

# RICE MARKET REPORT

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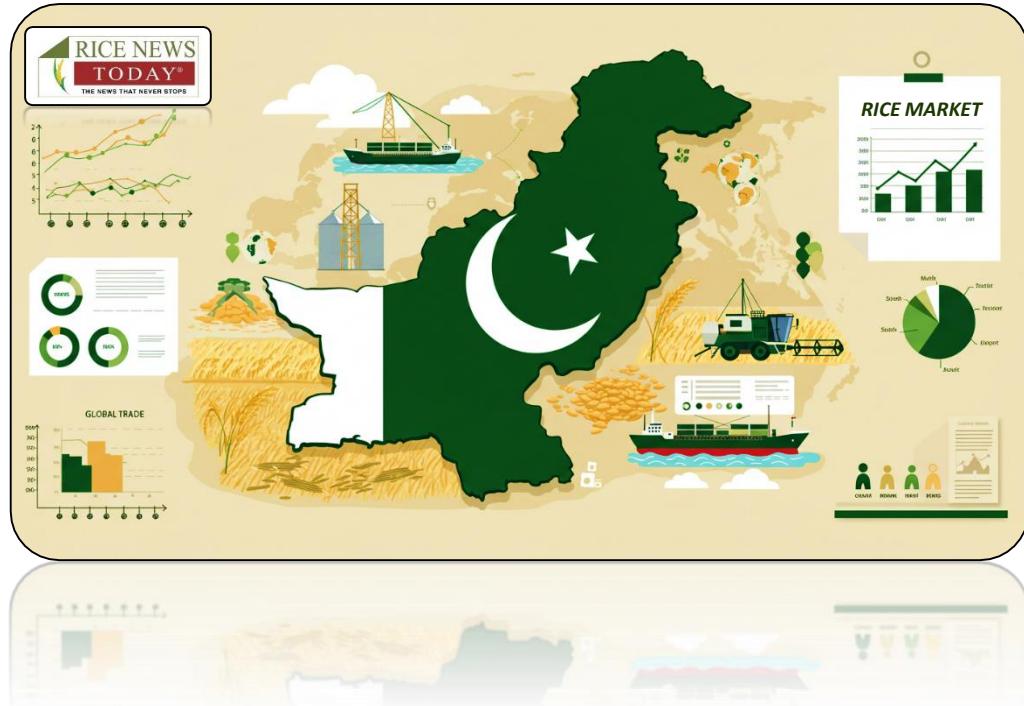
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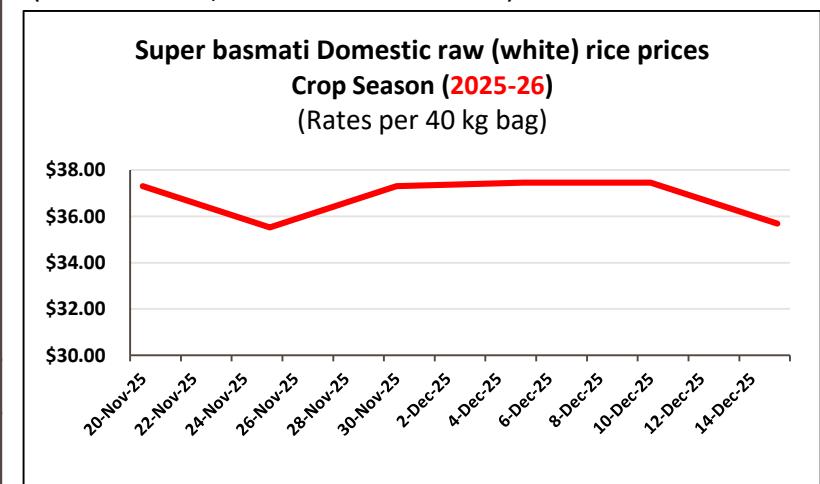
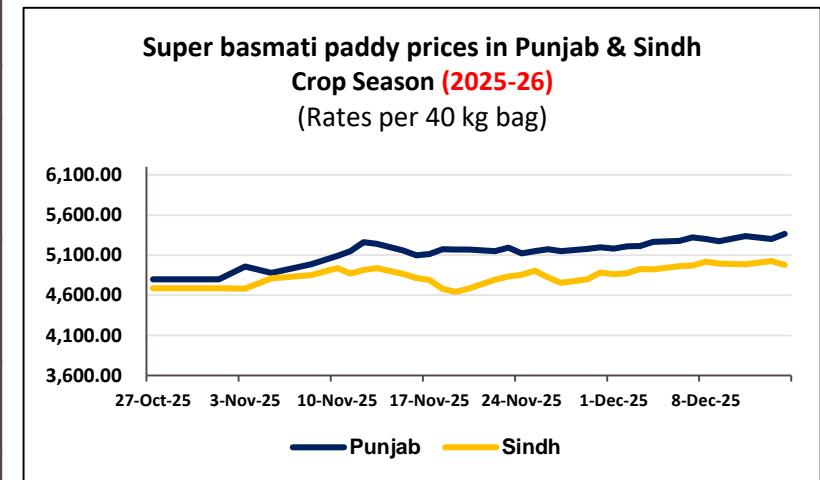
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# MAJOR RICE VARITIES GROWN IN PAKISTAN: (Basmati)

(Production, consumption, supply and Demand)

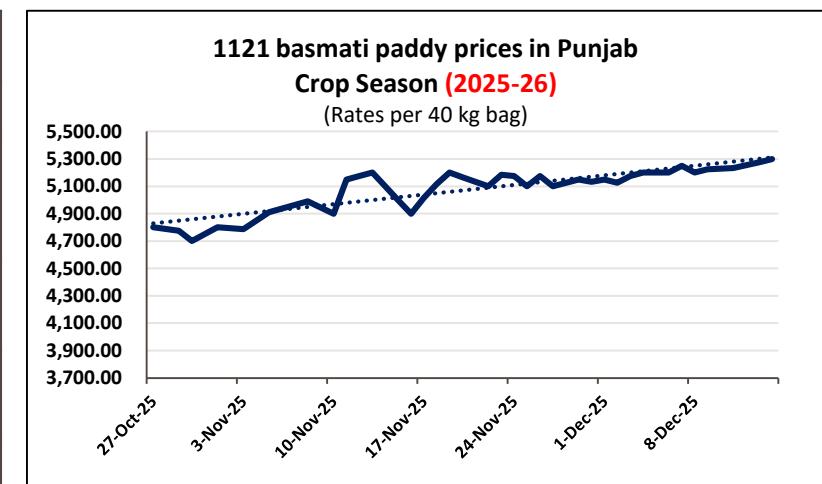
Super Basmati		
<b>Growing Region</b>	<b>Punjab:</b> Major quantity	<b>Sindh:</b> Relatively good quantity
<b>Production Area</b>	<b>Punjab:</b> 1% Decline in area <b>2025-26:</b> 13,00,000 Acres <b>2024-25:</b> 13,13,000 Acres	<b>Sindh:</b> N/A
<b>Quality of the crop year (2025-26)</b>	Good quality of the crop is being reported so far in various areas of Punjab.	Good quality of the crop is being reported so far in various areas of Sindh.
<b>Variants Available</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Super basmati brown</li> <li>Super basmati milled</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Super basmati parboiled brown</li> <li>Super basmati parboiled Milled</li> </ul>
<b>Major Markets</b>	Europe, Gulf region and UK.	
<b>Supply and Demand</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As per the reports, The Super Basmati market remains quiet, with <b>Pakistan holding firm FOB</b> levels, though recent corrections in the Indian market have made regional pricing more competitive, affecting Pakistan's position. In <b>Punjab and Sindh</b>, paddy prices rose <b>PKR 50-100 per 40 kg</b> amid abundant stocks, but overall market activity is slow.</li> <li>The EU market remains subdued due to the holiday season, with Super Basmati brown rice offered around <b>USD 860/ton</b>. Export sentiment is expected to improve with <b>Gulfood 2026 in January</b>.</li> <li>Current super basmati paddy rates in Sindh are around <b>PKR 4,950–5,050 per 40 kg</b>, slightly increased with the last week level of paddy prices.</li> </ul>	
<b>Local Consumption</b>	Super basmati is consumed locally in a lower proportion.	
<b>Competition</b>	<b>Pakistan:</b> Super Basmati Milled: <b>\$900 - 940</b> (FOB PER TON)	<b>India:</b> PUSA Basmati White: <b>\$810- \$850</b> (FOB PER TON)



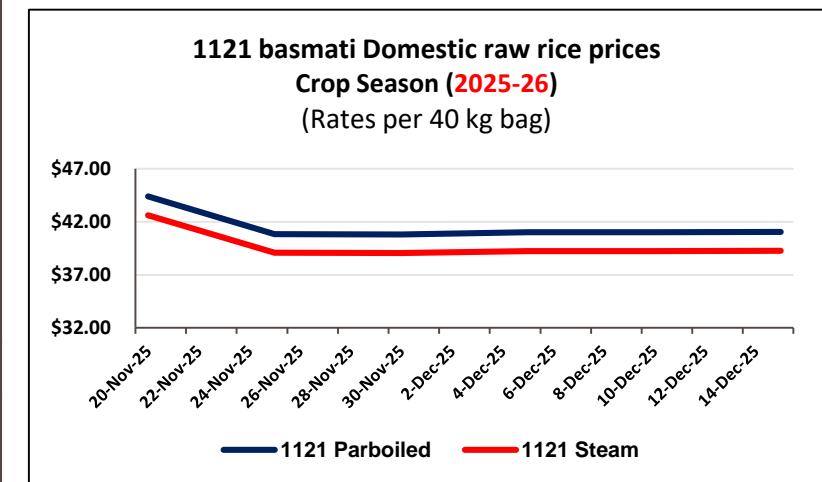
# MAJOR RICE VARITIES GROWN IN PAKISTAN: (Basmati)

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1121/Kainat Basmati		
<b>Growing Region</b>	<b>Punjab:</b> Major quantity	<b>Sindh:</b> Very low quantity
<b>Production Area</b>	<b>Punjab:</b> 9% Decline in area <b>2025-26:</b> 18,50,000 Acres <b>2024-25:</b> 20,17,000 Acres	<b>Sindh:</b> N/A
<b>Quality of the crop year (2025-26)</b>	Good quality of the crop is being reported so far in various areas of punjab.	
<b>Variants Available</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1121 basmati Parboiled</li> <li>1121 basmati Steam</li> <li>1121 basmati Milled</li> </ul>	
<b>Major Markets</b>	Europe, Gulf region and UK.	
<b>Supply and Demand</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As per the news, The <b>1121 basmati</b> continues to face pricing pressure from cheaper Indian offers in international markets, keeping export demand soft, However, the Iranian <b>tender for 10,000 MT of 1121 white basmati</b> provides a fresh export opportunity, which may support prices in the coming weeks. Stakeholders remain cautiously optimistic, with additional positive sentiment expected from <b>Gulfood 2026 in January</b>.</li> <li>Current paddy rates are hovering around <b>PKR 5,200–5,300 per 40 kg</b>, Slight increase then earlier paddy prices.</li> <li><b>1121 basmati</b> Domestic raw rice prices stand at <b>\$41.04</b> for 1121 parboiled rice and <b>\$39.26</b> for 1121 steam rice <b>(per 40 kg bag)</b>.</li> </ul>	
<b>Local Consumption</b>	1121 basmati rice is consumed locally	
<b>Competition</b>	<b>Pakistan:</b> 1121 Basmati Parboiled: <b>\$1100 - 1150</b> (FOB per ton)	<b>India:</b> 1121 Basmati Golden Sella: <b>\$980 to \$1050</b> (FOB per ton)



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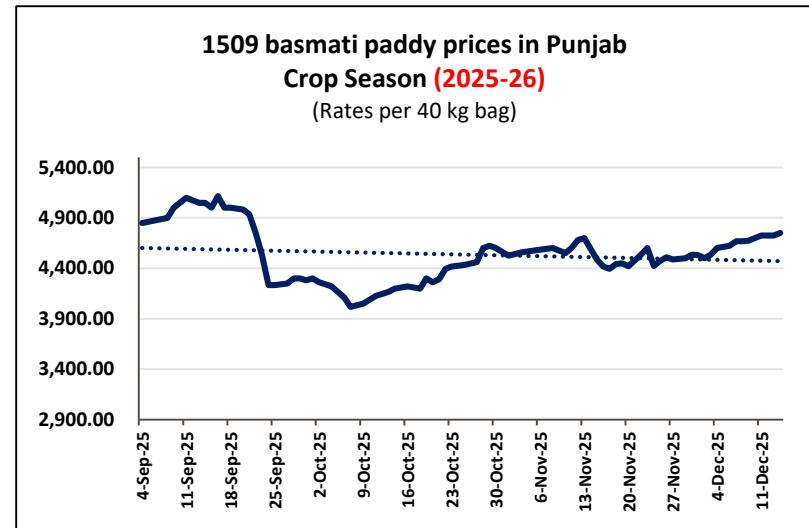


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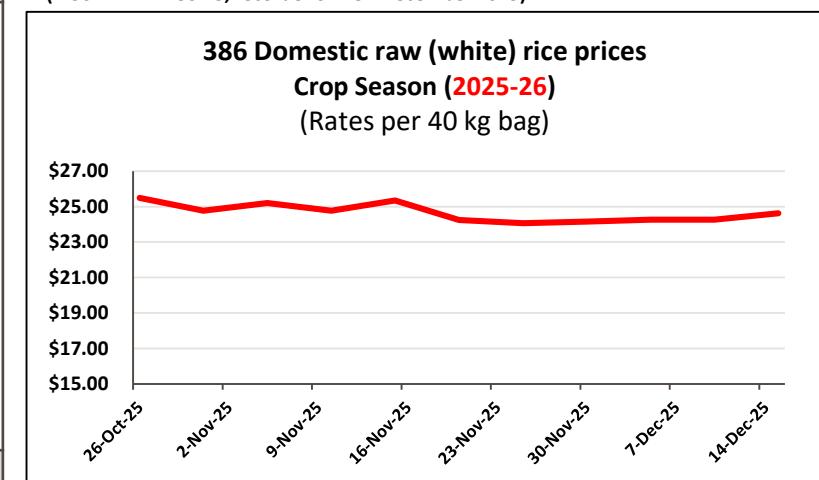
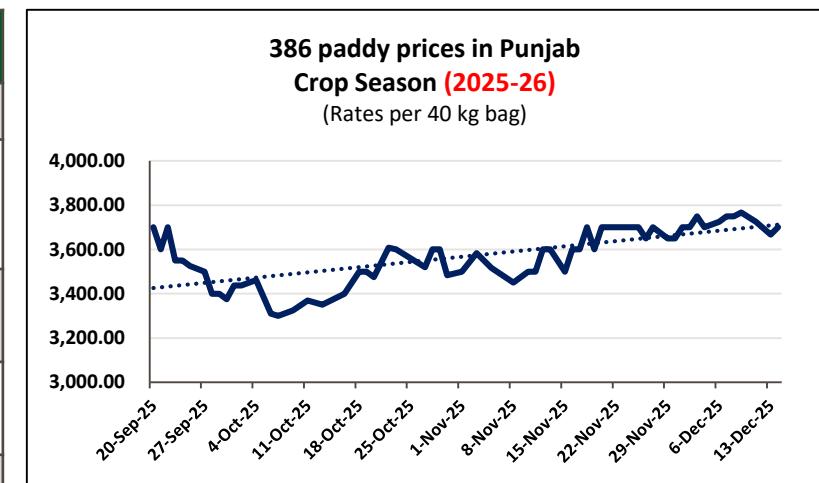
1509/Kisan Basmati		
Growing Region	Punjab: Major Quantity	Sindh: Not available in Sindh
Production Area	<b>Punjab:</b> 10% Increase in area <b>2025-26:</b> 12,36,000 Acres <b>2024-25:</b> 11,08,000 Acres	<b>Sindh:</b> N/A
Quality of the crop year (2025-26)	Good quality of the crop is being reported so far in various areas of punjab.	
Variants Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1509 basmati Parboiled</li> <li>1509 basmati Steam</li> <li>1509 basmati Milled</li> </ul>	
Major Markets	Gulf region, UK and USA.	
Supply and Demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As per the market, <b>1509 basmati</b> current paddy prices range between <b>PKR 4,650–4,750 per 40 kg</b>, compared to last week levels of <b>PKR 4,500–4,600 per 40 kg</b>, reflecting Slight increase then earlier paddy prices.</li> <li>Additionally, exporters in Pakistan are clubbing new varieties such as <b>1847 and 1692 with 1509 Basmati</b>, as these variants are entering the market in good quantities. While it is still unclear whether they will form their own <b>export category in the future</b>, they are attracting growers due to better yield potential and improved grain quality.</li> </ul>	
Local Consumption	1509 basmati rice is consumed locally and also exported in some proportion.	



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

(Production, consumption, supply and Demand)

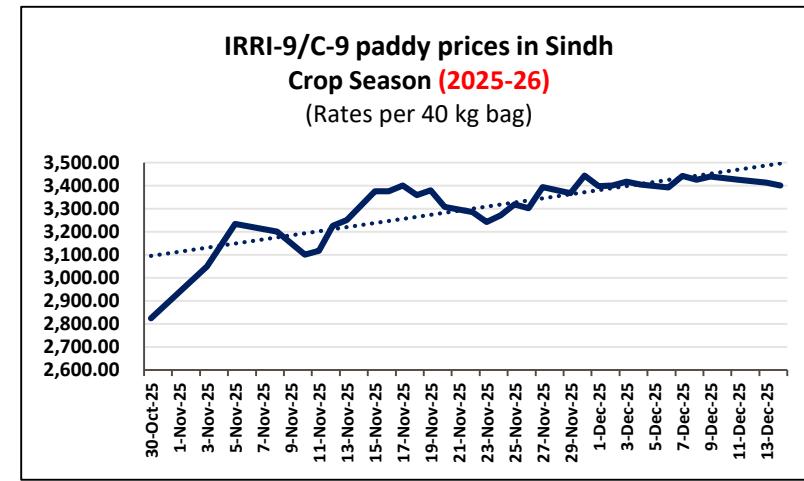
PK-386		
<b>Growing Region</b>	<b>Punjab:</b> Major Quantity	<b>Sindh:</b> Not available in Sindh
<b>Production Area</b>	<b>Punjab:</b> 147% Decline in area 2025-26: 1,79,000 Acres 2024-25: 4,43,000 Acres	<b>Sindh:</b> N/A
<b>Quality of the crop year (2025-26)</b>	Good quality of the crop is being reported so far in various areas of Punjab.	
<b>Variants Available</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>386 brown rice</li> <li>386 milled rice</li> <li>386 parboiled rice</li> </ul>	
<b>Major Markets</b>	African and Gulf countries.	
<b>Supply and Demand</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>PK 386 long-grain</b> segment remains under pressure amid <b>global oversupply</b> and <b>muted demand</b> from major markets. Import restrictions in the Philippines and reduced buying from Indonesia continue to weigh on prices. with <b>market activity</b> largely cautious as exporters navigate competitive pricing from regional suppliers.</li> <li><b>PK 386</b> paddy current rates are at <b>PKR 3,600–3,750 per 40 kg</b> reflecting slight increase from earlier paddy prices.</li> <li><b>PK 386</b> Domestic raw rice prices stand at <b>\$24.5–\$25.5 per 40 kg</b>, roughly <b>PKR 7,000–7,200</b>.</li> </ul>	
<b>Local Consumption</b>	386 rice is consumed locally.	



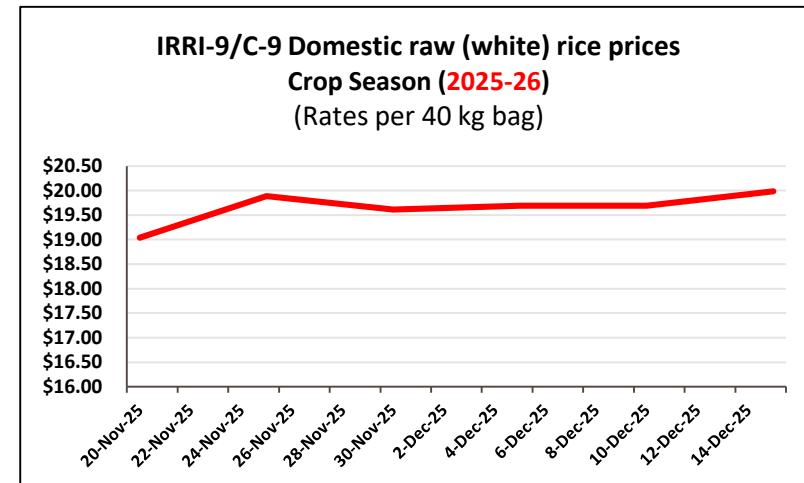
# MAJOR RICE VARITIES GROWN IN PAKISTAN: (Non-Basmati)

(Production, consumption, supply and Demand)

IRRI- 9		
<b>Growing Region</b>	Punjab: Lower Quantity.	Sindh: Major Quantity.
<b>Production Area</b>	Punjab: <b>108%</b> Decline in area 2025-26: 59,000 Acres 2024-25: 1,23,000 Acres	Sindh: N/A
<b>Quality of the crop year (2025-26)</b>	Good quality of the crop is being reported so far in various areas of Sindh.	
<b>Variants Available</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IRRI-9 milled rice.</li> <li>IRRI-9 steam rice.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IRRI-9 parboiled rice</li> </ul>
<b>Major Markets</b>	Gulf & African countries.	
<b>Supply and Demand</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>IRRI-9</b> maintains a weak tone in line with <b>global long-grain trends</b>. Ample stocks in <b>Pakistan combined with limited buying interest</b> from <b>traditional markets</b> have led to slow movement. Despite slight improvement in local paddy prices, <b>export momentum</b> remains subdued as buyers assess regional price parity.</li> <li><b>Current paddy prices</b> stand at <b>PKR 3,300–3,450 per 40 kg.</b>, showing a stable trend with the last week level of paddy prices.</li> <li><b>Irri-9 Domestic raw rice prices</b> stand between <b>\$19 –\$19.9 per 40 kg bag</b>.</li> </ul>	
<b>Local Consumption</b>	IRRI-9 rice is consumed locally.	



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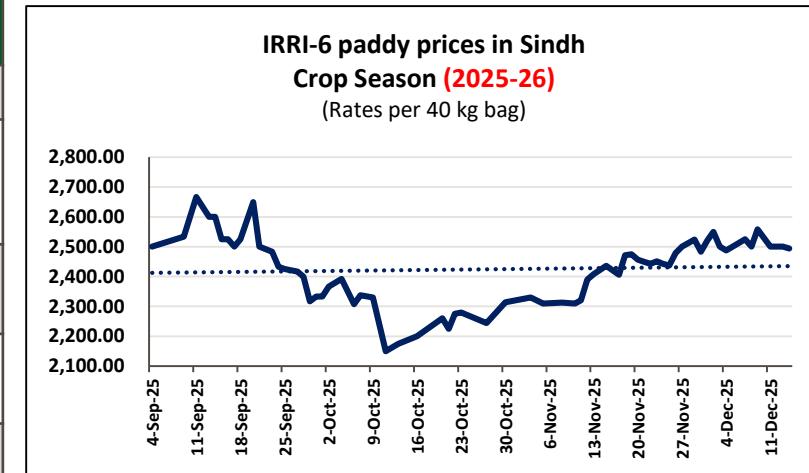


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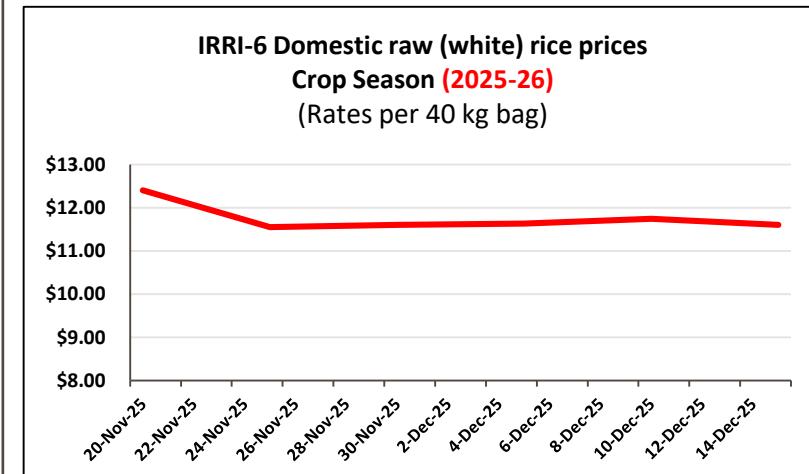
# MAJOR RICE VARIETIES GROWN IN PAKISTAN: (Non-Basmati)

(Production, consumption, supply and Demand)

IRRI- 6		
<b>Growing Region</b>	<b>Punjab:</b> Relatively good Quantity.	<b>Sindh:</b> Major Quantity.
<b>Production Area</b>	<b>Punjab:</b> 92% Decline in area 2025-26: 1,08,000 Acres 2024-25: 2,07,000 Acres	<b>Sindh:</b> N/A
<b>Quality of the crop year (2025-26)</b>	Good quality of the crop is being reported so far in various areas of Sindh.	
<b>Variants Available</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IRRI-6 milled rice.</li> <li>IRRI-6 steam rice.</li> <li>IRRI-6 parboiled rice</li> <li>IRRI-6 brown rice</li> </ul>	
<b>Major Markets</b>	Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines and African countries.	
<b>Supply and Demand</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>IRRI-6 stocks</b> are abundant this season, with <b>feed mills actively purchasing</b> due to its lower price. Approximately <b>40–50% of IRRI-6 stocks remain to be sold</b>, though there is optimism that <b>Indonesia</b> may absorb some of the surplus. <b>Iran's buying activity</b> remains slow, and trade with <b>Afghanistan is impacted by border closures</b>, contributing to sluggish market movement. <b>Bangladesh's multiple tenders</b> and <b>Pakistan's TCP tender for 100,000 tonnes of IRRI-6</b> may provide temporary demand support.</li> <li>The <b>long-grain (LG) rice market</b> is also under pressure globally, and there are rumors that India may reconsider exports of <b>non-basmati rice</b> due to <b>domestic food security concerns</b>.</li> <li>The <b>IRRI-6 variety</b> current paddy prices ranging between <b>PKR 2,500–2,550 per 40 kg</b>, showing an upward trend.</li> </ul>	
<b>Local Consumption</b>	IRRI-6 rice is consumed locally.	

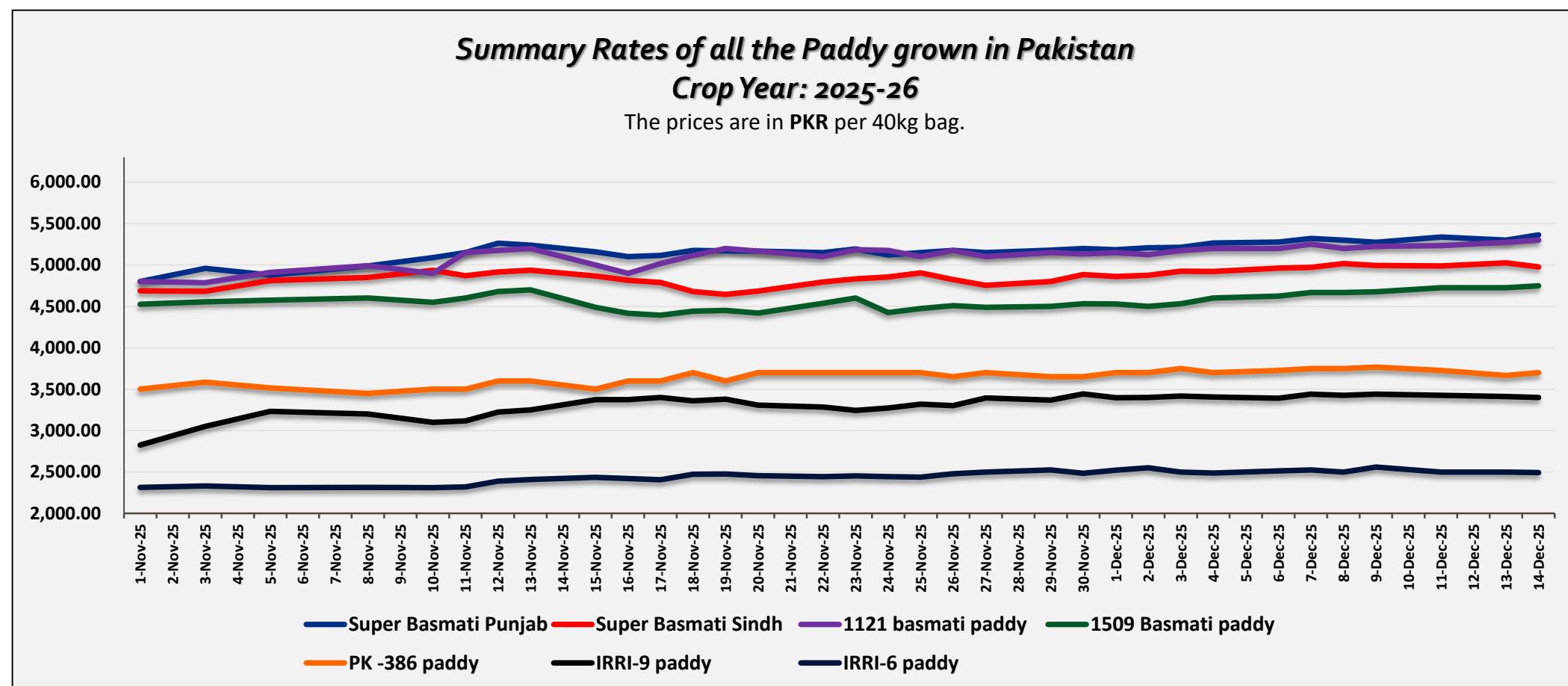


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# SUMMARY RATES OF ALL THE PADDY GROWN IN PAKISTAN



Here we present a comparative performance on all the varieties grown in Pakistan till the time being reported. (Last Updated: 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025)

For checking previous year rates and comparing various varieties please click here: [Pakistan Domestic Market](#)

# EMERGING BASMATI VARIETIES FOR NEW SEASON

## CROP: 2025–26

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### Key Emerging Basmati Varieties Observed This Season:

1. 1718
2. 1692
3. 1847
4. 1885
5. PB-07
6. Guard 101

Super Basmati	1121 Basmati	1509 Basmati
PB-07 (Clubbed with Super Basmati)	1718 (Clubbed with 1121 Basmati)	1847 Basmati (Clubbed with 1509 Basmati)
	1885 (Clubbed with 1121 Basmati)	1692 Basmati (Clubbed with 1509 Basmati)

- Exporters of Pakistan may club these new varieties with traditional Super, 1121, and 1509 Basmati. Although it is still unclear whether these varieties will form an individual export category, yet they are now arriving in the market in good quantities.
- These varieties are gaining attraction among growers due to certain agronomic benefits such as Improved yield potential & Better grain quality for export markets.

***Using certified varieties not only ensures better productivity but also strengthens Pakistan's position in the global basmati rice market by maintaining consistency, quality, and authenticity.***

# APPROVED BASMATI & NON- BASMATI VARIETIES FROM GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN



APPROVED BASMATI VARIETIES		APPROVED NON-BASMATI VARIETIES	
Basmati -370	Kissan Basmati	IRRI-6	IRRI-9
Basmati C 622	NIAB Basmati 2016	JKS- 282	NIBGE GSR 8
Sultan Super Basmati	Noor Basmati	JKS- 133	SKCB – 370-5-32
Basmati 198	Super Gold	NIAB IRRI-9	
Basmati 385	Super Basmati 2019	NIAB 2013	
Super Basmati	NIBGE Basmati 2020	JKS- 434	
Basmati 2000	PK 2021 aromatic	NIBGE -5	
Shaheen Basmati	JKS 111 H	NIAB ST-9	
Basmati 515	Sona Super Basmati	NIAB IRRI – 195	
PK 1121 aromatic	Vital Super Basmati	JKS- 706	
Punjab Basmati	NIAB HT 39	NIBGE GSR 6	
NIAB HT 18	NIAB S-39	NIBGE GSR 7	
GUARD 101	NIAB Super		
Chenab Basmati	NIAB Basmati-2016		

Source: [Approved Basmati Rice Varieties](#)  
[Approved Non-Basmati Rice Varieties](#)

# PAKISTAN NEWS HIGHLIGHTS:

- Iranian firm Jahad Sabz Company has issued a tender to buy **10,000 metric tons of 1121 white basmati rice from Pakistan**. Traders have been informed that the deadline for price submissions is **December 30**. [Read More](#) (18<sup>th</sup> Dec).
- **Pakistan is one of the world's leading rice exporters**, yet domestic consumption of value-added rice products remains underdeveloped. Most innovation in rice such as parboiled, packaged, and ready-to-cook formats is directed toward export markets rather than local consumers, representing untapped potential. Expanding rice-based products for urban households seeking convenience could strengthen domestic **agro-processing**, broaden consumer choice, and deepen value chains without threatening wheat security. Encouraging such diversification aligns with market incentives, consumer demand, and entrepreneurial opportunities in the **food sector**. [Read More](#) (15<sup>th</sup> Dec).
- The **Rice Exporters Association of Pakistan (REAP)** has warned of significant export losses due to the ongoing transporters' strike, which has disrupted cargo movement nationwide. REAP highlighted that delays in shipments are affecting buyer confidence and Pakistan's competitiveness in the **global rice market**. **Truck suspensions** and road blockages are causing prolonged port delays, rising costs for exporters, and risks of missed deadlines. The association cautioned that continued disruption could lead to order cancellations and long-term reputational damage. **REAP urged Commerce Minister Jam Kamal Khan** to take urgent action to restore normal transport operations and protect Pakistan's rice export earnings. [Read More](#) (14<sup>th</sup> Dec).



**PAKISTAN is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest rice exporting country in the world.**

- Total rice exports fell to **712,797 tonnes** in **Q1 FY26** from **991,146 tonnes** in **Q1 FY25**, a **28% decline**.
- Basmati rice exports fell to **137,066 tonnes** in **Q1 FY26** from **248,500 tonnes** last year, a **45.5% decline**.
- Non-basmati rice exports dropped to **575,731 tonnes** from **764,700 tonnes**, down **22.1%**.
- Pakistan controls **67%** of the **basmati brown rice market** in the **European Union** and the **UK**.

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:

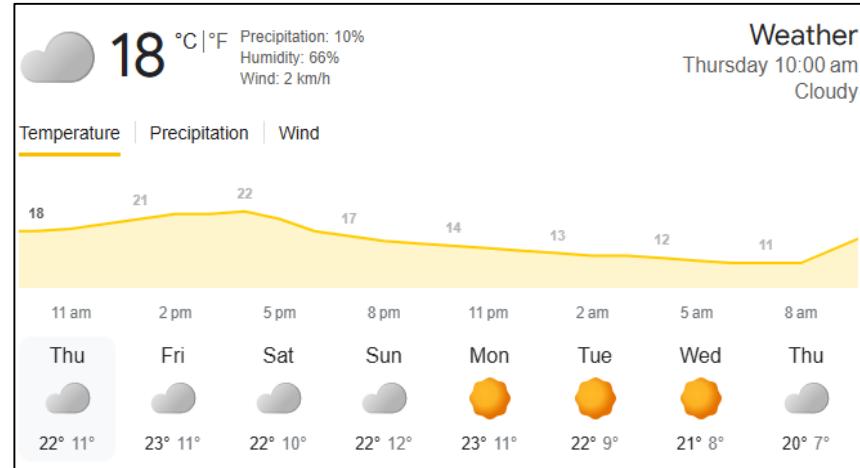
## Guard Unveils High-Yield OP Basmati Varieties for 2026 Season

- Pakistan's rice sector is set to receive a significant boost with the introduction of two new **Open-Pollinated (OP) Basmati varieties** by **Guard Agricultural Research & Services Ltd.** Named **Guard-101** and **Guard-102**, these varieties are poised for commercial cultivation in the **2026 crop season**. The journey of these varieties began years ago with extensive research, rigorous field trials, and genetic verification. After being formally registered with the **Punjab Seed Council in 2023**, the varieties progressed through pre-basic and basic seed stages. This year, Guard completed large-scale seed multiplication, producing **27 tonnes of Guard-101 and 59 tonnes of Guard-102** across carefully selected areas in Narang, Sheikhupura, and Manga Mandi, laying the groundwork for widespread adoption by farmers next year.
- According to **Guard's Chief Executive, Shahzad Ali Malik**, **Guard-101 and Guard-102** offer a yield potential of **50–55 maunds per acre**, with peak performance during trials reaching **60–65 maunds per acre**, putting them on par with renowned varieties like **Super Basmati 1121 and 1509**. Importantly, these varieties retain the traditional long grain, aromatic qualities, and cooking characteristics that define **Basmati rice**. **DNA verification conducted by Eurofins** confirmed their unique genetic identity, reinforcing Pakistan's commitment to varietal integrity in its **Basmati exports**. With their high yield potential, superior quality, and distinct genetic traits, **Guard-101 and Guard-102** are expected to enhance the competitiveness of Pakistan's rice sector, offering farmers new avenues for higher productivity and quality production, while strengthening the country's reputation as a global leader in premium Basmati rice.

Source: Publications & News



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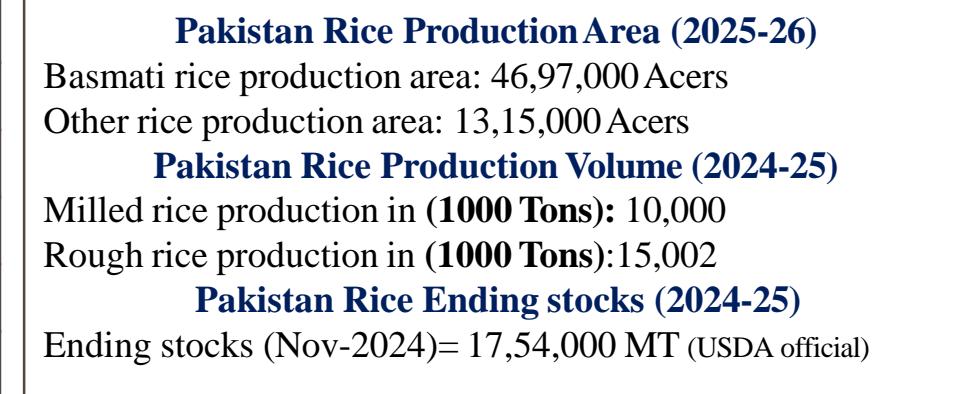
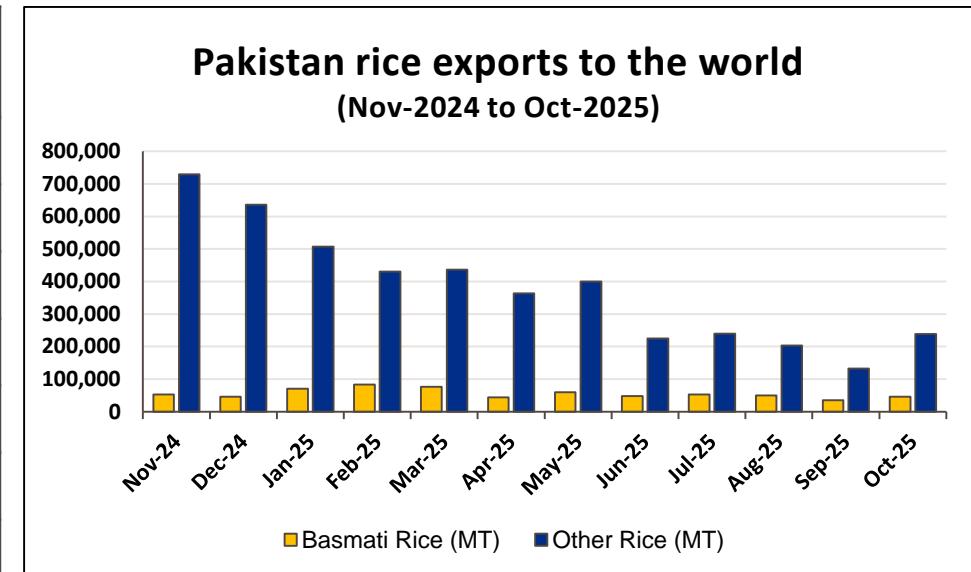
Source: Google Weather  
Weather forecast from 18<sup>th</sup> December and onward.

# 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) \$
Nov-24	52,918	\$54,299	728,964	\$377,072	<b>781,882</b>	<b>\$431,371</b>
Dec-24	46,160	\$47,699	636,055	\$312,085	<b>682,215</b>	<b>\$359,784</b>
Jan-25	70,696	\$77,782	506,845	\$241,270	<b>577,541</b>	<b>\$319,052</b>
Feb-25	83,254	\$88,368	430,828	\$200,595	<b>514,082</b>	<b>\$288,963</b>
Mar-25	75,994	\$77,002	436,683	\$197,333	<b>512,677</b>	<b>\$274,335</b>
Apr-25	43,895	\$45,741	363,434	\$160,555	<b>407,329</b>	<b>\$206,296</b>
May-25	59,077	\$59,226	399,785	\$180,025	<b>458,862</b>	<b>\$239,251</b>
Jun-25	47,516	\$48,635	225,236	\$101,172	<b>272,752</b>	<b>\$149,807</b>
Jul-25	52,339	\$55,760	239,562	\$112,350	<b>291,901</b>	<b>\$168,110</b>
Aug-25	49,240	\$51,534	202,997	\$94,744	<b>252,237</b>	<b>\$146,278</b>
Sep-25	35,093	\$41,094	132,232	\$63,213	<b>167,325</b>	<b>\$104,307</b>
Oct-25	45,725	\$54,038	238,544	\$108,623	<b>284,269</b>	<b>\$162,660</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>661,908</b>	<b>\$701,177.43</b>	<b>4,541,165</b>	<b>\$ 2,149,036.91</b>	<b>5,203,073</b>	<b>\$2,850,214</b>

Source: Pakistan Bureau of statistics



Source: Punjab crop department & USDA

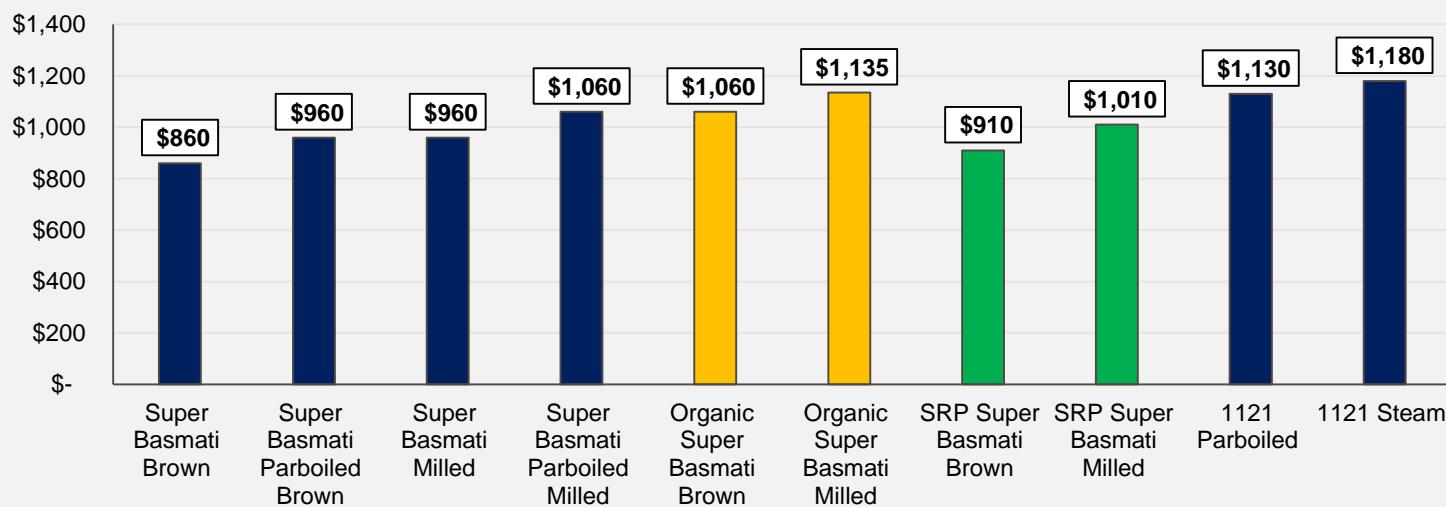
# PAKISTAN RICE PRICES:

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



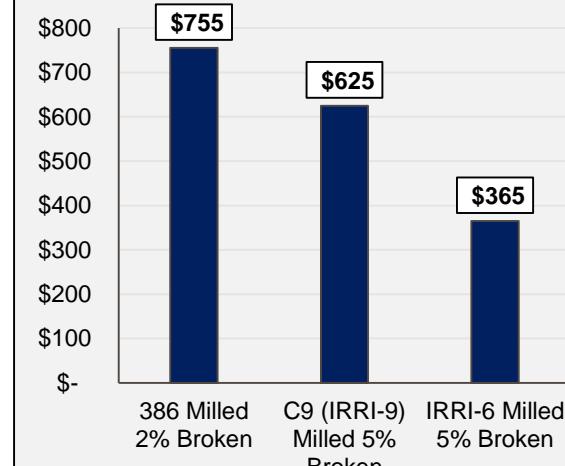
## Pakistan Basmati Rice Export prices

F.O.B Basis per ton 2% Broken (50kg pp bag)



## Pakistan Non- Basmati Rice Export prices

F.O.B Basis per ton (50kg pp bag)



All Rice Prices were updated on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025.

This week, prices for all major rice varieties remained largely stable, with minor fluctuations of \$5–10/ton. **Super Basmati, 1121 Basmati (parboiled and steam), non-Basmati Long Grain - 386, and IRRI-6** white rice all saw only slight movements, reflecting a steady market.

For more details on Pakistan market rice prices Please click here: [Pakistan Rice Market](#)

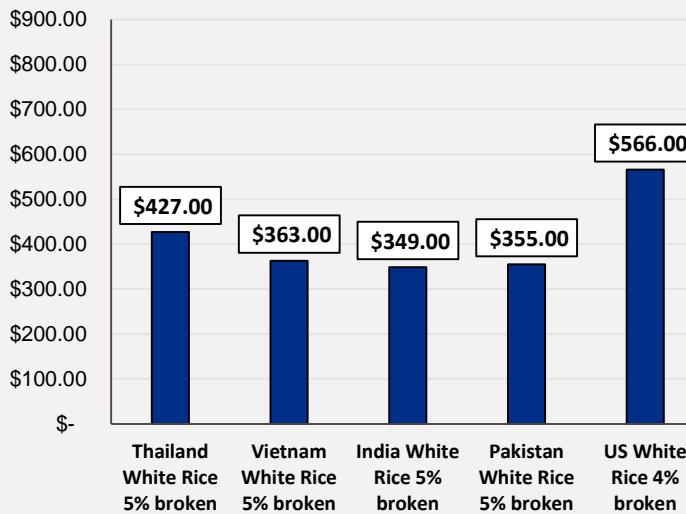
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EXPORT PRICES F.O.B BASIS (PER TON)



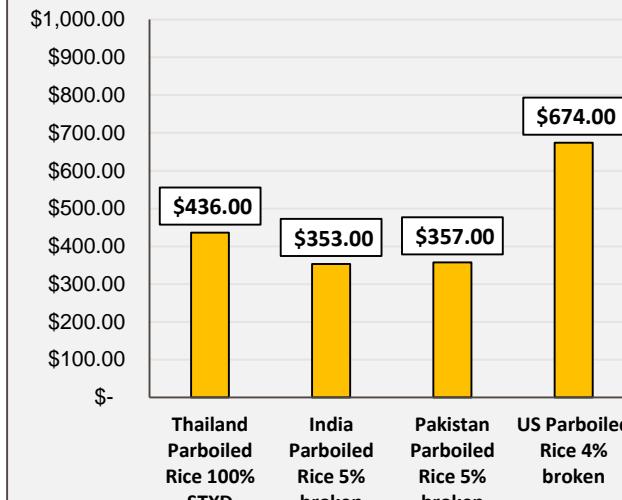
## Global White (Milled) Rice Export Prices

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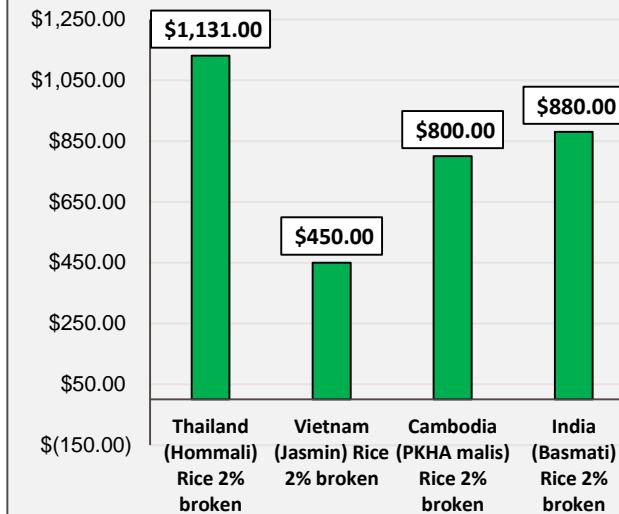
## Global (Parboiled) Rice Export Prices

F.O.B. Based per ton updated on 15-Dec,2025



## Global (Fragrant) Rice Export Prices

F.O.B. Based per ton updated on 15-Dec,2025



All Prices were updated on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025.

- As per the news, **Thailand's 5% broken rice** rose to **\$425/ton** from **\$400** last week, hitting a six-month high due to floods and expected China purchases. **Indian 5% broken parboiled rice** held steady at **\$347–\$354/ton** and **5% broken white rice** at **\$340–\$349/ton**, supported by high paddy prices and rupee depreciation. **Vietnam's 5% broken rice** remained unchanged at **\$365–\$370/ton** amid weak demand.

Source: TREA (Thailand Rice Exporters Association), For more details on global rice prices Please click here: [Global Rice Market](#)

# MAJOR UPDATE THIS WEEK: (17 December 2025)

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## *India says no dumping in premium basmati rice exports to US*

- **Trump Threatens Tariffs on Indian Rice:** Last week, U.S. President Donald Trump again raised the prospect of additional tariffs on Indian rice, accusing India, Thailand, China, and Puerto Rico of “dumping” rice at below-market prices. The president linked these imports to rising costs for U.S. farmers and announced \$12 billion in aid to offset projected losses, partly funded by the tariffs.
- **India Rejects Dumping Allegations:** In response, India firmly denied U.S. claims of dumping, stressing that the majority of its shipments to the U.S. are premium-grade basmati rice. Commerce Secretary Rajesh Agrawal clarified that over 80% of Indian rice exports to the U.S. are basmati, which commands higher prices than non-basmati varieties, and noted that no U.S. anti-dumping investigation has been initiated.
- **Export Performance Remains Strong:** Despite the 50% tariff imposed in August, India’s exports surged 19.4% in November 2025 to \$38.1 billion, including \$7 billion in shipments to the U.S. Exports to China rose 90%, helping narrow the U.S.–India trade deficit from \$41.68 billion to \$24.6 billion.
- **Diplomatic Talks and Policy Support:** A high-level Indian delegation met U.S. Deputy Trade Representative Rick Switzer in Delhi to discuss the rice dispute and broader trade matters, including a potential bilateral trade agreement. Simultaneously, the Indian government is rolling out a Rs 25,060-crore export promotion mission to support exporters and maintain trade momentum.
- **Outlook for the Rice Sector:** India’s rice exports remain resilient despite tariff pressures and trade tensions. The focus on premium basmati rice, market diversification, and government support is helping exporters sustain growth while protecting global competitiveness. Analysts expect Indian rice shipments to the U.S. and other key markets to remain steady in the near term.

Source: Publications & News

# GLOBAL NEWS HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS WEEK:



Thailand's GI-certified rice generated over **8 billion baht** in economic value during January–September 2025, driven by **24 registered varieties** from 31 provinces and **supporting 600,000+ farming households**. Phayao Hom Mali Rice led the segment with **over 6.15 billion baht**, highlighting strong domestic and international demand for **premium GI rice**. [READ MORE](#) (18-Dec)



Afghanistan's rice production increased by 2% to **447,000 metric tons** in **1404**, with cultivation expanding **4.6% to 135,000 hectares** across **18 provinces**. Kunduz led with **41,000 hectares** and, along with Takhar, topped output at **116,000 tons** each, while total national rice demand is estimated at **720,000 metric tons**. [READ MORE](#) (18-Dec)



Philippine rice imports in **2026** are projected to fall below **4 MMT**, estimated at **3.6–3.8 MMT**, backed by expected domestic palay production of **20.3 MMT**. Imports will face a **20% tariff (up from 15%)**, a mid-February arrival deadline, and tighter controls, compared with **record imports of 4.8 MMT in 2024**. [READ MORE](#) (17-Dec)



India's rice exports remained largely stagnant at **\$7.3 billion** during **April–November FY25**, pressured by higher global stocks, strong global harvests, US tariffs, and Iran's deepening economic crisis. Exports fell **30% year-on-year in November 2025** to **\$0.79 billion**, while payment risks and import delays from Iran one of the **largest basmati markets** further weighed on demand despite India's **35 to 40% share of global rice trade**. [READ MORE](#) (17-Dec)



Vietnamese rice prices are falling as the **Philippines**, Vietnam's largest market (**39.8% share**), temporarily halted imports, despite exports of **7.53 million tons** worth **\$3.85 billion** in the first **11 months of 2025**. Export volumes dropped **10.9%**, values **27.4%**, and prices **18.3%** to **\$512/ton**, with a **4 million-ton** Winter–Spring crop adding further pressure. [READ MORE](#) (15-Dec)

# GLOBAL RICE TENDER & TRADE UPDATE:

## Bangladesh Accelerates Rice Imports with Multiple Tenders to Stabilize Domestic Prices:

- The government approved the procurement of **50,000 MT** of **non-basmati parboiled rice** at a cost of **Tk 214.70 crore** and the import of **80,000 MT** of fertiliser from **Saudi Arabia** to ensure food security and stable farm supplies. It also cleared plans to build fertiliser buffer warehouses in Naogaon and Bogura, alongside major infrastructure and road development projects to boost logistics and economic growth. *(16, December 2025)*
- Bangladesh's state grains buyer received its lowest offer of USD **355.77/ton CIF** for **50,000 tons** of Indian non-basmati parboiled rice, submitted by **Pattabhi Agro Foods**. The tender is part of Bangladesh's continued rice imports to stabilize rising domestic prices, with final purchase decisions expected after price validity ends on December 29. Other offers ranged from USD 357.77–366/ton. *(16, December 2025)*
- Bangladesh will import **50,000 tons** of **non-basmati parboiled** rice from India at **Tk42.98/kg (around \$351.49/ton)**, costing a total of **Tk2.15 billion**. The purchase will be made through international competitive bidding, with **Nutriagro Overseas OPC Pvt Ltd** selected as the supplier. The decision was approved by the Cabinet Division, chaired by Finance Adviser **Dr. Salahuddin Ahmed**. *(11, December 2025)*

Source: Publications & News

## **Bangladesh ramps up rice imports with sequential tender awards in November, December**

Awarded Date	Company name	Price (In \$/t)
06-Oct-25	Bagadiya Brothers Pvt Ltd (India)	359.77
15-Oct-25	CredentOne (UAE)	355.99
03-Nov-25	Gurudeo Exports (India)	356.78
06-Nov-25	Agrocorp International Pte Ltd (Singapore)	355.59
13-Nov-25	Aditya Birla Group (UAE)	354.19
20-Nov-25	Agrocorp International Pte Ltd (Singapore)	353.11
01-Dec-25	Nutriagro Overseas OPC PVT LTD (India)	351.49
09-Dec-25	Bagadiya Brothers Pvt Ltd (India)	351.11
15-Dec-25	Pattabhi Agro Foods Private Limited (India)	355.77

Source: BigMint | Note: The volume for each tender is 50,000 MT.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS:

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## 5TH ANNUAL Sustainable Foods 2026

**Date:** January- 28, 2026 to January -29, 2026

**Locations:** Business Design Centre, London



## Gulf Food Fair 2026

**Date:** January- 26, 2026 to January -30, 2026

**Locations:**

- Dubai world trade center
- Dubai expo city

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