



WEEKLY UPDATE ON ASEAN PLUS THREE RICE SITUATIONS

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Indonesia

Indonesia will reprocess 29.99 tonnes of rice to improve quality before distributing it to the community.

The National Food Agency (Bapanas) announced that the government will reprocess 29,990 tons of deteriorated rice to improve its quality before distributing it to the public. The deteriorated rice comprises around 3 thousand tons of locally-produced rice and 26.89 thousand tons of imported rice. Director of Food Vigilance at Bapanas noted that state-run logistics firm Bulog needs to regularly test the quality of government rice reserves to ensure the rice distributed to the community is safe for consumption.

Source: ANTARA News. (2025, October 6). *Govt to reprocess 29.99 thousand tons of rice to improve quality.*

Thailand

Thailand's rice price has declined to the lowest value since November 2016.

Thailand's 5 percent broken rice was quoted at 345 USD per tonne, marking the lowest since November 2016, down from the 350 USD quoted last week. Orders for Thai rice are typically small in quantity and come from regular buyers. According to the Bangkok-based trader, rice supply had been ample due to the ongoing harvest towards the tail end of the rainy season in October 2025.

Source: Brecorder. (2025, October 3). *Thai rice prices hover near 9-year lows.*

Viet Nam

Viet Nam's rice price remains stable.

According to the Vietnam Food Association, due to weak global demands, Viet Nam's 5 percent broken rice price was quoted at 440 – 465 USD per tonne.

Source: Brecorder. (2025, October 3). *Thai rice prices hover near 9-year lows.*

Japan

Average rice prices in Japan declined for the 2nd week.

According to the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF), the average rice price in 1,000 supermarkets across Japan declined 35 yen from the previous week to 4,211 yen per 5 kilogrammes, marking the two consecutive weeks of declining rice prices. The decline was impacted by the government's extension of the deadline for selling relatively cheap rice released from the stockpile beyond the end of August. Furthermore, the country's rice production in 2025 is expected to grow by 560,000 tonnes from 2024.

Source: Nippon.com. (2025, October 3). *Japan Average Rice Price Falls for 2nd Straight Week.*

Republic of Korea

Korea's rice output is projected to fall for the fourth consecutive year in 2025.

According to the data compiled by the Ministry of Data and Statistics, total rice output is projected to fall 0.3 percent from a year earlier to 3.57 million tonnes, marking the second-lowest level on record after 2020's 3.51 million tonnes. The country's rice paddies are estimated to be at a record low of 678,000 hectares, a decrease of 2.9 percent from 2024, marking the smallest area since records began in 1975. Despite the decline in overall rice production, the output per 100 square meter is expected to increase by 2.7 percent to 527 kilogrammes.

Source: The Korea Times. (2025, October 2). *Korea's rice production projected to fall for 4th year in 2025: data.*

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