Price Update REACT Meeting

WFP Tajikistan 05 September 2012

Market Price Watch

- WFP's weekly tracking of prices of food staples (wheat flour, oil, onions, etc.) and fuel in country's main five markets.
- Maintained in Tajikistan since 2002, widely shared with UN partners and donors

Contributing factors:

- Demand for staples exceeding supply during Ramadan
- Government monitoring and controlling
 urban markets
- Increase of export prices for wheat in Kazakhstan

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Percent of Increase of Average Retail Food Prices For Selected Commodities in August 2011 and 2012

Market	mutton	beef	Wheat flour 1 st grade Мука 1-го сорта	flour local	•	Vegeta ble oil <i>Раст.</i> масло	Cotton Oil Хлоп масло	Rice puc	Potato Карто фель	Petrol Бензин	Diesel Солярк а
Country -wide	12%	14%	-3%	-7%	-10%	-3%	-8%	13%	39%	-1%	7%
Dushan be (Green market)	20%	25%	-1%	-8%	-11%	-6%	-4%	8%	30%	3%	12%

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Country -wide	55%	52%	25%	15%	37%	47%	40%	22%	91%	46%	49%
Dushan be (Green market)	= 40/	62%	40%	24%	40%	58%	69%	8%	112%	49%	62%

Outlook

• A rise in international grain prices

In July 2012 international prices of wheat rose by 23% compared to June and by 15% compared to July 2011 (FAO, Global Information and Early Warning System).

- Cereals harvest in the country & Kazakhstan, the main exporter of wheat to Tajikistan
- Food imports (from other countries)
- Export duties for fuel by Russia