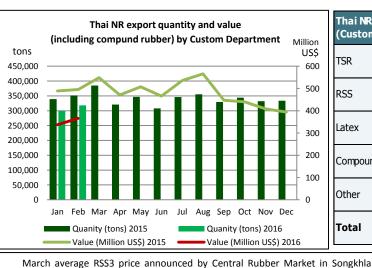
Thailand Monthly Rubber Report – March 2016



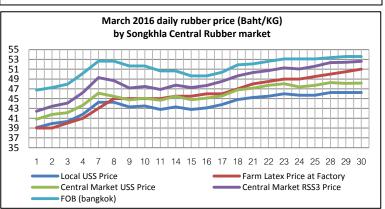


Thai NR export (Custom Department)		Feb 2016	%	%	Jan-Feb 2016	%
			MoM	YoY	Jan-Len Zoto	YoY
TSR	Quantity (tons)	147,525.59	7.05	-1.92	285,340.68	-5.18
	Value (Million US\$)	172.18	1.22	-23.75	342.27	-25.31
RSS	Quantity (tons)	55,839.56	3.18	12.60	109,959.17	4.62
	Value (Million US\$)	69.01	0.41	-15.86	137.74	-19.83
Latex	Quantity (tons)	108,268.74	24.01	13.83	195,576.50	9.10
	Value (Million US\$)	88.62	21.39	-11.24	161.63	-14.39
Compound	Quantity (tons)	21,507.63	57.27	-55.33	35,183.13	-58.58
	Value (Million US\$)	30.67	51.02	-60.73	50.98	-63.72
Other	Quantity (tons)	6,272.68	-1.09	-22.18	12,614.24	-37.51
	Value (Million US\$)	5.06	-3.98	-46.95	10.32	-58.59
Total	Quantity (tons)	339,414.19	13.42	-3.39	638,673.73	-7.49
	Value (Million US\$)	365.54	8.34	-26.20	702.95	-28.59

stood at 48.59 Baht/kg, 20.21 % up from February due to the following factors. Supply is tight due to wintering season and hot weather; entrepreneurs accelerated the purchase for satisfactory delivery with concern over possible rubber shortage. Global crude oil price recovered at Nymex due to ballooning U.S. crude inventories and a lack of any fresh action from the world's largest producers to temper supply; speculators therefore resorted to rubber. The Tripartite, including Thailand, Indonesia and Malaysia agreed to cut exports by 15% for the period of six months. Thai government's business matching program and direct buying measure from smallholders could shore up prices at a certain level. Stronger economic figure of the U.S. helped ease fears that the U.S. was skidding toward a recession. Chinese government confirmed that China will achieve goals according to the five-year plans. The European Central Bank has announced to cut the interest rate at 0% for the Eurozone. Additional quantitative easing changes include an increased moneyprinting program along with a reduction in the deposit rate to -0.04%.

In February 2016, Thailand exported 339,414 tons of natural rubber (including compound rubber), 13.42 % up from January and 3.39 % down yoy, generating export income of US\$ 365.54 million, 8.34 % up from January, and 26.2 % down yoy. Overall, during January to February Thai NR exports (including compound rubber) reached 638,673 tons, 7.49% down yoy. The 2 month export value touched US\$ 702.95 million, 28.59% down yoy.

In tyre sector, in February Thailand exported 9.14 million units of all tyres, 20.6% up yoy, with the export value of US\$ 269.86 million, 1.98 % up yoy. Overall, during January to February Thai exports of all tyres reached 16.78 million units, 5.48% up yoy, generating export income of US\$ 493.77 million, 8.81% down yoy.



Thai NR prices (Baht/kg) by Central	Mar 2016	%	
Rubber Market, Hatyai, Songkhla	Mai 2010	MoM	YoY
local unsmoked sheets	43.82	19.24	-9.24
latex at factory	45.80	27.05	-5.61
unsmoked sheets at Central Market	45.66	18.84	-10.66
RSS3 at Central Market	48.59	20.21	-8.89
FOB. (Bangkok)	51.28	13.35	-12.48

