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Report Highlights:

BM3004. Burma exported 82,257 metric tons (MT) of beans and pulses in June, down 47 percent from the same period in 2012. 70 percent of total exports (57,406 MT) were exported to India. Interestingly, 185 MT of beans and pulses were exported to the United States.

Exports

Burma's bean and pulse exports in June 2013 totaled 82,257 metric tons (MT), down 47 percent from the same period in 2012. Matpe beans (black gram) accounted for 55 percent of total exports followed by Toor Whole with 28 percent and Mung beans with 6 percent respectively. By destination, India accounted for 70 percent of total exports, followed by Pakistan (7 percent). Interestingly, 185 MT of beans and pulses were exported to the United States in June.

Table 1: Bean and Pulse Exports by Types and Destination in May 2013 (MT)

	Butter	Matpe	Mung	Toor Whole	Others	Total
U.S.A.		20	20		145	185
Australia			48	48	48	144
Bangladesh		3,501			360	3,861
Belgium					136	136
Canada		24	24	120	22	190
China			48			48
Egypt					432	432
Germany					47	47
India		32,431	1,109	22,462	1,404	57,406
Indonesia		48	1,018			1,066
Japan	2,087	523	521		185	3,316
Korea	84				142	226
Malaysia		72	144	261	71	548
Netherland					23	23
New Zealand				6	42	48
Nepal				120		120
Oman				25		25
Pakistan	5,392				264	5,656
Philippines					74	74
Qatar				50	24	74
Russia	48		21		72	141
Singapore		312	144	24	72	552
Sri Lanka		311	24		45	380
Thailand		871	240		61	1,172
Taiwan			264			264
UAE		1,617	72	24	382	2,095
United Kingdom		44	116		472	632
Vietnam		312	1,338		1,722	3,372
Others					24	24
Total	7,611	40,086	5,151	23,140	6,269	82,257

Table 2: Monthly Export of Beans and Pulses (MT)

Month	2012	2013
January	92,621	105,240
February	141,008	107,369
March	158,944	124,895
April	98,910	84,278
May	209,040	85,802
June	155,490	82,257
July	267,010	
August	71,098	
September	79,215	
October	110,498	
November	80,369	
December	122,068	
Total	1,586,271	589,841

Market situation

Domestic prices for beans and pulses fell in June due to weak demand from India. Demand from India decreased due mainly to favorable weather conditions affecting its own crop production, depreciation of the Indian currency against the U.S dollar, and the implementation of a new government policy requiring Indian importers to pay a 2 percent sales tax. A sharp decline in exports to India has resulted in a significant drop in overall exports in the first 6 months (January-June) to 589,841 MT from 856,013 MT compared to the same period in 2012.

End of report.