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REVIEW ON RETAIL PRICES OF ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES

OCTOBER- 2022

INTRODUCTION

This bulletin reflects the average retail prices of essential commodities for the month of October 2022. A mixed trend has been seen in the retail prices under report when compared with that of the last months as well as the corresponding month of previous year. Statement showing the monthly average retail prices of essential commodities for the month of October of the previous year 2021, previous month September 2022 and current month of October 2022 along with the percentage of variation over the previous month and the corresponding month of the previous year are included in this report. GroupWise analysis has been made with reference to the current month, the previous month and the corresponding month of the previous year with suitable pictorial representation.

1. RICE

Comparison of State Average Retail Prices of different varieties of Rice

During the month an increasing trend continued in the state average retail price of Rice varieties when compared with the prices of the previous month as well as the corresponding month of the previous year.

The State average retail prices of Red Matta, Red Chamba and White Andhra Vella increased by 5.63%, 10.55% and 6.54 % respectively.

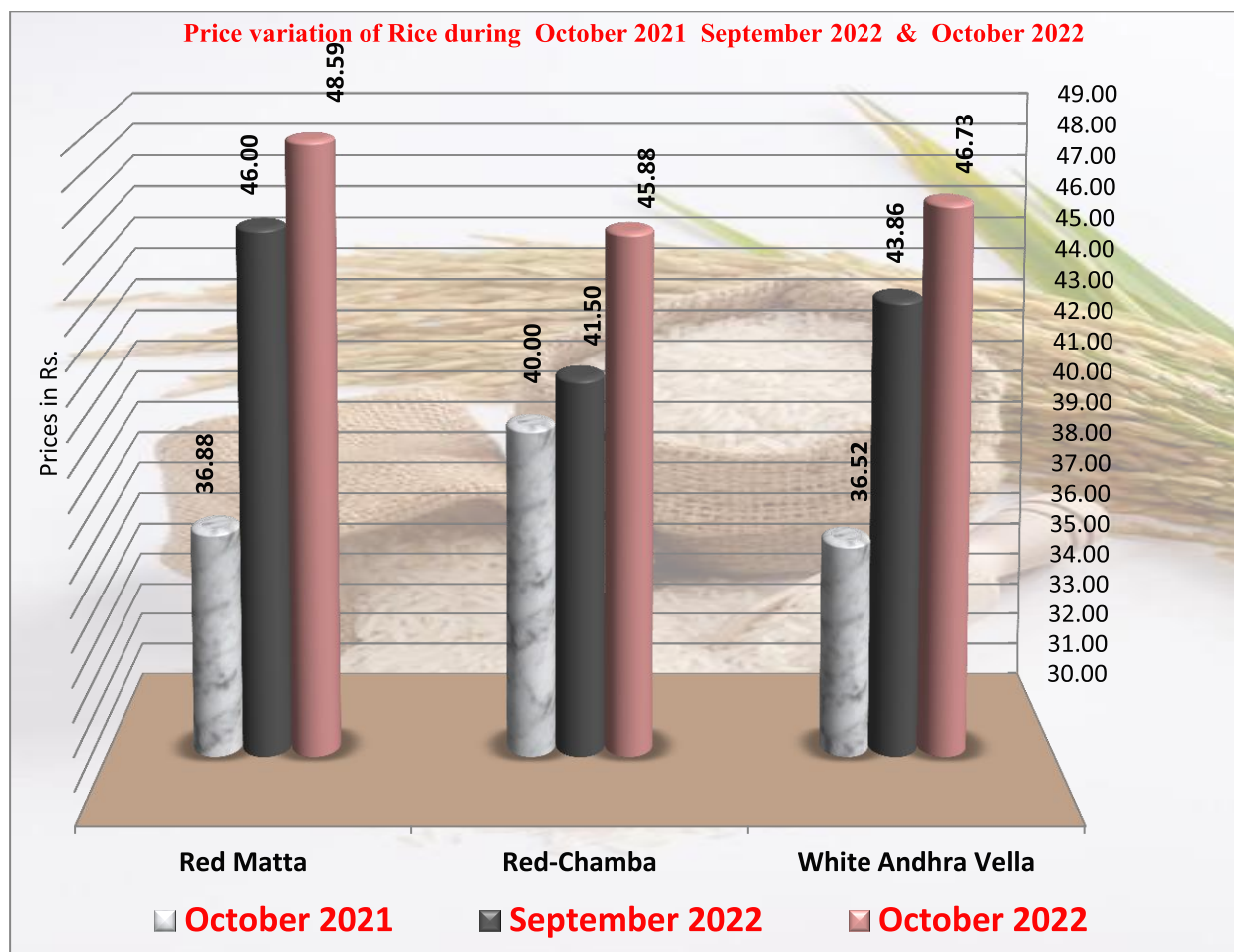
When compared with the prices of the corresponding month of the previous year, the state average retail prices of Red Matta, Red Chamba and White Andhra Vella increased by 31.75%, 14.70% and 27.96% respectively.

The following table and diagram represent the prices and percentage of variation over month and year of Rice.

Table-1

Sl.No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on			Percentage Variation	
			October 2021	September 2022	October 2022	Over month	Over year
1	Red - Matta	Kg	36.88	46.00	48.59	5.63	31.75
2	Red - Chamba	Kg	40.00	41.50	45.88	10.55	14.70
3	White – Andhra Vella	Kg	36.52	43.86	46.73	6.54	27.96

Graph-1



2. PULSES

Comparison of State Average Retail Prices of Pulses.

During the month a mixed trend was observed in the state average retail price of Pulses when compared with the prices of the previous month, while an increasing trend was observed when compared with the prices of the corresponding month of the previous year.

When compared with the prices of previous month, only a marginal variations was seen in the state average retail price of Pulses. The prices of Green gram, Green gram dhal and Blackgram split without husk decreased marginally while all other items in this group noticed below 2% increase.

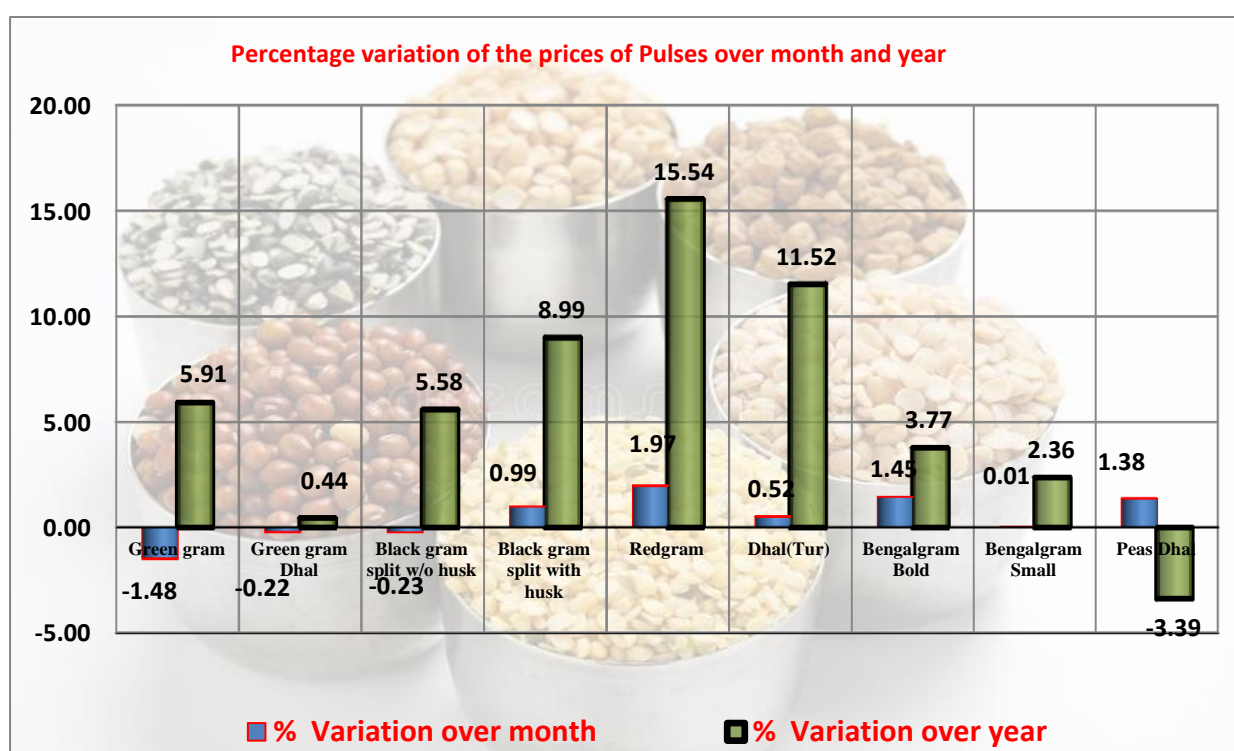
When compared with the prices of the corresponding month of the previous year the state average retail price of pulses showed an increasing trend except the prices of Peas dhal. Notable increase was seen in the price of Red gram (15.54%), Dhal (Tur (11.52%), Blackgram Split with husk (8.99%), while the prices of Peas dhal decreased by 3.39%.

The following table and diagram represent the prices and percentage of variation over month and year of pulses.

Table-2

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on			Percentage Of Variation	
			October 2021	September 2022	October 2022	Over month	Over year
1	Green gram	Kg	106.51	114.50	112.80	-1.48	5.91
2	Green gram dhal	Kg	117.20	117.97	117.71	-0.22	0.44
3	Black gram split without husk	Kg	120.86	127.90	127.60	-0.23	5.58
4	Black gram split with husk	Kg	114.60	123.68	124.90	0.99	8.99
5	Redgram	Kg	85.00	96.31	98.21	1.97	15.54
6	Dhal(Tur)	Kg	113.59	126.03	126.68	0.52	11.52
7	Bengalgram Bold	Kg	85.77	87.73	89.00	1.45	3.77
8	Bengalgram Small	Kg	76.62	78.42	78.43	0.01	2.36
9	Peas Dhal	Kg	85.31	81.30	82.42	1.38	-3.39

Graph – 2



3. OTHER FOOD ITEMS

Comparison of State Average Retail Prices of Other Food Items.

During the month an increasing trend was observed in the state average retail price of Other Food Items when compared with the prices of the previous month as well as the corresponding month of the previous year.

The State average retail price of all items in this group showed an increasing trend except the prices of Sugar(OM). All other items in this group showed only a marginal increase when compared with the prices of the previous month.

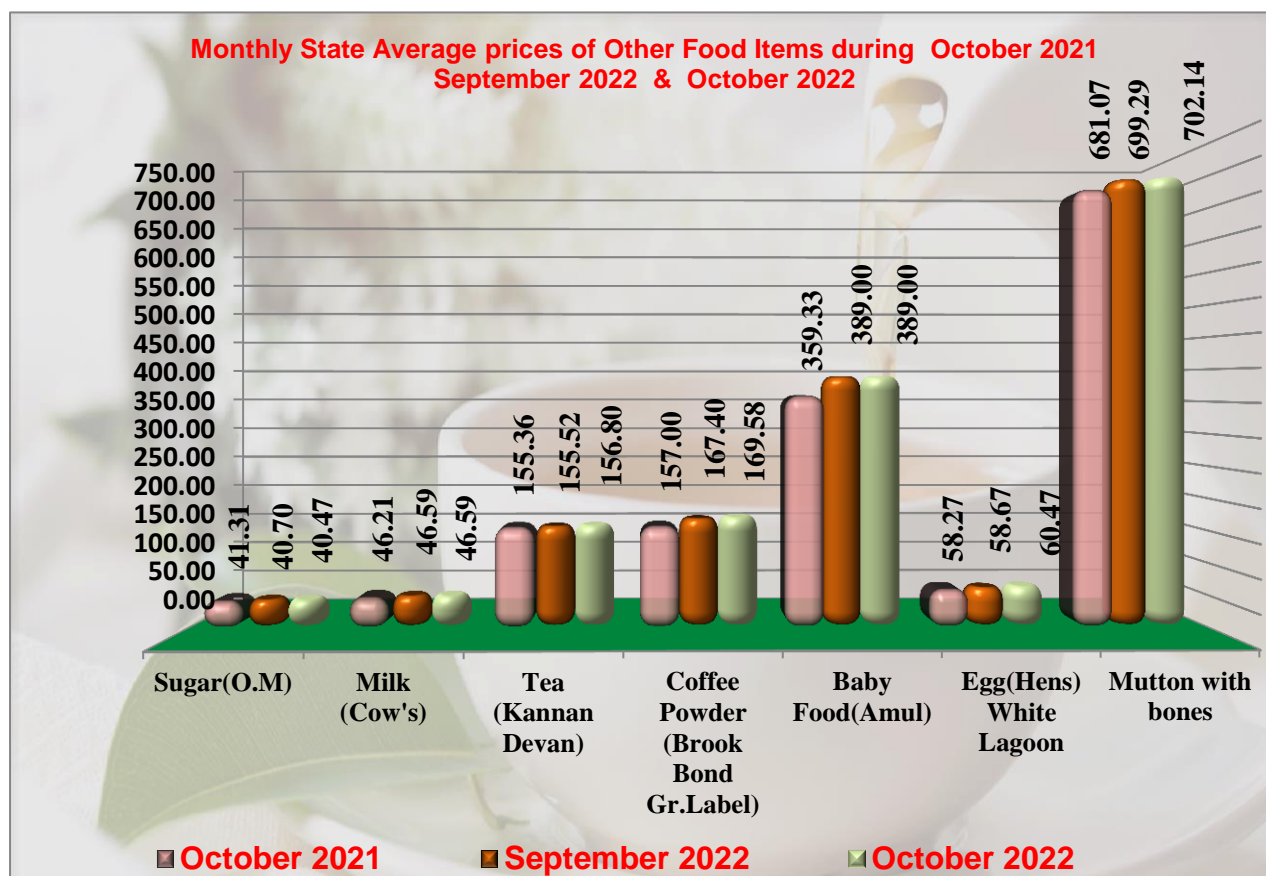
When compared with the prices of the corresponding month of the previous year the state average retail price of Other Food Items showed an increasing trend except the prices of Sugar(OM). Notable increase was seen in the price of Baby food (Amul) (8.26 %) and Coffee powder (Brook Bond Gr.Label) (8.01 %).

The following table and diagram represent the prices and percentage of variation over month and year of other food items.

Table-3

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on			Percentage Of Variation	
			October 2021	September 2022	October 2022	Over month	Over year
1	Sugar (O.M)	Kg.	41.31	40.70	40.47	-0.57	-2.03
2	Milk (Cow's)	Ltr.	46.21	46.59	46.59	0.00	0.82
3	Tea (Kannan Devan)	500gms	155.36	155.52	156.80	0.82	0.93
4	Coffee Powder (Brook Bond Gr.Label)	500gms	157.00	167.40	169.58	1.30	8.01
5	Baby Food (Amul)	Kg	359.33	389.00	389.00	0.00	8.26
6	Egg(Hens) White Lagoon	Dozen	58.27	58.67	60.47	3.07	3.78
7	Mutton with bones	Kg	681.07	699.29	702.14	0.41	3.09

Graph-3



4. OIL AND OILSEEDS

Comparison of state average Retail prices of Oil and oilseeds.

During the month a mixed trend was observed in the state average retail price of Oil and Oil seeds when compared with the prices of the previous month as well as the corresponding month of the previous year.

When compared with the prices of previous month, a slight increase was seen in the price of Coconut. The State average retail prices of Coconut Oil decreased by 3.34 % all other items in this group showed only a marginal variations.

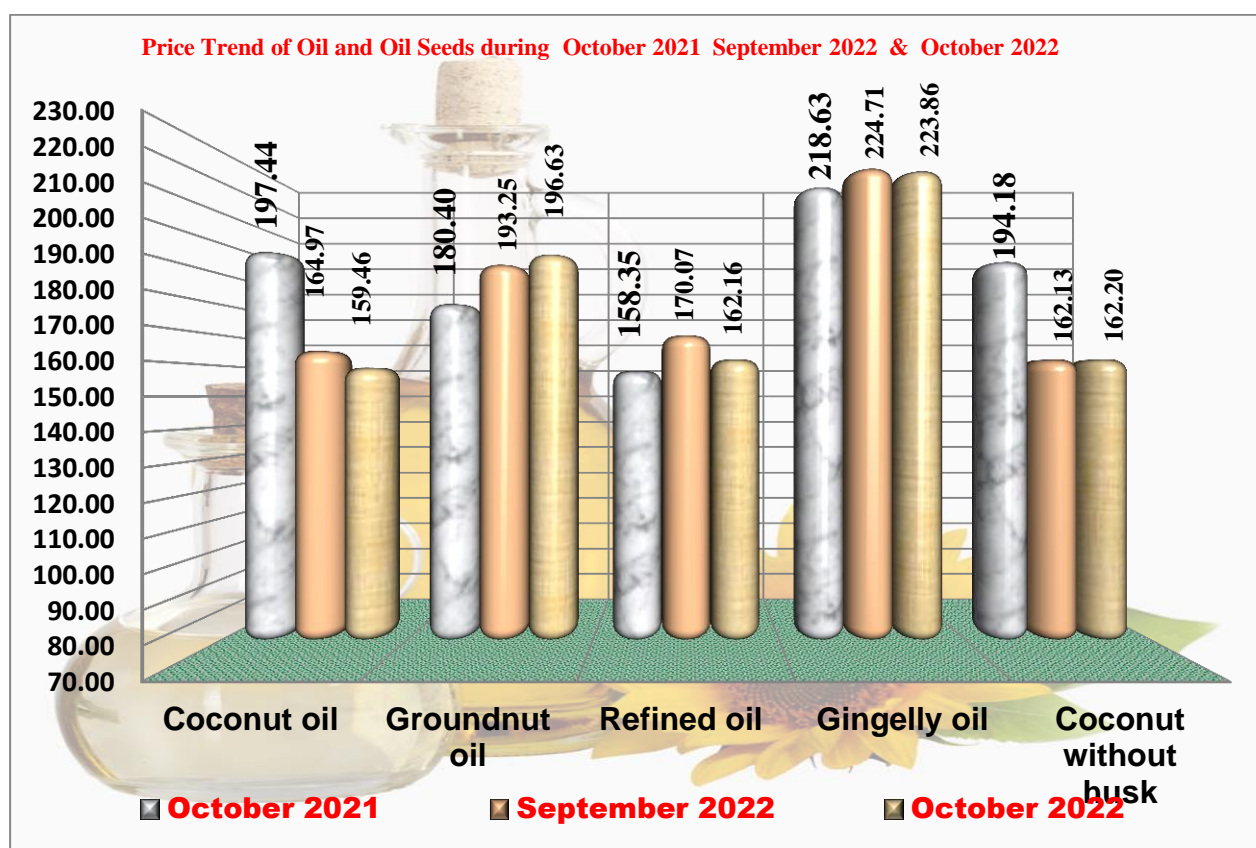
When compared with the prices of the corresponding month of the previous year the state average retail price of Oil and Oilseeds showed the mixed trend. Notable increase was seen in the price of Groundnut Oil (9 %) while notable decrease was seen in the price of Coconut Oil (19.24 %) and Coconut without husk (16.47 %).

The following table and diagram represents the prices and percentage of variation over month and year of Oil and oilseeds.

Table-4

Sl. No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on			Percentage Of Variation	
			October 2021	September 2022	October 2022	Over month	Over year
1	Coconut Oil	Ltr.	197.44	164.97	159.46	-3.34	-19.24
2	Groundnut Oil	Ltr.	180.40	193.25	196.63	1.75	9.00
3	Refined Oil	Ltr.	158.35	170.07	162.16	-4.65	2.41
4	Gingelly Oil	Ltr.	218.63	224.71	223.86	-0.38	2.39
5	Coconut without husk	10 nos	194.18	162.13	162.20	0.04	-16.47

Graph-4



5. SPICES AND CONDIMENTS

Comparison of state Average Retail prices of Spices and Condiments:

During the month mixed trend was observed in the State average retail price of spices and Condiments when compared with the price of the previous month as well as the corresponding month of the previous year.

The state average retail price of Spices and Condiments showed a mixed trend when compared with the price of the previous month. Notable increase was seen in the price of Onion Small (37.01 %), the prices of Garlic decreased by 5.02%. while all the remaining items showed marginal variations.

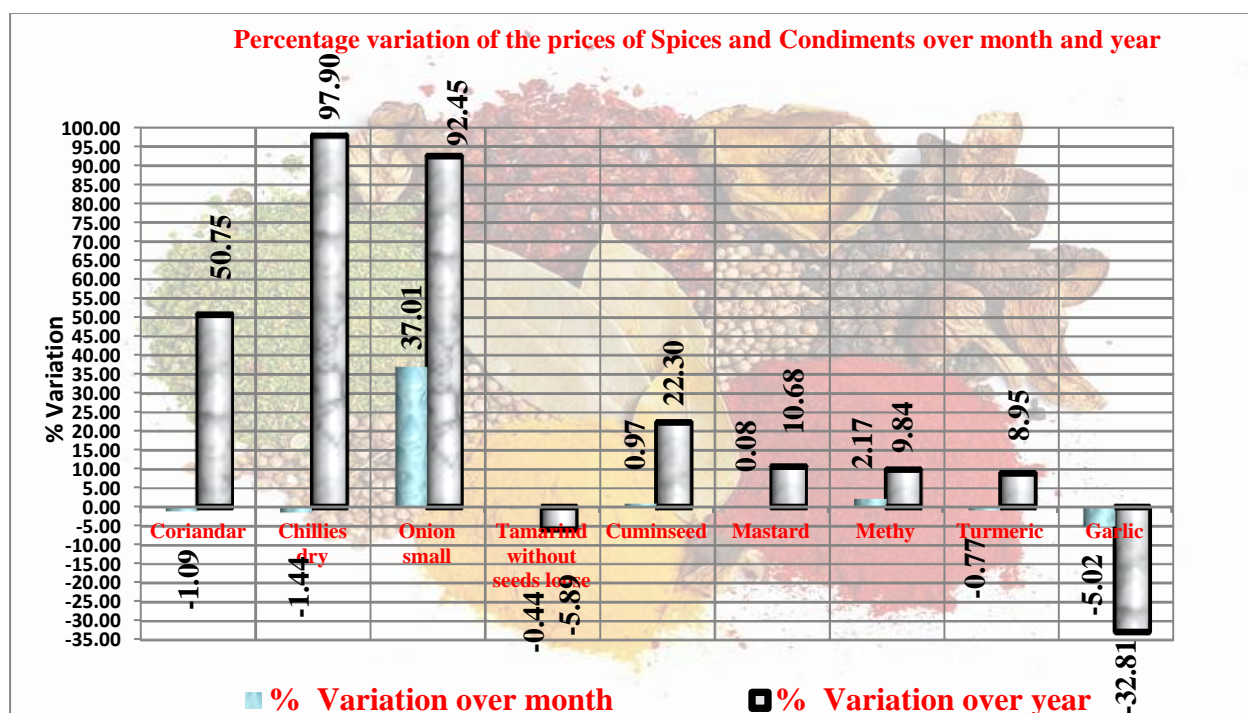
When compared with the prices of the corresponding month of the previous year, the state average retail price of Spices and Condiments showed an increasing trend except the prices of Garlic and Tamarind without Seeds Loose. Notable increase was seen in the price of Chillies dry (97.90 %), Onion small (92.45%), Coriander (50.75%), Cuminseed (22.30 %) and Mustard (10.68 %) while notable decrease was seen in the price of Garlic (32.81%) .

The following table and diagram represents the prices and percentage of variation over month and year of Spices and Condiments.

Table-5

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on			Percentage of Variation	
			October 2021	September 2022	October 2022	Over previous month	Over previous Year
1	Coriander	Kg.	107.84	164.36	162.57	-1.09	50.75
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	157.44	316.13	311.57	-1.44	97.90
3	Onion small	Kg.	44.26	62.17	85.18	37.01	92.45
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	155.14	146.64	146.00	-0.44	-5.89
5	Cuminseed	100gm	29.01	35.14	35.48	0.97	22.30
6	Mustard	100gm	11.61	12.84	12.85	0.08	10.68
7	Methy	100gm	11.99	12.89	13.17	2.17	9.84
8	Turmeric	100gm	19.00	20.86	20.70	-0.77	8.95
9	Garlic	100gm	12.10	8.56	8.13	-5.02	-32.81

Graph 5



6. TUBERS

Comparison of State Average Retail Prices of Tubers

During the month mixed trend was observed in the state average retail price of Tubers when compared with the prices of the previous month while an increasing trend was noticed in the corresponding month of the previous year.

When compared with the price of the previous month, the state average retail price of Tubers showed a decreasing trend except the price of Potato. All Items in this group showed only a marginal variations of below 3%. There has been a slight decrease in the price of Tapioca Raw during the month.

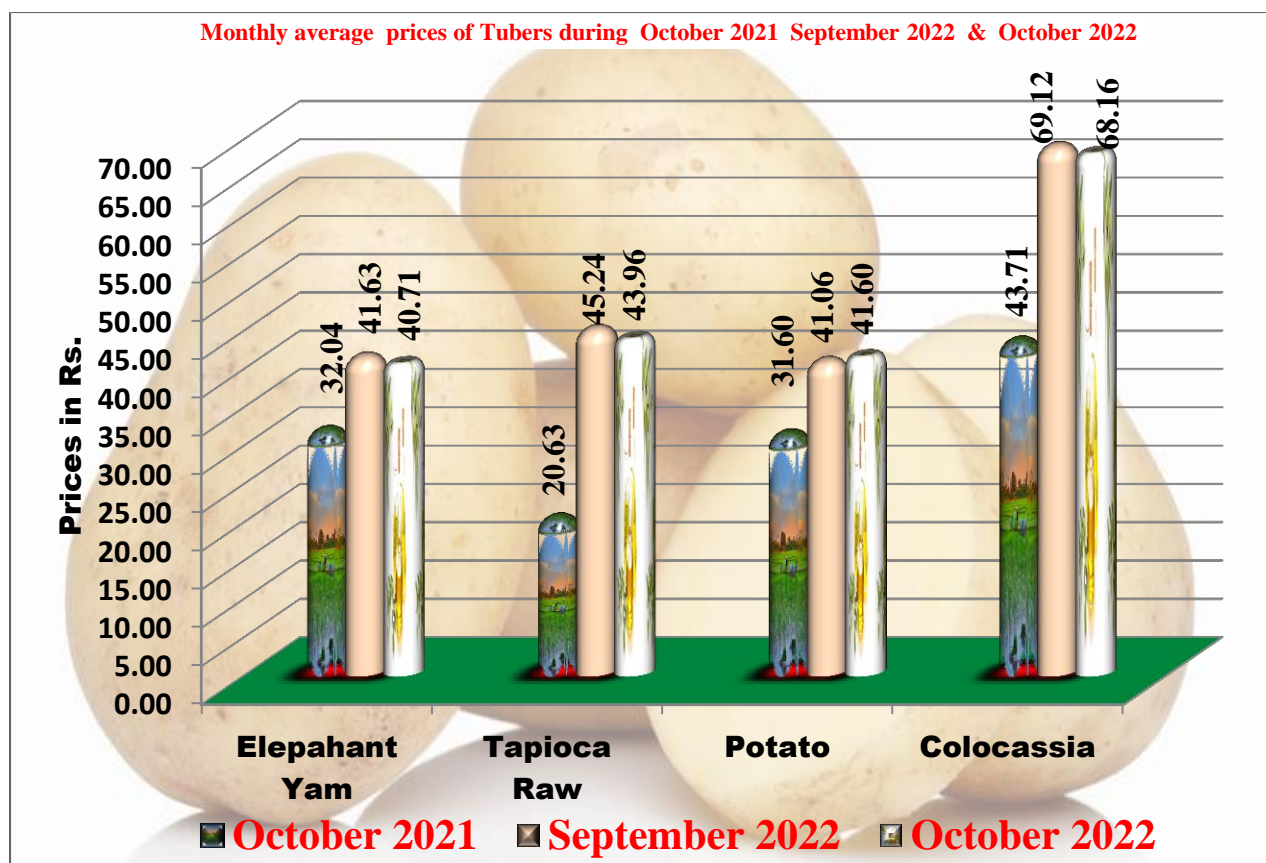
Increasing trend was observed in the retail prices of Tubers when compared with the prices of the corresponding month of the previous year. During this period the prices of all items increased significantly. The price of Tapioca Raw have more than doubled from last year (113.09 %). The prices of Colocasia (55.94 %), Potato (31.65 %) and Elephant Yam (27.06 %) increased significantly.

The following table and diagram represent the prices and percentage of variation over month and year of Tubers.

Table-6

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on			Percentage of Variation	
			October 2021	September 2022	October 2022	Over previous month	Over previous Year
1	Elephant Yam	Kg.	32.04	41.63	40.71	-2.21	27.06
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg.	20.63	45.24	43.96	-2.83	113.09
3	Potato	Kg.	31.60	41.06	41.60	1.32	31.65
4	Colocasia	Kg.	43.71	69.12	68.16	-1.39	55.94

Graph 6



7. VEGETABLES

Comparison of state average Retail prices of Vegetables.

During the month mixed trend was observed in the State average retail price of vegetables when compared with the prices of the previous month as well as the corresponding month of the previous year.

When compared with the prices of the previous month, the state average retail prices of Vegetables showed mixed trend. Notable increase was seen in the price of Onion Big (23.17 %), while notable decrease was seen in the prices of Snake gourd (18.44 %) Ladies finer (13.10 %) and Banana green (10.47%).

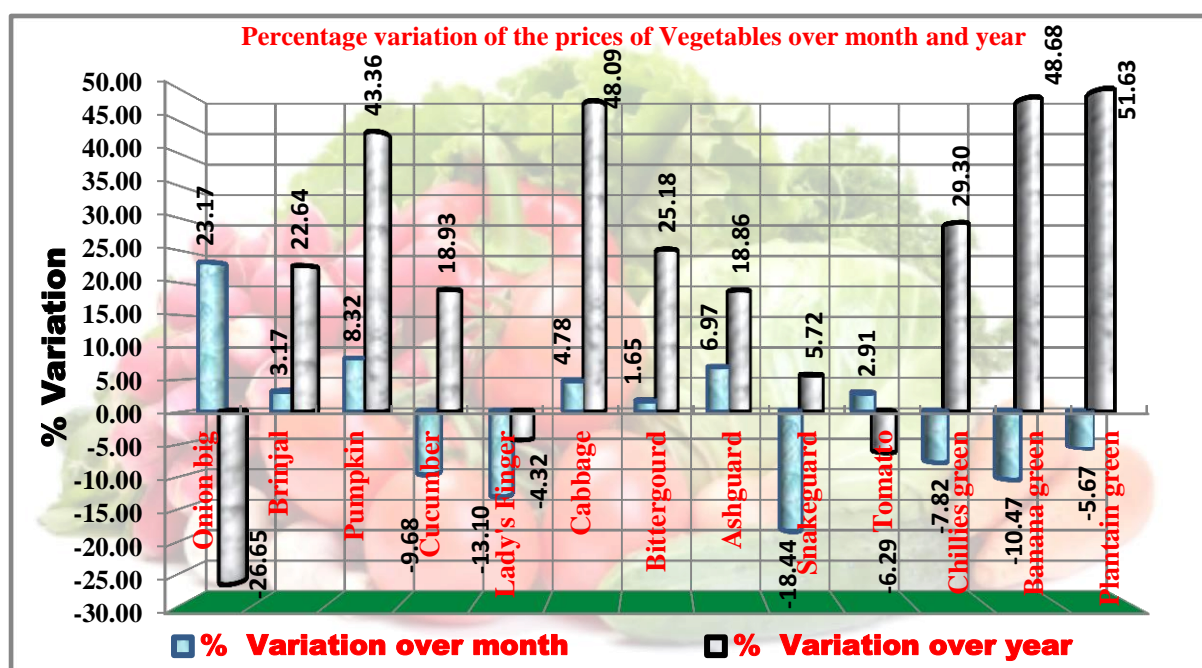
When compared with the prices of the corresponding month of the previous year, the state average retail price of vegetables showed an increasing trend except the price of Onion Big, Tomato and Ladies finger. Notable increase was seen in the price of Plantain green (51.63 %), Banana green (48.68%), Cabbage (48.09%), Pumpkin (43.36 %), Chillies green (29.30 %), Bitter gourd (25.18 %), Brinjal (22.64 %), while the price of Onion big decreased by 26.65 %.

The following table and diagram represent the prices and percentage of variation over month and year of Vegetables.

Table-7

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on			Percentage Of Variation	
			October 2021	September 2022	October 2022	Over previous month	Over previous Year
1	Onion big	Kg.	42.33	25.21	31.05	23.17	-26.65
2	Brinjal	Kg.	35.33	42.00	43.33	3.17	22.64
3	Pumpkin	Kg.	22.07	29.21	31.64	8.32	43.36
4	Cucumber	Kg.	27.84	36.66	33.11	-9.68	18.93
5	Lady's Finger	Kg.	41.20	45.36	39.42	-13.10	-4.32
6	Cabbage	Kg.	29.01	41.00	42.96	4.78	48.09
7	Bitter gourd	Kg.	51.19	63.04	64.08	1.65	25.18
8	Ash gourd	Kg.	23.76	26.40	28.24	6.97	18.86
9	Snake gourd	Kg.	37.06	48.04	39.18	-18.44	5.72
10	Tomato	Kg.	47.23	43.01	44.26	2.91	-6.29
11	Chillies green	100gm	5.29	7.42	6.84	-7.82	29.30
12	Banana green	Kg.	37.16	61.71	55.25	-10.47	48.68
13	Plantain green	Kg.	30.74	49.41	46.61	-5.67	51.63

Graph-7



8. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Comparison of state Average Retail prices of miscellaneous items

During the month mixed trend was observed in the state average retail price of this group when compared with the prices of the previous month while an increasing trend was observed in the corresponding month of the previous year.

When compared with the prices of the previous month, only a marginal variations was noticed except the price of Cement-Sankar (Ord. Paper Bag), that increased by 6.39%.

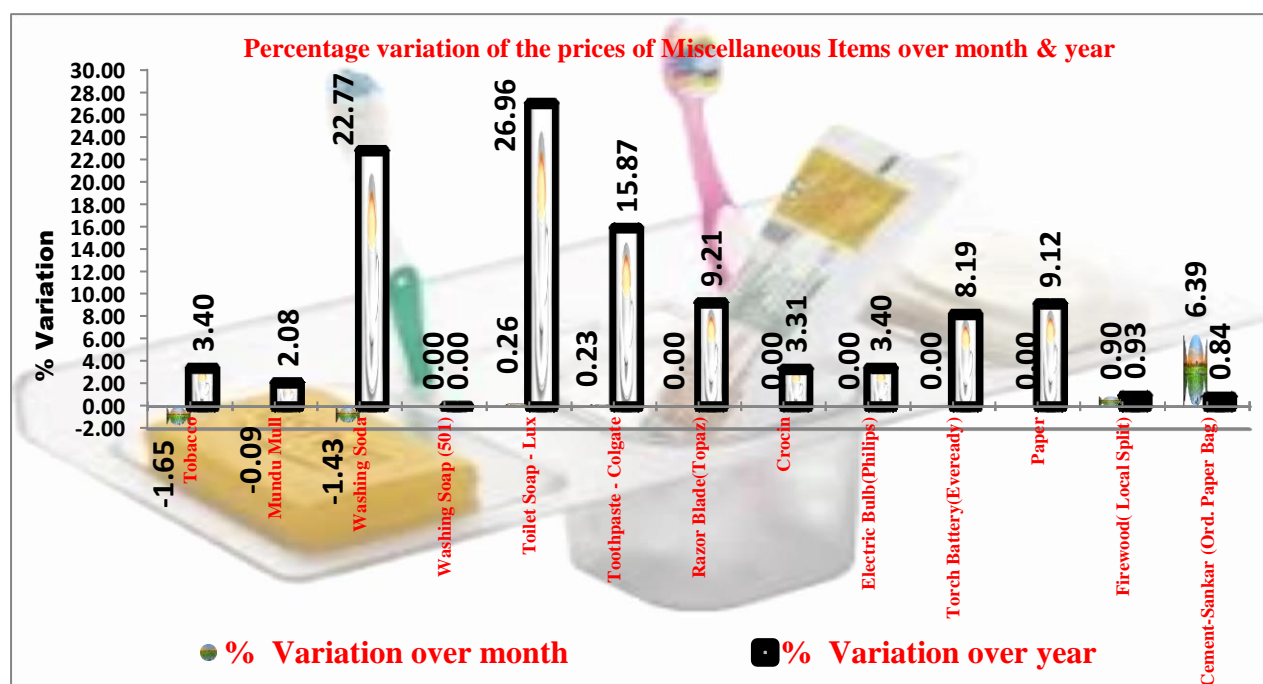
When compared with the prices of the corresponding month of the previous year the state average retail price of this group showed an increasing trend. Notable increase was seen in the price of Toilet Soap –Lux (26.96 %), Washing soda (22.77 %), Toothpaste –Colgate (15.87 %), Razor blade (9.21 %) Paper (9.12 %) and Torch Battery (Eveready) (8.19 %).

The following table and diagram represents the prices and percentage of variation over month and year of miscellaneous items.

Table-8

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on			Percentage Of Variation	
			October 2021	September 2022	October 2022	Over previous month	Over previous Year
1	Tobacco	Kg.	210.43	221.25	217.59	-1.65	3.40
2	Mundu Mull	Each	134.70	137.63	137.50	-0.09	2.08
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	51.69	64.38	63.46	-1.43	22.77
4	Washing Soap (501)	1/2 Bar	-	-	-		
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	27.37	34.66	34.75	0.26	26.96
6	Toothpaste - Colgate	100 gm	53.23	61.54	61.68	0.23	15.87
7	Razor Blade(Topaz)	5 nos	9.77	10.67	10.67	0.00	9.21
8	Crocin	2 tabs	2.72	2.81	2.81	0.00	3.31
9	Electric Bulb(Philips)	40W	14.43	14.92	14.92	0.00	3.40
10	Torch Battery (Eveready)	Each	24.65	26.67	26.67	0.00	8.19
11	Paper	24Sheet	18.65	20.35	20.35	0.00	9.12
12	Firewood(Local Split)	Quintal	508.60	508.75	513.33	0.90	0.93
13	Cement - Sankar (Ord.Paper Bag)	Packet	451.63	428.06	455.42	6.39	0.84

Graph 8



ANNEXURE

Statement Showing The State Average Retail Prices Of Essential Commodities							
for The month of October 2022							
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on			Percentage of Variation	
			October 2021	September 2022	October 2022	Over month	Over year
(1)	(2)	(3)				(7)	(8)
	A. RICE - Open Market						
1	Red - Matta	Kg	36.88	46.00	48.59	5.63	31.75
2	Red - Chamba	Kg	40.00	41.50	45.88	10.55	14.70
3	White - AndhraVella	Kg	36.52	43.86	46.73	6.54	27.96
	B. PULSES						
1	Green gram	Kg	106.51	114.50	112.80	-1.48	5.91
2	Green gram dhal	Kg	117.20	117.97	117.71	-0.22	0.44
3	Black gram split without husk	Kg	120.86	127.90	127.60	-0.23	5.58
4	Black gram split with husk	Kg	114.60	123.68	124.90	0.99	8.99
5	Red gram	Kg	85.00	96.31	98.21	1.97	15.54
6	Dhal(Tur)	Kg	113.59	126.03	126.68	0.52	11.52
7	Bengalgram Bold	Kg	85.77	87.73	89.00	1.45	3.77
8	Bengalgram Small	Kg	76.62	78.42	78.43	0.01	2.36
9	Peas Dhal	Kg	85.31	81.30	82.42	1.38	-3.39
	C. OTHER FOOD ITEMS						
1	Sugar (O.M)	Kg.	41.31	40.70	40.47	-0.57	-2.03
2	Milk (Cow's)	Ltr.	46.21	46.59	46.59	0.00	0.82
3	Tea (Kannan Devan)	500gms	155.36	155.52	156.80	0.82	0.93
4	Coffee Powder (Brook Bond Gr.Label)	500gms	157.00	167.40	169.58	1.30	8.01
5	Baby Food(Amul)	Kg	359.33	389.00	389.00	0.00	8.26
6	Egg(Hens) White Lagoon	Dozen	58.27	58.67	60.47	3.07	3.78
7	Mutton with bones	Kg	681.07	699.29	702.14	0.41	3.09
	D. OIL AND OIL SEEDS						
1	Coconut Oil	Ltr.	197.44	164.97	159.46	-3.34	-19.24
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	E. SPICES AND CONDIMENTS						
1	Coriander	Kg.	107.84	164.36	162.57	-1.09	50.75
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	157.44	316.13	311.57	-1.44	97.90
3	Onion small	Kg.	44.26	62.17	85.18	37.01	92.45
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	155.14	146.64	146.00	-0.44	-5.89
5	Cuminseed	100gm	29.01	35.14	35.48	0.97	22.30
6	Mustard	100gm	11.61	12.84	12.85	0.08	10.68
7	Methy	100gm	11.99	12.89	13.17	2.17	9.84
8	Turmeric	100gm	19.00	20.86	20.70	-0.77	8.95
9	Garlic	100gm	12.10	8.56	8.13	-5.02	-32.81

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	F. TUBERS						
1	Elephant Yam	Kg.	32.04	41.63	40.71	-2.21	27.06
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg.	20.63	45.24	43.96	-2.83	113.09
3	Potato	Kg.	31.60	41.06	41.60	1.32	31.65
4	Colocasia	Kg.	43.71	69.12	68.16	-1.39	55.94
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3	Pumpkin	Kg.	22.07	29.21	31.64	8.32	43.36
4	Cucumber	Kg.	27.84	36.66	33.11	-9.68	18.93
5	Lady's Finger	Kg.	41.20	45.36	39.42	-13.10	-4.32
6	Cabbage	Kg	29.01	41.00	42.96	4.78	48.09
7	Bitter gourd	Kg.	51.19	63.04	64.08	1.65	25.18
8	Ash gourd	Kg.	23.76	26.40	28.24	6.97	18.86
9	Snake gourd	Kg.	37.06	48.04	39.18	-18.44	5.72
10	Tomato	Kg.	47.23	43.01	44.26	2.91	-6.29
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1	Tobacco	Kg.	210.43	221.25	217.59	-1.65	3.40
2	Mundu Mull	Each	134.70	137.63	137.50	-0.09	2.08
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	51.69	64.38	63.46	-1.43	22.77
4	Washing Soap (501)	1/2 Bar	-	-	-		
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	27.37	34.66	34.75	0.26	26.96
6	Tooth paste - Colgate	100 gm	53.23	61.54	61.68	0.23	15.87
7	Razor Blade (Topaz)	5 Nos	9.77	10.67	10.67	0.00	9.21
8	Crocin	2 tabs	2.72	2.81	2.81	0.00	3.31
9	Electric Bulb (Philips)	40W	14.43	14.92	14.92	0.00	3.40
10	Torch Battery (Eveready)	Each	24.65	26.67	26.67	0.00	8.19
11	Paper	24 Sheets	18.65	20.35	20.35	0.00	9.12
12	Firewood (Local Split)	Quintal	508.60	508.75	513.33	0.90	0.93
13	Cement - Sankar (Ord.Paper Bag)	Packet	451.63	428.06	455.42	6.39	0.84