



## WEEKLY UPDATE ON ASEAN PLUS THREE RICE SITUATIONS

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### Indonesia

**Indonesia will export rice to the three pacific countries, including Fiji, Samoa, and Vanuatu, with 1 USD per kilogram.** The Minister of Agriculture reaffirms that it will not affect the stock of rice in Indonesia which until now is available at 1.7 to 1.8 million tonnes. Nevertheless, the government has not explained more details about the amount of rice export and the date of trading.

**Source:** Loop Pacific. (2017, Aug 10). *Indonesia to export rice to Vanuatu.* Loop Vanuatu.

**Source:** YTS News. (2017, Aug 10). *INDONESIA TO SELL RICE 100VT PER KILO.*

### Philippines

**National Food Authority (NFA) has opened to private traders the importation of up to 805,200 tonnes of 25 percent broken well-milled rice or any special rice variety under the minimum access volume (MAV) scheme.** Private

traders could import 293,100 tonnes each from Thailand and Vietnam, 50,000 tonnes each from China, India and Pakistan, 15,000 tonnes from Australia, 4,000 tonnes from El Salvador, and 50,000 tonnes from any country. The first phase of the arrival of rice imports will start on December 20, 2017 to February 28, 2018, while the second phase will start on June 1 to August 31, 2018.

**Source:** Simeon, L. (2017, Aug 10). *Rice imports under MAV opened to private traders.* The Philippine Star.

### Viet Nam

**Viet Nam expected to earn 2.3 - 2.5 billion USD annually from rice exports during the 2021 - 2030 period, according to the Development Strategy for Rice Export Markets in 2017 - 2020 and Vision to 2030.** The strategy includes two phases. The first phase, from 2017-2020, targets annual rice export volumes of 4.5 - 5 million tonnes, with the rice export structure of Japonica 30 percent, sticky rice 20 percent, white rice 20 percent, and other rice 5 percent, which is worth 2.2 - 2.3 billion USD annually. The second phase, from 2021 - 2030, targets annual rice export volumes of 4 million tonnes, with the rice export structure of Japonica 40 percent, sticky rice 25 percent, white rice 25 percent, and other rice more than 10 percent, which is worth 2.3 - 2.5 billion USD annually. Besides, this strategy also puts special emphasis on exports to the Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia, China, Japan, and South Korea.

**Source:** VietNamNet. (2017, Aug 9). *Annual rice exports to be \$2.5bn by 2030.*

## **Republic of Korea**

***Republic of Korea bought a total of 77,222 tonnes of non-glutinous rice for arrival between September and November via tenders that closed on August 4, 2017.*** The state-run agency purchased brown short rice of 32,222 tonnes from China, while another 15,000 tonnes was from Vietnam. For 10,000 tonnes of brown medium rice and 20,000 tonnes of brown long rice, the government purchased from Australia and Thailand, respectively.

**Source:** Reuters. (2017, Aug 10). *S.Korea buys 77,222 T of rice for Sept-Nov arrival.* The Times of India.

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