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Report Highlights:

Burma exported 155,490 metric tons (MT) of beans and pulses in June, an increase of two percent from the same period in 2011. Of this total, 63 percent went to India or 97,784 MT, followed by China with 13 percent or 20,213 MT, and Singapore nine percent or 14,345 MT. Year-to-date exports for 2012 are 856,013 MT, 33 percent greater than last year's 645,915 MT.

General Information:
Trade

Burma's beans and pulses exports in June, 2012 totaled 155,490 MT, up two percent from 151,929 MT in June 2011. Matpe (black gram) accounted for 38 percent of the total exports, followed by Toor whole 35 percent and Mung bean at 18 percent. Year-to-date exports for 2012 are 856,013 MT, 33 percent greater than last year over the same period. India and China were the largest buyers accounting for 97,984 MT or 63 percent of total exports, and 20,213 MT or 13 percent of total exports, respectively.

Table 1. Beans and Pulses Exports by Types and Destination in June, 2012 (MT)

Country	Butter	Matpe	Mung	Toor Whole	Other	Total
India	312	45,336	528	45,779	5,829	97,784
China	349	1,704	16,841	1,107	212	20,213
Singapore	312	5,622	3,240	4,337	834	14,345
UAE	72	1,877	516	1,781	23	4,269
Japan	1,806	932	228	360	390	3,716
Indonesia	48	623	2,449	384	192	3,696
Vietnam		893	2,004		510	3,407
Malaysia	96	1,245	1,143	45	311	2,840
Thailand	98	708	467	602	245	2,120
Philippines			624		75	699
Mexico		301		120	0	421
Ivory Coast					411	411
Korea					388	388
Saudi Arabia		240			0	240
Sweden		144			24	168
Pakistan					144	144
Ireland				123	0	123
Switzerland					120	120
Iraq		120			0	120
Israel		74			0	74
Kuwait			50		0	50
Egypt					48	48
Hong Kong			48		0	48
Poland			46		0	46
Total	3,093	59,819	28,184	54,638	9,756	155,490

Other category includes kidney, bamboo, black eye, sultani, gram, chickpea and brown beans

Table 2. Monthly Export of Pulses and Beans for 2012 (MT).

Months	2011		2012	
	Monthly	Cumulative Total	Monthly	Cumulative Total
January	81,145	81,145	92,621	92,621
February	87,418	168,563	141,008	233,629
March	87,129	255,692	158,944	392,573
April	81,307	336,999	98,910	491,483
May	156,987	493,986	209,040	700,523
June	151,929	645,915	155,490	856,013
July	198,514	844,429		
August	152,261	996,690		
September	153,963	1,150,653		
October	70,941	1,221,594		
November	64,104	1,285,698		
December	72,855	1,358,553		
Total	1,358,553		856,013	

Export prospects

June 2012 exports increased two percent as compared to the same month last year due to strong demand from India. Year –to-date exports for June 2012 are 856,013 MT, 33 percent greater than last year’s 645,915 MT for the same period. Production continues to increase as farmers have shifted their cultivation preference to beans and pulses from rice during the summer season, due to higher returns. It is expected that total production this year will be 4.7 MMT a 6 percent increase from 2011. During the first six months of 2012, total exports have reached 0.85 million MT, Post expect annual exports for 2012 to reach 1.5 million MT, provided the Burmese Kyat exchange rate does not deteriorate significantly. END REPORT