



COMMODITY: POTATO

ASSESSMENT

Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Production	
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (Dec-Feb)	(Tons)	Deficit /Surplus (Tons)
68,571	5,714	17,143	3,259	-65,312
	Currently supply of free	sh potato is arriving from	Khushab, Attock, Sialkot 8	k Gujranwala, etc.

FORECASTING

- Local supply of fresh potato has been commenced, supply will reach its full swing till mid-December, 2025 due to bulk arrival of fresh potato from core areas i.e. Okara, Pakpattan, Kasur and Sahiwal, etc.
- After mid-December, 2025, supply and price of fresh potato will turn to be normal on account of sufficient local production.
- During Ramadan 2025, price of potato are expected to remain on lower side as a result of availability of fresh local crop.

MITIGATIVE STRATEGY

- Monthly consumption requirement of potato for district Sialkot is 5,714 tons and daily requirement is 190 tons. During Ramzan-2025, monthly demand
 will be increased up to 11,428 tons. DC Sialkot with the help of local commission agents should ensure maximum supply of potato from core producing
 districts of potato i.e. Okara, Pakpattan, Kasur and Sahiwal, etc to overcome annual deficit of 65,312 tons and also arrange sufficient stocks to meet
 demand during Ramzan-2025. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Sialkot in this regard.
- **DC Sialkot** through EADA(E&M) & Secretary MC should ensure fair auction process of potato.
- DC Sialkot through Price Control Magistrates should rationalize the gap between notified rates and spot rates.



COMMODITY: ONION

ASSESSMENT

	Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Production	
Annı	ual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (Dec-Feb)	(Tons)	Deficit /Surplus (Tons)
51,29	93	4,274	12,823	2,271	-49,022
		Currently main sup	ply of onion is arriving fr	om Afghanistan, Balochista	an and Sindh.

FORECASTING

- Supply of onion from Sindh has been started, will reach its full swing during 1st week of January, 2024, leading to stable supply & price situation thereafter.
- During Ramadan-2025, supply of onion will be available in bulk from Sindh and some arrival from South Punjab will also be commenced.
- Local production season in Punjab will begin in March, 2025.

MITIGATIVE STRATEGY

- Monthly consumption requirement of onion for district Sialkot is 4,274 tons and daily requirement is 142 tons. During Ramzan-2025, monthly demand
 will be increased up to 6,412 tons. DC Sialkot should ensure future contracts with the help of local commission agents to ensure supply of onion as per
 requirement from major producing districts of Sindh i.e. Jamshoro, Mirpurkhas, Matiari, Sanghar & S.B. Abad to bridge gap between demand & supply
 and meet the requirement of Ramzan-2025. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Sialkot in this regard.
- Deputy Director Agriculture (Extension) Sialkot should enhance local production either by increasing cultivated area further 6,037 acres or promoting intercropping technique as well as vertical expansion (varietal improvement) to overcome deficit of 49,022 tons per annum. Production period of onion in Punjab should also be expanded to cater for consumption requirement.



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DISTRICT : SIALKOT

COMMODITY: TOMATO

ASSESSMENT Consumption Requirement (Tons) Local Production (Tons) Deficit /Surplus (Tons) Annual Monthly Coming 3 months (Dec-Feb) Local Production (Tons) Deficit /Surplus (Tons) 27,536 2,295 6,884 806 -26,730

FORECASTING

- Tomato prices are anticipated to decline after mid-December, 2024 on account of bulk supply from Sindh.
- During Ramzan 2025, Punjab will fulfil its consumption requirement of tomato from Sindh.
- Local production season of tomato in Punjab will commence during April, after Ramzan, 2025.

MITIGATIVE STRATEGY

- Monthly consumption requirement of tomato for district Sialkot is 2,295 tons and daily requirement is 76 tons. During Ramzan-2025, monthly demand
 will be increased up to 3,442 tons. DC Sialkot should ensure future contracts with the help of local commission agents to ensure supply of tomato as per
 requirement from major producing districts of Sindh i.e. Thatta, Badin, Mirpurkhas, Matiari & T.M.Khan to bridge gap between demand & supply and
 meet the requirement of Ramzan-2025. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Sialkot in this regard.
- Deputy Director Agriculture (Extension) Sialkot should enhance local production either by increasing cultivated area further 1,658 acres or promoting
 intercropping technique as well as vertical expansion (varietal improvement) to over come deficit of 26,730 tons per annum. Production period of
 tomato in Punjab should also be expanded to cater for consumption requirement.



COMMODITY: GRAM

ASSESSMENT				
Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Production	
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (Dec-Feb)	(Tons)	Deficit /Surplus (Tons)
7,019	585	1,755	0	-7,019
 Local gram crop is mostly grown in Thal /rainfed areas of Punjab i.e. Bhakkar, Khushab, Jhang, Layyah, etc. As a result of climate change /less rainfalls during production season, local crop is experiencing failure over the last three years, resulting in stress supply situation. 				

FORECASTING

- International prices have significantly declined, resulting in smooth import at low cost, accordingly local price of gram has decreased.
- The consumption requirement during Ramadan-2025 will be met through available stocks and import of gram from other countries.
- Local crop will be available during April, 2025 after the month of Ramzan-2025.

MITIGATIVE STRATEGY

- Monthly consumption requirement of gram for district Sialkot is 585 tons and daily requirement is 19 tons. During Ramzan-2025, monthly demand will
 be increased up to 1170 tons. DC Sialkot with the help of local commission agents/traders should ensure maximum supply of gram through importers
 based in Faisalabad and from core producing districts to overcome annual deficit of 7,019 tons and also arrange sufficient stocks to meet demand during
 Ramzan-2025. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Sialkot in this regard.
- Deputy Director Agriculture (Extension) Sialkot should introduce cultivation of gram in Sialkot along with promotion of intercropping technique.
- DC Sialkot through Price Control Magistrates should control hoarding and over profiteering by the traders.



COMMODITY: MOONG

		ASSESSM	ИЕЛТ		
Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Production		
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (Dec-Feb)	(Tons)	Deficit /Surplus (Tons)	
3,779	315	945	-	-3,779	
 Local moong crop is mostly grown in Thal areas of Punjab i.e. Mianwali, Bhakkar, Kot Adu, D.G. Khan & R.Y.Khan. 					
This year crop affected due to rain fall at the time of harvesting, therefore supply is under stress.					

However, during year 2021-22 record production of 2,49,800 tons was attained, which has been declined to 1,15,630 tons during year 2024-25.

FORECASTING

- As a result of low production, price of moong is exhibiting increasing trend as compared to last year.
- Prices of other pulses are also on higher side, leading to increase in price of moong as a substitute effect.
- Resultantly, prices of moong are likely to remain on higher side during Ramzan-2025.

MITIGATIVE STRATEGY

- Monthly consumption requirement of moong for district Sialkot is 315 tons and daily requirement is 10 tons. During Ramzan-2025, monthly demand will be increased up to 472 tons. DC Sialkot with the help of local commission agents/traders should ensure maximum supply of moong from core producing districts (Mianwali, Bhakkar, Kot Adu, D.G. Khan & R.Y.Khan) as well as through importers based in Faisalabad to overcome annual deficit of 3,779 tons and also arrange sufficient stocks to meet demand during Ramzan-2025. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Sialkot in this regard.
- DC Sialkot should conduct stocks taking exercise regularly and arrange requisite stocks for month of Ramzan, 2025 almost 2 months before its commencement.
- DC Sialkot through Price Control Magistrates should control hoarding and over profiteering by the traders.



COMMODITY: MASH

ASSESSMENT					
Consumption Requirement (Tons)			Local Production		
Annual	Monthly	Coming 3 months (Dec-Feb)	(Tons)	Deficit /Surplus (Tons)	
2,700	225	675	-	-2,700	
 Domestic production of Mash is negligible, therefore 97% of its consumption requirement is met through import. 10 years ago, during 2013-14 local production of Mash in Punjab was recorded 5938 tons, which has been reduced to 680 tons during 2023-24. During year 2013-14, major producing districts of Mash in Punjab were Narowal, Sialkot, Rawalpindi, Chakwal & Jhelum, etc but now production has been limited to only Narowal, Gujrat & Rawalpindi. 					
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FORECASTING

• On account of considerable decrease in international prices, local price of Mash has declined and is expected to further decline in coming days.

• In order to meet the requirement during Ramadan-2025, sufficient stock and smooth import of Mash are imperative.

MITIGATIVE STRATEGY

- Monthly consumption requirement of mash for district Sialkot is 225 tons and daily requirement is 7 tons. During Ramzan-2025, monthly demand will be increased up to 337 tons. DC Sialkot with the help of local commission agents/traders should ensure maximum supply of mash through importers based in Faisalabad to overcome annual deficit of 2,700 tons and also arrange required stock to meet demand during Ramzan-2025. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Sialkot in this regard.
- During year 2013-14, production of Mash was recorded 1379 tons in district Sialkot, which has now turned to be Nil, therefore **Deputy Director Agriculture** (Extension) Sialkot should take necessary measures to revive the local production of Mash in the district along with introduction of high yielding seed varieties.
- DC Sialkot should conduct stock taking exercise regularly and arrange requisite stock for month of Ramzan, 2025 almost 2 months before its commencement. Moreover, hoarding and over profiteering by the traders should also be controlled with the help of Price Control Magistrates.



COMMODITY: MASOOR

ASSESSMENT **Consumption Requirement (Tons)** Local Production **Deficit /Surplus (Tons) Coming 3 months** (Tons) Monthly Annual (Dec-Feb) 3,240 270 810 -3,240 Domestic production of Masoor is negligible, therefore 92% of its consumption requirement is met through import. 10 years ago, during 2013-14 local production of Masoor in Punjab was recorded 4,246 tons, which has been reduced to 573 tons during 2023-24. During year 2013-14, major producing districts of Masoor in Punjab were Rawalpindi, Chakwal, Narowal, Jhelum, Guirat, Jhang, Layyah, Muzaffargarh

& M.B.Din & T.T. Singh but now production has been limited to only Attock, Rawalpindi, Jhelum, etc.

FORECASTING

- Subsequent to decline in international prices, local prices of Masoor are likely to remain stable.
- Sufficient stocks and smooth import of Masoor will be required to meet consumption requirement during Ramzan-2025

MITIGATIVE STRATEGY

- Monthly consumption requirement of masoor for district Sialkot is 270 tons and daily requirement is 9 tons. During Ramzan-2025, monthly demand will be increased up to 405 tons. DC Sialkot with the help of commission agents/traders of Akbari Mandi should ensure maximum supply of masoor through import to overcome annual deficit of 3,240 tons and also arrange required stock to meet demand during Ramzan-2025. EADA (E&M) and Secretary MC will assist DC Sialkot in this regard.
- DC Sialkot should conduct stock taking exercise regularly and arrange requisite stock for month of Ramzan, 2025 almost 2 months before its commencement.
- **DC Sialkot** through Price Control Magistrates should control hoarding and over profiteering by the traders.