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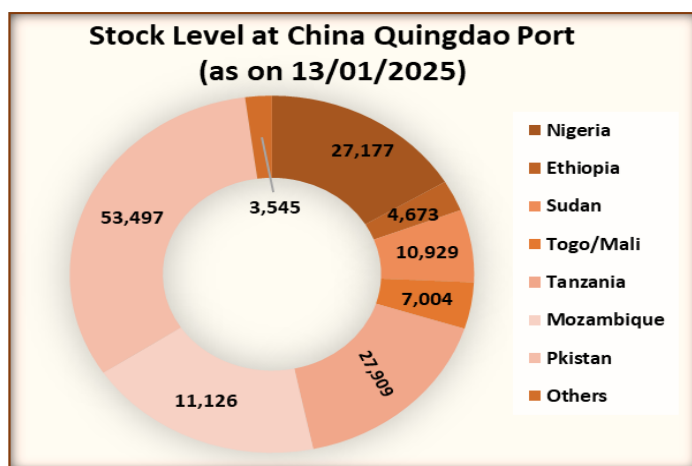
SUMMARY

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INTERNATIONAL

CHINA

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INDIA

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- ✚ Sesame seeds, a key ingredient for traditional sweets like laddus and chikki during the festival, saw higher demand amid declining production.
- ✚ During the festival season, there were concerns that traders raised prices to take advantage of the high demand. The increase in wholesale prices also pushed retail prices higher, making it harder for people to afford sesame seeds during this time.

BURKINA FASO

- ✚ In Burkina Faso, the sesame marketing campaign is well-established, with a stable supply of sesame in markets. While supply remains satisfactory, demand has stagnated, leading to price stabilization across production regions.
- ✚ In the South-West, markets are well-supplied but have subdued demand, keeping prices stable at 750 to 760 FCFA/kg (USD 1,200–1,217/MT) in Gaoua.

- ✚ The Central West has satisfactory market supply and active wholesalers, maintaining prices between 760 and 770 FCFA/kg (USD 1,217–1,233/MT) in Léo.
- ✚ Meanwhile, markets in the East are less dynamic, with reduced sesame quantities and fewer exporters.

CHAD

- ✚ In Chad, the sesame supply is satisfactory, with adequate producer and trader stocks enabling smooth trade across rural areas in the south.
- ✚ However, demand remains average this week, leading to stable prices compared to the previous week.
- ✚ Traders are actively transporting sesame to urban centers for packaging and export, with significant activity directed toward ports like Douala in Cameroon and other Chadian borders.
- ✚ All seven southern provinces are experiencing high transport activity, making transactions particularly intense this week.
- ✚ Cooperatives and organizations are engaging in group sales to procure cereals for households affected by last year's floods.
- ✚ Farm gate prices remain stable at 760–840 FCFA/kg (1,283–1,454 USD/MT), while wholesale prices range between 850–940 FCFA/kg (1,447–1,619 USD/MT) in all monitored markets.

SENEGAL

- ✚ Sesame marketing in Senegal shows stability in the central zone, while trade activity in the southern zone is increasing.
- ✚ In the central regions, supply is declining as most producers have sold their harvests, with stocks now held by large buyers.
- ✚ Farm gate prices remain steady at 610–620 FCFA/kg (1,045–1,063 USD/MT), while wholesale prices at weekly markets are around 625 FCFA/kg (1,070 USD/MT).
- ✚ Intermediaries resell to large buyers at 650 FCFA/kg (1,113/ USD/MT), and prices at the port of Kaolack are 690 FCFA/kg (1,181 USD/MT).

Table 1: International offers

Country	Variety	Offer prices (USD/MT)
Brazil		1300-1350 CFR (Feb/Mar shipment)
India		1890- 1910 FOB (Feb/Mar shipment)
Pakistan		1400-1450 FOB (Feb/Mar shipment)
Nigeria		1530-1540 CNF (Feb/Mar shipment)
Burkina Faso		1560-1580 CNF (Feb/Mar shipment)

Annexures: SESAME SEEDS

KOREA: Import trend of Sesame Seeds

Table 2.1: Korea- Country-wise Sesame Import Data (Jan - Dec) 2024 / (Jan - Dec) 2023

(Jan - Dec) 2024			(Jan - Dec) 2023		
Country	Quantity (MT)	Average Price (USD/MT)	Country	Quantity (MT)	Average Price (USD/MT)
China	25,017	2,496	China	32,289	2,516
India	20,421	1,901	India	16,613	2,012
Nigeria	12,242	2,093	Nigeria	13,666	2,018
Pakistan	8,446	1,882	Pakistan	5,583	2,176
Australia	8,244	2,234	Burkina Faso	2,700	2,016
Tanzania	2,700	1,737	Mali	234	1,774
Czech Republic	2,692	2,562	Mexico	198	3,253
Togo	2,616	2,020	Uganda	108	2,333
Burkina Faso	2,422	2,089	Egypt	95	3,137
Cambodia	2,250	2,076	Togo	91	2,349
Others	3,410	1,970	Sri Lanka	18	1,556
Total	90,460	2,150	Total	71,595	2,258

Table 2.2: Korea Month-wise Import Data: (Jan - Dec) 2024 / (Jan - Dec) 2023

Months (2024)	Quantity (MT)	Average Price (USD/MT)	Months (2023)	Quantity (MT)	Average Price (USD/MT)
Jan	564	2,214	Jan	391	1,986
Feb	2,535	2,189	Feb	834	2,078
Mar	8,131	2,365	Mar	6,337	1,943
Apr	7,149	2,300	Apr	1,780	2,454
May	16,489	2,234	May	7,768	2,293
Jun	10,461	2,141	Jun	7,428	2,321
Jul	9,149	2,150	Jul	5,864	2,093
Aug	8,140	2,093	Aug	10,754	2,046
Sep	4,510	1,944	Sep	8,593	2,388
Oct	9,650	2,091	Oct	7,302	2,458
Nov	12,096	2,012	Nov	9,599	2,391
Dec	1,584	1,795	Dec	4,945	2,376
Total	90,460	2,150	Total	71,595	2,258

Table 2.3: Korea Import; Year-on-Year comparison: (Jan - Dec) 2024 / (Jan - Dec) 2023

Months (2023)	Quantity (MT)	Value (1000 USD)	Average Price (USD/MT)
Jan – Dec 2024	90,460	1,94,514	2,150
Jan – Dec 2023	71,595	1,61,696	2,258
% Change	26%	20%	-5%
Dec 2024	1,584	2,844	1,795
Dec 2023	4,945	11,752	2,376
% Change	-68%	-76%	-24%

CANADA: Import trend of Sesame Seeds

Table 3.1: Canada - Country-wise Sesame Import Data: (Jan - Nov) 2024 / (Jan - Nov) 2023

(Jan - Nov) 2024		(Jan - Nov) 2023	
Country	Value (1000 USD)	Country	Value (1000 USD)
India	14,483	India	16,253
Nigeria	2,756	Nigeria	2,918
Pakistan	1,042	Ethiopia	1,613
Guatemala	598	Guatemala	896
China	397	USA	483
Paraguay	231	China	414
Bolivia	225	Pakistan	311
Others	356	Others	1,238
Total	20,545	Total	21,790

Table 3.2: Canada Month-wise Import Data: (Jan - Nov) 2024 / (Jan - Nov) 2023

2024	Value (1000 USD)	2023	Value (1000 USD)
Jan	1,986	Jan	1,210
Feb	2,209	Feb	1,515
Mar	1,923	Mar	1,844
Apr	2,920	Apr	2,637
May	2,266	May	3,221
Jun	1,596	Jun	2,212
Jul	2,010	Jul	2,395
Aug	1,849	Aug	2,395
Sep	2,001	Sep	1,940
Oct	1,786	Oct	2,422
Nov	2,690	Nov	2,336
Total	23,236	Total	24,126

Table 3.3: Canada Import; Year-on-Year comparison (Jan - Nov) 2024 / (Jan - Nov) 2023

Months (2023)	Value (1000 USD)
Jan – Nov 2024	23,236
Jan - Nov 2023	24,126
% Change	-4%
Nov 2024	2,690
Nov 2023	2,336
% Change	15%

USA: Import trend of Sesame Seeds

Table 4.1: Table 2.2: USA Country-wise Import: (Jan - Nov) 2024 / (Jan - Nov) 2023

(Jan - Nov) 2024			(Jan - Nov) 2023		
Country	Quantity (MT)	Average Price (USD/MT)	Country	Quantity (MT)	Average Price (USD/MT)
India	16,536	2,484	India	17,063	2,602
Guatemala	3,866	2,627	Guatemala	5,004	2,581
Pakistan	2,284	2,768	Pakistan	1,825	2,527
Nigeria	2,166	2,462	Mexico	1,401	3,039
Turkey	1,745	3,034	Nigeria	1,224	2,491
Mexico	1,058	3,295	Bolivia	654	2,502
China	517	2,210	Turkey	537	2,812
Bolivia	413	2,486	China	453	2,485
Others	983	2,625	Others	1,743	2,382
Total	29,568	2,584	Total	29,905	2,597

Table 4.2: USA Monthly Import Data: (Jan - Nov) 2024 / Jan - Nov) 2023

Months	(Jan - Nov) 2024		(Jan - Nov) 2023	
	Quantity (MT)	Average Price (USD/MT)	Quantity (MT)	Average Price (USD/MT)
Jan	1,912	2,734	2,345	2,521
Feb	2,475	2,515	1,680	2,537
Mar	2,490	2,747	2,680	2,659
Apr	3,367	2,630	2,621	2,591
May	2,692	2,659	2,747	2,616
Jun	2,982	2,496	3,374	2,593
Jul	2,310	2,637	3,328	2,564
Aug	2,439	2,425	2,577	2,530
Sep	2,860	2,486	2,995	2,684
Oct	3,295	2,639	2,824	2,624
Nov	2,745	2,495	2,733	2,610
Total	29,568	2,584	29,905	2,597

Table 4.3: USA Import, Year-on-Year comparison: (Jan - Nov) 2024 / Jan - Nov) 2023

Months	Quantity (MT)	Value (1000 USD)	Average Price (USD/MT)
Nov 2024	2,745	6,849	2,495
Nov 2023	2,733	7,135	2,610
% Change	0%	-4%	-4%
Jan – Nov 2024	29,568	76,413	2,584
Jan – Nov 2023	29,905	77,662	2,597
% Change	-1%	-2%	-1%

Table 5: Spot Freight Rates by Major Routes

Route	Route Code	19-Dec-24	02-Jan-25	09-Jan-25	Weekly Change (%)	Annual Change (%)
Composite Index	WCI-COMPOSITE	\$3,803	\$3,905	\$3,986	2%	30%
Shanghai - Rotterdam	WCI-SHA-RTM	\$4,819	\$4,774	\$4,375	-8%	-1%
Rotterdam - Shanghai	WCI-RTM-SHA	\$508	\$516	\$522	1%	-20%
Shanghai - Genoa	WCI-SHA-GOA	\$5,424	\$5,420	\$5,210	-4%	0%
Shanghai - Los Angeles	WCI-SHA-LAX	\$4,499	\$4,829	\$5,476	13%	96%
Los Angeles - Shanghai	WCI-LAX-SHA	\$726	\$728	\$719	-1%	-6%
Shanghai - New York	WCI-SHA-NYC	\$6,074	\$6,445	\$7,085	10%	70%
New York - Rotterdam	WCI-NYC-RTM	\$824	\$838	\$828	-1%	38%
Rotterdam - New York	WCI-RTM-NYC	\$2,713	\$2,720	\$2,698	-1%	78%

Source: Drewry Supply Chain Advisors,
Note: Rate/40 ft Container

Table 6: FOREX (Against USD) – (06 Jan to 14 Jan) WoW % Change and Year-to-Date % Change

Currency	06 Jan 2025	14 Jan 2025	WoW %	Year to Date % Change
Japanese Yen (JPY)	157.60	157.96	0.2%	12.1%
Indian Rupee (INR)	85.700	86.532	1.0%	3.9%
Brazilian Real (BRL)	6.1152	6.0559	-1.0%	22.8%
Chinese Yuan (CNY)	7.3223	7.3311	0.1%	2.6%
West African Franc (XOF)	634.500	635.660	0.2%	7.9%
Pakistani Rupee (PKR)	278.250	278.370	0.0%	-0.2%
Ethiopia Birr (ETB)	127.7788	128.4360	0.5%	129.4%
Sudanese Pound (SDG)	598.8502	598.8502	0.0%	0.0%
Nigeria Naira (NGN)	1,532.500	1,543.570	0.7%	75.2%
Turkish Lira (TRY)	35.2927	35.4711	0.5%	20.1%
Tanzania (TZS)	2,485.00	2,510.00	1.0%	-0.6%
EURO West African France (EURXOF)	659.250	655.170	-0.6%	0.7%
Euro (EURUSD)	1.0390	1.0307	-0.8%	-6.7%
Korean WON (USDKRW)	1,461.08	1,458.16	-0.2%	12.7%

Note: In % change, '+' represents a depreciation in the value of the currency against the USD.

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