Thailand

Grain and Feed

Weekly Rice Price Update

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Report Highlights:
Weekly rice price and trade update.
INDICATIVE PRICES (WEEK ENDING JUL 30):

THAILAND: EXPORT (FOB) PRICES FOR VARIOUS GRADES OF RICE (USD/M.T.)

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SOURCE: AVERAGE ACTUAL PRICES ARE RECEIVED FROM IMPORTERS.

MARKET TONE

EXPORT PRICES FOR MOST GRADES OF RICE DROPPED SLIGHTLY IN ABSENCE OF MAJOR SALES. INTERNATIONAL DEMAND FOR THAI RICE REMAINED WEAK.

IN ORDER TO GET RID OF THE OLD STOCKS OF PADDY, THE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED TO SELL IT TO MILLERS WHO KEEP THE STOCKS. PRICES ARE AT THE CURRENT MARKET LEVEL. IN ADDITION, THE GOVERNMENT ALSO ANNOUNCED TO SELL OLD STOCKS OF MILLED RICE TO EXPORTERS. NO DETAILED CONCLUSIONS ARE AVAILABLE.

THE FOLLOWING ARE REPORTED RICE EXPORTS (AS IS BASIS):

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<th>WEEK ENDING</th>
<th>QUANTITY (MT)</th>
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<td>111,784</td>
<td>120,959</td>
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UNOFFICIAL EXPORTS DURING JUL 22-28 AMOUNTED TO 111,784 TONS, UP 11,696 TONS FROM LAST WEEK BUT DOWN 9,175 TONS FROM THE 4 WEEK MOVING AVERAGE.
AVERAGE OF 120,959 TONS. EXPORTS FOR JAN 1 - JUL 29 TOALED 3,657,060 TONS, COMPARED WITH 3,336,455 TONS DURING THE SAME PERIOD IN 2000.

WEEKLY RICE SALES

PRIVATE REGISTERED RICE SALES WHICH WE WERE ABLE TO TRACK FOR THE PERIOD JUL 2-6, JUL 9-13 AND JUL 16-20 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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<td>300,839</td>
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