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POULTRY SECTOR SEEKS GOVERNMENT INCENTIVES

The Sarhad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SCCI) has underscored the pressing need for proactive measures to propel the growth of poultry farming and resolve the associated challenges within this vital sector. Senior Vice President Sannaullah Khan, speaking as the chief guest at the Pak International Poultry Expo 2024, passionately advocated for government intervention to address the sector's issues.

Khan, speaking on behalf of SCCI, pledged unwavering support in championing the concerns of the poultry farming community, promising to actively engage in finding equitable solutions.

He extended a cordial invitation to poultry farmers and industry stakeholders to participate in the upcoming SCCI Investment Conference, slated for mid-May.

The expo witnessed the presence of notable figures such as KP Minister for Agriculture Maj (R) Sajjad Barkwal, Secretary Livestock Dr Ambar Ali Khan, Principal Veterinary Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Dr Syed Masoom Ali, and Poultry Association President Raj Wali, alongside a significant turnout from the poultry farming community.

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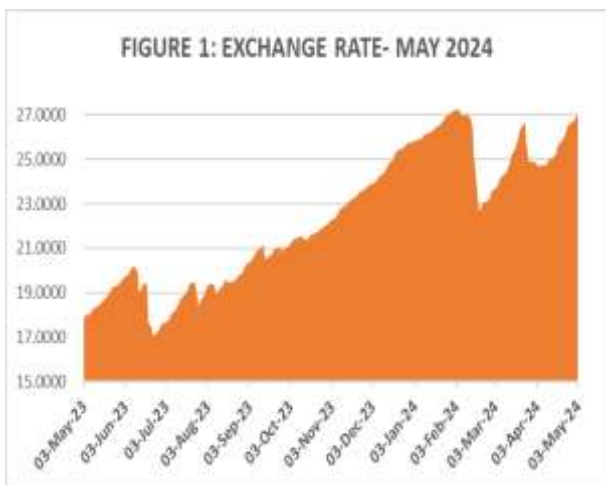
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KWACHA ENDS THE WEEK AT ZMK27.25

Zambia – a hydroelectric-dependent country – has had erratic rainfall. The country has suffered power shortages because of a searing drought as levels in the Kariba dam – which provides much of the nation’s electricity – drop. On top of that, Zambia’s local currency, the kwacha, has recently tumbled against the US dollar. Many businesses cannot absorb such unplanned costs. Kwacha closed the week on zmk27.25 against the dollar.



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DOC BROILER PRICE STABLE

PRICE FOR POINT OF LAY STABLE

The prices of broiler day-old chicks remained stable during the week. The lowest chick on the market is trading at ZMK14 and the highest is now selling ZMK17 per day old chicks, depending on location and supplier. There were no movements on the prices of pullets on the market which are averaging ZMK20 per day old pullet. The price for DoC SASSOL and Kuroilers is trading at ZMK 14 per DOC. The price for the improved free-range such as Black Austropop's, Bushvelds, Kuroilers are selling between ZMK 15 to ZMK35 depending on the age. The graph captures the national average price trend for the day-old broiler chicks. For the pullets, most of the bookings are open for April and May 2024 depending on the volumes and source.

The prices for the Point of Lay remained stable during the course of the week. The average price is now averaging ZMK150, with the lowest being ZMK145 per bird for bulk consignments and the highest being ZMK155 per bird for small volumes depending on the supplier and location. The bookings for March and April 2024 are available.

For beginners who are interested in getting battery cages, cage prices range between ZMK6500 to ZMK7500 depending on the capacity and also the sources of the cages. The second-hand refurbished cage price range between ZMK4800 to ZMK 5,500 depending on the quality, capacity, age and source. Quails' cages, Rabbit Cages as well as first hand layers cages are all available on the market with different prices depending on the source and location.

Check Figure 2 for the price trend, courtesy of PAZ

WHOLE DRESSED CHICKEN PRICES REMAINED STABLE

The prices for the frozen chicken remained stable during the course of the week. The average price for the whole frozen chicken in Lusaka traded at about ZMK 63 per kg same price as obtained last week. The lowest price in some chainstores is still trading at ZMK62.99per kg (promotion) while the highest is trading at ZMK68. per kg. The chicken sizes are ranging between 1.1kg to 2.4kg in different stores.

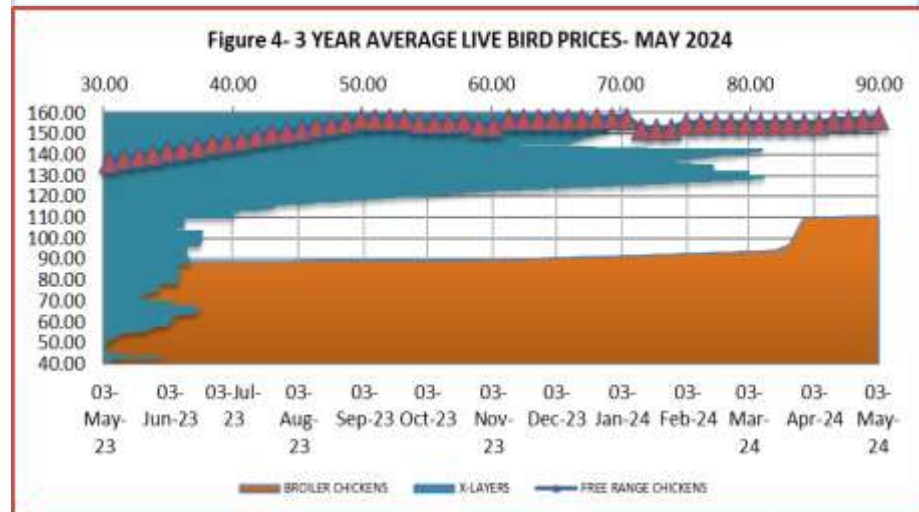


Please note that the prices are obtained from Pick n Pay, Shoprite, Zambeef, Melisa Supermarket, Chopies, and Cheers Stores, Country Choice and Supreme. Different outlets have different pricing models hence the figures displayed is the average price for all the sampled chain stores. It should also be noted that these are Lusaka prices only. For the price trend, check figure3 courtesy of PAZ



LIVE CHICKEN PRICES POSTS SOME MOVEMENTS

The national average prices for the live broiler chickens posted some movements in the open markets during the course of the week. However, there were no movements on prices for the x-layers as well as the free-range chickens. The national live broiler bird prices averaged ZMK108 with the lowest price being Lusaka posting ZMK 90.35 per Live Chicken and the highest being ZMK120. The x-layers have also averaged ZMK 62.22 per bird, while the free-range price is averaging ZMK 140. The demand for broiler chicken continues to be on the rise as the market and consumption is now developing. Check figure 4 on the next page, courtesy of PAZ.

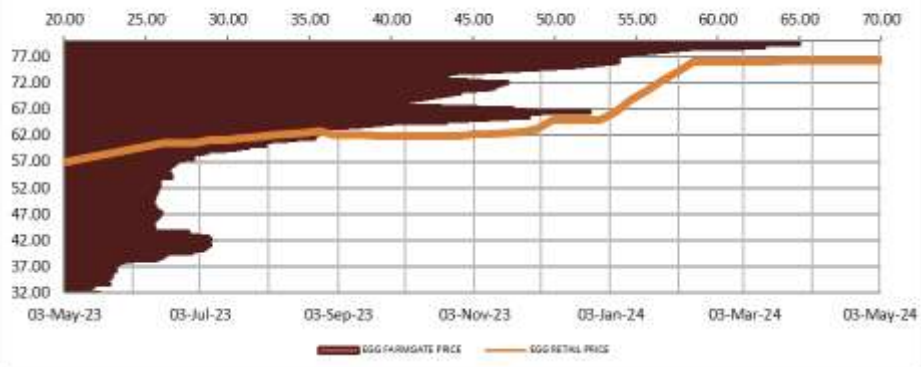




NATIONAL EGG PRICE REMAINS STICKY

The egg prices in the domestic and export market remained sticky during the previous two weeks. The retail prices in open markets are ranging between ZMK64.45 to ZMK89.27. Most farm gate prices average ZMK 58 per tray to ZMK 64 per tray depending on the location. The retail prices in some Chain stores averaged between ZMK65.99 to ZMK89.99 per tray of 30 eggs depending on the supplier, packaging and chain stores. Most of the traders in the open market are now selling an egg between ZMK2.5 to ZMK 3 in some markets. For the price, trend refer to figure 5, courtesy of PAZ.

Figure 5: 3 YEAR AVERAGE ANNUAL EGG PRICES- MAY 2024



FEED PRICES POSTS SOME UPWARD MOVEMENTS

The national average prices for poultry feed posted some minimal upward movements during the course of the week. Broiler starter is trading at average price of ZMK 665 per 50kg bag up from the prices as obtained last week. Broiler Grower averages ZMK650 while Broiler Finisher also averages ZMK638 per 50kg bag. The layer feed prices ranges from ZMK636 for pullet starter, ZMK580 for pullet grower, ZMK 5360 for pullet developer and ZMK470 for layers mash. For those compounding their ownfeed, ingredients prices have also been on the increase during the week especially #3 meal which is trading between ZMK 5.2 to ZMK7 per kg as portrayed in the graphs from 6 to 9 below, courtesy of PAZ. PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE ARE AVERAGE PRICES TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST PRICES- COMBINING BOTH SUPREME AND STANDARD FEED

Figure 6: NATIONAL AVERAGE PRICES FOR BROILER FEED- MAY 2024

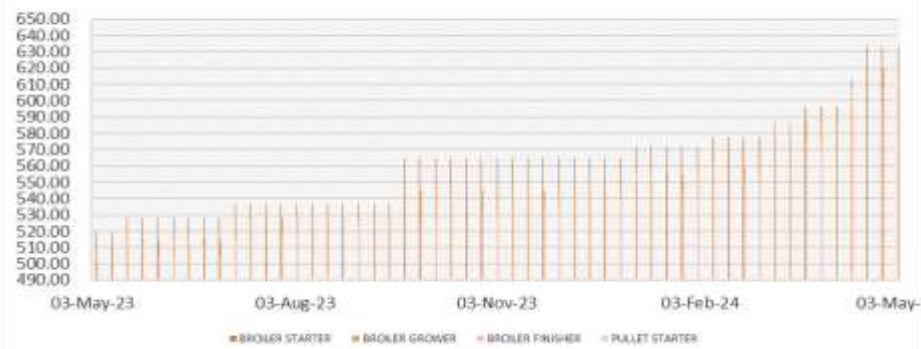


FIGURE7: AVERAGE LAYER FEED- MAY2024

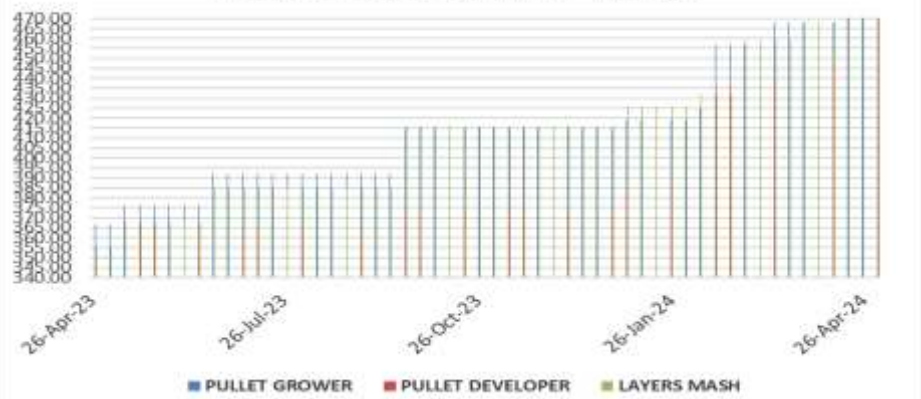
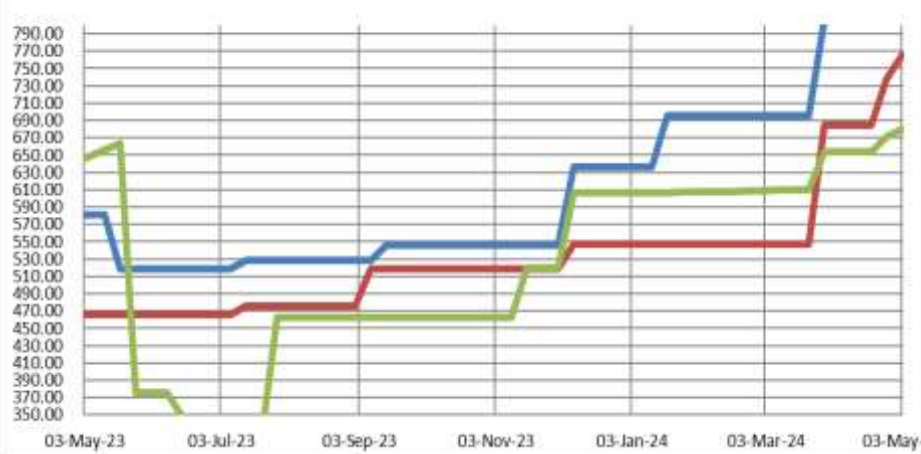


Figure 8: AVERAGE PRICES FOR SOYAMEAL MAY 2024



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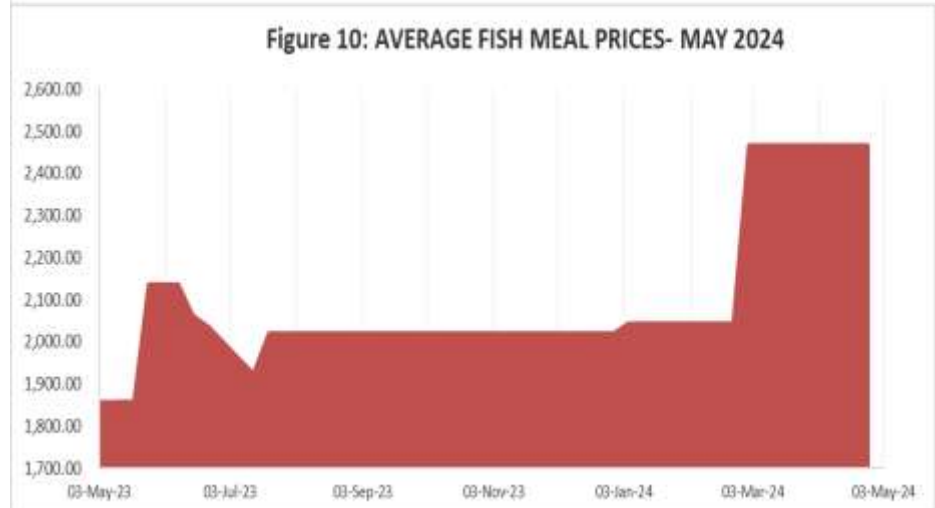
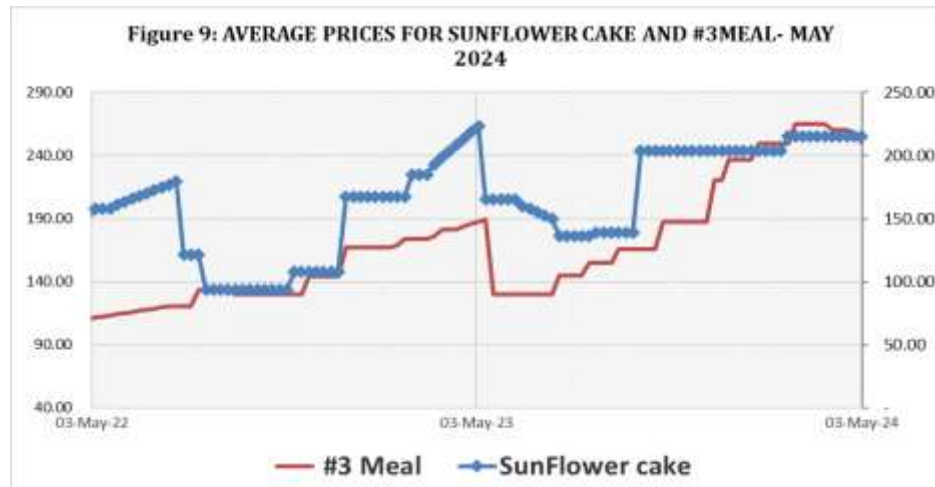
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