

RICE MARKET REPORT

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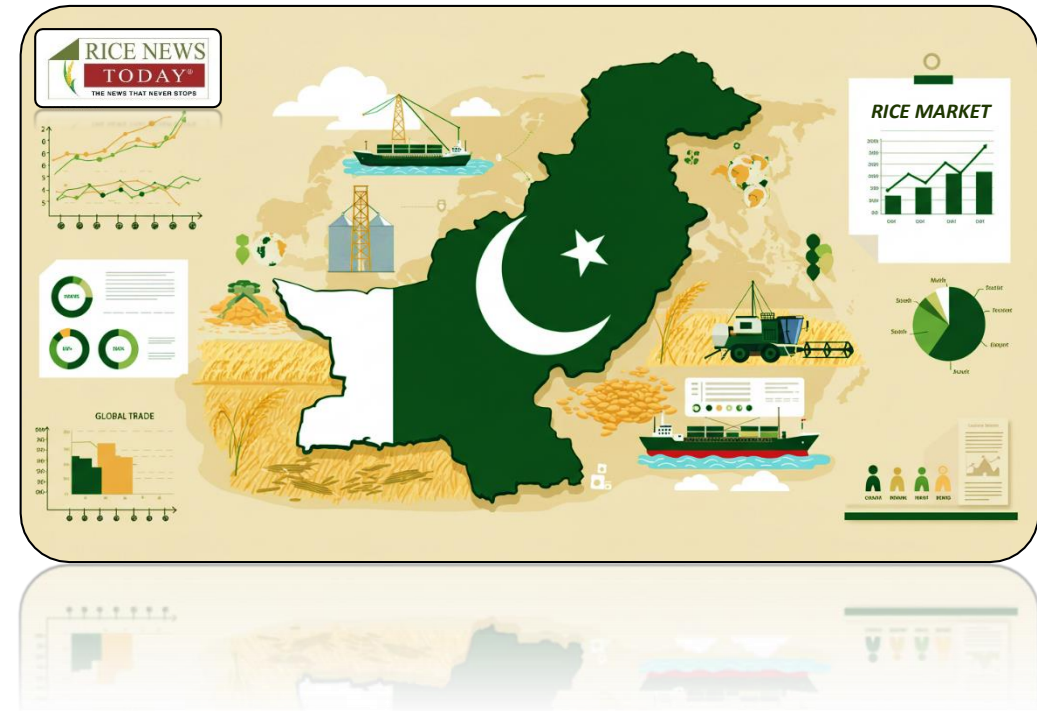
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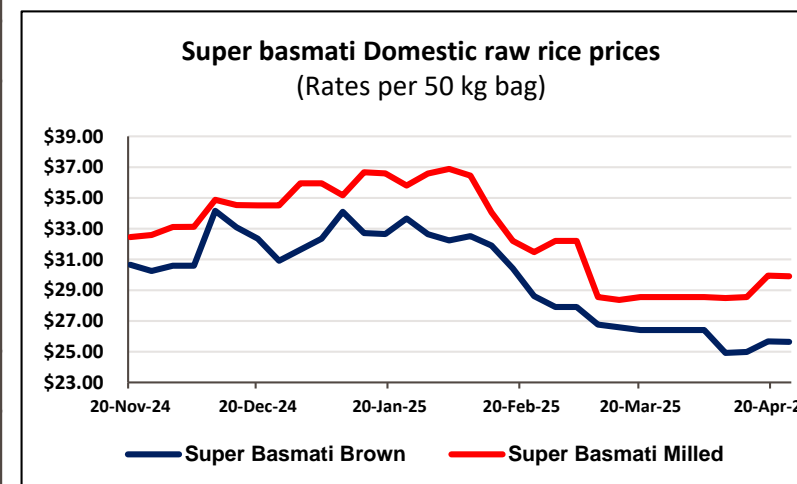
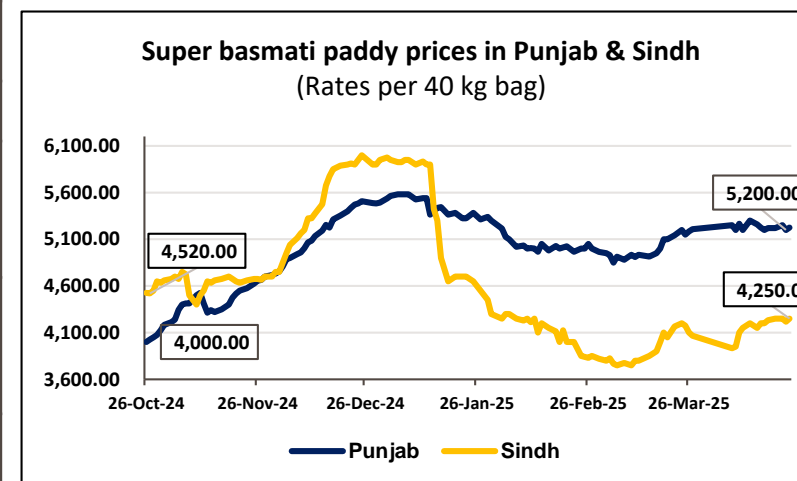
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MAJOR RICE VARITIES GROWN IN PAKISTAN: (Basmati)

(Production, consumption, supply and Demand)

Super Basmati		
Growing Region	Punjab: Major quantity	Sindh: Relatively good quantity
Production Area	Punjab: 17% Decline in area 2024-25: 13,13,000 Acers 2023-24: 15,78,000 Acers	Sindh: N/A
Quality of the crop year (2024-25)	Punjab: Good Quality followed by previous year crop, low yield in some areas.	Sindh: Cracks in grains, high broken% due to high temperature and low irrigation.
Variants Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Super basmati brown Super basmati milled Super basmati parboiled brown Super basmati parboiled Milled 	
Major Markets	Europe, Gulf region and UK.	
Supply and Demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The paddy prices of Sindh has shown an upward trend, paddy is now ranging between 3900 PKR to 4200 PKR /40KG where the domestic raw rice prices remain stable. Local trade activity has remained consistent, with export levels maintaining usual trends. No significant changes in trading volumes have been observed, reflecting a period of steady or subdued market activity. Overall, the market has experienced typical or silent trading dynamics during this period. 	
Local Consumption	Super basmati is consumed locally in a lower proportion.	
Competition	Pakistan: 1020 – 1050 USD per ton F.O.B (Super Basmati Milled)	India: 860 – 900 USD per ton F.O.B (Pusa Basmati Milled)



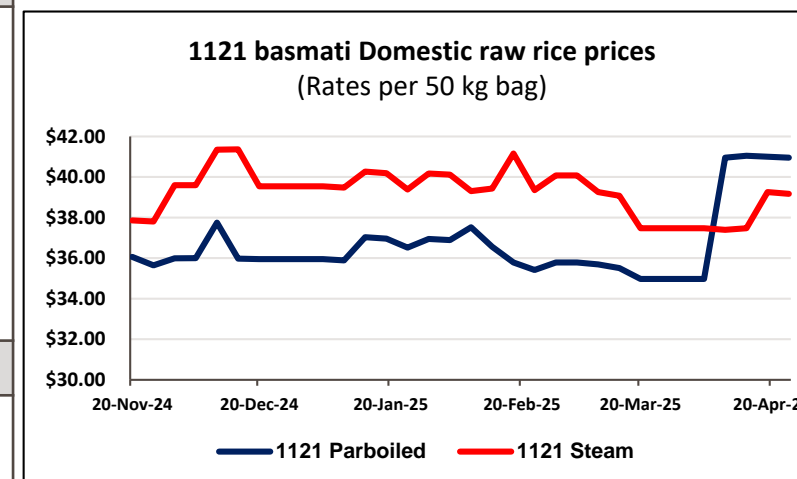
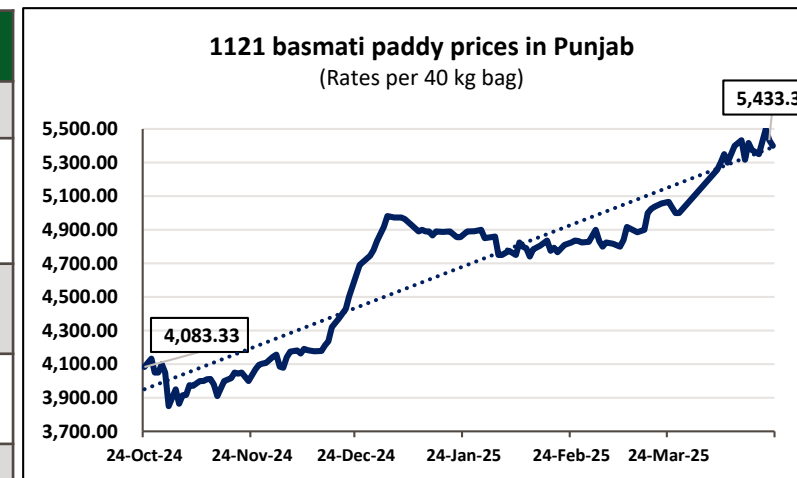
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MAJOR RICE VARITIES GROWN IN PAKISTAN: (Basmati)

(Production, consumption, supply and Demand)



1121/Kainat Basmati		
Growing Region	Punjab: Major quantity	Sindh: Very low quantity
Production Area	Punjab: 14% Decline in area 2024-25: 20,17,000 Acres 2023-24: 23,36,000 Acres	Sindh: N/A
Quality of the crop year (2024-25)	Punjab: 1121 Basmati maintained good quality followed by previous season crop.	
Variants Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1121 basmati Parboiled 1121 basmati Steam 1121 basmati Milled 	
Major Markets	Europe, Gulf region and UK.	
Supply and Demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1121 Basmati rice continues to experience strong demand from Africa, Europe, and Gulf countries. Both local and export markets are showing a bullish trend, driven by sustained buyer interest and high demand. Domestic market prices, along with paddy rates for 1121 Basmati, surged significantly during and after Ramadan. 	
Local Consumption	1121 basmati rice is consumed locally	
Competition	Pakistan: 1150 – 1200 USD per ton F.O.B (1121 Steam rice)	India: 1050 – 1100 USD per ton F.O.B (1121 Steam rice)

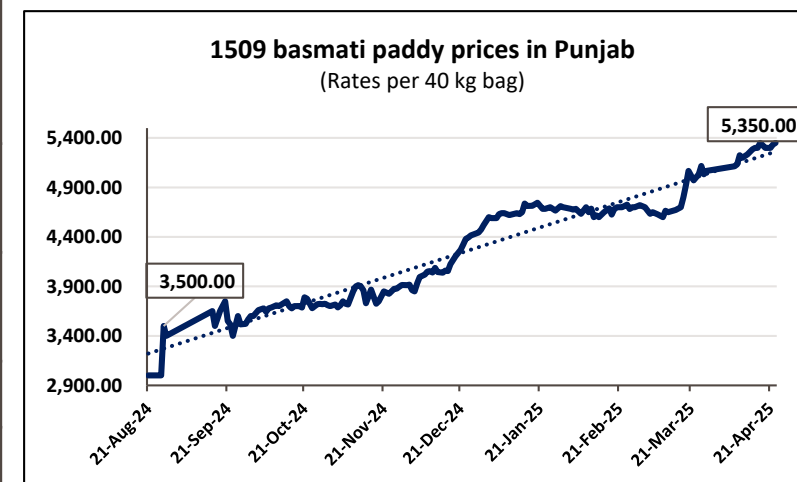


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MAJOR RICE VARITIES GROWN IN PAKISTAN: (Basmati)

(Production, consumption, supply and Demand)

1509/Kisan Basmati		
Growing Region	Punjab: Major Quantity	Sindh: Not available in Sindh
Production Area	Punjab: 30% Increase in area 2024-25: 11,08,000 Acers 2023-24: 8,50,000 Acers	Sindh: N/A
Quality of the crop year (2024-25)	Punjab: 1509 Basmati maintained good quality followed by previous season crop.	
Variants Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1509 basmati Parboiled 1509 basmati Steam 1509 basmati Milled 	
Major Markets	Gulf region, UK and USA.	
Supply and Demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The prices of 1509 paddy rice have shown a notable upward trend, moving in tandem with 1121 Basmati. The paddy prices are ranging between 5,100 PKR to 5,350 PKR. 	
Local Consumption	1509 basmati rice is consumed locally and also exported in some proportion.	



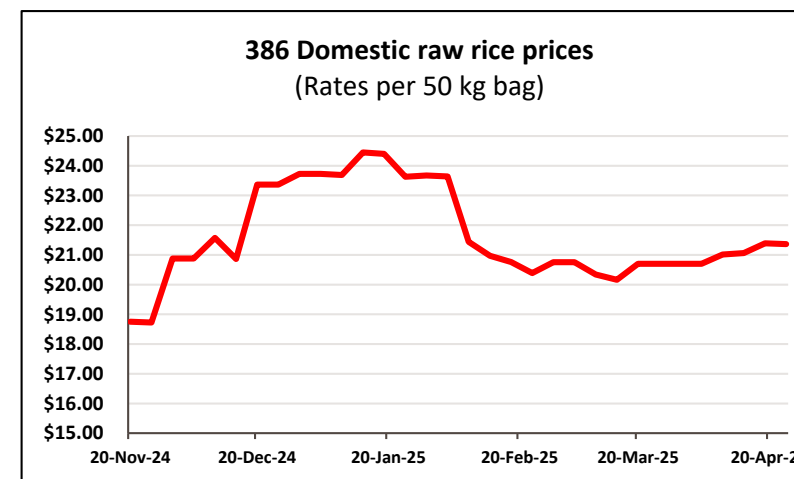
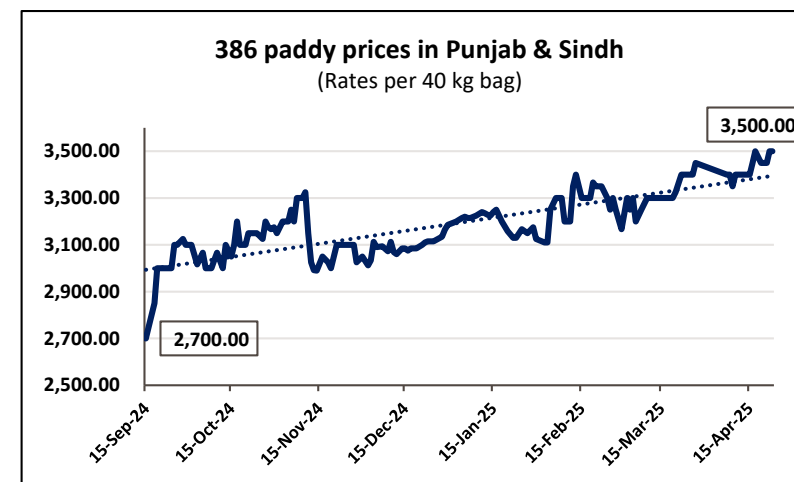
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MAJOR RICE VARITIES GROWN IN PAKISTAN: (Non-Basmati)

(Production, consumption, supply and Demand)



386		
Growing Region	Punjab: Major Quantity	Sindh: Not available in Sindh
Production Area	Punjab: 24% Increase in area 2024-25: 4,43,000 Acers 2023-24: 3,56,000 Acers	Sindh: N/A
Quality of the crop year (2024-25)	Punjab: 386 maintained good quality followed by previous season crop.	
Variants Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 386 brown rice 386 milled rice 386 parboiled rice 	
Major Markets	African and Gulf countries.	
Supply and Demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long grain rice market is currently experiencing weak demand, putting pressure on overall trade activity. 386 paddy prices have seen a slight increase, rising from PKR 3,300 to PKR 3,500 per 40 kg. However, domestic prices for 386 raw rice prices have remained stable. 	
Local Consumption	386 rice is consumed locally.	

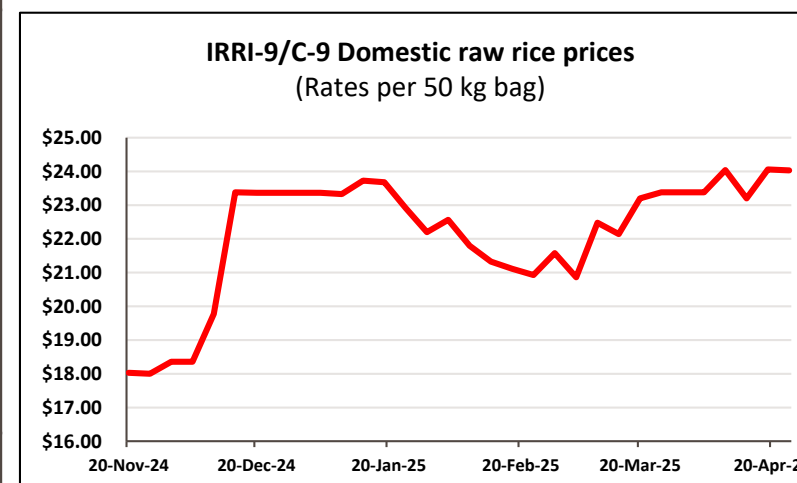
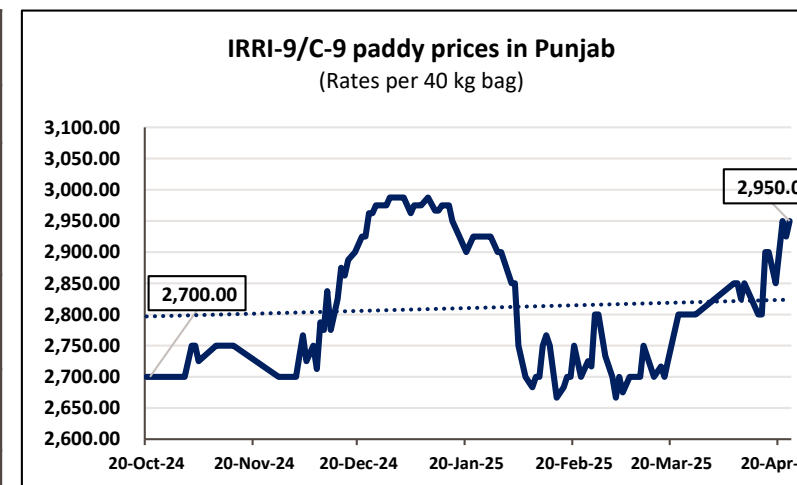


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MAJOR RICE VARIETIES GROWN IN PAKISTAN: (Non-Basmati)

(Production, consumption, supply and Demand)

IRRI- 9		
Growing Region	Punjab: Lower Quantity.	Sindh: Major Quantity.
Production Area	Punjab: 54% Increase in area 2024-25: 1,23,000 Acers 2023-24: 80,000 Acers	Sindh: N/A
Quality of the crop year (2024-25)	Sindh: The IRRI-9 crop was badly affected due to low water in sindh and high temperature, resulting in cracks, high broken % and cooking issues.	
Variants Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IRRI-9 milled rice is commonly traded. 	
Major Markets	Gulf & African countries.	
Supply and Demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IRRI-9 paddy rice prices have shown a bullish trend during and after the previous week , with rates increasing from PKR 2,800 to PKR 2,950 per 40 kg. A similar upward movement was observed in the domestic raw rice market, reflecting growing demand. Meanwhile, the Philippines white rice imports from Pakistan. To meet this urgent need, Manila aims to finalize a 1 million metric ton (MT) rice import deal by June 2025. 	
Local Consumption	IRRI-9 rice is consumed locally.	



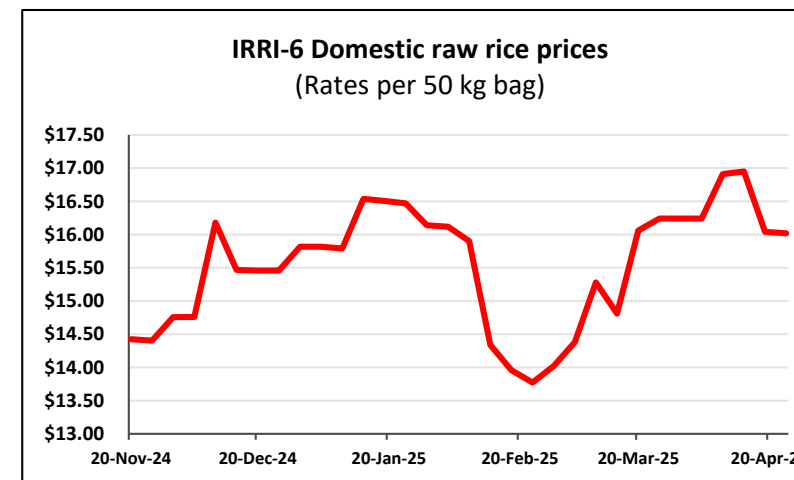
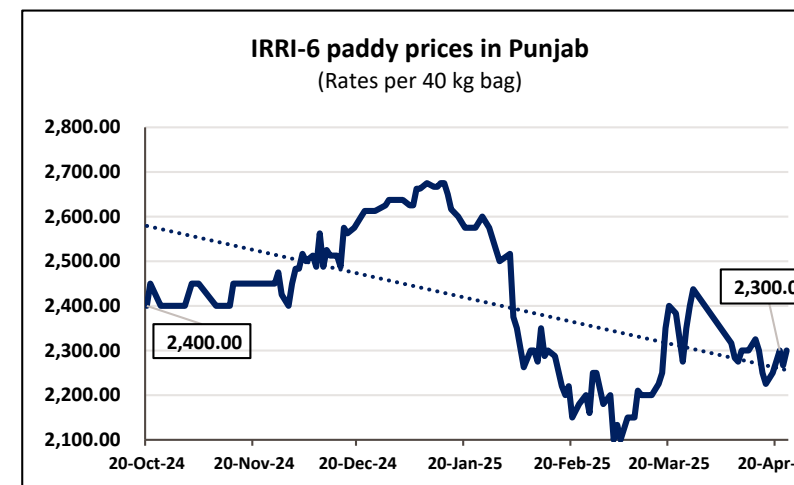
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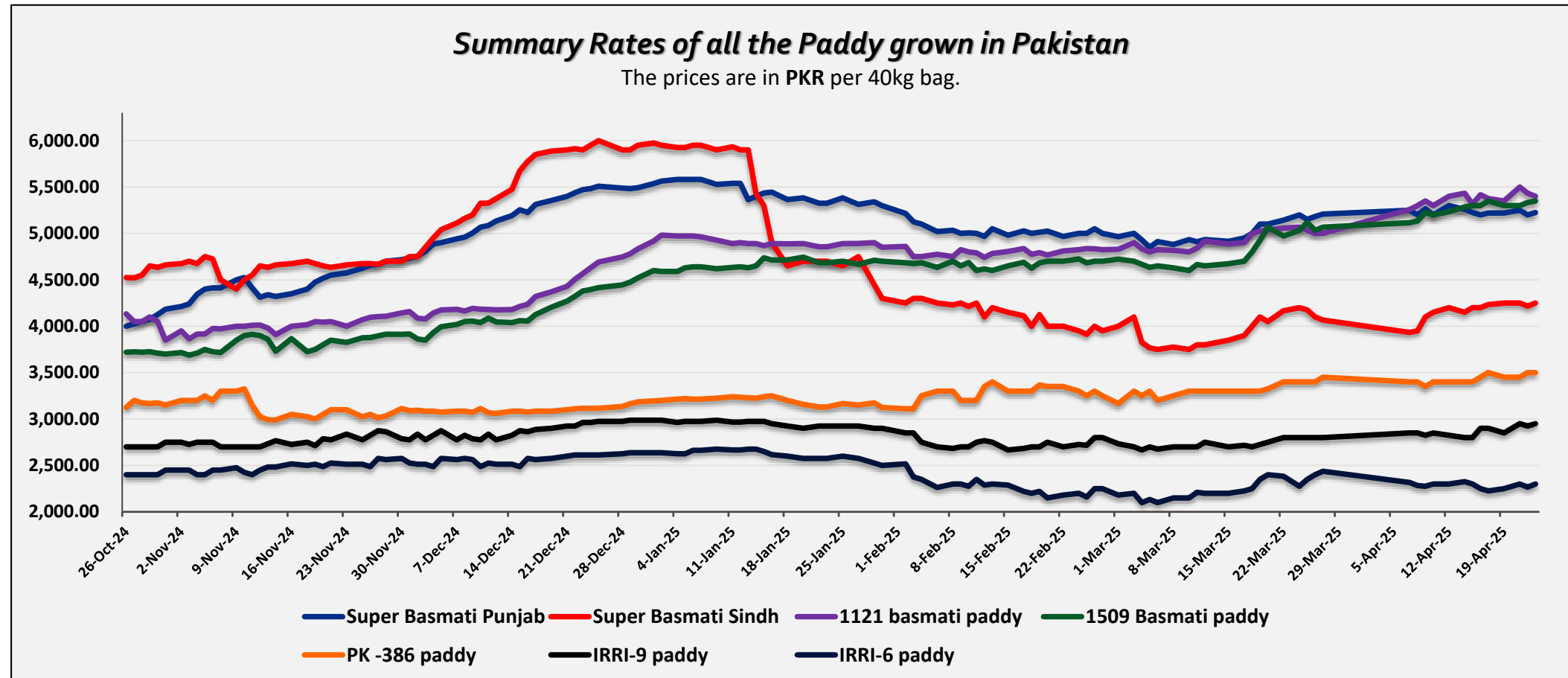


IRRI- 6		
Growing Region	Punjab: Relatively good Quantity.	Sindh: Major Quantity.
Production Area	Punjab: 32% Increase in area 2024-25: 2,07,000 Acers 2023-24: 1,57,000 Acers	Sindh: N/A
Quality of the crop year (2024-25)	Sindh: The IRRI-6 crop was badly affected due to low water in sindh and high temperature, resulting in cracks, high broken % and cooking issues.	
Variants Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IRRI-6 milled rice. IRRI-6 steam rice. IRRI-6 parboiled rice IRRI-6 brown rice 	
Major Markets	Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines and African countries.	
Supply and Demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The IRRI-6 paddy market has shown a mixed trend over the past few weeks, with prices rising from PKR 2,200 to 2,400 per 40 kg, and currently stabilizing around PKR 2,300. Domestic raw rice prices have also surged, jumping from USD 15.5 to approximately USD 17 per 50 kg, now around USD 16.2 per 50kg. 	
Local Consumption	IRRI-6 rice is consumed locally.	



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SUMMARY RATES OF ALL THE PADDY GROWN IN PAKISTAN



Here we present a comparative performance on all the varieties grown in Pakistan till the time being reported.

For checking previous year rates and comparing various varieties please click here: [Pakistan Domestic Market](https://www.ricenewstoday.com/Pakistan-Domestic-Market)

PAKISTAN NEWS HIGHLIGHTS:

- Pakistan's **rice exports surged by 21.78% in the first nine months of FY25**, exceeding **773,000 tonnes**, with basmati holding a **67% share** in the **EU and UK markets**. Despite India lifting its rice **export ban and removing MEP**, Pakistan maintained export strength by focusing on quality, even selling at a **\$100–210 per tonne premium**. Non-basmati rice exports also rose **to 663,000 tonnes, up 118,577 tonnes year-on-year**. Currency stability further supported competitiveness, positioning Pakistan to surpass last year's basmati export record. [Read More](#) (24th Apr).
- Pakistan's raw food **exports rose by 1.62% to \$5.75 billion** in the first nine months of **FY25**, driven by strong sugar and **basmati rice** shipments. Sugar exports far exceeded targets, reaching over **757,000 tonnes** despite food inflation. **Basmati rice** volumes grew by nearly **22%**, while **non-basmati rice exports** declined in value. New markets like Bangladesh have boosted rice and meat export prospects. [Read More](#) (21th Apr).
- A nationwide goods transporters' strike in Pakistan brought **rice exports to a halt, causing losses** of over **\$20 million** as containers remained stuck at ports and warehouses. The five-day disruption affected multiple sectors and raised concerns about Pakistan's credibility as a reliable exporter. **The strike**, triggered by new vehicle fitness regulations in Sindh, ended after successful negotiations with authorities. [Read More](#) (20th Apr).



PAKISTAN is the 4th largest rice exporting country in the world.

In previous **FY 2023-24** Pakistan Exported over **(6 Million tons)**. Generating **(4 billion dollars)** revenue.
Rice exporters of Pakistan Plans for achieving **(5 Billion dollar)** revenue in **FY 2025**.

The top destinations of Pakistan rice exports:

Basmati rice export markets:

- GULF region
- Europe, UK and USA

Long grain rice export markets:

- Asia (Malaysia, Indonesia, Philippines and also neighboring country Afghanistan)
- Middle East (Saudi Arabia, UAE & Oman)

Source: Publications

RICE FARMING IN PAKISTAN:

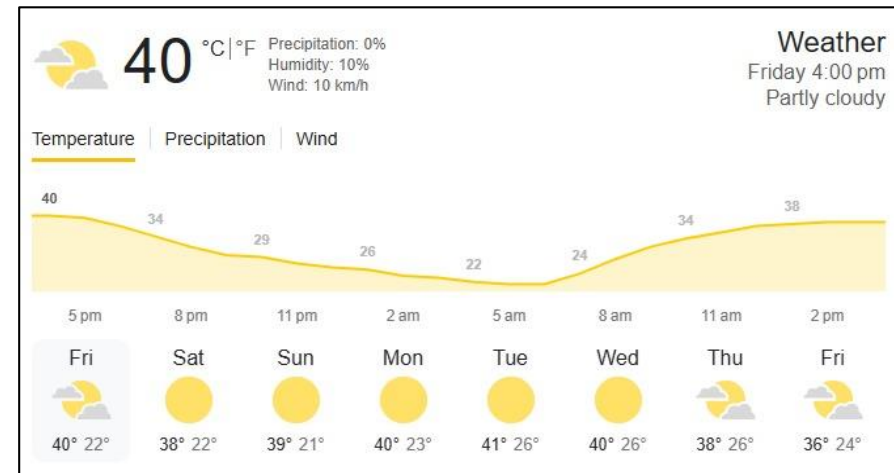
Farmers advised against unnecessary spraying rice crop:

- A training session for pesticide dealers was held in **Sialkot** by the Agriculture Department.
- Dr. Maqsood Ahmed highlighted the export importance of **Pakistani Basmati rice**.
- He warned that unnecessary **pesticide spraying** leaves harmful residues in rice.
- Residue issues are reducing **Pakistan's rice export** potential.
- The training focused on **reducing pesticide residues** in rice and vegetables.
- Farmers were advised to avoid excessive spraying near harvest time.
- The importance of PHI (Pre-Harvest Interval) and MRL (Maximum Residue Limit) was explained.
- An integrated pest management approach was recommended.
- Dealers were urged to promote minimal and responsible pesticide use.
- Non-chemical pest control methods like traps were encouraged.

Source: Publications & News



Source: AI



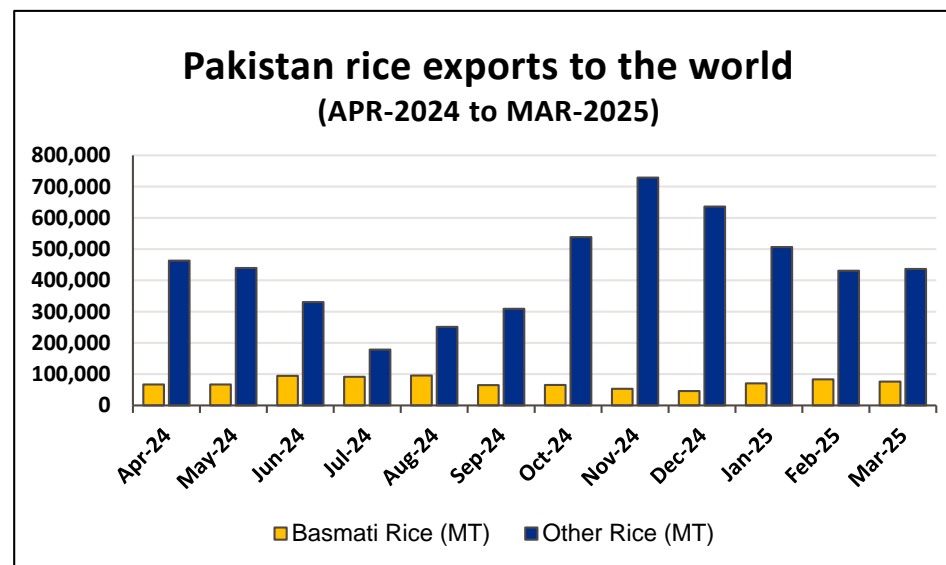
Source: Google Weather
Weather forecast from 25th April and onward.

PAKISTAN RICE EXPORTS (Month-wise) & PRODUCTION OVERVIEW (2024-25):



Months	Basmati Rice (MT)	Value in (000) \$	Other Rice (MT)	Value in (000) \$	Total QTY (MT)	Total Value in (000) \$
Apr-24	66,863	\$76,861	463,035	\$274,815	529,898	\$351,676
May-24	66,902	\$74,777	439,414	\$270,660	506,316	\$345,437
Jun-24	94,675	\$103,093	330,379	\$200,676	425,054	\$303,769
Jul-24	91,303	\$92,532	178,617	\$113,214	269,920	\$205,746
Aug-24	95,646	\$100,079	251,413	\$158,843	347,059	\$258,922
Sep-24	65,063	\$70,551	309,265	\$186,646	374,328	\$257,197
Oct-24	65,544	\$68,657	538,600	\$293,672	604,144	\$362,329
Nov-24	52,918	\$54,299	728,964	\$377,072	781,882	\$431,371
Dec-24	46,160	\$47,699	636,055	\$312,085	682,215	\$359,784
Jan-25	70,696	\$77,782	506,845	\$241,270	577,541	\$319,052
Feb-25	83,254	\$88,368	430,828	\$200,595	514,082	\$288,963
Mar-25	75,994	\$77,002	436,683	\$197,333	512,677	\$274,335
Total	875,018	\$931,700	5,250,098	\$2,826,881	6,125,116	\$3,758,581

Source: Pakistan Bureau of statistics



Pakistan Rice Production Area (2024-25)
 Basmati rice production area: 48,40,000 Acers
 Other rice production area: 18,37,000 Acers

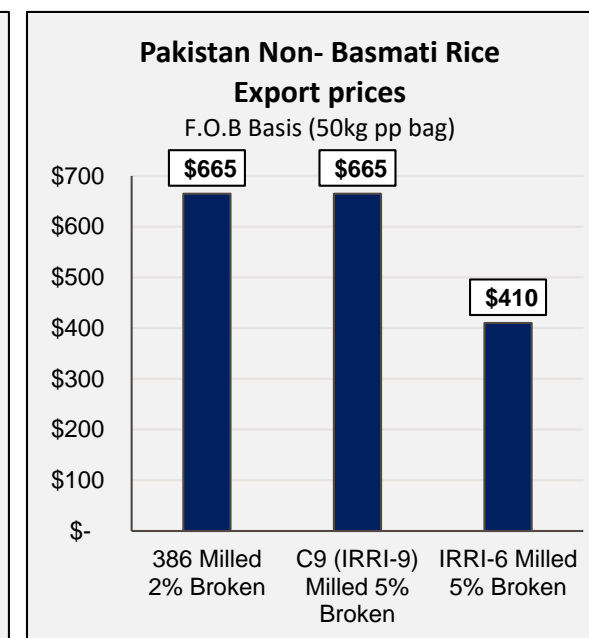
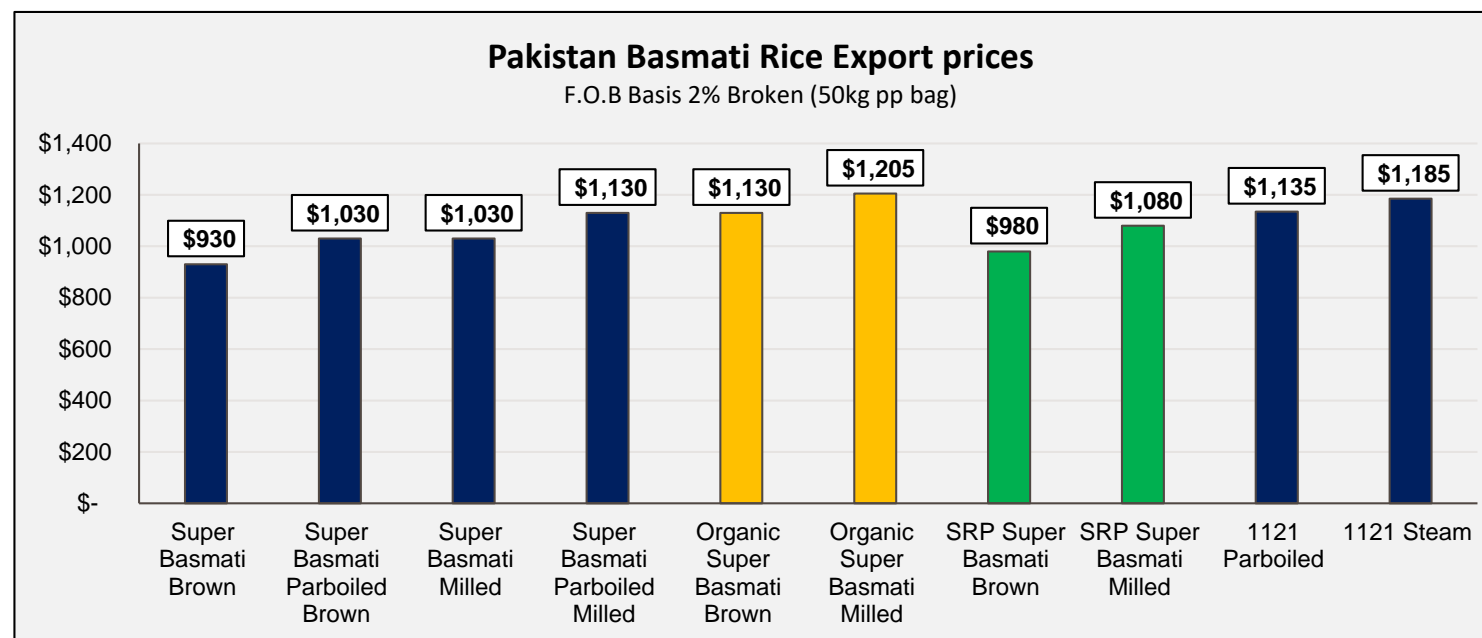
Pakistan Rice Production Volume (2024-25)
 Milled rice production in (1000 Tons): 10,000
 Rough rice production in (1000 Tons): 15,002

Pakistan Rice Ending stocks (2024-25)
 Ending stocks of rice (Jul-2025)= 9,10,000 MT

Source: Punjab crop department & USDA

PAKISTAN RICE PRICES:

EXPORT PRICES F.O.B BASIS (PER TON).



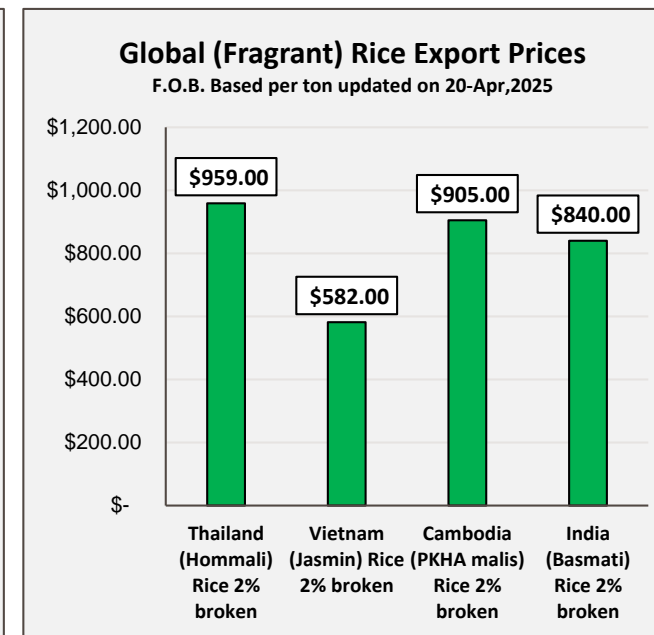
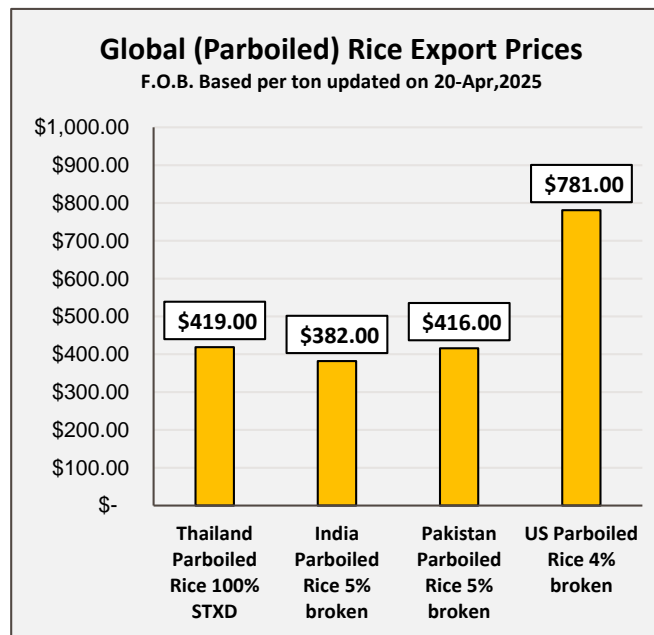
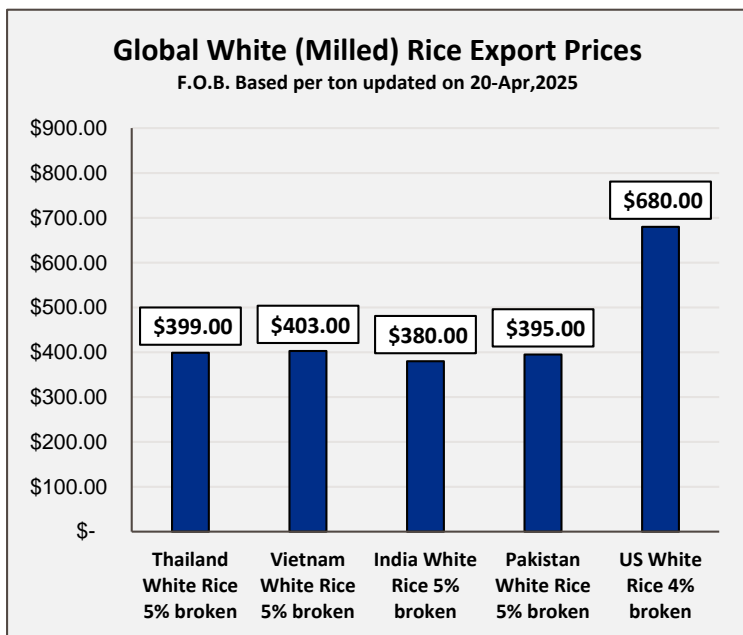
All Prices were updated on 24th April 2025.

- This week, rice prices remained stable, with minor changes observed across super basmati, non-basmati varieties.

For more details on Pakistan market rice prices Please click here: [Pakistan Rice Market](http://www.RiceNewsToday.com)

GLOBAL RICE PRICES:

EXPORT PRICES F.O.B BASIS (PER TON)



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➤ The **Global rice export market remained** Stable with minor fluctuations.

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GLOBAL RICE TENDER & TRADE UPDATE:

Recent Rice Procurement Efforts and Trade Initiatives in Bangladesh.

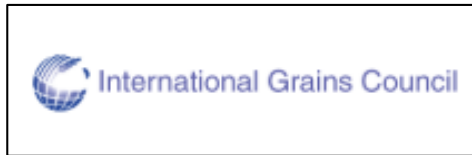
- A **Vietnamese vessel**, MV THAI BINH 01, has arrived at Chattogram Port with **12,500 tonnes** of **Atap rice** under a **Government-to-Government (G2G)** agreement between **Bangladesh** and **Vietnam**. Out of the agreed **100,000 tonnes**, **72,700 tonnes** have already arrived, with unloading preparations underway following sample testing. **(19-Apr)**
- Bangladesh's interim government has **halted rice imports** from India via **Benapole Land Port** as of 15 April 2025, after allowing **92 importers to bring in 392,000 tonnes** to stabilize domestic prices. Importers, facing potential losses with shipments still pending, expressed concern over the sudden halt despite four previous extensions. **(18-Apr)**
- The MV PHU THANH vessel carrying **10,000 metric tonnes of rice from India** has arrived at Chattogram Port, part of a **500,000 metric tonne import** agreement, with **353,000 tonnes** already delivered. Unloading will begin after sample testing. **(16-Apr)**
- Rice imports through Dinajpur's Hili Land Port surged ahead of the April 16 deadline, with **267,857 tonnes imported** since November, as traders rushed to bring in rice before the government's duty-free import period ends. **(15-Apr)**
- Bangladesh's state grains buyer has purchased **50,000 metric tons of non-basmati parboiled rice at \$416.44 per ton** in a **March 27** international tender, following crop damage. **(13-Apr)**
- A ship carrying **36,100 metric tons of rice from India** has arrived at Chattogram Port. The MV FROSSO K, transporting the rice via an international open tender, will be unloaded promptly. **(13-Apr)**



GLOBAL NEWS HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK:

	<p>Bangladesh has resumed aroma rice exports after 1.5 years, prompting concerns among Indian exporters about potential impacts on premium Indian rice varieties like Sona Masuri and Jeera Kasala. Indian exporters fear loss of market share and are calling for a pricing strategy revision amid intense undercutting and declining export margins. READ MORE (22-Apr)</p>
	<p>Indonesia may consider exporting rice if domestic reserves are sufficient, with officials citing a potential surplus of 2.8 to 3 million tons. The move follows Malaysia's interest in importing rice from Indonesia, though final export decisions rest with the president. READ MORE (23-Apr)</p>
	<p>Thailand's rice exports dropped 30% in Q1 2025 to 2.1 million metric tons, mainly due to delayed purchases and India's return to the export market. Full-year exports may fall below the 7.5 million-ton forecast, while U.S. tariffs and trade negotiations remain a key concern for Thai exporters. READ MORE (22-Apr)</p>
	<p>Vietnam is poised to overtake Thailand as the world's second-largest rice exporter, following a 30% drop in Thai rice exports in Q1 2025. With Indian rice remaining the cheapest, Vietnamese rice has gained traction among buyers in South Africa, Malaysia, and the Philippines, narrowing the export gap with Thailand. READ MORE (24-Apr)</p>
	<p>Malaysia has expressed interest in importing rice from Indonesia due to high domestic prices, but Indonesia is currently prioritizing domestic stock, which stands at 3.36 million tons. Both countries also discussed agricultural cooperation, with Malaysia praising Indonesia's high-yield rice technology and proposing knowledge exchange in rice, corn, and other sectors. READ MORE (22-Apr)</p>

UPCOMING EVENTS:



IGC Grains Conference 2025

Preparations for the 34th IGC Grains Conference to be held in London on 10-11 June 2025 are well underway and the IGC Secretariat is busy developing the 2-day programme.

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The Federation of the European Rice Millers

The next FERM Convention will take place in **Marbella**, Spain

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