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Beans and Pulses Monthly Trade Report - September

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Report Highlights:

Burma exported 89,437 metric tons of beans and pulses in September 2008, an increase of three percent from the same period in 2007.

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Trade

Burma exported 89,437 metric tons (mt) of beans and pulses in September 2008, a three percent increase from the same period last year. Matpe beans accounted for 37 percent of total exports, followed by Toor whole (Pigeon pea) (31 percent) and Mung beans (17 percent). India remained the largest buyer, accounting for 88 percent of total bean and pulse exports. Japan, a regular market for Burmese Butter beans (Lima beans) did not import any Burmese Butter beans in September.

September Beans and Pulses Exports by Destination (MT)						
	Butter	Matpe	Mung	Toor	Other	Total
Australia			13		63	76
Brazil			22			22
China	21					21
Czech. Republic					45	45
Egypt					1574	1574
Germany					659	659
Hong Kong					22	22
India		30723	12568	27847	7774	78912
Japan			887		80	967
Kuwait		36	36	48	96	216
Malaysia		72	47		24	143
Mauritius					72	72
Netherlands			46			46
Pakistan					695	695
Philippines			48		24	72
Portugal					24	24
Singapore		227	174	48	876	1325
Sri Lanka		72	24		240	336
Saudi		144	47	24	240	455
Thailand	20	24	48		215	3077
UAE		239	452	72	209	972
United Kingdom		1270	490		120	1880
Vietnam			596			596
Total	41	32807	15498	28039	13052	89437
Other category includes kidney, bamboo, black eye, sultani, gram, chickpea and brown beans						

Beans and Pulses Exports (mt)	2007	2008
January	68,006	91,596
February	81,386	138,477
March	151,743	288,839
April	233,490	415,895
May	164,326	209,967
June	174,156	211,582
July	141,478	165,710
August	99,245	112,897
September	86,860	89,437
October	96,237	
November	102,226	
December	51,247	
TOTAL	1,450,400	1,724,400
Others not included		
Grand Total	1,450,400	1,724,400

Prices

Export prices for beans and pulses are set by the Price Appraisal Committee that meets monthly:

Matpe (FAQ)	US\$ 630-650
Matpe (SQ)	US\$ 700-720
Butter beans (Lima beans) (FAQ)	US\$ 460-480
Mung beans (FAQ)	US\$ 610-630
Toor Whole red (Pigeon pea)	US\$ 660-690
Toor Whole white/red (Pigeon pea) (FAQ)	US\$ 640-660
Black eye beans (FAQ)	US\$ 500-520

Note: 1) FAQ= Fair Average Quality; SQ= Superior Quality

2) Average exchange rate in September is US \$1= Kyat 1,262

Export prospects

Domestic trading activities for beans and pulses were quiet in September, except for Matpe beans. According to trade sources, about 70,500 mt of Matpe (Raw), 5,200 mt of Matpe (ready cargo), 2,150 mt of Matpe (special quality ready cargo), 3,100 mt of Toor whole (ready cargo), and 5,200 mt of other beans were traded in September at the Bayint Naung wholesale market in Rangoon.

End of Report.