



WEEKLY UPDATE ON ASEAN PLUS THREE RICE SITUATIONS

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Cambodia

176,581 tonnes of Cambodia's milled rice are exported in the first quarter of 2023.

According to the Cambodia Rice Federation (CRF), Cambodia exported 176,581 tonnes of milled rice in the first three months of 2023, up 3.5 percent from 170,539 tonnes in the same period last year. China remained the top buyer of Cambodia's milled rice, purchasing 84,773 tonnes or 48 percent of Cambodia's total milled rice export in the first quarter. CRF has set the full-year milled rice export target for the country at 750,000 tonnes in 2023 and 1 million tonnes in 2025.

Source: Khmer Times. (2023, Apr 25). *Cambodia's milled rice export up 3.5 pct in Q1*

Thailand

Thailand's rice exports rise 18.48 percent from January to March 2023.

According to the Ministry of Commerce, Thailand's rice exports surged 18.48 percent year-on-year to 2.06 million tonnes in the first quarter of 2023 due to the increased demand from Asian and African markets. The country earned 1.11 billion USD in revenue from rice shipments in the first three months of 2023, up 29.3 percent from 2022. Iraq was the top importer of Thai rice, accounting for 16.4 percent of the total exports, followed by

Indonesia, the United States of America and South Africa. Moreover, Thai rice production is expected to rise this year due to a sufficient water supply for cultivation.

Source: Xinhua. (2023, Apr 24). *Thailand's rice exports up 18.5 pct in Q1.*

Viet Nam

Vietnamese rice exports increase in volume and value in the first three months of 2023.

According to the General Department of Vietnam Customs, Viet Nam exported 1.85 million tonnes of rice worth 981.4 million USD from January to March 2023, up 23.4 percent in volume and 34.3 percent in value year-on-year. The Philippines spent more than 450 million USD importing some 900,000 tonnes of Vietnamese rice in the first quarter of 2023, and more orders are expected to be placed in the time ahead. The country was the biggest importer of Vietnamese rice during that period, making 48.2 percent in volume and 45.9 percent in value, followed by China, Indonesia, Malaysia and Ghana. The average export rice prices were estimated at 531 USD per tonne, up 9.2 percent year-on-year, the highest in the past decade.

Source: VietnamPlus. (2023, Apr 24). *Vietnam's rice exports surge on supply crunch.*

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