.6	6.6	0.00	2.04	0.00	0.00
Other crops products	346.7	14.8	-18.0	-2.7	46.9	2.8	10.5	13.1	34.6	4.54	-8.82	-0.07	18.24
Fresh Vegetables	209.7	26.0	-26.4	-8.2	82.4	-5.1	15.7	14.3	55.3	5.58	-8.50	-1.78	17.33
Beans	7.8	14.8	-24.4	-3.0	101.8	35.2	-7.4	38.8	69.7	0.13	-0.25	-0.02	0.76
Brinjal	7.7	111.2	-1.9	-16.4	25.4	-20.5	49.8	102.9	117.3	0.66	-0.02	-0.20	0.26
Cabbage	11.9	39.5	-52.5	37.0	79.2	1.5	49.0	14.5	62.6	0.57	-1.06	0.35	1.04
Cauliflower	3.0	2.5	-40.3	43.0	18.0	9.6	-4.7	23.5	3.3	0.01	-0.20	0.13	0.08
Carrot	13.6	26.9	-56.9	10.2	173.0	13.0	66.1	50.0	64.5	0.57	-1.52	0.12	2.20
Onion	10.9	5.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	0.07	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tomato	63.3	20.7	-53.3	-24.5	251.1	-8.5	81.7	-7.3	49.2	1.53	-4.75	-1.02	7.87
Creepers	60.8	21.1	-13.9	-7.8	58.6	-8.2	-1.8	18.4	52.4	1.45	-1.15	-0.56	3.87
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	19.7	12.7	-14.0	36.0	-9.4	21.0	10.0	57.7	0.60	0.46	-0.57	1.26
Fruits and nuts	67.6	-6.9	1.8	6.2	9.1	26.3	10.5	26.3	9.9	-1.41	-0.31	1.73	0.76
Banana	12.8	-9.3	3.0	0.0	10.2	9.5	15.1	9.3	3.0	-0.16	0.05	0.00	0.17
Pineapple	29.4	7.4	-7.1	3.2	17.9	48.6	10.6	19.5	21.4	0.27	-0.28	0.12	0.67
Other fruits	25.4	-46.2	-4.5	96.1	-2.5	-17.5	-19.1	33.8	-1.9	-1.51	-0.08	1.61	-0.08
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits	5.8	15.7	-4.1	18.1	-6.0	5.1	20.8	10.1	23.2	0.04	0.10	-0.05	0.02
Groundnut	2.1	16.8	33.6	-16.7	-2.7	5.0	45.9	7.6	26.6	0.04	0.09	-0.06	-0.01
Coconut	3.7	0.0	3.0	6.4	9.8	4.9	8.1	15.0	20.3	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03
Edible roots and tubers	39.3	-1.9	-4.7	0.6	9.4	1.4	5.2	6.1	2.9	0.23	-0.08	0.03	0.10
Potato	30.8	7.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.2	7.9	7.9	7.9	0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Root crops	8.4	-2.1	-8.5	3.5	10.7	0.3	-5.8	-7.9	2.6	-0.02	-0.08	0.03	0.10
Stimulant & spice	14.6	1.5	-3.8	-1.8	3.5	0.2	-5.6	-5.8	-0.8	0.10	-0.19	-0.01	0.03
Tea	12.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Ginger	2.5	27.6	-41.7	-5.2	13.7	-40.4	-19.7	-17.8	-19.8	0.10	-0.19	-0.01	0.03
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	-0.4	14.6	0.0	0.0	-4.7	0.2	7.3	14.1	0.00	0.16	0.00	0.00
Anthurium	3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rose	1.1	-2.8	11.4	0.0	0.0	-5.4	0.0	8.3	8.3	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00
Other flowers	5.8	0.0	20.0	0.0	0.0	-6.2	0.0	9.1	20.0	0.00	0.15	0.00	0.00
Animals & Animal Products	441.1	4.8	-0.7	3.8	11.2	5.8	7.7	8.4	20.2	2.03	-0.31	1.69	5.12
Cattle	43.7	2.0	3.0	0.0	2.0	2.5	5.0	5.0	7.2	0.09	0.13	0.00	0.09
Pigs	3.1	0.0	2.6	-2.5	0.6	14.2	8.0	0.0	0.6	0.00	0.01	-0.01	0.00
Goat	0.7	-1.0	3.0	3.1	15.6	0.6	4.0	7.2	21.5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Deer	8.8	0.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.00
Poultry	283.9	4.3	2.4	2.5	11.3	7.6	7.8	9.5	21.9	1.19	0.68	0.74	3.41
Eggs	95.0	8.8	-12.6	11.8	17.3	2.4	9.6	7.9	24.7	0.75	-1.17	0.96	1.57
Milk	5.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	2.9	0.0	0.0	6.3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04
Overall	1,000.0	7.0	-5.5	0.6	19.5	9.1	8.4	9.3	21.6	6.57	-7.09	1.62	23.36

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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, 2019 - 2021

Commodity Group	Weight —		Annual index ¹		Percentage c	hanges from	Net contributions from		
Commonity Group	weight	2019	2020	2021	2019 to 2020	2020 to 2021	2019 to 2020	2020 to 2021	
Crop Products	558.9	102.8	122.4	129.1	19.1	5.5	11.46	2.95	
Sugar Cane	212.1	103.4	131.1	149.7 ²	26.8	14.2	5.88	3.95	
Other crops products	346.7	101.5	116.3	115.9	14.6	-0.3	5.58	-1.00	
Fresh Vegetables ³	209.7	101.1	127.4	115.8	26.0	-9.1	5.50	-2.43	
Beans	7.8	97.8	112.0	108.8	14.5	-2.9	0.11	-0.02	
Brinjal	7.7	95.3	124.0	131.4	30.1	6.0	0.22	0.06	
Cabbage	11.9	110.7	156.4	126.4	41.3	-19.2	0.54	-0.36	
Cauliflower	3.0	120.1	121.2	131.3	0.9	8.3	0.00	0.03	
Carrot	13.6	142.5	141.1	148.3	-1.0	5.1	-0.02	0.10	
Onion	10.9	102.6	113.1	119.6	10.2	5.7	0.11	0.07	
Tomato	63.3	97.9	134.5	102.8	37.4	-23.6	2.32	-2.01	
Creepers	60.8	92.9	121.0	118.0	30.2	-2.5	1.71	-0.18	
Other fresh vegetables	30.7	102.0	118.4	114.6	16.1	-3.2	0.50	-0.12	
Fruits and nuts ³	67.6	108.9	108.2	126.0	-0.6	16.5	-0.05	1.20	
Banana	12.8	118.7	115.6	130.9	-2.6	13.2	-0.04	0.20	
Pineapple	29.4	108.3	112.3	127.5	3.7	13.5	0.12	0.45	
Other fruits	25.4	104.7	99.7	121.8	-4.8	22.2	-0.13	0.56	
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits ³	5.8	103.0	90.1	99.7	-12.5	10.7	-0.08	0.06	
Groundnut	2.1	122.5	131.8	148.4	7.6	12.6	0.02	0.03	
Coconut	3.7	92.1	66.7	72.5	-27.6	8.7	-0.09	0.02	
Edible roots and tubers ³	39.3	98.4	106.0	111.5	7.7	5.2	0.30	0.22	
Potato	30.8	99.1	103.1	111.2	4.0	7.9	0.12	0.25	
Other Root crops	8.4	96.0	116.5	112.8	21.4	-3.2	0.17	-0.03	
Stimulant & spice ³	14.6	125.6	114.5	110.8	-8.8	-3.2	-0.16	-0.05	
Tea	12.0	104.5	109.1	$111.7^{\ 2}$	4.4	2.4	0.06	0.03	
Ginger	2.5	225.3	139.8	106.6	-37.9	-23.7	-0.22	-0.08	
Flowers, ornamental plants	9.9	112.5	119.4	120.3	6.1	0.8	0.07	0.01	
Anthurium	3.0	83.0	82.3	82.7	-0.8	0.5	0.00	0.00	
Rose	1.1	126.3	129.8	130.7	2.8	0.7	0.00	0.00	
Other flowers	5.8	125.0	136.5	137.5	9.2	0.7	0.07	0.01	
nimals & Animal Products	441.1	95.9	94.5	99.7	-1.5	5.5	-0.62	2.30	
Cattle	43.7	100.5	99.3	102.3	-1.2	3.0	-0.05	0.13	
Pigs	3.1	97.3	102.8	111.8	5.7	8.8	0.02	0.03	
Goat	0.7	101.4	102.8	104.0	-0.5	3.1	0.02	0.00	
	8.8	101.4	100.9	104.0	-0.3	2.6	0.00	0.00	
Deer									
Poultry	283.9	95.2	95.7	101.7	0.5	6.3	0.14	1.70	
Eggs	95.0	94.8	87.8	92.0	-7.4	4.8	-0.66	0.40	
Milk	5.9	107.6	95.7	97.4	-11.1	1.8	-0.07	0.01	
Overall	1,000.0	99.8	110.1	116.3	10.3	5.6	10.83	5.24	

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 12.

Month	2019	2020	2021	2022 ¹
January	94.2	107.4	110.5	121.2
February	98.2	116.3	112.2	137.6
March	104.5	129.7	117.8	155.3
1 st quarter	99.0	117.8	113.5	138.0
April	107.3	127.7	117.8	
May	99.4	108.7	123.9	
June	90.3	96.9	123.0	
2 nd quarter	99.2	111.4	121.5	
July	100.6	103.6	115.9 ¹	
August	108.3	104.5	112.9 ¹	
September	102.4	109.3	115.5 ¹	
3 rd quarter	103.7	105.9	114.8 ¹	
October	97.4	107.9	114.0 1	
November	97.1	104.7	112.8 1	
December	98.4	104.6	119.8 ¹	
4 th quarter	97.6	105.7	115.5 ¹	
Yearly average ²	99.8	110.1	116.3 ¹	
Annual change (%)	-0.2	10.3	5.6	

 Table 11: Monthly and Quarterly Price Indices - Agriculture (PPI-A): January 2019 - March 2022

 (Base period : Year 2018=100)

¹ Provisional

² Using data for base period (2018) as weights

Month	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
January	81.0	86.4	90.5	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	121.2 ²
February	81.0	90.4	93.4	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	137.6 ²
March	87.4	99.3	94.6	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	155.3 ²
April	89.2	96.0	99.3	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	
May	83.0	90.4	96.7	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	
June	81.2	85.5	98.4	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	
July	83.6	87.1	95.3	87.2	87.3	97.6	100.7	101.5	93.4	90.2	100.7	96.9	95.8	100.6	103.6	115.9 ²	
August	85.3	88.8	93.4	86.6	87.4	97.9	99.2	101.5	95.6	93.5	99.9	93.0	97.1	108.3	104.5	112.9 ²	
September	83.4	89.9	93.4	85.5	84.1	97.3	96.5	101.0	91.2	93.4	99.8	88.7	98.8	102.4	109.3	115.5 ²	
October	82.4	89.7	94.2	84.5	86.1	95.3	97.0	99.2	86.4	90.8	97.6	91.9	96.0	97.4	107.9	114.0 ²	
November	82.7	89.3	93.7	86.4	87.5	95.8	99.1	98.3	88.0	90.3	98.2	96.8	96.2	97.1	104.7	112.8 ²	
December	83.0	88.4	92.2	84.4	84.7	96.3	98.3	98.8	88.4	91.3	102.4	103.0	97.1	98.4	104.6	119.8 ²	
Yearly Average ³	83.2	89.1	94.4	91.3	88.9	93.5	97.3	100.4	96.3	93.4	97.6	101.0	100.0	99.8	110.1	116.3	
Annual change (%)		7.1	6.0	-3.3	-2.6	5.2	4.0	3.2	-4.1	-3.0	4.5	3.5	-1.0	-0.2	10.3	5.6	

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Table 12: Monthly Producer Price Index - Agriculture (PPI-A)¹: January 2006 - March 2022

(Base period: Year 2018=100)

¹ The indices for January 2006 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						
Commonly 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

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<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 mainly at three auction markets which are situated at Vacoas, Flacq and Port Louis respectively.

(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 lieu of the farm-gate price, the wholesale price of the product is recorded at the three auction markets located in Vacoas, Flacq and Port Louis.

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 three earlier mentioned auction markets.
- (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 type of items not mentioned above, the price data are collected on a monthly basis.

9. Weights

9.1 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.

9.2 Evolution of weights from 2013 to 2018

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Table A.1:	Weights by	commodity	group, prev.	ious and 1	new base	periods

	Previous Weight	New weight		
Commodity Group	Base period: 2013	Base period: 2018		
Crop Products	611.6	558.9		
Sugar Cane	356.8	212.1		
Other crops products	254.8	346.7		
Fresh Vegetables	134.2	209.7		
Beans	4.6	7.8		
Brinjal	6.0	7.7		
Cabbage	5.9	11.9		
Cauliflower	2.9	3.0		
Carrot	8.8	13.6		
Onion	12.3	10.9		
Tomato	37.3	63.3		
Creepers	30.0	60.8		
Other fresh vegetables	26.4	30.7		
Fruits and nuts	64.0	67.6		
Banana	10.1	12.8		
Pineapple	20.4	29.4		
Other fruits	33.5	25.4		
Oilseeds and oleaginous fruits	3.4	5.8		
Groundnut	2.3	2.1		
Coconut	1.1	3.7		
Edible roots and tubers	35.7	39.3		
Potato	29.0	30.8		
Other Root crops	6.7	8.4		
Stimulant & spice	9.6	14.6		
Tea	7.5	12.0		
Ginger	2.1	2.5		
Flowers, ornamental plants	7.9	9.9		
Anthurium	2.4	3.0		
Rose	0.9	1.1		
Other flowers	4.6	5.8		
Animals & Animal Products	388.4	441.1		
Cattle	25.2	43.7		
Pigs	11.5	3.1		
Goat	3.4	0.7		
Deer	6.9	8.8		
Poultry	267.1	283.9		
Eggs	66.3	95.0		
Milk	8.0	5.9		
Overall Index	1,000.0	1,000.0		

10. Index calculation

The PPI will be calculated according to a Laspeyres formula:

$$\mathbf{I}_{t} = \frac{\sum \mathbf{W}_{i} (\mathbf{P}_{ti} / \mathbf{P}_{oi})}{\sum \mathbf{W}_{i}} \mathbf{x} \ \mathbf{100}$$

Where:

It is the index for the current period t

P_{ti} is the price of commodity i in the current period t

P_{oi} is the price of the commodity i in the reference period o (2018)

W_i 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.