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Beans and Pulses Monthly Trade Report - January 2004

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Report Highlights:

The beans and pulses market in Burma remains weak, as a result of soft demand from India, the major market for Burma. January's exports were better than one year ago, up 35 percent, but new crop arriving in the market will help to keep prices down.

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Trade

During January, Burma exported 59,450 metric tons (mt) of beans and pulses. Black Matpe comprised 44 percent, Toor Whole (Pigeon pea) 29 percent and Mung bean 22 percent of the total beans and pulses export. India took 81 percent of the total beans and pulses export. January's exports increased 35 percent from January 2003.

Bangladesh - a total of 4,777 mt of beans and pulses exported:

4,455 mt of Black Matpe
322 mt of Mung beans

Dubai - a total of 23 mt of beans and pulses exported:

23 mt of Black Matpe

Egypt - a total of 1,276 mt of beans and pulses exported:

1,276 mt of Black eye beans

India - a total of 47,430 mt of beans and pulses exported:

46 mt of Bamboo beans
207 mt of Black Eye beans
18,000 mt of Black Matpe
115 mt of Chickpeas
12,152 mt of Mung beans
16,818 mt of Toor Whole (Pigeon pea)
92 mt of Kidney beans

Italy - a total of 115 mt of beans and pulses exported:

115 mt of Black Matpe

Indonesia - a total of 230 mt of beans and pulses exported:

230 mt of Mung beans

Japan - a total of 579 mt of beans and pulses exported:

100 mt of Bamboo beans
60 mt of Black
399 mt of Butter beans (Lima beans)
20 mt of Toor Whole (Pigeon pea)

Malaysia - a total of 110 mt of beans and pulses exported:

110 mt of Black Matpe

Pakistan - a total of 3,229 mt of beans and pulses exported:

620 mt of Black eye beans
2,272 mt of Black Matpe
337 mt of Mung beans

Philippines - a total of 115 mt of beans and pulses exported:

115 mt of Bamboo beans

Spain - a total of 44 mt of beans and pulses exported:

44 mt of Black eye bean

Sri Lanka - a total of 507 mt of beans and pulses exported:

461 mt of Black Matpe
46 mt of Chick peas

Singapore - a total of 241 mt of beans and pulses exported:

67 mt of Bamboo beans
 11 mt of Black eye beans
 153 mt of Black Matpe
 10 mt of Brown beans

Thailand - a total of 774 mt of beans and pulses exported:

595 mt of Matpe
 179 mt of Cow pea

Beans and Pulses Exports (mt)	2003	2004
January	43,885	59,450
February	65,471	
March	70,011	
April	88,772	
May	51,591	
June	100,893	
July	107,520	
August	87,198	
September	100,575	
October	99,008	
November	36,638	
December	38,493	
TOTAL	890,055	59,450
GRAND TOTAL	890,055	59,450

Prices

The export prices set for beans and pulses by the Price Appraisal Committee that met in January 2004 are: FAQ= Fair Average Quality SQ= Super Quality

Matpe (FAQ) US\$ 215-190

Matpe (SQ) US\$ 290-230

Mung beans (FAQ) US\$ 400-260

Butter beans (Lima beans) (FAQ) US\$ 350-230

Toor Whole (Pigeon pea) (FAQ) US\$ 295-240

Market Situation

Prices remain depressed in the domestic market as the new crop comes into the market. Trading was also depressed due to soft demand from India. It was also learned that the beans and pulses market was also very weak in India, and has been since the Deepawali festival in October 2003. The state of the Indian market is the primary factor determining demand for Burma's beans and pulses.

End of Report.