



INFORMATION

Update on the Reference Price of the Crude Palm Oil (CPO) in Indonesia to 15 March 2023

The Ministry of Trade issued the regulation No. 542 Year 2023 concerning the reference price of Crude Palm and Cocoa Beans is at USD 889.77 Metric Ton/MT and 2.642.12/MT, effective until 15 March 2023.

Previously, the average price of CPO reference was USD 880.03/MT as referred to Ministry of Trade Regulation No. 146 Year 2023. Currently, the update of the average prices for CPO is at USD 889.77/MT as referred to the Ministry of Trade Regulation No. 542 Year 2023. The export duty of CPO is at 74/MT and the export tax is at 95/MT.

The increase in the CPO reference price was influenced by several factors, including a decrease in world supply due to changes in Indonesia's mandatory biodiesel policy which was originally B30 to B35 and the crisis conditions in Argentina as one of the world's palm oil producing countries. In addition, there was an increase in the price of other vegetable oils, especially soybeans and an increase in the Malaysian Ringgit exchange rate against the United States Dollar.

Meanwhile, the reference price for cocoa beans for period March 2023 is at USD 2,642.12/MT, an increase of USD 28.59 or 1.09% from the previous month. The Export Benchmark Price (Harga Patokan Export/HPE) of cocoa beans in March 2023 to USD 2,351/MT, an increase of USD 27.90 or 1.20% from the previous period. The increase in the reference price and HPE of cocoa beans was influenced by an increase in demand for cocoa, while the supply or supply of cocoa decreased due to problems with the distribution of pesticides and fertilizers as a result of the war between Russia and Ukraine.

References:

- The Ministry of Trade Regulation No. 146 Year 2023
- The Ministry of Trade Regulation No. 542 Year 2023

If you require the copy of these regulation, please do not hesitate to contact research@ibai.or.id
Thank you for your attention and hope this information would be valuable to you.

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