## SPECIAL RELEASE

## UPDATES ON PALAY, RICE AND CORN PRICES FOURTH WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 2018

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## A. Farmgate Price of Palay

* After series of increases, farmgate price of palay drops this week

The average farmgate price of palay at $\mathrm{P} 22.93 / \mathrm{kg}$ was lower than its a week ago level by 0.91 percent. On the other hand, it rose by 18.62 percent compared to the previous year's price of P19.33/kg (see Table 1).

B. Farmgate Prices of Yellow and White Corngrains

* Farmgate prices of both yellow and white corngrains decline during the week

The average farmgate price of yellow corngrain at P14.80/kg dropped by 0.34 percent from previous week's level of P14.85/kg. However, its annual rate of increase was slower at 28.81 percent (see Table 2).

> The average farmgate price of white corngrain was pegged at $\mathrm{P} 14.44 / \mathrm{kg}$ during the week. It fell by 0.28 percent from previous week's level of P14.48/kg. Relative to the level a year ago of $\mathrm{P} 14.51 / \mathrm{kg}$, it also went down by 0.48 percent (see Table 2).

## C. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Well Milled Rice (WMR)

* Wholesale trade of well milled rice posts lower price this week while that of retail moves up at faster rate than previous week
- Relative to the previous week's level of P46.06/kg, the average wholesale price of well milled rice at P46.04/kg went down by 0.04 percent. On the contrary, it gained by 17.12 percent from the same period in the previous year (see Table 1).

At the retail trade, the average price of well milled rice at P49.37/kg inched up by 0.41 percent from $P 49.17 / \mathrm{kg}$ in the previous week. Compared to the previous year's price level of $P 42.27 / \mathrm{kg}$, it was likewise, higher by 16.80 percent (see Table 1).


D. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Regular Milled Rice (RMR)

* Lower prices are noted this week for both wholesale and retail trades of regular milled rice
> The average wholesale price of regular milled rice this week at P43.12/kg decreased by 0.51 percent compared to its previous week's level. Reiative to the price in the same period of the previous year, it however, climbed by 21.06 percent (see Table 1).

Quoted at P45.83/kg this week, the average retail price of regular milled rice dropped by 0.07 percent compared to its level a week ago. It posted a lower increment of 20.45 percent from the level a year ago of ' P38.05/kg (see Table 1).

## E. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Corngrain, Yellow

* Wholesale price remains unchanged while that of retail picks up during the week
> The average wholesale price of yellow corngrain remained at P20.86/kg during the week. Compared to the previous year's level of P18.04/kg, it accelerated by 15.63 percent (see Table 2).

Relative to the previous week's level, the average retail price of yellow corngrain at $\mathrm{P} 25.48 / \mathrm{kg}$ rose by 1.27 percent. On an annual basis, it also climbed by 14.57 percent (see Table 2).



## F. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Corngrain, White

* Wholesale price still exhibits upward adjustment while that of retail maintains its previous week's level
> During the week, the average wholesale price of white corngrain at P20.96/kg posted increases of 0.38 percent from a week ago level of P20.88/kg and 10.32 percent from previous year's price of P19.00/kg (see Table 2).

The average retail price of white corngrain stood at its previous week's level of P27.82/kg. On the other hand, its price decreased by 6.39 percent from previous year's level of P29.72/kg (see Table 2).


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