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PREFACE

The collection of prices is one of the major item of work undertaken by the Department of Economics and Statistics. The importance and usefulness of the information pertaining to the price movements has much significance in the context of a growing economy. This Department has been collecting different types of prices viz. Farm price, Market price, etc. (both Wholesale and Retail). Retail prices, one among the above which is being collected daily from District Headquarters assumes great significance, because the prices of 50 essential commodities are being forwarded to the Chief Minister's office and Ministry of Food and Civil Supplies daily. In addition to the daily prices, weekly prices of 20 items are also being collected on every Friday.

This publication titled "PRICE BULLETIN - 08" is prepared and published quarterly wise incorporating the last Friday Retail prices of every month in respect of main essential commodities from 50 items schedule (daily) and 20 items schedule (weekly) under 8 major groups. Groupwise analysis has been made with reference to current quarter, previous quarter and corresponding quarter of the previous year, along with suitable pictorial representation.

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1. RICE

Table-1

Comparison of state average retail prices of different varieties of Rice

Sl. No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Jan25-07	Feb 23-07	Mar 30-07	Avg	Jan25-08	Feb29-08	Mar28-08	Avg	January	February	March
1	Red - Matta	Kg	15.02	15.31	15.17	15.17	17.77	17.96	18.56	18.10	18.31	17.31	22.35
2	Red - Chamba	Kg	14.66	14.71	14.56	14.64	17.37	17.2	18.11	17.56	18.49	16.93	24.38
3	White - Andra Vella	Kg	14.68	14.57	14.6	14.62	17.4	18.14	18.59	18.04	18.53	24.50	27.33

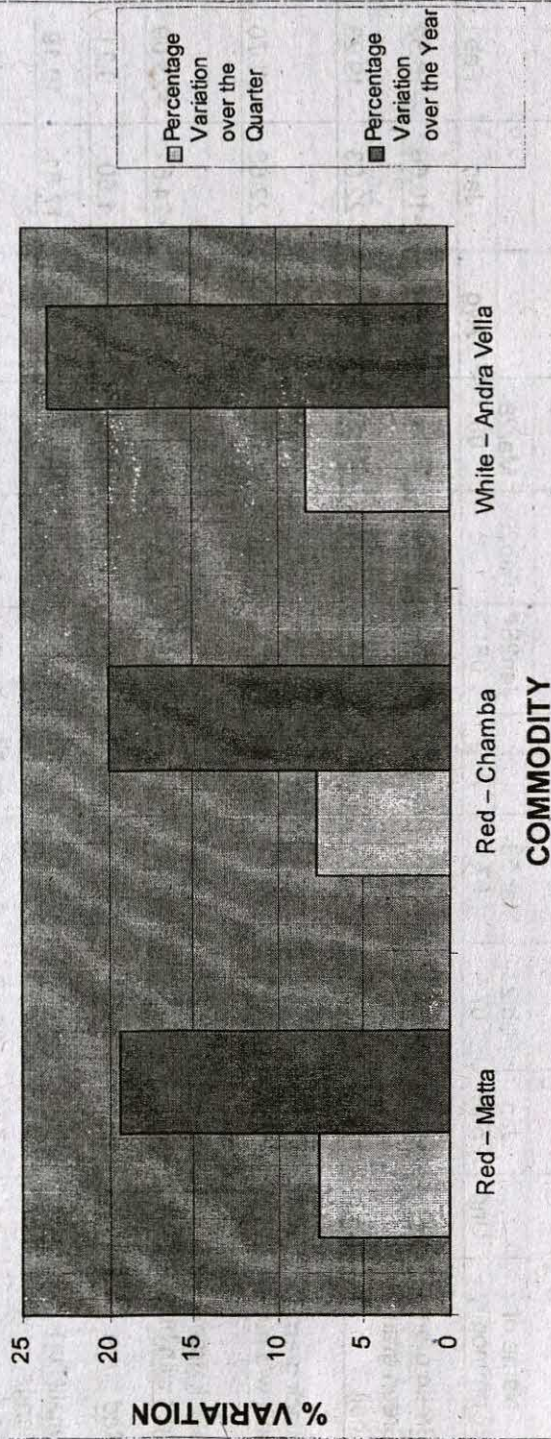
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on			AVERAGE
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07	
1	Red - Matta	Kg	15.83	16.89	17.73	16.82
2	Red - Chamba	Kg	15.40	16.24	17.28	16.31
3	White - Andra Vella	Kg	15.65	16.65	17.69	16.66

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			I QUARTER 2007	I QUARTER 2008	IV QUARTER 2007	Year	Quarter	Year
1	Red - Matta	Kg	15.17	18.10	16.82	19.32	7.61	19.32
2	Red - Chamba	Kg	14.64	17.56	16.31	19.92	7.69	19.92
3	White - Andra Vella	Kg	14.62	18.04	16.66	23.44	8.28	23.44

Compared to previous quarter and year the price of rice shows an increasing trend. In this period the prices of Red Chamba, Red Matta and White Andra Vella have gone up by 7.69%, 7.61% and 8.28% respectively over the two quarter. The percentage variation in the prices of rice is presented in the following graph.

Graph I

PERCENTAGE VARIATION OF PRICES OF RICE



2. PULSES

Table-2
Comparison of state average retail prices of Pulses.

Sl. No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Jan 25-07	Feb 23-07	Mar 30-07	Avg	Jan 25-08	Feb 29-08	Mar 28-08	Avg	Jan	Feb	Mar
1	Green gram	Kg	44.00	44.07	44.14	44.07	35.79	36.79	37.77	36.78	-18.66	-16.52	-14.43
2	Green gram dhall	Kg	51.85	51.21	51.36	51.47	40.43	41.36	41.85	41.21	-22.03	-19.23	-18.52
3	Black gram split w/o husk	Kg	56.46	55.29	51.57	54.44	43.71	43.29	44.62	43.87	-22.58	-21.70	-13.48
4	Black gram split with husk	Kg	52.67	50.88	48.56	50.70	39.71	39.13	40.17	39.67	-24.61	-23.09	-17.28
5	Red gram	Kg	32.65	33.14	33.36	33.05	33.14	33.07	33.62	33.28	1.50	-0.21	0.78
6	Dhall(Tur)	Kg	36.38	38.57	37.79	37.58	42.86	42.50	43.92	43.09	17.81	10.19	16.22
7	Bengal gram Bold	Kg	37.50	36.75	34.67	36.31	36.00	36.25	37.73	36.66	-4.00	-1.36	8.83
8	Bengal gram Small	Kg	34.50	33.31	32.42	33.41	33.00	32.45	34.80	33.42	-4.35	-2.58	7.34
9	Peas Dhall	Kg	25.46	24.79	24.93	25.06	29.43	30.21	31.62	30.42	15.59	21.86	26.84

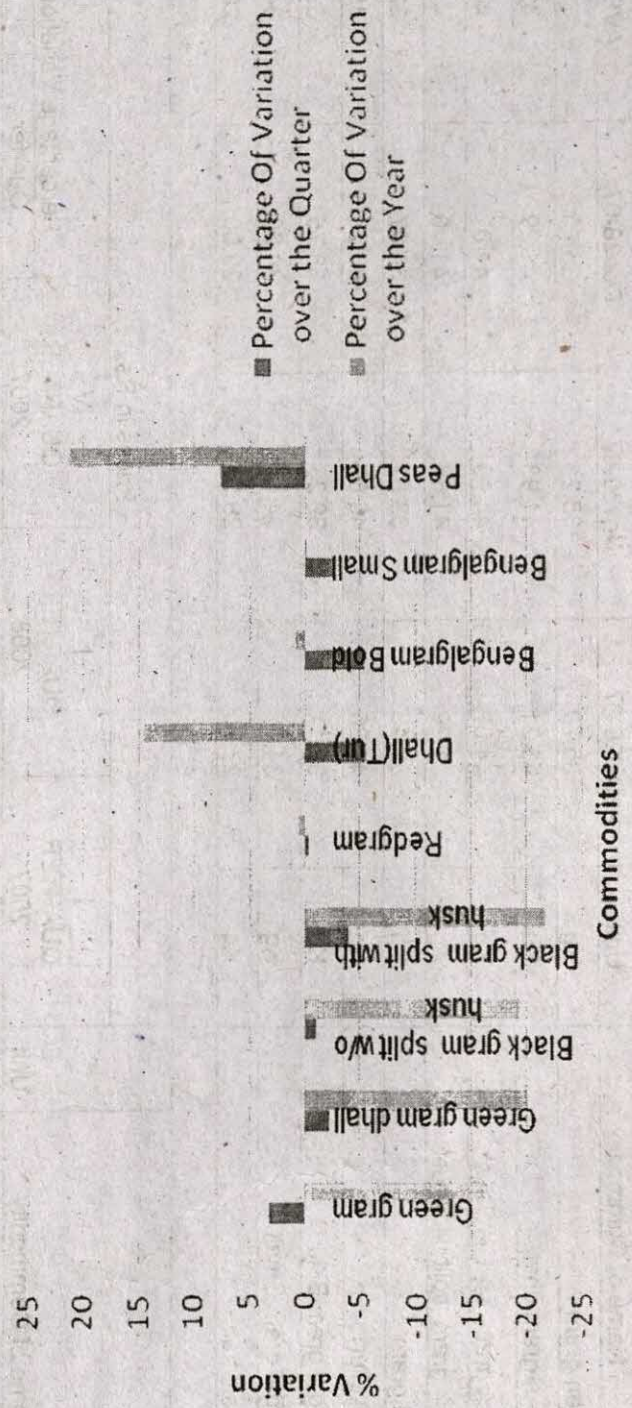
Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices in Rs.				AVERAGE
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07		
1	Green gram	Kg	35.79	35.21	35.86	35.62	
2	Green gram dhall	Kg	43.21	41.93	41.29	42.14	
3	Black gram split w/o husk	Kg	44.07	44.79	44.07	44.31	
4	Black gram split with husk	Kg	41.29	41.57	41.00	41.29	
5	Red gram	Kg	32.43	33.57	34.07	33.36	
6	Dhall(Tur)	Kg	44.36	46.07	46.29	45.57	
7	Bengal gram Bold	Kg	38.17	39.23	38.75	38.72	
8	Bengal gram Small	Kg	34.45	34.45	34.00	34.30	
9	Peas Dhall	Kg	27.29	28.50	29.00	28.26	

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices in Rs.				Percentage Variation over the	
			I QUARTER 2007	I QUARTER 2008	IV QUARTER 2007	Quarter	Year	
1	Green gram	Kg	44.07	36.78	35.62	3.27	-16.53	
2	Green gram dhall	Kg	51.47	41.21	42.14	-2.21	-19.93	
3	Black gram split w/o husk	Kg	54.44	43.87	44.31	-0.99	-19.41	
4	Black gram split with husk	Kg	50.70	39.67	41.29	-3.92	-21.76	
5	Red gram	Kg	33.05	33.28	33.36	-0.24	0.69	
6	Dhall(Tur)	Kg	37.58	43.09	45.57	-5.44	14.67	
7	Bengal gram Bold	Kg	36.31	36.66	38.72	-5.31	0.97	
8	Bengal gram Small	Kg	33.41	33.42	34.30	-2.58	0.02	
9	Peas Dhall	Kg	25.06	30.42	28.26	7.63	21.39	

The prices of most of the items in pulses group shows a down ward trend compared to previous quarter. The graph below represents the percentage variation in the prices of pulses.

Graph 2

Percentage variation of prices of Pulses



3. OTHER FOOD ITEMS

Table-3

Comparison of state average Retail prices of other food items.

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Jan 25-07	Feb 23-07	Mar 30-07	Avg	Jan25-08	Feb29-08	Mar28-08	Avg	Jan	Feb	Mar
1	Sugar(O.M)	Kg.	16.81	16.08	15.77	16.22	16.45	15.55	16.65	16.22	-2.14	-3.3	5.58
2	Milk (Cow's Tea (Kannan Divan)	Ltr.	14.92	15.93	16.00	15.62	17.00	19.00	19.00	18.33	13.94	19.27	18.75
3		500gms	71.77	71.85	73.42	72.35	74.64	75.64	75.85	75.38	4.00	5.27	3.31
4	Coffee Powder (Brook Bond Gr.Label)	500gms	78.15	79.23	79.17	78.85	91.75	92.32	94.73	92.93	17.40	16.52	19.65
5	Baby Food(Amul)	Kg	156	158.44	125.13	146.52	178.67	178.67	182.25	179.86	14.53	12.77	45.65
6	Egg(Hen's) White Lagon	Dozen	23	24.76	24.35	24.04	20.25	21.11	19.98	20.45	-11.96	-14.74	-17.95
7	Mutton with bones	Kg	162.69	162.69	155.83	160.40	164.29	164.29	165.38	164.65	0.98	0.98	6.13

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices in Rs				AVERAGE
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07		
1	Sugar(O.M)	Kg.	14.57	14.59	14.96	14.71	
2	Milk (Cow's)	Ltr.	16.00	17.00	17.00	16.67	
3	Tea (Kannan Divan)	500gms	76.67	73.71	73.83	74.74	
4	Coffee Powder (Brook Bond Gr.Label)	500gms	84.50	88.79	89.88	87.72	
5	Baby Food(Amul)	Kg	160.88	152.13	180.00	164.34	
6	Egg(Hen's) White Lagon	Dozen	22.94	25.01	24.89	24.28	
7	Mutton with bones	Kg	160.83	160.83	160.00	160.55	

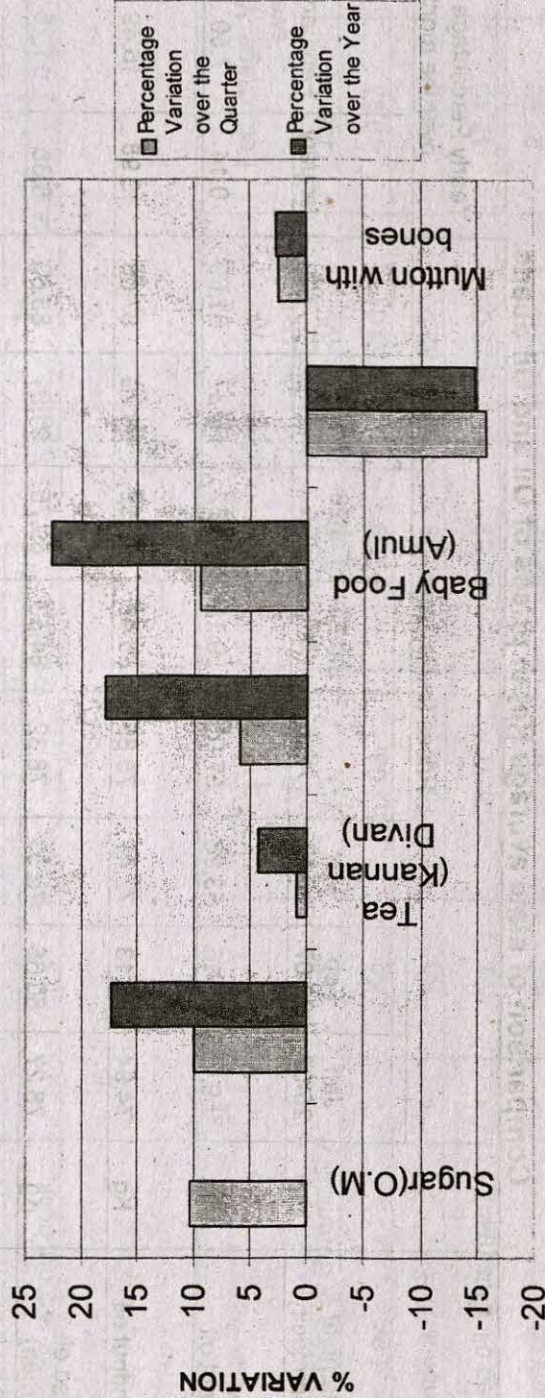
Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices in Rs				Percentage Variation over the	
			I QUARTER 2007		I QUARTER 2008	IV QUARTER 2007	Quarter	Year
			16.22	15.62	18.33	16.67	10.27	0.00
1	Sugar(O.M)	Kg.	16.22	15.62	18.33	16.67	10.27	0.00
2	Milk (Cow's)	Ltr.	72.35	78.85	75.38	74.74	9.96	17.35
3	Tea (Kannan Divan)	500gms	146.52	179.86	179.86	164.34	0.86	4.19
4	Coffee Powder (Brook Bond Gr.Label)	500gms	24.04	20.45	20.45	24.28	5.94	17.86
5	Baby Food (Amul)	Kg	160.40	164.65	164.65	160.55	9.44	22.75
6	Egg(Hen's) White Lagon	Dozen					-15.77	-14.93
7	Mutton with bones	Kg					2.55	2.65

The Prices of items under other food crops showed an upward trend when compared to previous quarter, except in the price of Egg(VL) which showed a decrease about -16%. The picture below represents the percentage variation on the prices of various items under other food items.

Graph-3

PERCENTAGE VARIATION OF PRICES OF OTHER FOOD ITEMS

ITEMS



COMMODITY

4. OIL AND OILSEEDS

Table-4
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Oil and Oil Seeds.

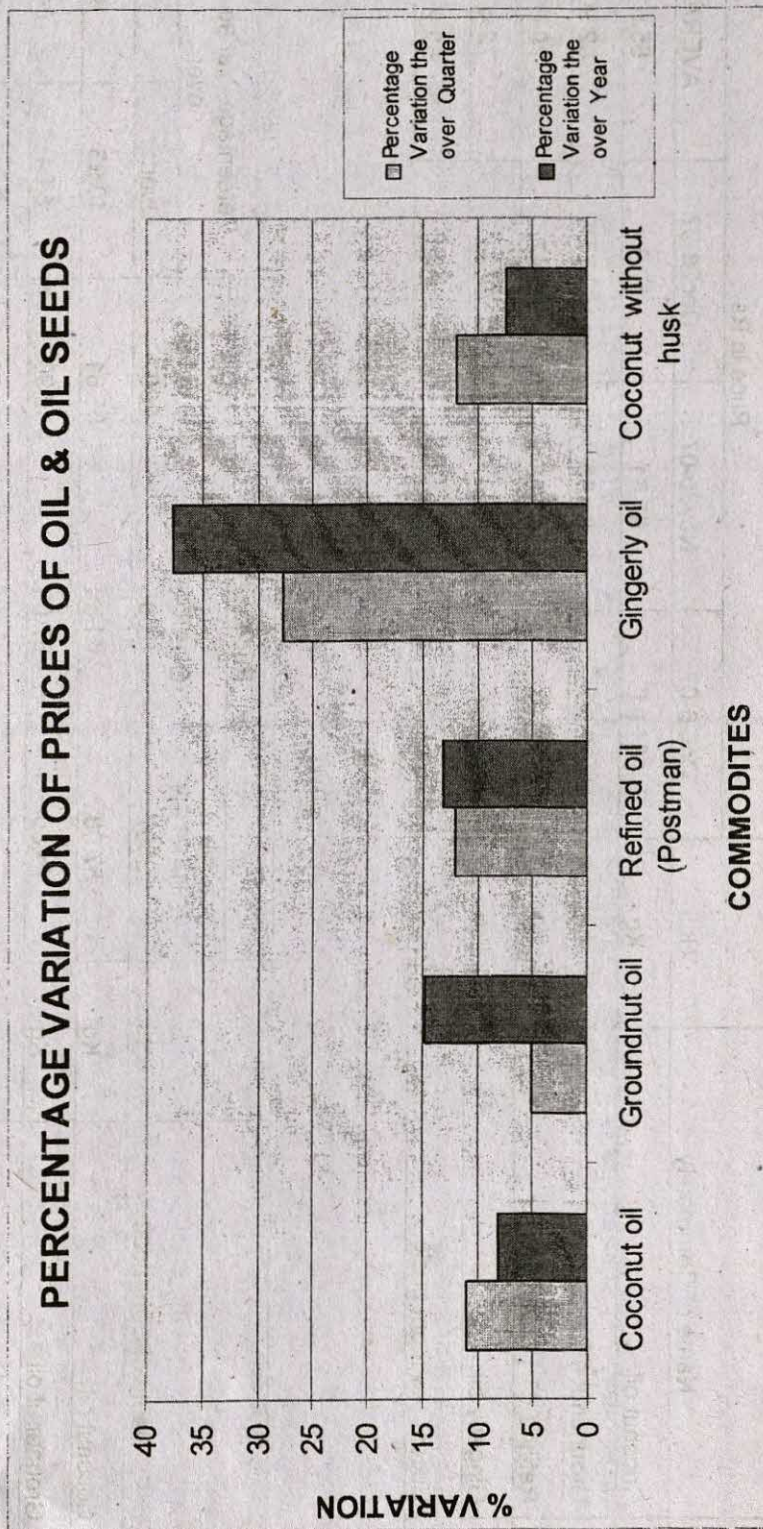
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Jan 25-07	Feb 23-07	Mar 30-07	Avg	Jan25-08	Feb29-08	Mar28-08	Avg	January	February	March
1	Coconut oil	Kg	59.1	58.16	53.98	57.08	59.18	62.52	63.37	61.69	0.14	7.50	17.40
2	Groundnut oil	Kg	74.94	75.13	77.48	75.85	85.42	87.52	88.29	87.08	13.98	16.49	13.95
3	Refined oil (Postman)	Kg.	78.27	80.65	76.03	78.32	84.83	89.75	91.31	88.63	8.38	11.28	20.10
4	Gingelly oil	Kg.	67.69	66.71	67.38	67.26	83.68	91.11	103.08	92.62	23.62	36.58	52.98
5	Coconut without husk	10no's	58.19	56.93	51.54	55.52	57.29	59.75	61.85	59.63	-1.56	4.96	20.01

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Price in Rs				AVERAGE
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07		
1	Coconut oil	Kg	51.91	57.61	57.3	55.61	
2	Groundnut oil	Kg	82.29	81.63	84.77	82.90	
3	Refined oil (Postman)	Kg.	77.19	78.83	81.17	79.06	
4	Gingerly oil	Kg.	68.11	72.07	77.23	72.47	
5	Coconut without husk	10 no's	51.18	53.68	54.90	53.25	

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Price in Rs				Percentage Variation the over	
			QUARTER 2007	QUARTER 2008	IV QUARTER 2007	Quarter	Year	
1	Coconut oil	Kg	57.08	61.69	55.61	10.93	8.08	
2	Groundnut oil	Kg	75.85	87.08	82.90	5.04	14.81	
3	Refined oil (Postman)	Kg.	78.32	88.63	79.06	12.10	13.16	
4	Gingerly oil	Kg.	67.26	92.62	72.47	27.80	37.70	
5	Coconut without husk	10 no's	55.52	59.63	53.25	11.98	7.40	

Prices of oil and oil seeds shows an upward trend when compared to previous quarter and previous year. The graphical representation on the percentage variation of price in respect of oil and oil seeds is given below

Graph-4



5. SPICES AND CONDIMENTS

Table-5

Comparison of state average retail prices of Spices and Condiments.

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Jan 25-07	Feb 23-07	Mar 30-07	Avg	Jan25-08	Feb29-08	Mar28-08	Avg	January	February	March
1	Coriander	Kg.	41.85	40.07	39.86	40.59	54.86	57.79	68.15	60.27	31.09	44.22	70.97
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	84.69	64.15	60.00	69.61	55.86	56.29	55.69	55.95	-34.04	-12.25	-7.18
3	Onion small	Kg.	12.96	12.18	11.39	12.18	16.89	14.93	18.54	16.79	30.32	22.58	62.77
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	39.46	37.57	35.75	37.59	35.43	36.07	35.85	35.78	-10.21	-3.99	0.28
5	Cumin seed	100 gm	11.69	12.18	13.21	12.36	15.75	16.04	15.66	15.81	34.71	31.67	18.47
6	Mustard	100 gm.	3.26	3.21	3.13	3.20	3.62	3.91	4.22	3.91	11.01	21.83	34.71
7	Methy	100 gm.	3.80	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.42	4.44	4.64	4.50	16.34	17.35	22.50
8	Turmeric	100 gm.	4.52	4.04	3.91	4.15	4.16	4.32	4.35	4.28	-7.77	7.06	11.24
9	Garlic	100 gm	8.72	5.98	4.91	6.54	7.87	5.46	4.41	5.91	-9.77	-8.73	-10.30

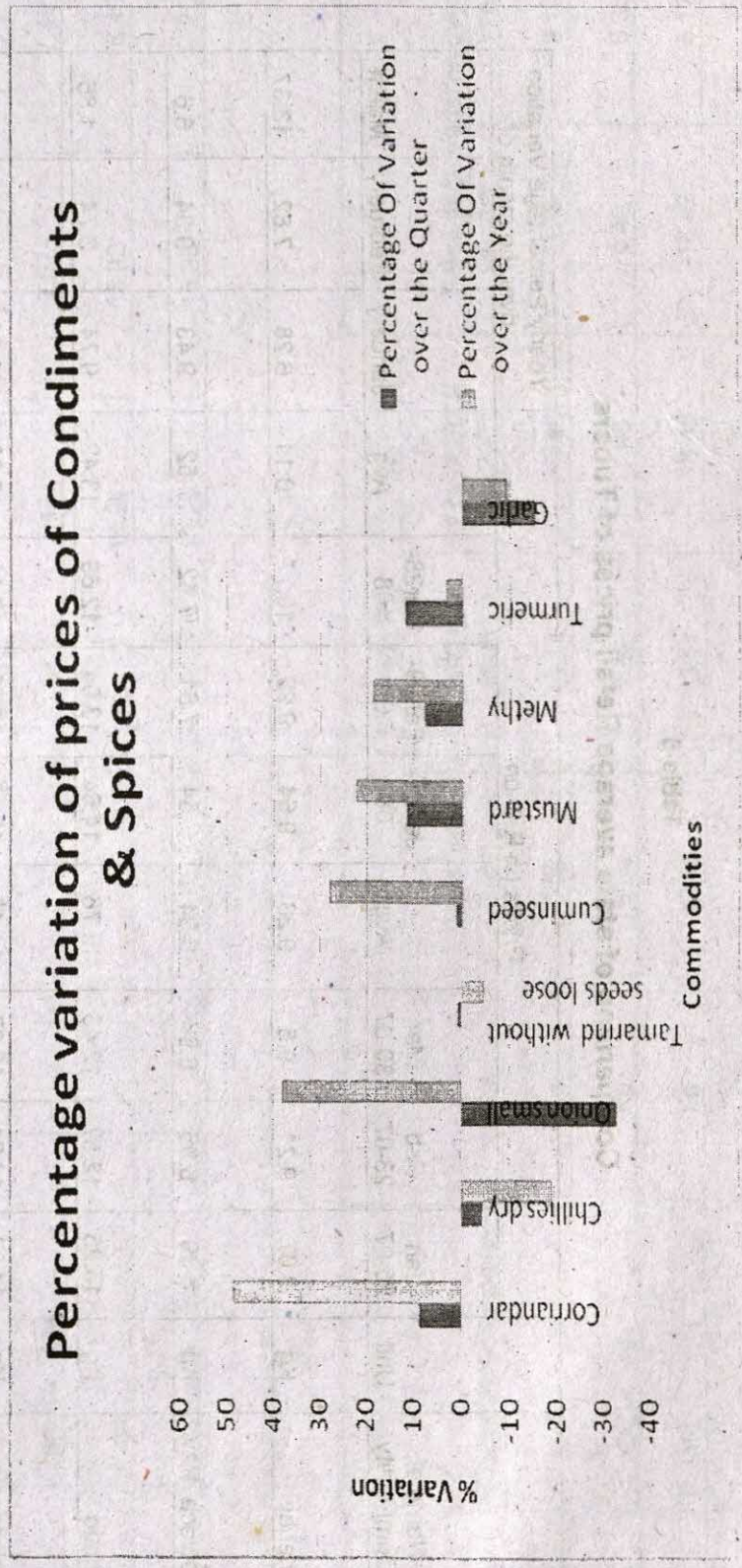
Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Price in Rs				AVERAGE
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07		
1	Coriander	Kg.	55.79	55.86	55.00	55.55	
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	60.57	58.77	56.14	58.49	
3	Onion small	Kg.	19.71	30.57	25.21	25.16	
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	35.29	35.36	35.93	35.53	
5	Cumin seed	100 gm	15.71	15.61	15.64	15.65	
6	Mustard	100 gm	3.54	3.51	3.46	3.50	
7	Methy	100 gm	4.15	4.26	4.14	4.18	
8	Turmeric	100 gm	3.74	3.81	3.94	3.83	
9	Garlic	100 gm	6.22	6.81	7.95	6.99	

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Price in Rs				Percentage Variation over the	
			I QUARTER 2007		I QUARTER 2008		Quarter	Year
			QUARTER 2007	QUARTER 2007	QUARTER 2008	QUARTER 2008		
1	Coriander	Kg.	40.59	40.59	60.27	55.55	8.50	48.48
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	69.61	69.61	55.95	58.49	-4.34	-19.62
3	Onion small	Kg.	12.18	12.18	16.79	25.16	-33.27	37.85
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	37.59	37.59	35.78	35.53	0.70	-4.82
5	Cumin seed	100 gm	12.36	12.36	15.81	15.65	1.02	27.91
6	Mustard	100 gm	3.20	3.20	3.91	3.50	11.71	22.19
7	Methy	100 gm	3.79	3.79	4.50	4.18	7.66	18.73
8	Turmeric	100 gm	4.15	4.15	4.28	3.83	11.75	3.13
9	Garlic	100 gm	6.54	6.54	5.91	6.99	-15.45	-9.63

In the spices and condiments group, most of the item shows increasing trend when compared to previous quarter and previous year. The price of Mustard, Turmeric and Coriander are increased by 11.71%, 11.75% and 8.50% respectively over the quarter. Prices of Onion small and Garlic are decreased by 33.27% and 15.45% respectively. Graphical representation of price data on spices and condiments is presented below.

Graph-5

Percentage variation of prices of Condiments & Spices



6. TUBERS

Table-6

Comparison of state average Retail prices of Tubers

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Jan 25-07	Feb 23-07	Mar 30-07	Avg	Jan25-08	Feb29-08	Mar28-08	Avg	January	February	March
1	Chennai	Kg	9.07	9.21	9.5	9.26	9.64	9.93	10.77	10.11	6.28	7.82	13.37
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg	6.89	6.96	6.96	6.94	7.54	7.61	7.42	7.52	9.43	9.34	6.61
3	Potato	Kg	13.25	12.57	12.46	12.76	14.54	13.04	12.69	13.42	9.74	3.74	1.85
4	Colocassia	Kg	14.07	14.21	15.07	14.45	15.57	15.50	16.15	15.90	10.66	9.08	7.17

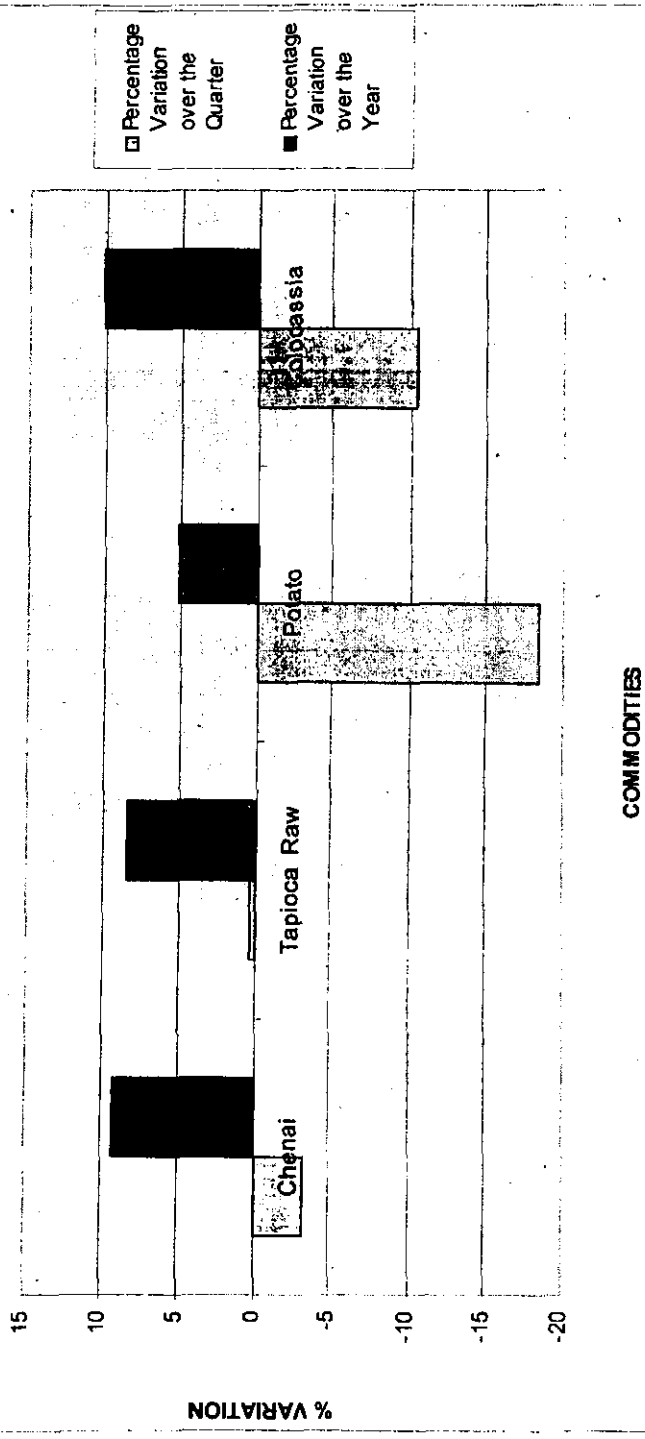
Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices in Rs				AVERAGE
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07		
1	Chenai	Kg	11.14	10.43	9.79	10.45	
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg	7.43	7.46	7.57	7.49	
3	Potato	Kg	17.07	16.36	15.93	16.45	
4	Colocassia	Kg	19.64	18.29	15.36	17.76	

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices in Rs				Percentage Variation over the	
			I QUARTER 2007	I QUARTER 2008	IV QUARTER 2007	Year	Quarter	Year
1	Chenai	Kg	9.26	10.11	10.45	-3.25	9.18	
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg	6.94	7.52	7.49	0.40	8.36	
3	Potato	Kg	12.76	13.42	16.45	-18.42	5.17	
4	Colocassia	Kg	14.45	15.90	17.76	-10.47	10.03	

In this group, the prices of items were decreased compared to previous quarter and increased compared to previous year. The percentage variation of prices in Tubers is presented in the following graph

Graph 6

PERCENTAGE VARIATION OF PRICES OF TUBERS



7. VEGETABLES.

Table-7

Comparison of state average Retail prices of Vegetables.

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on										Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of		
			Jan25-07	Feb 23-07	Mar 30-07	AVERAGE	Jan25-08	Feb29-08	Mar28-08	AVERAGE	January	February	March		
1	Onion big	Kg.	16.71	15.64	11.64	14.66	9.57	8.79	8.62	8.99	-42.73	-43.80	-25.95		
2	Brinjal	Kg.	12.93	12.86	13	12.93	14.86	12.57	11.62	13.02	14.93	-2.26	-10.62		
3	Pumpkin	Kg.	8.21	7.86	7.21	7.76	8.43	8.21	8.54	8.39	2.68	4.45	18.45		
4	Cucumber	Kg.	11.14	8.57	7.79	9.17	11.43	10	11.85	11.09	2.60	16.69	52.12		
5	Ladies Finger	Kg.	18.07	15.21	14.21	15.83	15.43	14.71	15.85	15.33	-14.61	-3.29	11.54		
6	Cabbage	Kg.	9.43	10.14	11.14	10.24	10.57	9.71	9.69	9.99	12.09	-4.24	-13.02		
7	Bittergourd	Kg.	16.64	16.43	14.86	15.98	19.93	16.29	16.77	17.66	19.77	-0.85	12.85		
8	Asnguard	Kg.	8.14	8.64	7.57	8.12	11.14	10.79	10.15	10.69	36.86	24.88	34.08		
9	Snakeguard	Kg.	13	11.14	10.14	11.43	12.86	11.5	14.46	12.94	-1.08	3.23	42.60		
10	Tomatto	Kg.	15.21	11.57	7.79	11.52	11	14.64	16.69	14.11	-27.68	26.53	114.25		
11	Chillies green	Kg.	17.29	16.86	15.14	16.43	18	16.07	15.38	16.48	4.11	-4.69	1.59		
12	Banana green	Kg.	16	14.71	15.57	15.43	17.71	13.36	12.69	14.59	10.69	-9.18	-18.50		
13	Plantain green	Kg.	10.93	10.43	10.08	10.48	11.36	10.57	9.85	10.59	3.93	1.34	-2.28		

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices in Rs			
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07	AVERAGE
1	Onion big	Kg.	19.29	13.84	12.14	15.09
2	Brinjal	Kg.	13.50	15.50	12.93	13.98
3	Pumpkin	Kg.	8.14	7.93	7.71	7.93
4	Cucumber	Kg.	9.86	8.50	9.64	9.33
5	Ladies Finger	Kg.	14.36	13.14	13.14	13.55
6	Cabbage	Kg.	13.43	11.21	10.86	11.83
7	Bitter gourd	Kg.	21.93	21.78	20.21	21.31
8	Ashguard	Kg.	8.07	8.00	8.29	8.12
9	Snake guard	Kg.	13.50	12.29	12.14	12.64
10	Tomato	Kg.	14.43	13.36	10.50	12.76
11	Chillies green	Kg.	16.20	17.40	16.90	16.83
12	Banana green	Kg.	18.86	16.93	17.71	17.83
13	Plantain green	Kg.	11.71	11.29	11.21	11.40

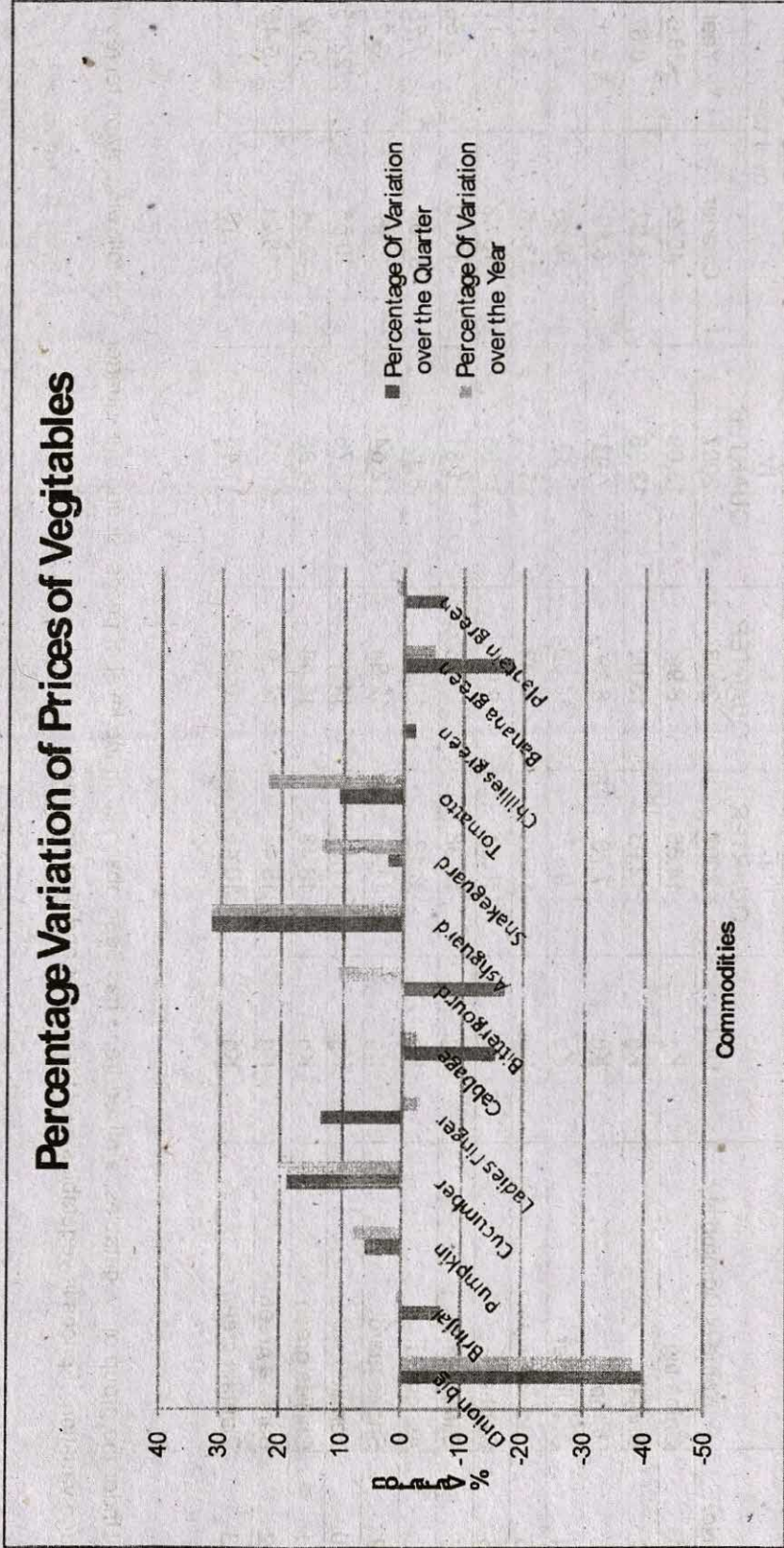
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Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices in Rs				Percentage Variation over the	
			I QUARTER 2007	I QUARTER 2008	IV QUARTER 2007	Quarter	Year	
1	Onion big	Kg.	14.66	8.99	15.09	-40.42	-38.67	
2	Brinjal	Kg.	12.93	13.02	13.98	-6.87	0.67	
3	Pumpkin	Kg.	7.76	8.39	7.93	5.89	8.16	
4	Cucumber	Kg.	9.17	11.09	9.33	18.86	21.02	
5	Ladies Finger	Kg.	15.83	15.33	13.55	13.16	-3.16	
6	Cabbage	Kg.	10.24	9.99	11.83	-15.58	-2.41	
7	Bittergourd	Kg.	15.98	17.66	21.31	-17.10	10.56	
8	Ashguard	Kg.	8.12	10.69	8.12	31.69	31.75	
9	Snakeguard	Kg.	11.43	12.94	12.64	2.35	13.24	
10	Tomatto	Kg.	11.52	14.11	12.76	10.55	22.45	
11	Chillies green	Kg.	16.43	16.48	16.83	-2.08	0.32	
12	Banana green	Kg.	15.43	14.59	17.83	-18.21	-5.45	
13	Plantain green	Kg.	10.48	10.59	11.40	-7.10	1.08	

Under the group of vegetables, a mixed trend has been observed in the level of prices during the quarter. The following graph represents the percentage variation of prices in vegetables over the quarter and over the year.

Graph-7

Percentage Variation of Prices of Vegetables



8. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Table-8

Comparison of state average Retail prices of miscellaneous items

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on										Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of		
			Jan 25-07	Feb 23-07	Mar 30-07	Average	Jan25-08	Feb29-08	Mar28-08	Average	January	February	March		
1	Tobacco	Kg.	57.92	57.54	59.17	58.21	66.29	65.21	65	65.50	14.45	13.33	9.85		
2	Mundu Mull	Each	60.85	60.85	52.83	58.18	61.43	65.36	66.69	64.49	0.95	7.41	26.24		
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	19.92	19.92	19.45	19.76	24.29	24.21	25.62	24.71	21.94	21.54	31.72		
4	Washing Soap (501 Half Bar)	½ Bar	8.56	8.67	10.17	9.13	9.38	9.41	9.63	9.47	9.58	8.54	-5.31		
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	13.46	13.5	13.59	13.52	15.11	15.25	15.73	15.36	12.26	12.96	15.75		
6	Toothpaste - Colgate	100 gm	26.62	26.62	26.73	26.66	27.21	27.21	27.23	27.22	2.22	2.22	1.87		
7	Razor Blade(Topaz)	5 nos	6.5	6.5	6.32	6.44	7.36	7.36	7	7.24	13.23	13.23	10.76		
8	Crocin	2 tabs	1.85	1.88	1.89	1.87	1.97	1.97	1.96	1.97	6.49	4.79	3.70		
9	Electric Bulb(Phillips)	40W	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.89	10.75	10.73	10.79	0.09	-1.19	-1.38		
10	Torch Battery(Eveready)	Each	10.81	10.95	10.46	10.74	12.64	12.71	13	12.78	16.93	16.07	24.28		
11	Paper	24 Sheets	12.85	13.08	12.58	12.84	11.61	11.46	11.88	11.65	-9.65	-12.39	-5.56		
12	Firewood(Local Split)	Quintal	182.5	179	166	175.83	185	185.83	172	180.94	1.37	3.82	3.61		
13	Cement - Sankar (Old.Paper Bag)	Packet	209.68	219.12	223.91	217.57	258	259.3	267.8	261.70	23.04	18.34	19.60		

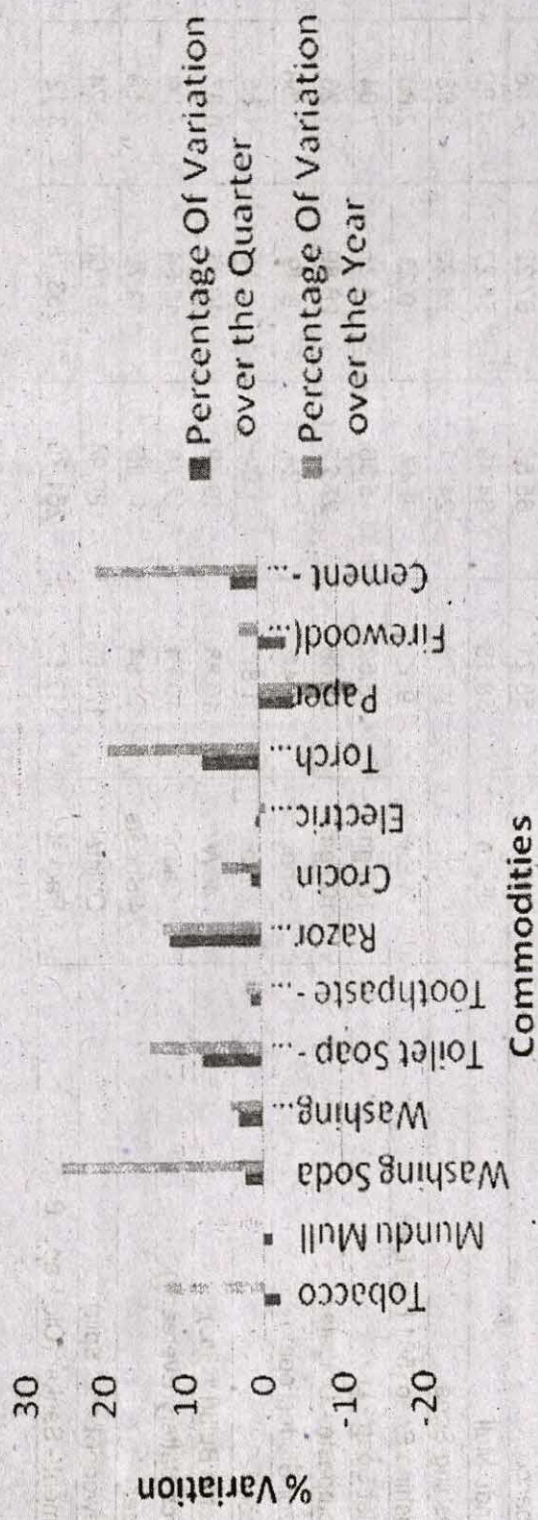
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices in Rs				AVERAGE
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07		
1	Tobacco	Kg.	67.92	67.42	66.31		67.22
2	Mundu Mull	Each	66.08	66.08	63.64		65.27
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	24.08	24.54	24.08		24.23
4	Washing Soap (501 Half Bar)	½ Bar	9.10	9.25	9.33		9.23
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	14.17	14.33	14.54		14.35
6	Toothpaste - Colgate	100 gm	26.83	26.83	27.00		26.89
7	Razor Blade(Topaz)	5 nos	6.50	6.50	6.46		6.49
8	Crocin	2 tabs	1.93	1.95	1.95		1.94
9	Electric Bulb(Philips)	40W	10.79	10.73	10.73		10.75
10	Torch Battery(Eveready)	Each	11.92	11.85	12.04		11.94
11	Paper	24 Sheets	12.25	12.25	10.88		11.79
12	Firewood(Local Split)	Quintal	187.00	189.00	185.00		187.00
13	Cement - Sankar (Old Paper Bag)	Packet	253.56	252.40	255.40		253.78

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices in Rs				Percentage Variation over the	
			QUARTER 2007	QUARTER 2008	QUARTER 2007	IV	Quarter	Year
1	Tobacco	Kg.	58.21	65.50	67.22	-2.56	12.52	
2	Mundu Mull	Each	58.18	64.49	65.27	-1.20	10.85	
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	19.76	24.71	24.23	1.98	25.05	
4	Washing Soap (501 Half Bar)	½ Bar	9.13	9.47	9.23	2.60	3.72	
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	13.52	15.36	14.35	7.04	13.61	
6	Toothpaste - Colgate	100 gm	26.66	27.22	26.89	1.23	2.10	
7	Razor Blade (Topaz)	5 nos	6.44	7.24	6.49	11.56	12.42	
8	Crocin	2 tabs	1.87	1.97	1.94	1.55	5.35	
9	Electric Bulb (Philips)	40W	10.88	10.79	10.75	0.37	-0.83	
10	Torch Battery (Eveready)	Each	10.74	12.78	11.94	7.04	18.99	
11	Paper	24 Sheets	12.84	11.25	11.79	-4.58	-12.38	
12	Firewood (Local Split)	Quintal	175.83	180.94	187.00	-3.24	2.91	
13	Cement - Sankar (Old Paper Bag)	Packet	217.57	261.70	253.78	3.12	20.28	

During the quarter the price of 9 items changed in the positive direction. The price of 4 items shows negative trend. The graphical representation of the percentage variation of prices under miscellaneous items is presented below

Graph 8

Percentage variation of Prices of Miscellaneous items



1. RICE

Table-1

Comparison of state average Retail prices of different varieties of Rice

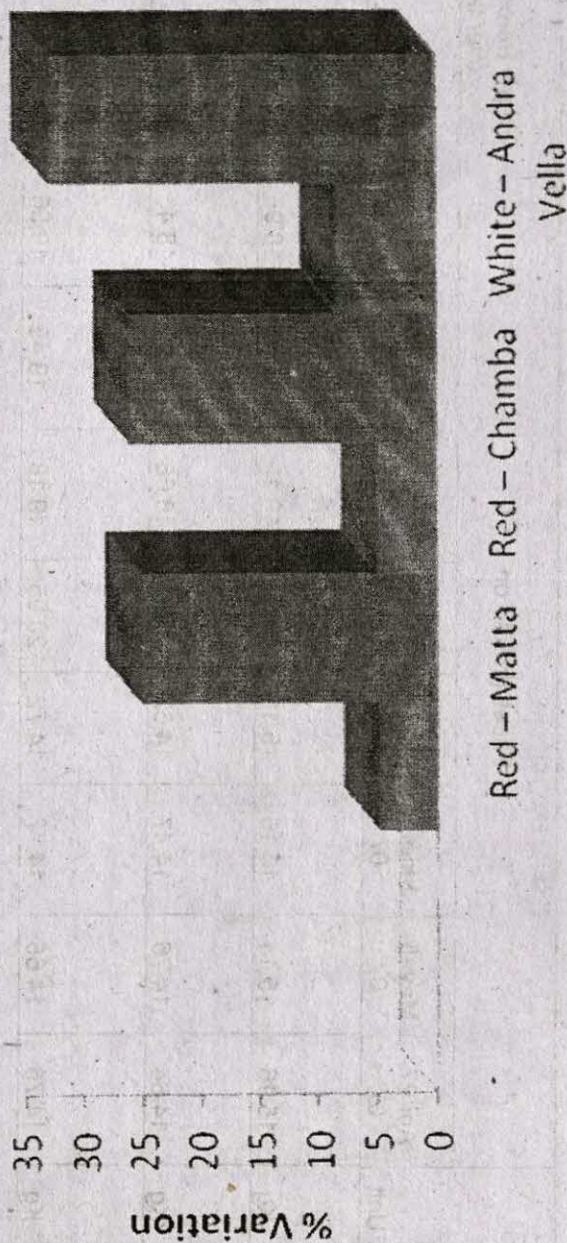
Sl. No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Apr 27-07	May 25-07	June 29-07	Apr 25-08	May 30-08	June 27-08	Avg	April	May	June	
1	Red - Matta	Kg	15.16	15.14	15.16	15.15	19.31	19.19	18.35	18.95	27.37	26.75	21.04
2	Red - Chamba	Kg	14.64	14.76	14.47	14.62	18.68	18.68	17.92	18.43	27.60	26.56	23.84
3	White - Andra Vella	Kg	14.75	14.65	14.77	14.72	20.05	19.18	19.45	19.56	35.93	30.92	31.69

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			II QUARTER 2007	II QUARTER 2008	I QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
1	Red - Matta	Kg	15.15	18.95	18.10	4.72	25.05	
2	Red - Chamba	Kg	14.62	18.43	17.56	4.94	26.01	
3	White - Andra Vella	Kg	14.72	19.56	18.04	8.41	32.85	

The price of rice showed increase over the quarter/year. The increase in price of white Andhra Vella was on the higher side when compared to other varieties. The percentage variation of rice is presented in the following graph.

Graph I

Percentage variation of prices of Rice



Name of Commodity

2. PULSES

Table-2

Comparison of state average retail prices of Pulses.

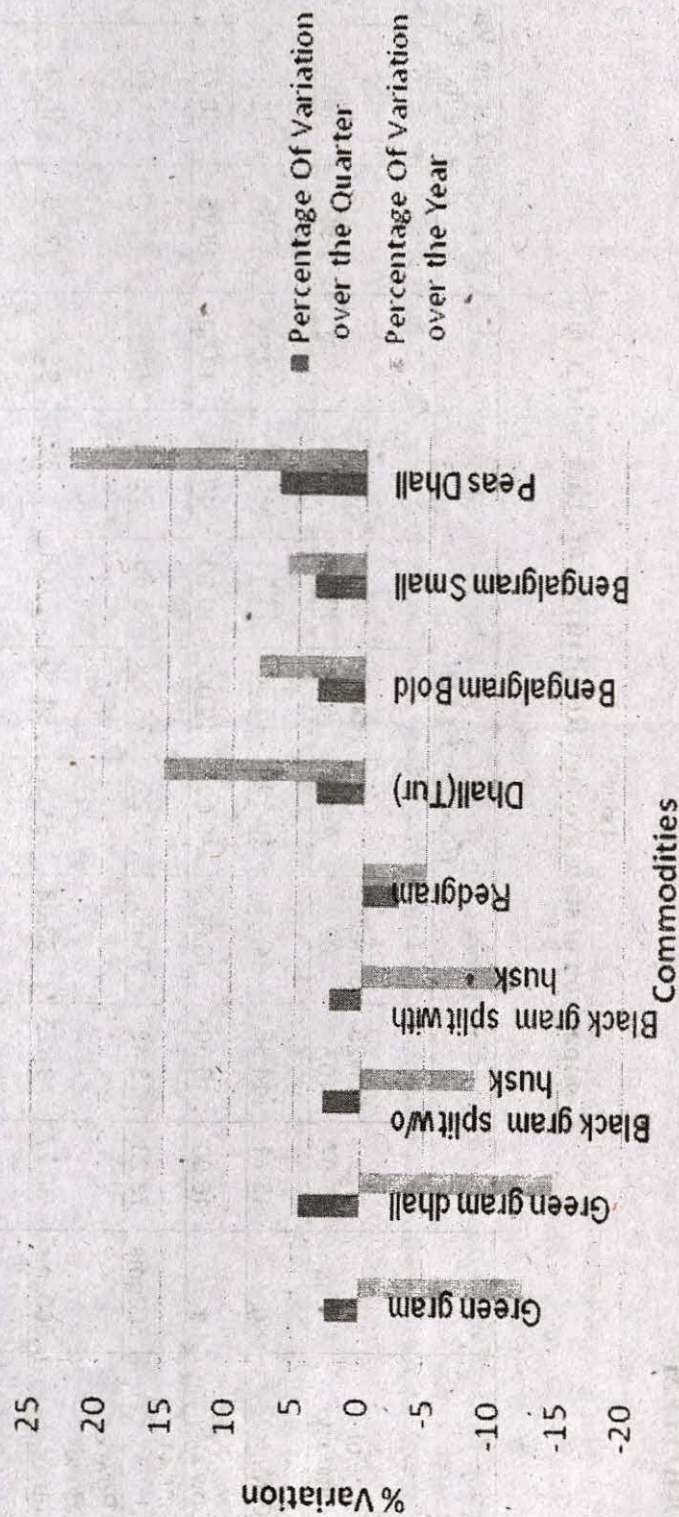
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on										Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Apr 27-07	May 25-07	June 29-07	Average	Apr 25-08	May 30-08	June 27-08	Average	April	May	June			
1	Green gram	KG	43.85	43.29	42.29	43.14	37.64	37.50	38.00	37.71	-14.16	-13.37	-10.14			
2	Green gram dhall	KG	51.46	50.71	49.71	50.63	42.86	43.36	43.15	43.12	-16.71	-14.49	-13.20			
3	Black gram split w/o husk	KG	51.08	49.86	47.50	49.48	45.21	44.64	45.54	45.13	-11.49	-10.47	-4.13			
4	Black gram split with husk	KG	47.38	46.67	44.11	46.05	40.71	40.57	40.67	40.65	-14.08	-13.07	-7.80			
5	Redgram	KG	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	33.43	32.57	31.00	32.33	-1.68	-4.21	-8.82			
6	Dhall(Tur)	KG	38.15	38.93	39.00	38.69	44.71	44.43	44.77	44.64	17.20	14.13	14.79			
7	Bengalgram Bold	KG	34.64	35.33	35.42	35.13	38.33	38.00	37.55	37.96	10.65	7.56	6.01			
8	Bengalgram Small	KG	32.64	32.58	33.17	32.80	34.73	34.82	34.55	34.70	6.40	6.88	4.16			
9	Peas Dhall	KG	26.54	26.50	26.00	26.35	32.50	32.64	32.00	32.38	22.46	23.17	23.08			

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			II QUARTER 2007	II QUARTER 2008	I QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
1	Green gram	KG.	43.14	37.71	36.78	2.53	-12.59	
2	Green gram dhall	KG	50.63	43.12	41.21	4.63	-14.82	
3	Black gram split w/o husk	KG	49.48	45.13	43.87	2.86	-8.79	
4	Black gram split with husk	KG	46.05	40.65	39.67	2.47	-11.73	
5	Redgram	KG	34.00	32.33	33.28	-2.83	-4.90	
6	Dhall(Tur)	KG	38.69	44.64	43.09	3.58	15.36	
7	Bengalgram Bold	KG	35.13	37.96	36.66	3.55	8.06	
8	Bengalgram Small	KG	32.80	34.70	33.42	3.84	5.80	
9	Peas Dhall	KG	26.35	32.38	30.42	6.44	22.90	

Prices of various commodities under the pulses-group showed an upward trend compared to previous quarter except that of redgram. However, price of certain items showed decrease compared to previous year. The graph below represents the percentage variation of price in pulses.

GRAPH 2

Percentage variation of prices of Pulses



3. OTHER FOOD ITEMS

Table-3
Comparison of state average Retail prices of other food items.

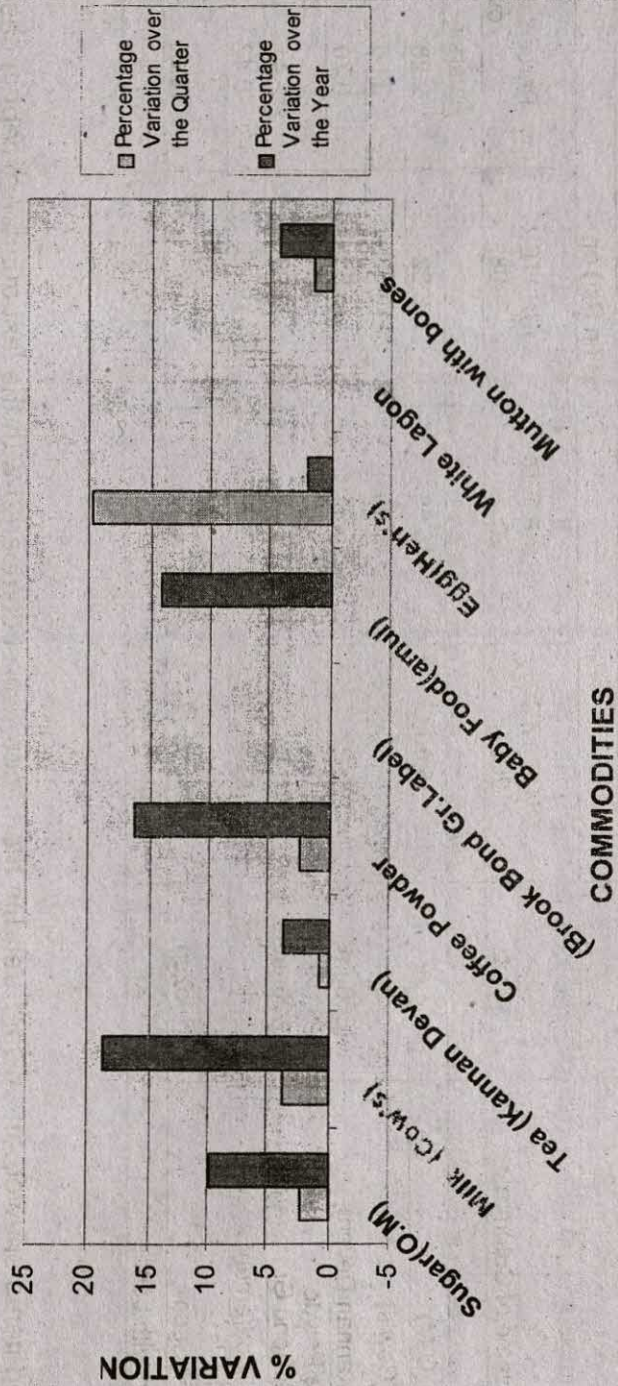
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on								Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of		
			Apr 27-07	May 25-07	June 29-07	Avg	Apr 25-08	May 30-08	June 27-08	Avg	April	May	June
1	Sugar(O.M)	Kg.	15.71	14.88	14.71	15.10	16.66	16.59	16.52	16.59	11.49	12.30	12.30
2	Milk (Cow's)	Ltr.	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.75	18.75	18.75
3	Tea (Kannan Devan)	500gms	73.23	73.42	73.00	73.22	76.00	75.86	75.86	75.86	3.78	3.92	3.92
4	Coffee Powder (Brook Bond Gr.Label)	500gms	80.77	81.75	83.08	81.87	94.79	95.36	95.36	95.17	17.36	16.65	14.78
5	Baby Food(amul)	Kg	161.25	154.50	156.50	157.42	178.22	180.33	180.33	179.63	16.72	15.23	15.23
6	Egg(Hen's) White Lagon	Dozen	20.15	25.31	26.64	24.03	21.90	25.51	26.09	24.50	8.68	-2.06	-2.06
7	Mutton with bones	Kg	160.70	158.33	161.67	160.23	165.71	167.86	167.86	167.14	3.12	6.02	3.83

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			II QUARTER 2007	II QUARTER 2008	I QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
						Quarter	Year	
1	Sugar(O.M)	Kg.	15.10	16.59	16.22	2.28	9.87	
2	Milk (Cow's)	Ltr.	16.00	19.00	18.33	3.66	18.75	
3	Tea (Kannan Devan)	500gms	73.22	75.91	75.38	0.70	3.67	
4	Coffee Powder (Brook Bond Gr.Label)	500gms	81.87	95.17	92.93	2.41	16.25	
5	Baby Food(amul)	Kg	157.42	179.63	179.86	-0.13	14.11	
6	Egg(Hen's) White Lagon	Dozen	24.03	24.50	20.45	19.80	1.96	
7	Mutton with bones	Kg	160.23	167.14	164.65	1.51	4.31	

Other food items showed an upward trend in the prices when compared with the last quarter except in case of Amul. All the items under this group showed increase in price over the year. The picture below represents the percentage variation of prices under other food items.

Graph-3

PERCENTAGE VARIATION OF PRICES OF OTHER FOOD ITEMS



4. OIL AND OILSEEDS

Table-4
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Oil and oilseeds

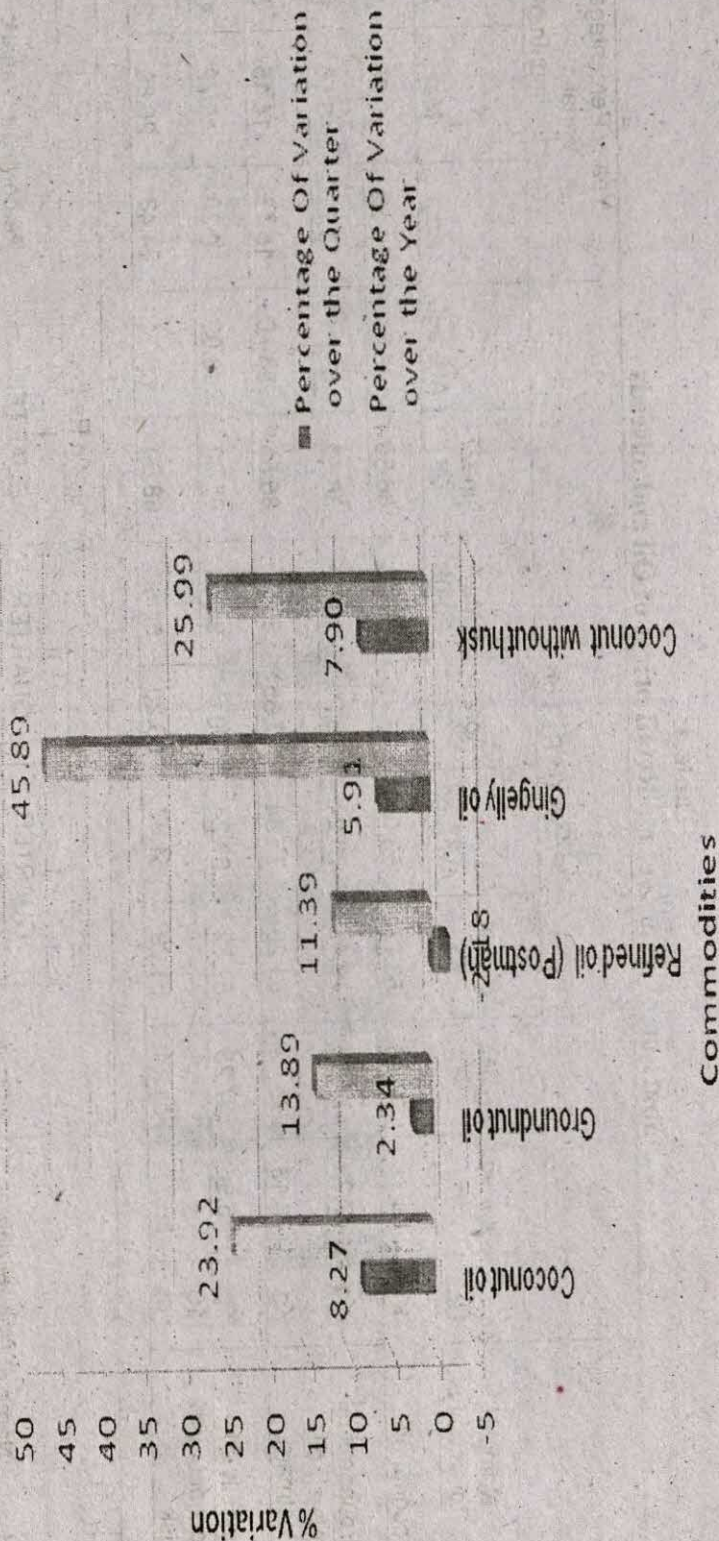
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Apr 27-07	May 25-07	June 29-07	Average	Apr 25-08	May 30-08	June 27-08	Average	April	May	June
			1	Coconut oil	Kg	54.44	53.48	53.77	53.90	67.79	65.93	66.65	66.79
2	Groundnut oil	Kg	77.38	77.89	79.46	78.24	88.00	90.79	88.55	89.11	13.72	16.56	11.44
3	Refined oil (Postman)	Kg.	76.13	76.13	81.25	77.84	87.65	86.90	85.55	86.70	15.13	14.15	5.29
4	Gingelly oil	Kg.	66.96	67.23	67.52	67.24	100.64	98.64	95.00	98.09	50.30	46.72	40.70
5	Coconut without husk	10 nos	50.77	51.14	51.29	51.07	63.20	61.82	68.00	64.34	24.48	20.88	32.58

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on						Percentage Variation over the	
			II		I		Quarter	Year		
			QUARTER 2007	QUARTER 2008	QUARTER 2008	QUARTER 2008				
1	Coconut oil	Kg	53.90	66.79	61.69	61.69	8.27	23.92		
2	Groundnut oil	Kg	78.24	89.11	87.08	87.08	2.34	13.89		
3	Refined oil (Postman)	Kg.	77.84	86.70	88.63	88.63	-2.18	11.39		
4	Gingelly oil	Kg.	67.24	98.09	92.62	92.62	5.91	45.89		
5	Coconut without husk	10 nos	51.07	64.34	59.63	59.63	7.90	25.99		

The price of oil and oil seeds showed an upward trend when compared to previous quarter and previous year. The graph of the above data is presented below.

Graph-4

Percentage variation of prices of Oil & Oilseeds



5. SPICES AND CONDIMENTS

Table-5

Comparison of state average Retail prices of Spices and Condiments.

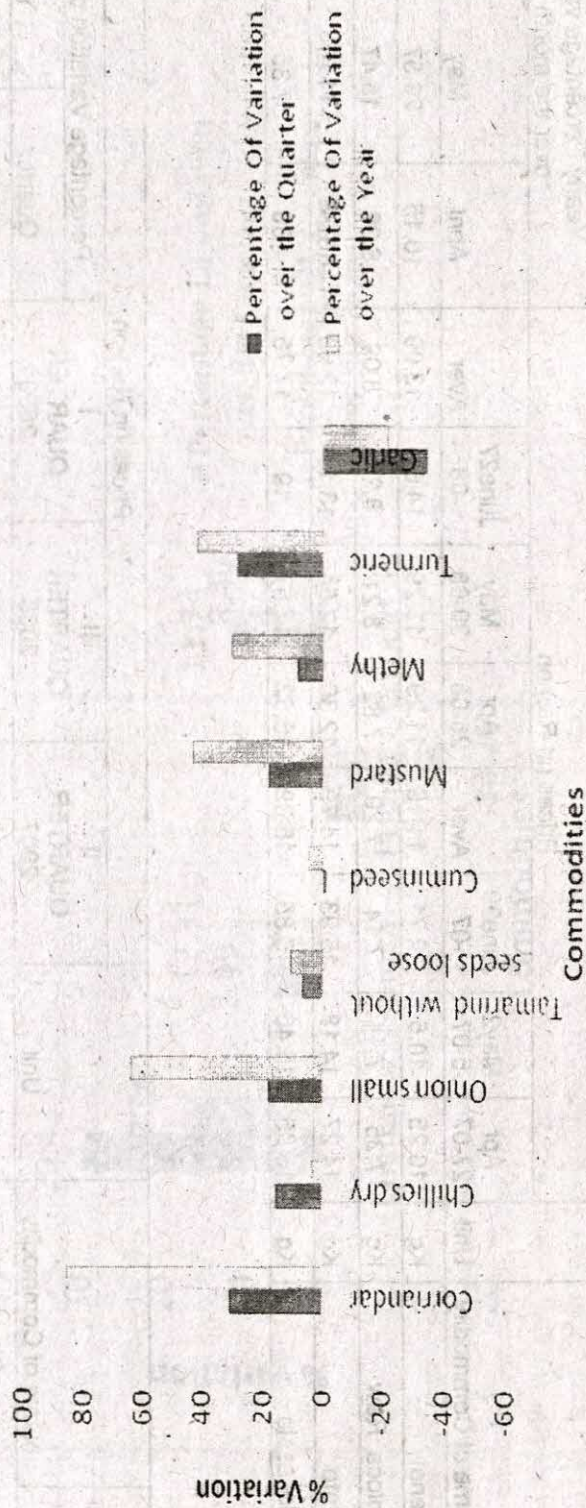
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on								Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of		
			Apr 27-07	May25-07	June29-07	Average	Apr 25-08	May 30-08	June27-08	Average	April	May	June
1	Corriandar	Kg.	41.77	42.64	42.93	42.45	73.43	75.43	87.38	78.75	75.80	76.90	103.54
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	64.15	61.64	61.14	62.31	58.14	66.93	69	64.69	-9.37	8.58	12.86
3	Onion small	Kg.	11.88	10.25	14.07	12.07	22.07	18.43	19	19.83	85.77	79.80	35.04
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	35.62	33.64	33.93	34.40	38.64	37.79	38.08	38.17	8.48	12.34	12.23
5	Cuminseed	100 gm.	14.60	15.01	15.21	14.94	15.34	15.11	16.62	15.69	5.07	0.67	9.27
6	Mustard	100 gm.	3.23	3.22	3.24	3.23	4.27	4.36	5.27	4.63	32.20	35.40	62.65
7	Methy	100 gm.	3.72	3.74	3.79	3.75	4.73	4.71	5.23	4.89	27.15	25.94	37.99
8	Turmeric	100 gm.	3.97	3.86	3.78	3.87	4.56	4.61	7.31	5.49	14.86	19.43	93.39
9	Garlic	100 gm.	4.96	4.89	5.09	4.98	4.14	3.62	3.92	3.89	-16.53	-25.97	-22.99

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			II QUARTER 2007	II QUARTER 2008	QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
1	Coriander	Kg.	42.45	78.75	60.27	30.66	85.51	
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	62.31	64.69	55.95	15.62	3.82	
3	Onion small	Kg.	12.07	19.83	16.79	18.11	64.29	
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	34.40	38.17	35.78	6.68	10.96	
5	Cuminseed	Kg.	14.94	15.69	15.81	-0.76	5.02	
6	Mustard	Kg.	3.23	4.63	3.91	18.41	43.34	
7	Methy	Kg.	3.75	4.89	4.50	8.67	30.40	
8	Turmeric	Kg.	3.87	5.49	4.28	28.27	41.86	
9	Garlic	Kg.	4.98	3.89	5.91	-34.18	-21.89	

In the spices and condiment group most of the item showed increase in price when compared to previous quarter and previous year. The price of Coriander, Chillies dry, Onion Small, Mustard and Turmeric are increased by 30.66%, 15.62%, 18.11%, 18.41% and 28.27% respectively. The prices of Garlic decreased by 34.18% compared to the previous quarter. Graphical representation of the data is presented below.

Graph-5

Percentage variation of prices of Condiments & Spices



6. TUBERS

Table-6
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Tubers

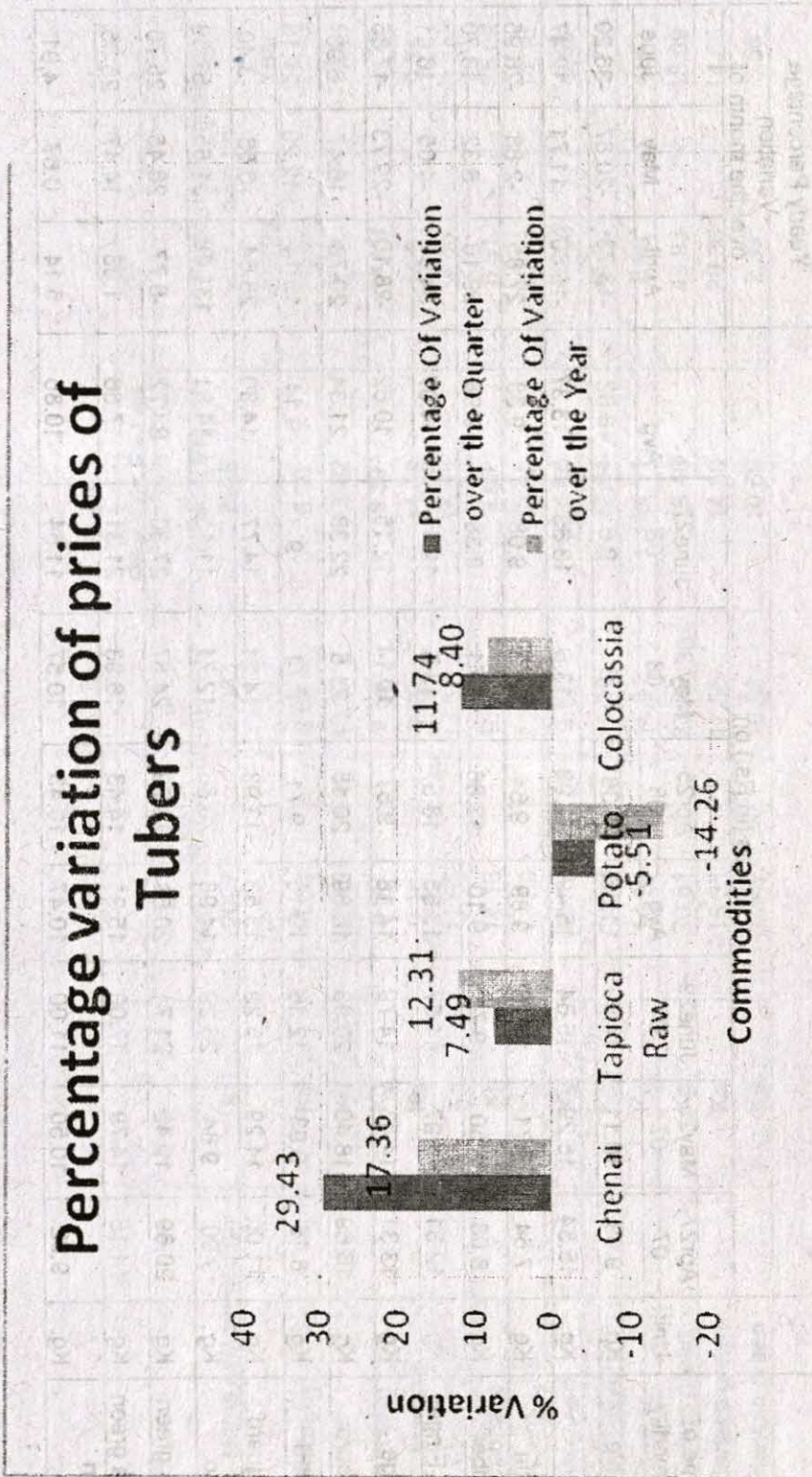
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage variation over the month of			
			Apr 27-07	May2 5-07	June29 -07	Aver	Apr 25-08	May 30-08	June27 -08	Aver	April	May	June
1	Chenai	Kg	10.25	10.5	12.71	11.15	11.29	13.29	14.69	13.09	10.15	26.57	15.58
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg	7.35	7.11	7.14	7.20	7.82	8.21	8.23	8.09	6.39	15.47	15.27
3	Potato	Kg	14.27	14.18	15.93	14.79	12.36	12.54	13.15	12.68	-13.38	-11.57	-17.45
4	Colocassia	Kg	15.85	16.46	16.85	16.39	16.62	17.67	19	17.76	4.86	7.35	12.76

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			II QUARTER 2007	II QUARTER 2008	I QUARTER 2008	Year		
1	Chenai	Kg	11.15	13.09	10.11	29.48	17.36	
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg	7.20	8.09	7.52	7.58	12.31	
3	Potato	Kg	14.79	12.68	13.42	-5.51	-14.26	
4	Colocassia	Kg	16.39	17.76	15.90	11.70	8.40	

Under the group of tubers the price of Chenai, Tapioca Raw and Colocassia showed change of increase compared to the previous quarter and previous year. The percentage variation of price in Tubers group is presented in the following graph.

Graph 6

Percentage variation of prices of Tubers



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7. VEGETABLES.

Table-7
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Vegetables

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on										Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of		
			Apr27-07	May25-07	June29-07	Avg	Apr25-08	May30-08	June27-08	Avg	April	May	June		
1	Onion big	Kg.	9.69	10.11	14.89	11.56	8.36	8	9.5	8.62	-13.73	-20.87	-36.20		
2	Brinjal	Kg.	15.54	15.29	15.64	15.49	12.93	13.5	13.69	13.37	-16.80	-11.71	-12.47		
3	Pumpkin	Kg.	7.54	9.71	12.43	9.89	9.64	9.43	9.08	9.38	27.85	-2.88	-26.95		
4	Cucumber	Kg.	8.08	9.50	9.71	9.10	12.86	8.71	8.38	9.98	59.16	-8.32	-13.70		
5	Ladies Finger	Kg.	12.31	14.07	14.57	13.65	16.57	13.5	12.15	14.07	34.61	-4.05	-16.61		
6	Cabbage	Kg.	13.31	14.43	14.79	14.18	9.57	10.14	12.15	10.62	-28.10	-29.73	-17.85		
7	Bittergourd	Kg.	16.69	18.46	20.93	18.69	20.15	21.5	22.38	21.34	20.73	16.47	6.93		
8	Ashguard	Kg.	8.15	9.93	12.36	10.15	9.71	8.71	9	9.14	19.14	-12.29	-27.18		
9	Snakeguard	Kg.	11.00	14.29	15.29	13.53	13.93	14.21	14.77	14.30	26.64	-0.56	-3.40		
10	Tomatto	Kg.	9.00	9.64	26.29	14.98	20.86	12.71	11.15	14.91	131.78	31.85	-57.59		
11	Chillies green	Kg.	20.69	19.43	21.71	20.61	19.29	24.57	27.30	23.72	-6.77	26.45	25.75		
12	Banana green	Kg.	14.15	14.79	17.00	15.31	14.43	16.93	21.31	17.56	1.98	14.47	25.35		
13	Plantain green	Kg.	9.92	10.50	11.00	10.47	10.43	10.57	11.54	10.85	5.14	0.67	4.91		

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on					Percentage Variation over the	
			II QUARTER 2007	II QUARTER 2008	I QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year		
1	Onion big	Kg.	11.56	8.62	8.99	-4.15	-25.45		
2	Brijjal	Kg.	15.49	13.37	13.02	2.74	-13.66		
3	Pumpkin	Kg.	9.89	9.38	8.39	11.80	-5.15		
4	Cucumber	Kg.	9.10	9.98	11.09	-10.01	9.75		
5	Ladies Finger	Kg.	13.65	14.07	15.33	-8.20	3.10		
6	Cabbage	Kg.	14.18	10.62	9.99	6.31	-25.09		
7	Bittergourd	Kg.	18.69	21.34	17.66	20.83	14.18		
8	Ashguard	Kg.	10.15	9.14	10.69	-14.53	-9.92		
9	Snakeguard	Kg.	13.53	14.30	12.94	10.54	5.74		
10	Tomatto	Kg.	14.98	14.91	14.11	5.65	-0.47		
11	Chillies green	Kg.	20.61	23.72	16.48	43.93	15.09		
12	Banana green	Kg.	15.31	17.56	14.59	20.36	14.65		
13	Plantain green	Kg.	10.47	10.85	10.59	2.39	3.56		

Prices of most of the commodities in the vegetables group showed a trend of increase during the quarter. A mixed trend has been observed when compared to the previous year. The following graph represents the percentage variation of price in vegetables

Graph-7

Percentage variation of prices of vegetables



8. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Table-8
Comparison of state average Retail prices of miscellaneous item

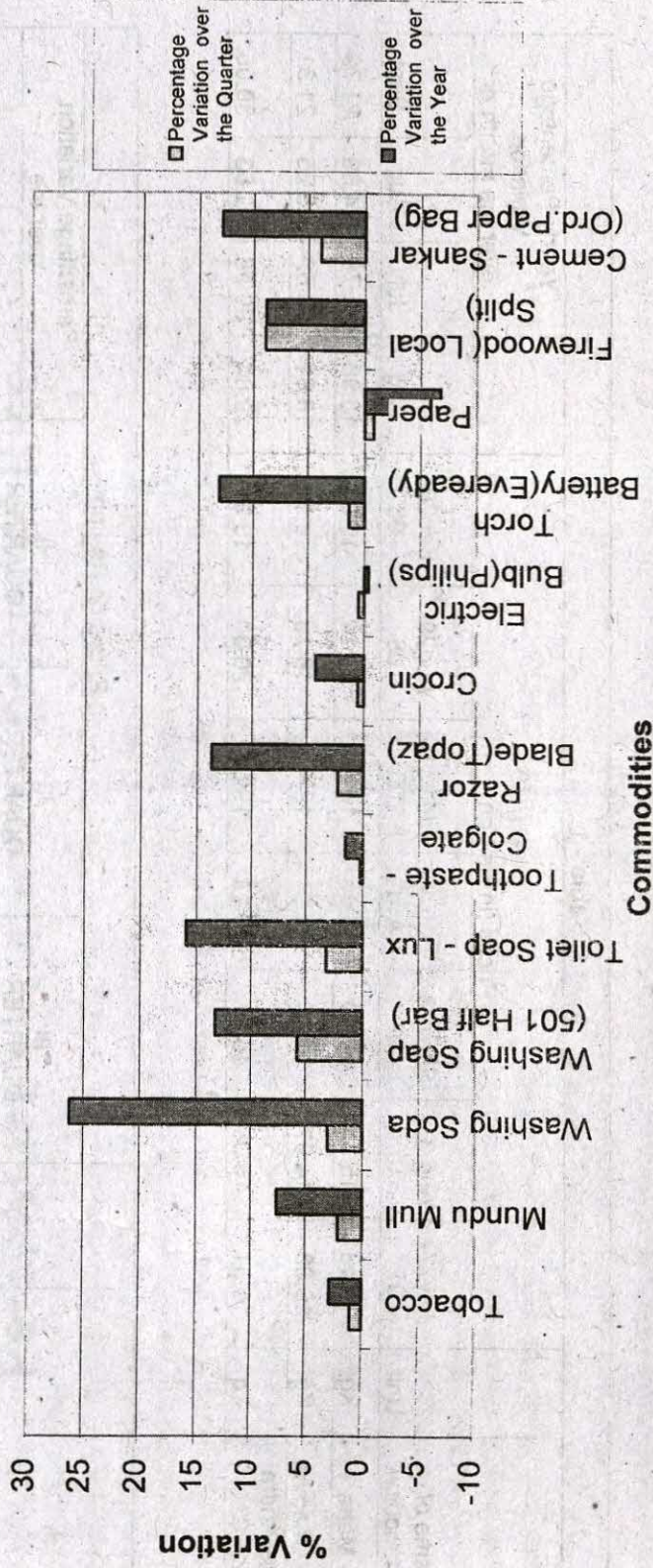
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Apr 27-07	May 25-07	June 29-07	Avg	Apr 25-08	May 30-08	June 27-08	Avg	April	May	June
1	Tobacco	Kg.	61.08	65.67	66.25	64.33	64.86	65.36	68.21	66.14	6.19	-0.47	2.96
2	Mundu Mull	Each	62.46	60.58	60.58	61.21	65.36	66.07	66.07	65.83	4.64	9.06	9.06
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	20.69	19.50	20.33	20.17	25.21	25.46	25.69	25.45	21.85	30.56	26.36
4	Washing Soap (501 Half Bar)	½ Bar	8.87	8.81	8.84	8.84	9.70	10.11	10.21	10.01	9.36	14.76	15.50
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	13.65	13.67	13.67	13.66	15.82	15.89	15.82	15.84	15.90	16.24	15.73
6	Toothpaste - Colgate	100 gm	26.85	26.83	26.92	26.87	27.23	27.21	27.36	27.27	1.42	1.42	1.63
7	Razor Blade (Topaz)	5 nos	6.54	6.50	6.50	6.51	7.21	7.50	7.50	7.40	10.24	15.38	15.38
8	Crocin	2 tabs	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.97	1.99	1.99	1.98	3.68	4.74	4.74
9	Electric Bulb (Philips)	40W	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.82	10.82	10.89	10.84	-0.55	-0.55	0.09
10	Torch Battery (Eveready)	Each	11.35	11.38	11.63	11.45	12.93	12.96	12.96	12.95	13.92	13.88	11.44
11	Paper	24 Sheets	13.19	12.08	11.92	12.40	11.46	11.61	11.61	11.56	-13.12	-3.89	-2.60
12	Firewood (Local Split)	Quintal	185.00	181.00	177.00	181.00	195.00	195.83	200.00	196.94	5.41	8.19	12.99
13	Cement - Sankar (Ord. Paper Bag)	Packet	232.38	240.56	249.30	240.75	271.11	271.60	272.80	271.84	16.67	12.90	9.43

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			II QUARTER 2007	II QUARTER 2008	I QUARTER 2008	Year	Quarter	Year
1	Tobacco	Kg.	64.33	66.14	65.50	0.98	2.81	
2	Mundu Mull	Each	61.21	65.83	64.49	2.08	7.55	
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	20.17	25.45	24.71	2.99	26.18	
4	Washing Soap (501 Half Bar)	½ Bar	8.84	10.01	9.47	5.70	13.24	
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	13.66	15.84	15.36	3.13	15.96	
6	Toothpaste - Colgate	100 gm	26.87	27.27	27.22	0.18	1.49	
7	Razor Blade(Topaz)	5 nos	6.51	7.40	7.24	2.21	13.67	
8	Crocin	2 tabs	1.90	1.98	1.97	0.51	4.21	
9	Electric Bulb(Philips)	40W	10.88	10.84	10.79	0.46	-0.37	
10	Torch Battery(Eveready)	Each	11.45	12.95	12.78	1.33	13.10	
11	Paper	24 Sheets	12.40	11.56	11.65	-0.77	-6.77	
12	Firewood(Local Split)	Quintal	181.00	196.94	180.94	8.84	8.81	
13	Cement - Sankar (Ord.Paper Bag)	Packet	240.75	271.84	261.70	3.87	12.91	

During the quarter the prices of 12 items changed in the increasing direction. The price of paper showed a marginal decrease. The graphical representation of the percentage variation of miscellaneous items is presented below.

Graph 8

Percentage Variation of Prices of Miscellaneous Items



1. RICE

Table-I

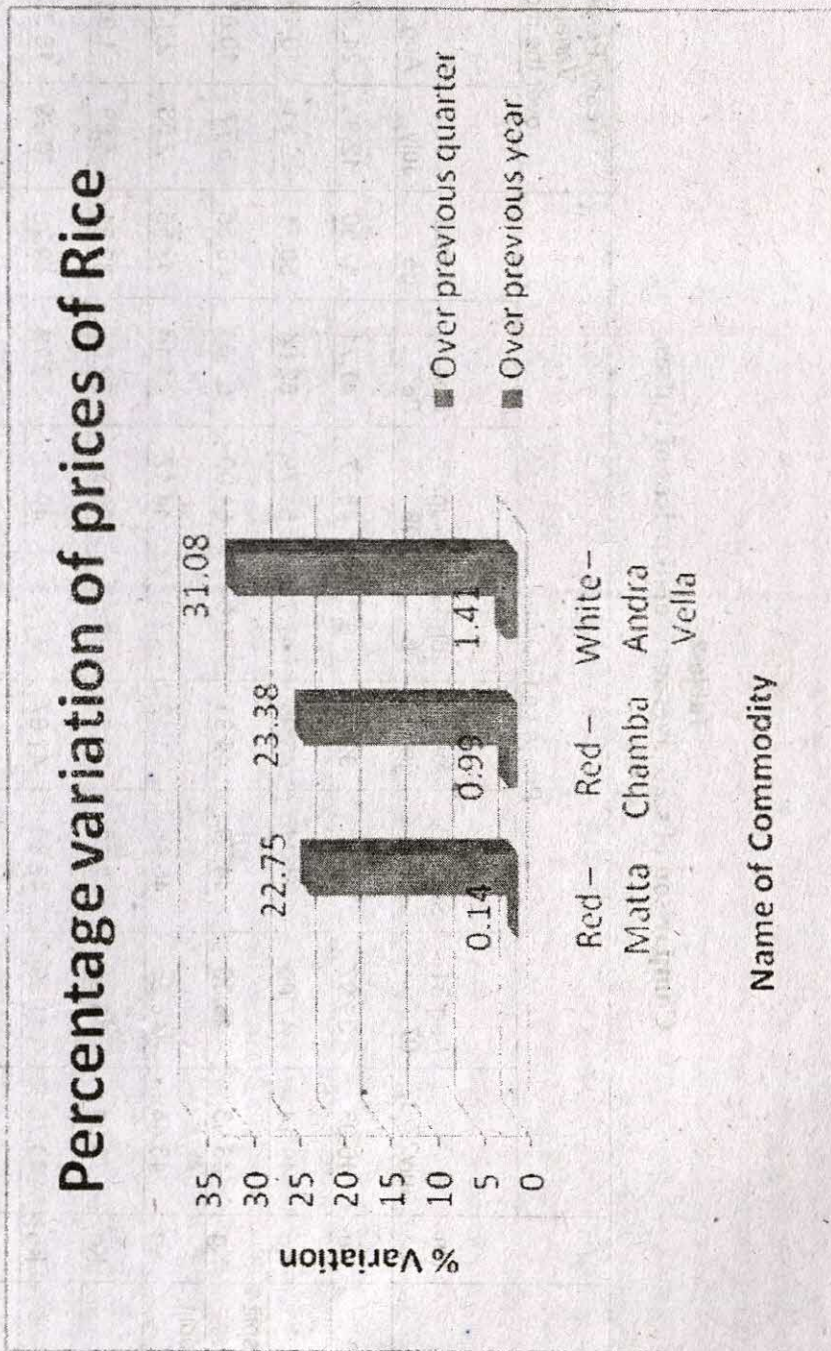
Comparison of state average Retail prices of different varieties of Rice

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Prices (in Rs.) on							Avg	July	Aug	Sept
			July27-07	Aug 31-07	Sept 28-07	Avg	July31-08	Aug29-08	Sep26-08				
1	Red - Matta	Kg	15.43	15.35	15.60	15.46	18.79	19.14	19.00	18.98	21.78	24.69	21.79
2	Red - Chamba White - Andra	Kg	15.03	14.97	15.25	15.08	18.58	18.75	18.50	18.61	23.62	25.25	21.31
3	Vella	Kg	15.01	15.08	15.31	15.13	19.60	20.00	19.91	19.84	30.58	32.63	30.05

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on					Percentage Variation over the	
			III QUARTER 2007			II QUARTER 2008		Quarter	Year
			III QUARTER 2007	III QUARTER 2008	II QUARTER 2008				
1	Red - Matta	Kg	15.46	18.98	18.95	0.14	22.75		
2	Red - Chamba	Kg	15.08	18.61	18.43	0.99	23.38		
3	White - Andra Vella	Kg	15.13	19.84	19.56	1.41	31.08		

The price of rice showed an increasing trend on comparison with previous year and previous quarter. The percentage variation of price in rice is presented in the following graph.

Graph I



2. PULSES

Table-2
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Pulses.

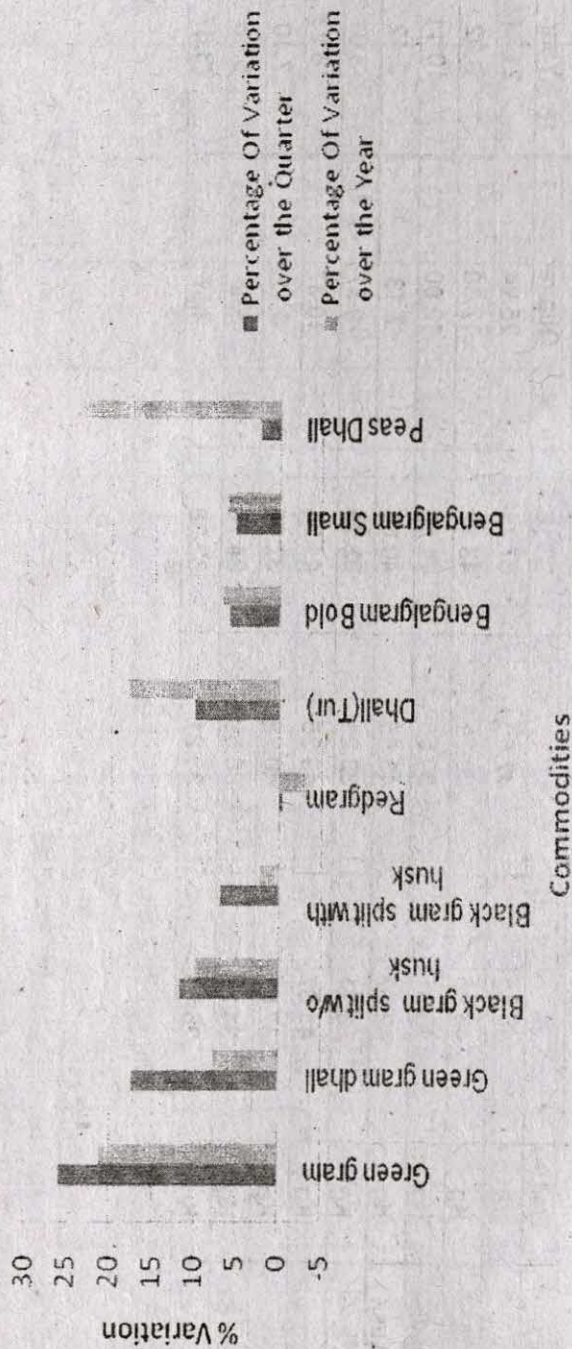
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on								Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of		
			July27-07	Aug 31-07	Sept 28-07	Average	July31-08	Aug29-08	Sep26-08	Average	July	Aug	Sept
1	Green gram	Kg	40.93	39.07	37.36	39.12	46.21	48.57	47.71	47.50	12.90	24.32	27.70
2	Green gram dhall	Kg	49.14	47.00	44.71	46.95	47.71	51.79	52.64	50.71	-2.91	10.19	17.74
3	Black gram split w/o husk	Kg	46.93	46.00	44.79	45.91	49.64	51.00	51.00	50.55	5.77	10.87	13.86
4	Black gram split with husk	Kg	43.44	43.25	40.86	42.52	42.33	44.17	44.14	43.55	-2.56	2.13	8.03
5	Redgram	Kg	33.64	33.21	32.79	33.21	32.00	32.57	32.07	32.21	-4.88	-1.93	-2.20
6	Dhall(Tur)	Kg	40.75	41.89	42.36	41.67	47.43	49.57	50.79	49.26	16.39	18.33	19.90
7	Bengalgram Bold	Kg	36.75	37.92	38.17	37.61	39.93	40.23	40.69	40.28	8.65	6.09	6.60
8	Bengalgram Small	Kg	34.08	34.50	34.55	34.38	36.36	36.80	36.60	36.59	6.69	6.67	5.93
9	Peas Dhall	Kg	26.00	27.21	27.36	26.86	32.57	33.50	33.57	33.21	25.27	23.12	22.70

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on					Percentage Variation over the	
			III	II	III	II	Quarter	Year	
			QUARTER 2007	QUARTER 2008	QUARTER 2008	QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
1	Green gram	Kg	39.12	47.50	37.71	25.94	21.41		
2	Green gram dhall	Kg	46.95	50.71	43.12	17.60	8.02		
3	Black gram split w/o husk	Kg	45.91	50.55	45.13	12.00	10.11		
4	Black gram split with husk	Kg	42.52	43.55	40.65	7.13	2.42		
5	Redgram	Kg	33.21	32.21	32.33	-0.37	-3.01		
6	Dhall(Tur)	Kg	41.67	49.26	44.64	10.37	18.23		
7	Bengalgram Bold	Kg	37.61	40.28	37.96	6.12	7.10		
8	Bengalgram Small	Kg	34.38	36.59	34.70	5.44	6.43		
9	Peas Dhall	Kg	26.86	33.21	32.38	2.57	23.67		

The price of commodities under pulses group showed an upward trend, except that of Red-gram, over the quarter/year. The graph below represents the percentage variation of pulses.

Graph-2

Percentage variation of prices of Pulses



3. OTHER FOOD ITEMS

Table-3

Comparison of state average Retail prices of other food items.

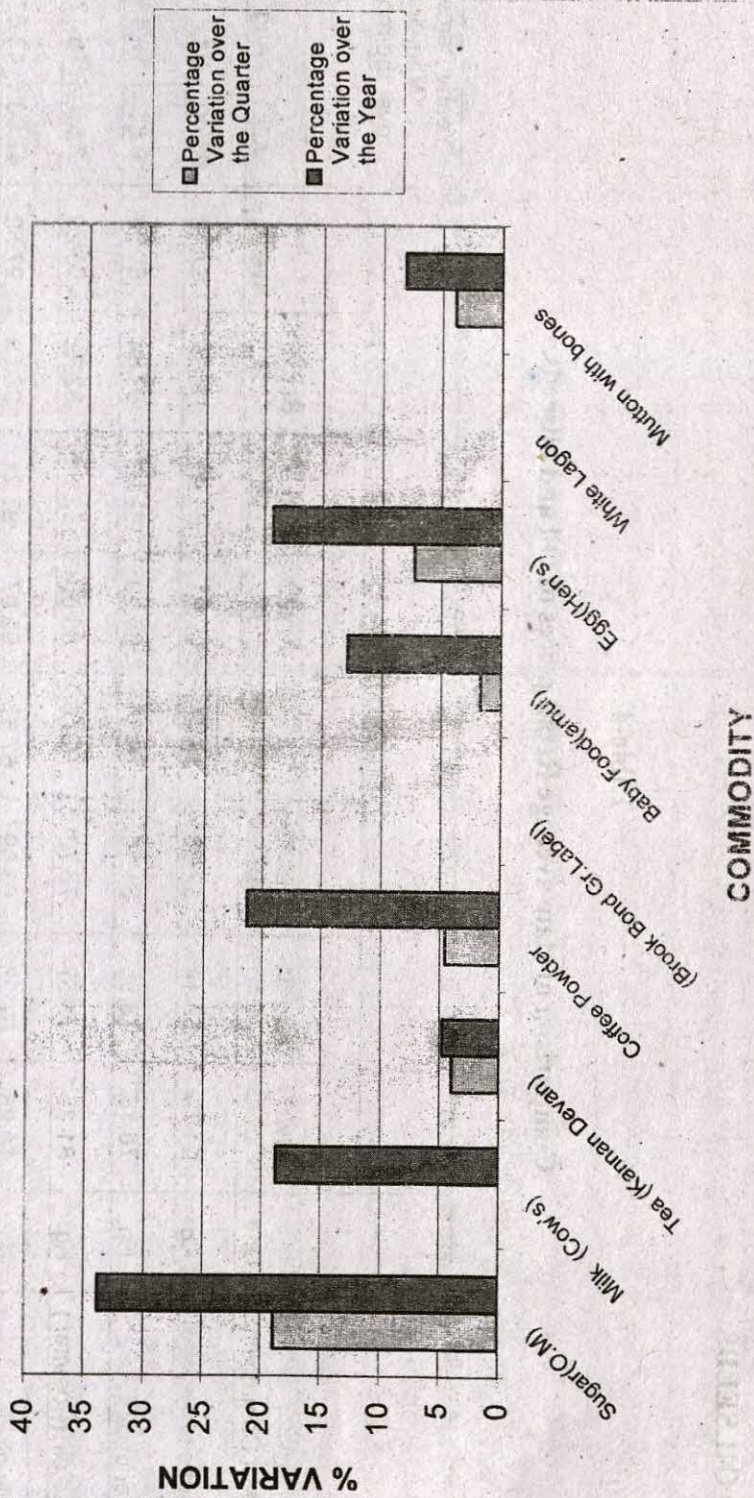
Sl. No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			July 27-07	Aug 31-07	Sept 28-07	AVER AGE	July 31-08	Aug 29-08	Sep 26-08	AVER AGE	July	Aug	Sept
1	Sugar(O.M)	Kg.	15.02	14.63	14.57	14.74	18.33	21.36	19.48	19.72	22.04	46.00	33.70
2	Milk (Cow's)	Ltr.	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.75	18.75	18.75
3	Tea (Kannian Devan)	500gms	75.17	75.00	75.85	75.34	76.29	78.86	81.54	78.90	1.49	5.15	7.50
4	Coffee Powder (Brook Bond Gr.Label)	500gms	79.75	82.00	84.31	82.02	96.21	99.93	102.36	99.50	20.64	21.87	21.41
5	Baby Food(amul)	Kg	147.50	170.25	167.56	161.77	181.00	181.00	186.00	182.67	22.71	6.31	11.01
6	Egg(Hen's) White Lagon	Dozen	22.69	22.03	21.41	22.04	25.87	26.69	26.29	26.28	14.01	21.15	22.79
7	Mutton with bones	Kg	160.00	160.83	160.77	160.53	170.00	173.57	177.14	173.57	6.25	7.92	10.18

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			III QUARTER 2007	III QUARTER 2008	II QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
1	Sugar(O.M)	Kg.	14.74	19.72	16.59	18.87	33.79	
2	Milk (Cow's)	Ltr.	16.00	19.00	19	0.00	18.75	
3	Tea (Kannan Devan) Coffee Powder	500gms	75.34	78.90	75.91	3.94	4.73	
4	(Brook Bond Gr.Label)	500gms	82.02	99.50	95.17	4.55	21.31	
5	Baby Food(amul) Egg(Hen's)	Kg	161.77	182.67	179.63	1.69	12.92	
6	White Lagon	Dozen	22.04	26.28	24.5	7.27	19.24	
7	Mutton with bones	Kg	160.53	173.57	167.14	3.85	8.12	

All other food items showed an increasing trend over the year and quarter. The graph below represents the percentage variation of other food items.

Graph-3

PERCENTAGE VARIATION OF PRICES OF OTHER FOOD ITEMS



4. OIL AND OILSEEDS

Table-4
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Oil and oilseeds.

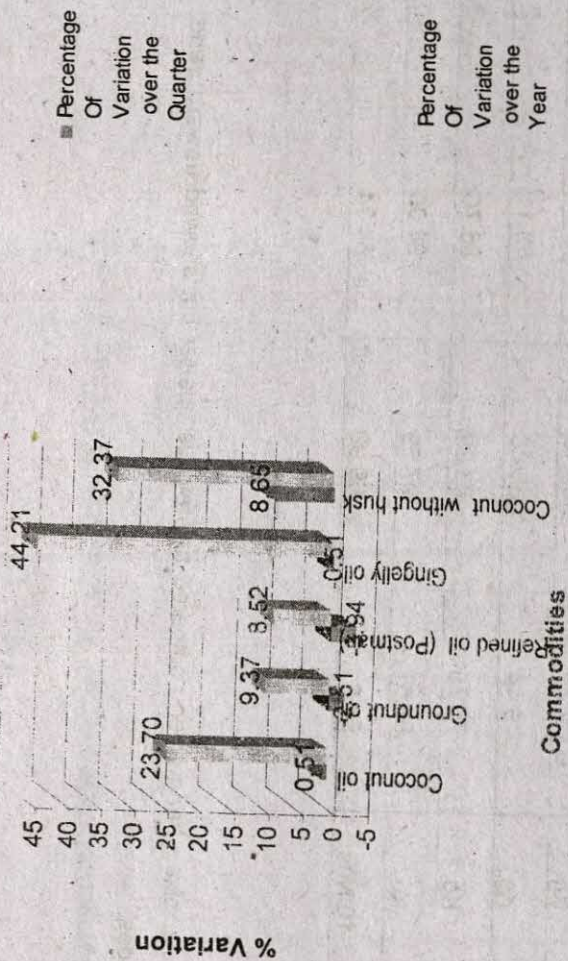
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on						Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of				
			July 27-07	Aug 31-07	Sept 28-07	Average	July 31-08	Aug 29-08	Sep 26-08	Average	July	Aug	Sept
1	Coconut oil	Kg	54.79	55.14	52.88	54.27	67.61	66.96	66.82	67.13	23.40	21.44	26.36
2	Groundnut oil	Kg	78.19	78.56	81.56	79.44	85.90	88.09	86.64	86.88	9.86	12.13	6.23
3	Refined oil (Postman)	Kg.	81.85	71.67	76.72	76.75	85.00	82.54	82.32	83.29	3.85	15.17	7.30
4	Gingelly oil	Kg.	66.95	67.68	68.39	67.67	99.07	97.21	96.50	97.59	47.98	43.63	41.10
5	Coconut without husk	10 nos	53.43	53.3	51.7	52.81	70.64	69.71	69.36	69.90	32.21	30.79	34.16

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			I st QUARTER 2007	II nd QUARTER 2008	III rd QUARTER 2008	II nd QUARTER 2008	Quarter	
							Year	Year
1	Coconut oil	Kg	54.27	66.79	67.13	66.79	0.51	23.70
2	Groundnut oil	Kg	79.44	89.11	86.88	89.11	-2.51	9.37
3	Refined oil (Postman)	Kg.	76.75	86.70	83.29	86.70	-3.94	8.52
4	Gingelly oil	Kg.	67.67	98.09	97.59	98.09	-0.51	44.21
5	Coconut without husk	10 Nos.	52.81	64.34	69.90	64.34	8.65	32.37

The price of oil and oil seeds showed a mixed trend when compared to previous quarter but showed upward trend when compared to the previous year. The graph below shows the changes.

Graph-4

Percentage variation of prices of Oil & Oilseeds



5. SPICES AND CONDIMENTS

Table-5

Comparison of state average Retail prices of Spices and Condiments.

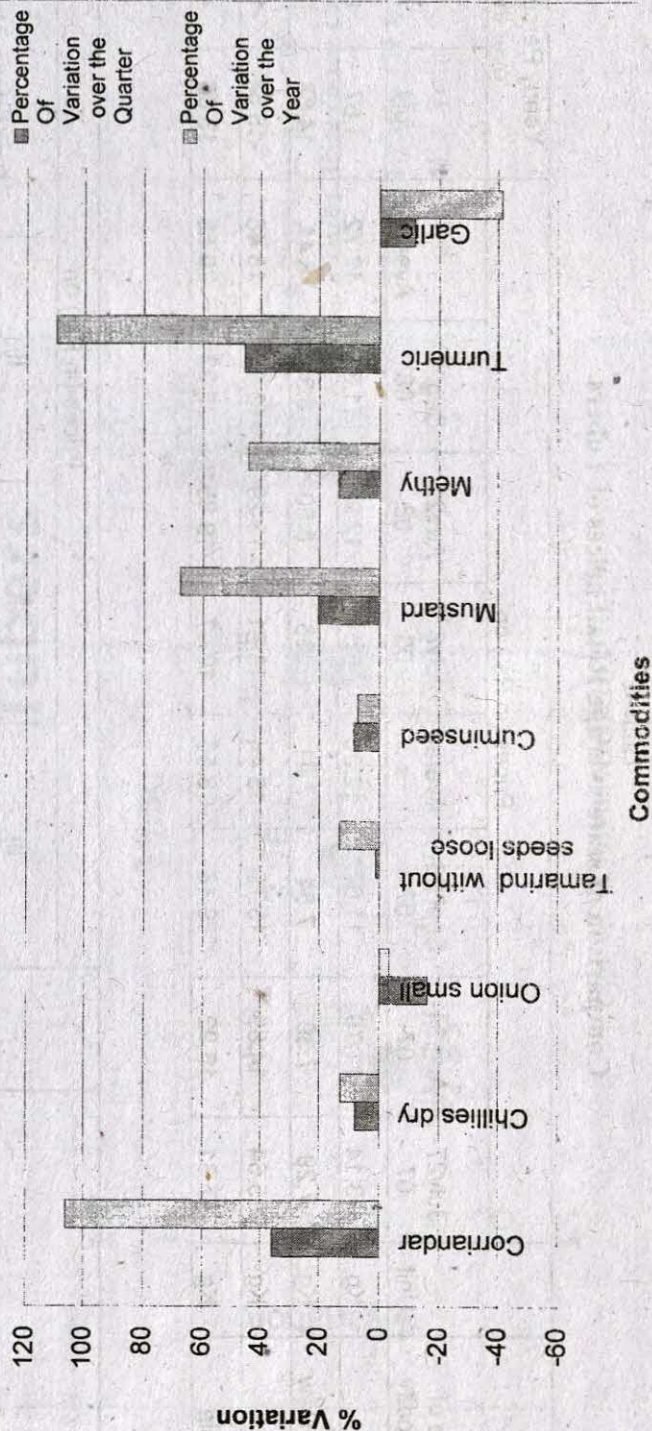
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on										Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of		
			July27-07	Aug 31-07	Sept 28-07	Average	July31-08	Aug29-08	Sep26-08	Average	July	Aug	Sept		
1	Corriandar	Kg.	44.93	54.07	56.79	51.93	97.57	113.64	109.93	107.05	117.16	110.17	93.57		
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	61.07	62.43	62.14	61.88	69.07	70.71	69.79	69.86	13.10	13.26	12.31		
3	Onion small	Kg.	18.18	16.72	16.79	17.23	15.14	15.57	19.29	16.67	-16.72	-6.88	14.89		
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	33.21	33.71	35.5	34.14	38.57	38.57	38.93	38.69	16.14	14.42	9.66		
5	Cuminseed	100 gm.	15.75	16.04	15.89	15.89	17.07	17	17	17.02	8.38	5.99	6.99		
6	Mustard	100 gm.	3.31	3.32	3.34	3.32	5.57	5.61	5.54	5.57	68.28	68.98	65.87		
7	Methy	100 gm.	3.82	3.89	3.85	3.85	5.57	5.5	5.61	5.56	45.81	41.39	45.71		
8	Turmeric	100 gm.	3.83	3.80	3.80	3.81	7.75	7.93	8.29	7.99	102.35	108.68	118.16		
9	Garlic	100 gm.	5.23	6.14	6.23	5.87	3.75	3.5	3.07	3.44	-28.30	-43.00	-50.72		

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			III QUARTER 2007	III QUARTER 2008	II QUARTER 2008	Year	Quarter	
1	Corriandar	Kg.	51.93	107.05	78.75	35.94	106.14	
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	61.88	69.86	64.69	7.99	12.89	
3	Onion small	Kg.	17.23	16.67	19.83	-15.97	-3.27	
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	34.14	38.69	38.17	1.36	13.33	
5	Cuminseed	100 gm.	15.89	17.02	15.69	8.50	7.11	
6	Mustard	100 gm.	3.32	5.57	4.63	20.29	67.70	
7	Methy	100 gm.	3.85	5.56	4.89	13.70	44.42	
8	Turmeric	100 gm.	3.81	7.99	5.49	45.45	109.71	
9	Garlic	100 gm.	5.87	3.44	3.89	-11.57	-41.36	

In the spices and condiment group the prices of most of the items showed an increasing trend when compared to previous quarter and the previous year. Graphical representation of percentage variation of prices of spices and condiments are presented below.

Graph-5

Percentage variation of prices of Condiments & Spices



6. TUBERS

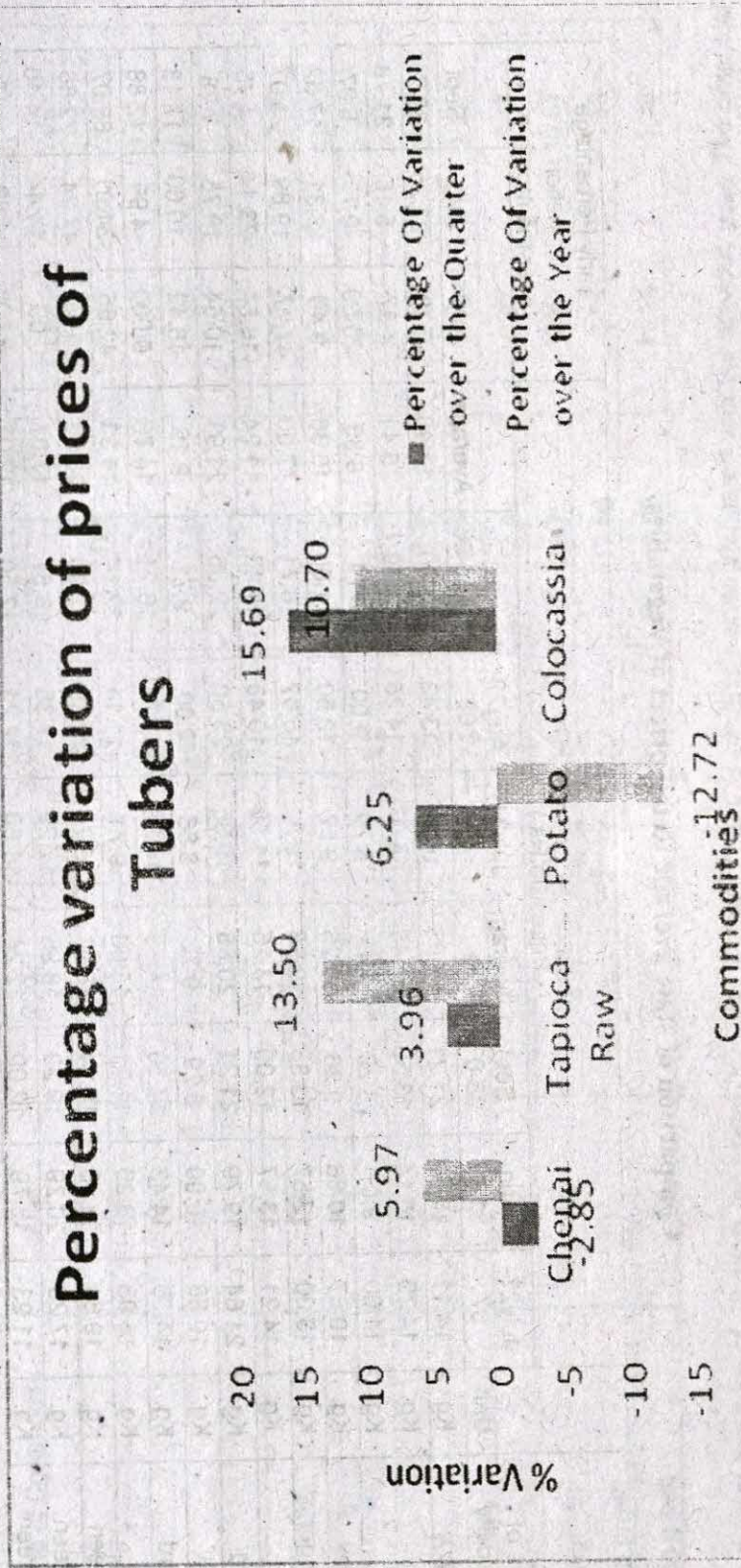
Table-6
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Tubers

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			July 27-07	Aug 31-07	Sept 28-07	Average	July 31-08	Aug 29-08	Sep 26-08	Average	July	Aug	Sept
1	Chennai	Kg	13.14	11.79	11.07	12.00	13.36	12.93	11.86	12.72	1.67	9.67	7.14
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg	7.29	7.39	7.54	7.41	8.36	8.50	8.36	8.41	14.68	15.02	10.88
3	Potato	Kg	15.64	14.89	15.79	15.44	13.21	13.29	13.93	13.48	-15.54	-10.75	-11.78
4	Colocassia	Kg	17.31	18.92	19.46	18.56	19.57	19.85	22.23	20.55	13.06	4.92	14.23

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			III QUARTER 2007	III QUARTER 2008	II QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
1	Chennai	Kg	12.00	12.72	13.09	-2.85	5.97	
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg	7.41	8.41	8.09	3.96	13.50	
3	Potato	Kg	15.44	13.48	12.68	6.25	-12.72	
4	Colocassia	Kg	18.56	20.55	17.76	15.69	10.70	

In the tubers group, the prices of most of the items increased. The percentage variation of price of Tubers is presented in the following graph.

Graph 6



7. VEGETABLES.

Table-7

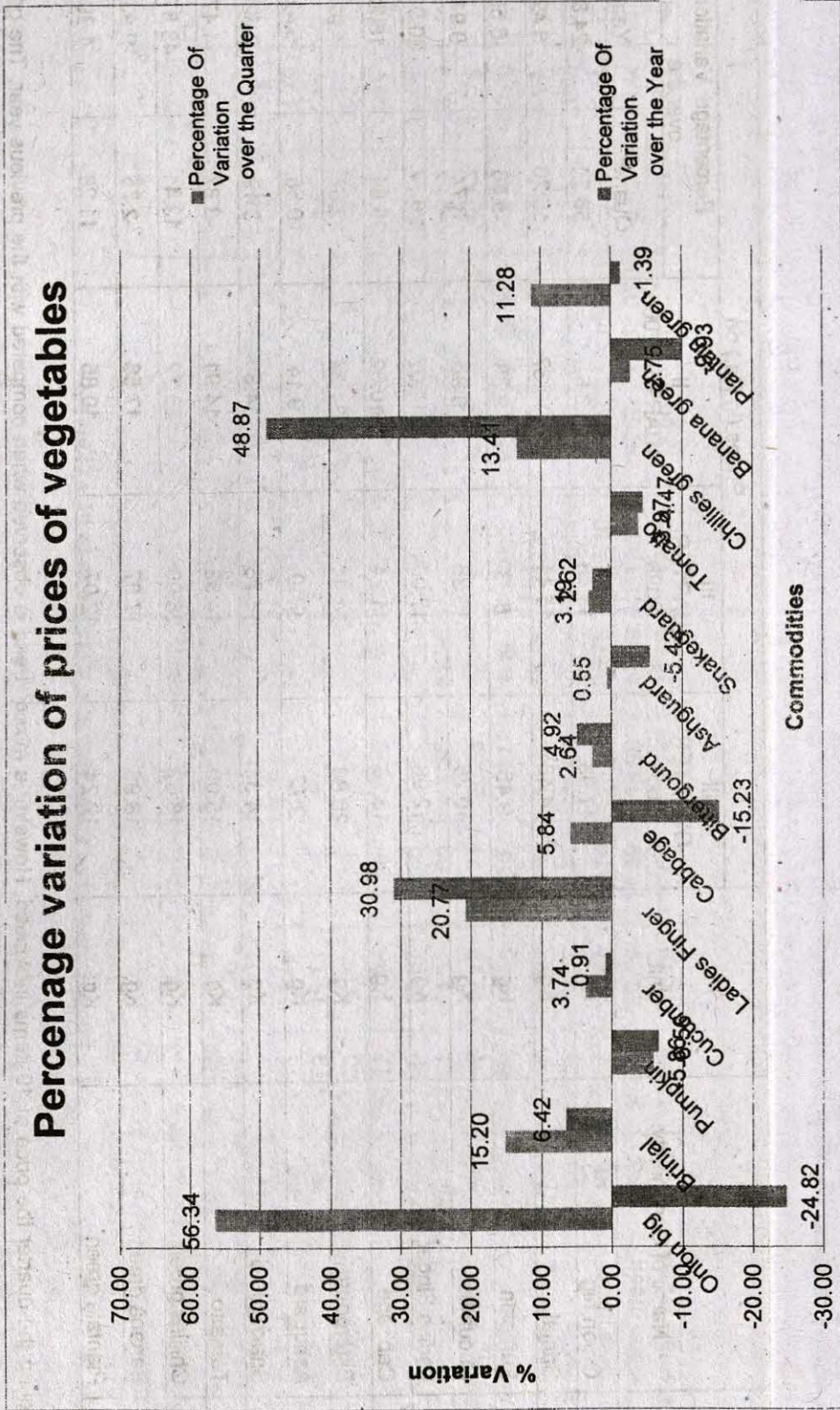
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Vegetables.

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on										Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of		
			July 27-07	Aug 31-07	Sept 28-07	Average	July 31-08	Aug 29-08	Sep 26-08	Average	July	Aug	Sept		
1	Onion big	Kg.	14.11	18.46	21.21	17.93	14.00	13.43	13.00	13.48	-0.78	-27.25	-38.71		
2	Brinjal	Kg.	14.79	15.14	13.50	14.48	14.07	14.36	17.79	15.41	-4.87	-5.15	31.78		
3	Pumpkin	Kg.	11.00	9.07	8.29	9.45	8.79	9.00	8.71	8.83	-20.09	-0.77	5.07		
4	Cucumber	Kg.	10.57	10.86	9.36	10.26	9.57	10.50	11.00	10.36	-9.46	-3.31	17.52		
5	Ladies Finger	Kg.	13.00	12.57	13.36	12.98	19.21	15.07	16.71	17.00	47.77	19.89	25.07		
6	Cabbage	Kg.	14.21	13.57	12.00	13.26	11.86	10.43	11.43	11.24	-16.54	-23.14	-4.75		
7	Bittergourd	Kg.	21.64	19.79	21.21	20.88	19.36	23.50	22.86	21.91	-10.54	18.75	7.78		
8	Ashguard	Kg.	10.86	10.00	8.29	9.72	8.66	9.00	9.71	9.19	-18.42	-10.00	17.13		
9	Snakeguard	Kg.	14.36	14.43	14.36	14.58	14.36	13.71	16.21	14.76	0.00	-4.99	12.88		
10	Tomatto	Kg.	16.93	16.36	11.71	15.00	9.71	11.14	22.14	14.33	-42.65	-31.91	89.07		
11	Chillies green	Kg.	19.64	18.43	16.14	18.07	25.70	27.10	27.90	26.90	30.86	47.04	72.86		
12	Banana green	Kg.	17.29	20.29	19.29	18.96	17.29	17.36	16.57	17.07	0.00	-14.44	-14.10		
13	Plantain green	Kg.	11.93	12.79	12.00	12.24	11.50	12.21	12.50	12.07	-3.60	-4.53	4.17		

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			III QUARTER 2007	III QUARTER 2008	II QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
1	Onion big	Kg.	17.93	13.48	8.62	56.34	-24.82	
2	Brinjal	Kg.	14.48	15.41	13.37	15.20	6.42	
3	Pumpkin	Kg.	9.45	8.83	9.38	-5.86	-6.56	
4	Cucumber	Kg.	10.26	10.36	9.98	3.74	0.91	
5	Ladies Finger	Kg.	12.98	17.00	14.07	20.77	30.98	
6	Cabbage	Kg.	13.26	11.24	10.62	5.84	-15.23	
7	Bittergourd	Kg.	20.88	21.91	21.34	2.64	4.92	
8	Ashguard	Kg.	9.72	9.19	9.14	0.55	-5.42	
9	Snakeguard	Kg.	14.38	14.76	14.30	3.19	2.62	
10	Tomatto	Kg.	15.00	14.33	14.91	-3.87	-4.47	
11	Chillies green	Kg.	18.07	26.90	23.72	13.41	48.87	
12	Banana green	Kg.	18.96	17.07	17.56	-2.75	-9.93	
13	Plantain green	Kg.	12.24	12.07	10.85	11.28	-1.39	

During the quarter the price of 10 items increased. However a mixed trend is observed when compared with the previous year. The graphical representation of the percentage variation of miscellaneous items is presented below.

Graph-7



8. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Table-8
Comparison of state average Retail prices of miscellaneous items

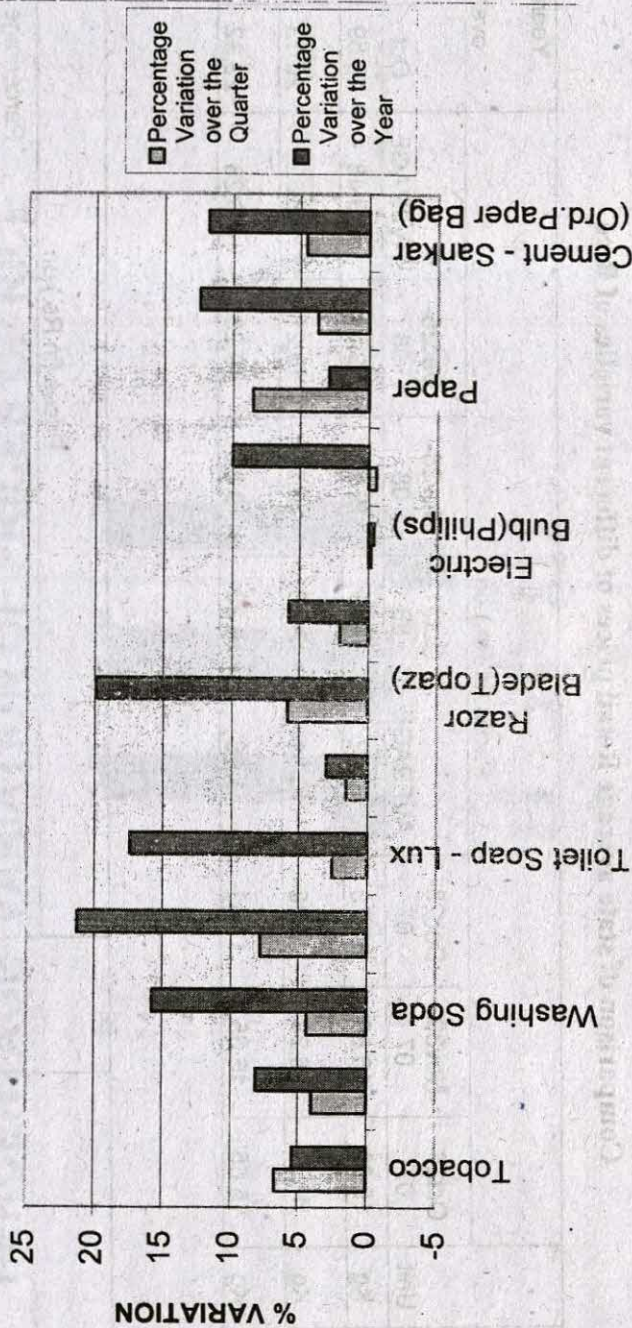
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			July 27 -07	Aug 31-07	Sept 28-07	Average	July 31 -08	Aug 29 -08	Sep 26 -08	Average	July	Aug	Sept
1	Tobacco	Kg.	66.83	66.67	67.38	66.96	70.00	70.21	71.43	70.55	4.74	5.31	6.01
2	Mundu Mull	Each	62.33	62.67	65.00	63.33	67.50	68.93	68.93	68.45	8.29	9.99	6.05
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	21.50	23.50	23.85	22.95	26.62	26.00	27.07	26.56	23.81	10.64	13.50
4	Washing Soap (501 Half Bar)	½ Bar	8.85	8.90	8.94	8.90	10.71	10.79	10.86	10.79	21.02	21.24	21.48
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	13.67	13.83	14.00	13.83	16.04	16.11	16.57	16.24	17.34	16.49	18.36
6	Toothpaste - Colgate	100 gm	26.92	26.83	26.92	26.89	27.57	27.64	27.86	27.69	2.41	3.02	3.49
7	Razor Blade(Topaz)	5 nos	6.50	6.50	6.58	6.53	7.73	7.73	8.04	7.83	18.92	18.92	22.19
8	Crocin	2 tabs	1.92	1.92	1.89	1.91	2.01	2.01	2.04	2.02	4.69	4.69	7.94
9	Electric Bulb(Philips)	40W	10.88	10.88	10.81	10.86	10.89	10.82	10.75	10.82	0.09	-0.55	-0.56
10	Torch Battery(Eveready)	Each	11.63	11.58	11.92	11.71	13.04	12.86	12.75	12.88	12.12	11.05	6.96
11	Paper	24 Sheets	12.25	12.25	12.08	12.19	11.61	12.79	13.21	12.54	-5.22	4.41	9.35
12	Firewood(Local Split)	Quintal	181.0	179.00	185.00	181.6	196.67	208.33	207.50	204.17	8.66	16.39	12.16
13	Cement - Sankar (Ord. Paper Bag)	Packet	252.6	253.64	256.36	254.2	280.78	285.05	286.65	284.16	11.16	12.38	11.82

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Percentage Variation over the				
			III QUARTER 2007	III QUARTER 2008	II QUARTER 2008		
1	Tobacco	Kg.	66.96	70.55	66.14	6.66	5.36
2	Mundu Mull	Each	63.33	68.45	65.83	3.98	8.08
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	22.95	26.56	25.45	4.36	15.74
4	Washing Soap (501 Half Bar)	½ Bar	8.90	10.79	10.01	7.79	21.24
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	13.83	16.24	15.84	2.50	17.40
6	Toothpaste - Colgate	100 gm	26.89	27.69	27.27	1.53	2.98
7	Razor Blade(Topaz)	5 nos	6.53	7.83	7.4	5.81	19.91
8	Crocin	2 tabs	1.91	2.02	1.98	2.02	5.76
9	Electric Bulb(Philips)	40W	10.86	10.82	10.84	-0.18	-0.37
10	Torch Battery(Eveready)	Each	11.71	12.88	12.95	-0.54	9.99
11	Paper	24 Sheets	12.19	12.54	11.56	8.48	2.87
12	Firewood(Local Split)	Quintal	181.60	204.17	196.94	3.67	12.43
13	Cement - Sankar (Ord.Paper Bag)	Packet	254.20	284.16	271.84	4.53	11.79

During the quarter the price of 11 items moved up. The prices of all the items except Electric bulb(Phillips) showed an increasing trend compared with the previous year. The graphical representation of the percentage variation of miscellaneous items is presented below

Graph 8

PERCENTAGE VARIATION OF PRICES OF MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS



COMMODITIES

1. RICE

Table-1

Comparison of state average Retail prices of different varieties of Rice

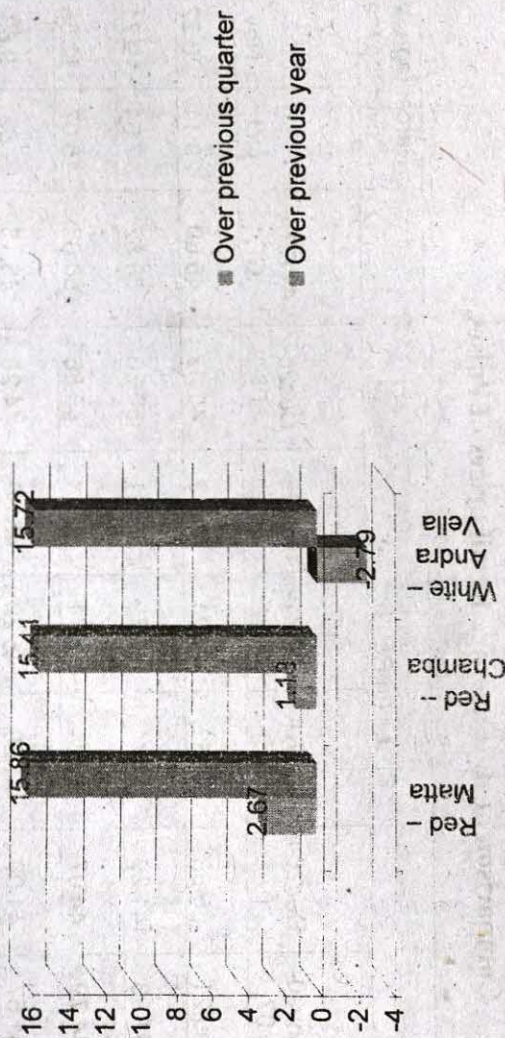
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage variation over the month of			
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07	AVERAGE	Oct31-08	Nov28-08	Dec26-08	AVERAGE	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	Red - Matta	Kg	15.83	16.89	17.73	16.82	19.09	19.54	19.82	19.48	20.59	15.69	11.79
2	Red - Chamba	Kg	15.4	16.24	17.28	16.31	18.50	18.75	19.21	18.82	20.13	15.46	11.17
3	White - Andra Vella	Kg	15.65	16.65	17.69	16.66	19.30	19.32	19.23	19.28	23.32	16.04	8.71

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation the over the	
			IV Quarter 2007	IV Quarter 2008	III QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
1	Red - Matta	Kg	16.82	19.48	18.98	2.67	15.86	
2	Red - Chamba	Kg	16.31	18.82	18.61	1.13	15.41	
3	White - Andra Vella	Kg	16.66	19.28	19.84	-2.79	15.72	

The price of different varieties of Rice have gone up, when compared to the previous year. However the price of Rice (Andra- Vella) has showed a marginal decrease over the quarter. The percentage variation of price of different varieties of rice is presented in the following graph.

Graph 1

PERCENTAGE VARIATION OF PRICES OF RICE



NAME OF COMMODITY

2. PULSES

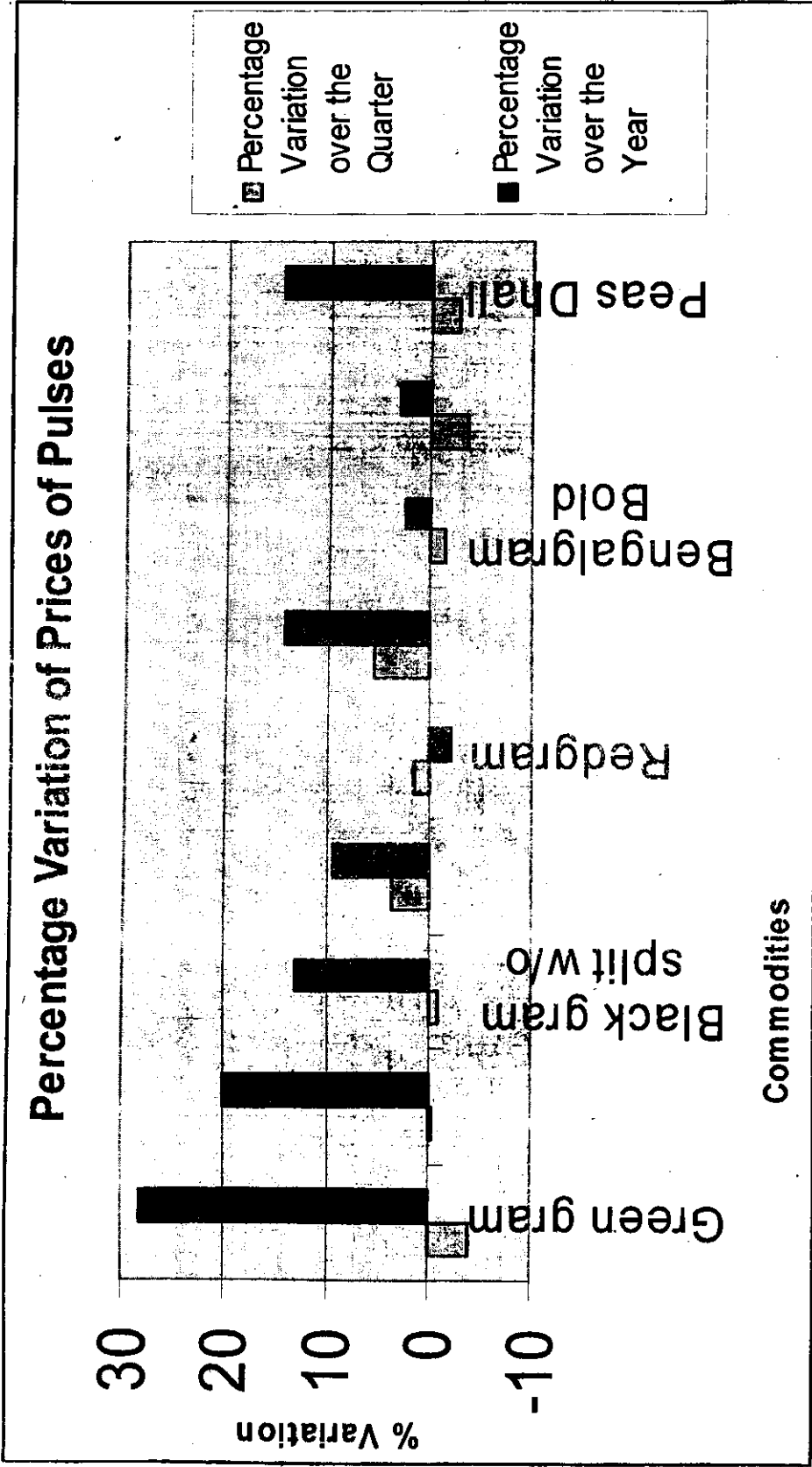
Table-2
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Pulses.

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on										Percentage Variation over the month of		
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07	AVERA GE	Oct31-08	Nov28-08	Dec26-08	AVERA GE	Oct	Nov	Dec		
1	Green gram	Kg	35.79	35.21	35.86	35.62	43.21	45.43	45.43	45.69	29.11	28.22	26.69		
2	Green gram dhall	Kg	43.21	41.93	41.29	42.14	50.79	50.71	50.62	17.54	19.71	21.97			
3	Black gram split w/o husk	Kg	44.07	44.79	44.07	44.31	50.71	50.64	50.07	15.07	12.36	10.87			
4	Black gram split with husk	Kg	41.29	41.57	41.00	41.29	45.29	45.86	45.15	9.69	9.63	8.02			
5	Redgram	Kg	32.43	33.57	34.07	33.36	32.36	32.50	32.67	-0.22	-1.72	-2.73			
6	Dhall(Tur)	Kg	44.36	46.07	46.29	45.57	51.33	52.50	52.00	17.06	15.56	11.41			
7	Bengalgram Bold	Kg	38.17	39.23	38.75	38.72	40.75	39.83	39.64	6.76	2.13	-1.08			
8	Bengalgram Small	Kg	34.45	34.45	34.00	34.30	36.45	35.00	35.30	5.81	1.45	1.32			
9	Peas Dhall	Kg	27.29	28.50	29.00	28.26	32.71	32.14	32.33	19.86	15.07	10.83			

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on					Percentage Variation over the	
			IV Quarter 2007	IV Quarter 2008	III QUARTER 2008	Year			
						Quarter	Year		
1	Green gram	Kg	35.62	45.69	47.50	-3.81	28.27		
2	Green gram dhall	Kg	42.14	50.62	50.71	-0.18	20.12		
3	Black gram split w/o husk	Kg	44.31	50.07	50.55	-0.95	13.00		
4	Black gram split with husk	Kg	41.29	45.15	43.55	3.67	9.35		
5	Redgram	Kg	33.36	32.67	32.21	1.43	-2.07		
6	Dhall(Tur)	Kg	45.57	52.00	49.26	5.56	14.11		
7	Bengalgram Bold	Kg	38.72	39.64	40.28	-1.59	2.38		
8	Bengalgram Small	Kg	34.30	35.30	36.59	-3.53	2.92		
9	Peas Dhall	Kg	28.26	32.33	33.21	-2.65	14.40		

The price of commodities under pulses group showed a mixed trend compared to previous quarter, further, showed increasing trend over the year except that of Red-Gram. The graph below represents the percentage variation of price of pulses.

Graph-2



3. OTHER FOOD ITEMS

Table-3

Comparison of state average Retail prices of other food items.

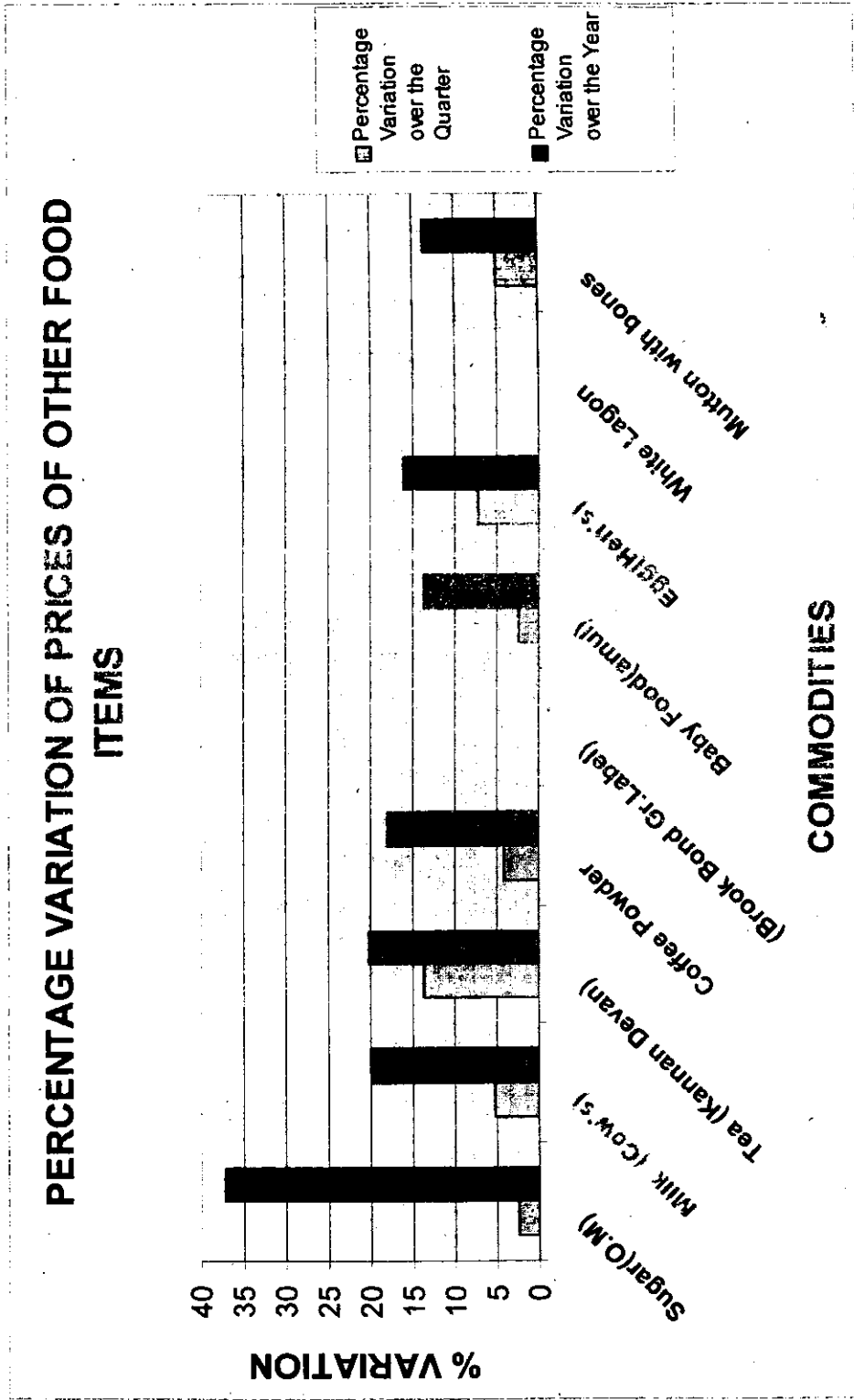
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07	AVERAG E	Oct31-08	Nov28-08	Dec26-08	AVERAGE	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	Sugar(O.M)	Kg.	14.57	14.59	14.96	14.71	19.56	19.75	21.25	20.18	34.18	35.37	42.05
2	Milk (Cow's)	Ltr.	16.00	17.00	17.00	16.67	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	25.00	17.65	17.65
3	Tea (Kannan Devan)	500gms	76.67	73.71	73.83	74.74	83.96	90.46	94.93	89.78	9.51	22.72	28.58
4	Coffee Powder (Brook Bond Gr.Label)	500gms	84.50	88.79	89.88	87.72	102.79	102.14	105.71	103.55	21.64	15.04	17.61
5	Baby Food(amul)	Kg	160.88	152.13	180.00	164.34	156.44	187.22	187.22	186.96	15.89	23.07	4.01
6	Egg(Hen's) White Lagon	Dozen	22.94	25.01	24.89	24.28	27.21	30.06	27.21	28.16	18.61	20.19	9.32
7	Mutton with bones	Kg	160.83	160.83	160.00	160.55	181.43	181.43	184.29	182.38	12.81	12.81	15.18

IVth Quarter

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	IV Quarter 2007	IV Quarter 2008	III QUARTER 2008	Percentage Variation over the	
			IV Quarter 2007	IV Quarter 2008	III QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year
1	Sugar(O.M)	Kg.	14.71	20.18	19.72	2.33	37.19
2	Milk (Cow's)	Ltr.	16.67	20	19.00	5.26	19.98
3	Tea (Kannan Devan)	500gms	74.74	89.78	78.90	13.79	20.12
4	Coffee Powder (Brook Bond Gr. Label)	500gms	37.72	103.55	99.50	4.07	18.05
5	Baby Food(arnul)	Kg	164.34	186.96	182.67	2.35	13.76
6	Egg(Hen's) White Lagon	Dozen	24.28	28.16	26.28	7.15	15.98
7	Mutton with bones	Kg	160.56	182.38	173.57	5.08	13.60

Price of all other food items showed increase when compared to previous quarter and previous year. The graphical representation of variation of prices is given below .

Graph-3



4. OIL AND OILSEEDS

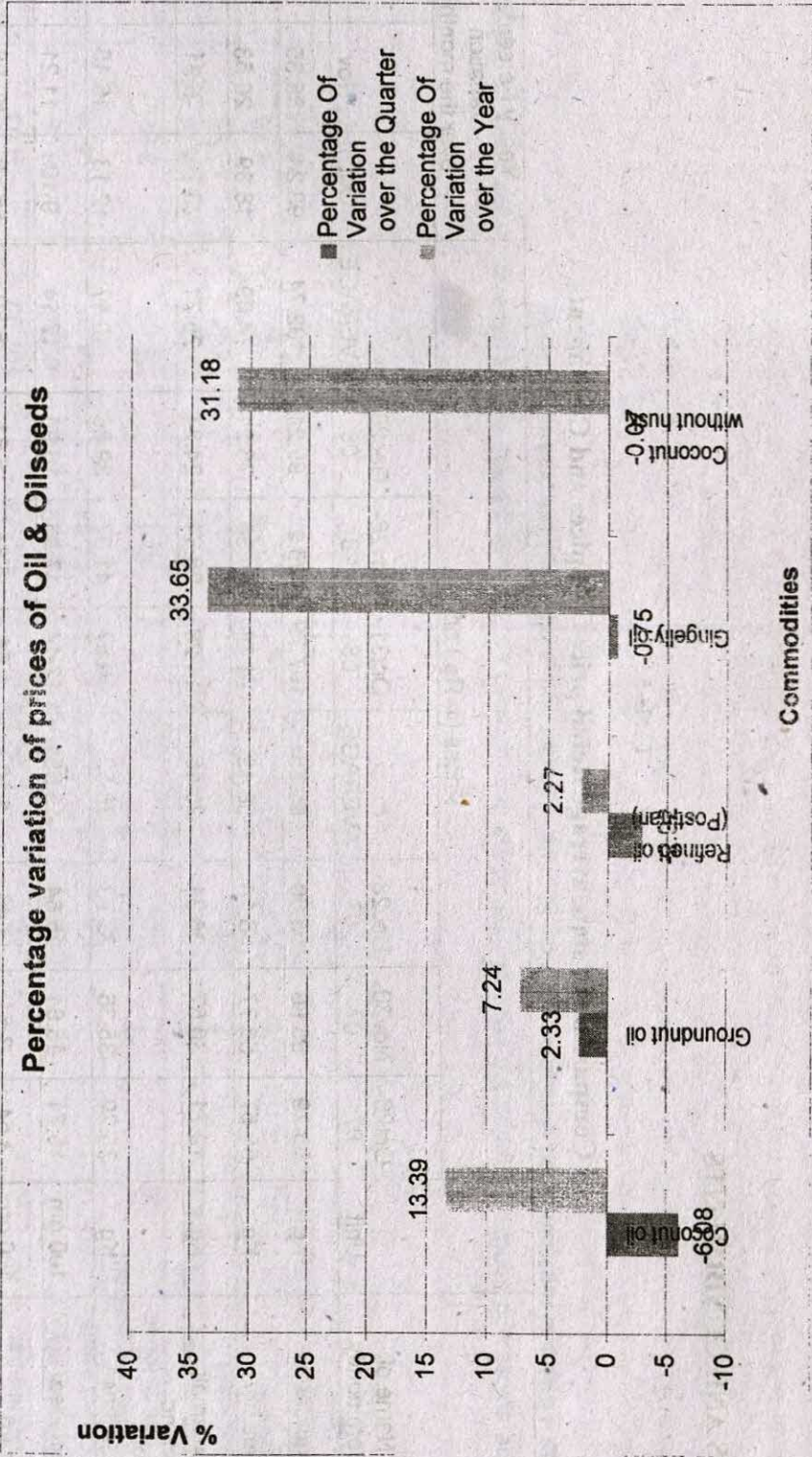
Table-4
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Oil and oilseeds.

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07	AVERAGE	Oct31-08	Nov28-08	Dec26-08		AVERAGE		
1	Coconut oil	Kg	51.91	57.61	57.30	55.61	63.79	63.25	62.11	63.05	22.89	9.79	8.39
2	Groundnut oil	Kg	82.29	81.63	84.77	82.90	87.23	89.64	89.82	88.90	6.00	9.81	5.96
3	Refined oil (Postman)	Kg.	77.19	78.83	81.17	79.06	81.5	80.93	80.14	80.86	5.58	2.66	-1.27
4	Gingelly oil	Kg.	68.11	72.07	77.23	72.47	97.57	97.71	95.29	96.86	43.25	35.58	23.38
5	Coconut without husk	10 nos	51.18	53.68	54.90	53.25	69.71	69.86	70.00	69.86	36.21	30.14	27.50

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			IV Quarter 2007	IV Quarter 2008	III QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
1	Coconut oil	Kg	55.61	53.05	67.13	-6.08	13.39	
2	Groundnut oil	Kg	82.90	88.90	86.88	2.33	7.24	
3	Refined oil (Postman)	Kg.	79.06	80.86	83.29	-2.92	2.27	
4	Gingelly oil	Kg.	72.47	96.86	97.59	-0.75	33.65	
5	Coconut without husk	10 nos	53.25	69.86	69.90	-0.07	31.18	

Price of oil and oil seeds showed a down ward trend when compared to previous quarter while an upward trend when compared to the previous year. The graphical representation of the above data is presented below.

Graph-4



5. SPICES AND CONDIMENTS

Table-5

Comparison of state average retail prices of Spices and Condiments.

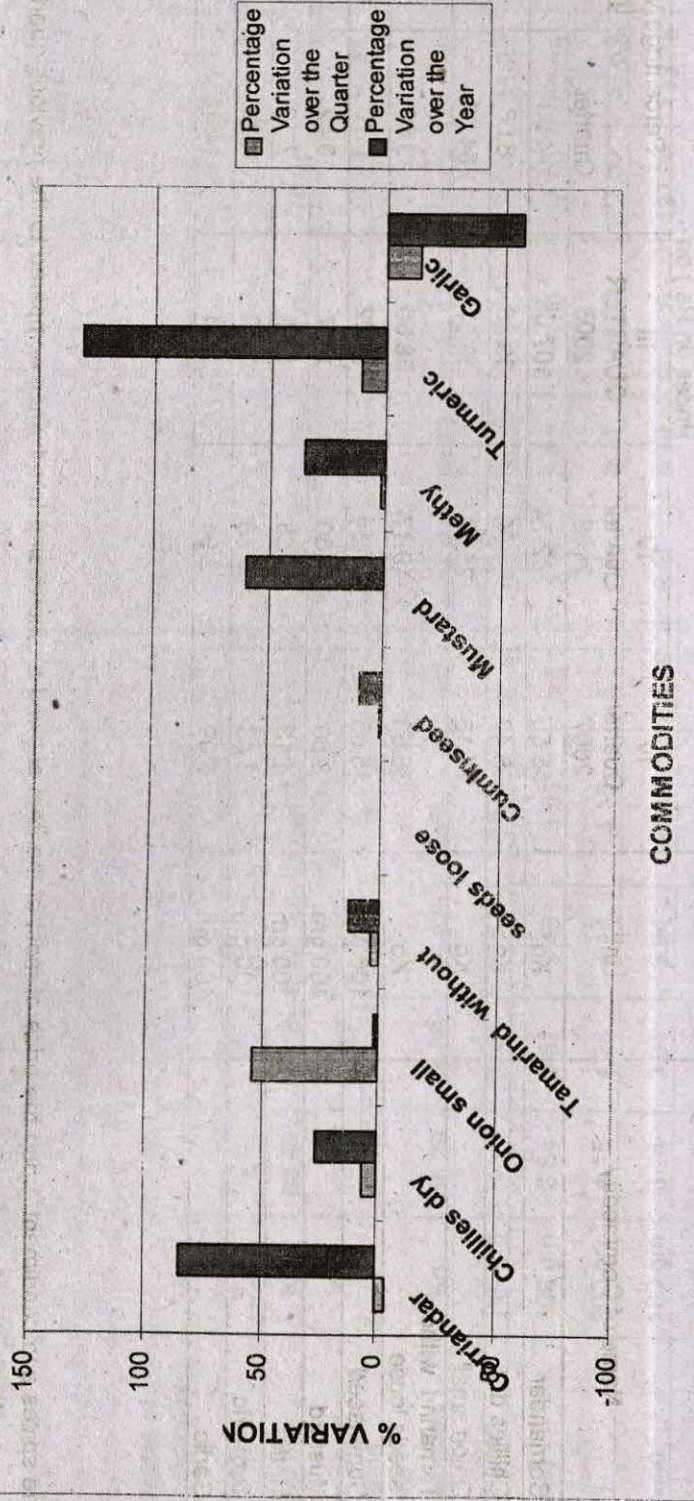
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07	AVERAGE	Oct31-08	Nov28-08	Dec26-08	AVERAGE	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	Corriandar	Kg.	55.79	55.86	55.00	55.55	107.79	105.21	95.21	102.74	93.21	88.35	73.11
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	60.57	58.77	56.14	58.49	71.71	74.36	76.21	74.09	18.39	26.53	35.75
3	Onion small	Kg.	19.71	30.57	25.21	25.16	24.29	28.64	24.21	25.71	23.24	-6.31	-3.97
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	35.29	35.36	35.93	35.53	39.57	41.07	39.86	40.17	12.13	16.15	10.94
5	Cuminseed	100 gm	15.71	15.61	15.64	15.65	17.14	17.36	16.93	17.14	9.10	11.21	8.25
6	Mustard	100 gm	3.54	3.51	3.46	3.50	5.54	5.64	5.61	5.60	56.50	60.68	62.14
7	Methy	100 gm	4.15	4.26	4.14	4.18	5.71	5.61	5.71	5.68	37.59	31.69	37.92
8	Turmeric	100 gm	3.74	3.81	3.94	3.83	8.89	8.89	8.79	8.86	137.70	133.38	123.10
9	Garlic	100 gm	6.22	6.81	7.95	6.99	3.04	2.86	2.93	2.94	-51.13	-58.00	-63.14

Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			IV Quarter 2007	IV Quarter 2008	III QUARTER 2008	Year	Quarter	Year
1	Corriandar	Kg.	55.55	102.74	107.05	-4.03	84.94	
2	Chillies dry	Kg.	58.49	74.09	69.86	6.06	26.67	
3	Onion small	Kg.	25.16	25.71	16.67	54.28	2.19	
4	Tamarind without seeds loose	Kg.	35.53	40.17	38.69	3.82	13.06	
5	Cuminseed	100 gm	15.65	17.14	17.02	0.70	9.52	
6	Mustard	100 gm	3.50	5.60	5.57	0.42	59.75	
7	Methy	100 gm	4.18	5.68	5.56	2.10	35.70	
8	Turmeric	100 gm	3.83	8.86	7.99	10.85	131.24	
9	Garlic	100 gm	6.99	2.94	3.44	-14.44	-57.91	

In the spices and condiment group the price of most of the item showed an increasing trend when compared to the previous quarter and to the previous year. Graphical representation of data on variation of price of spices and condiments are presented below.

Graph-5

PERCENTAGE VARIATION OF PRICES OF CONDIMENTS AND SPICES



COMMODITIES

6. TUBERS

Table-5
Comparison of state average Retail prices of Tubers

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07	AVERAGE	Oct31-08	Nov28-08	Dec26-08	AVERAGE	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	Chennai	Kg	11.14	10.43	9.79	10.45	11.57	10.79	11.93	11.43	3.86	3.45	21.86
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg	7.43	7.46	7.57	7.49	8.43	8.57	8.64	8.55	13.46	14.88	14.13
3	Potato	Kg	17.07	16.36	15.93	16.45	14.29	14.71	14.50	14.50	-16.29	-10.09	-8.98
4	Colocassia	Kg	19.64	18.29	15.36	17.76	21.86	21.57	22.79	22.07	11.30	17.93	48.37

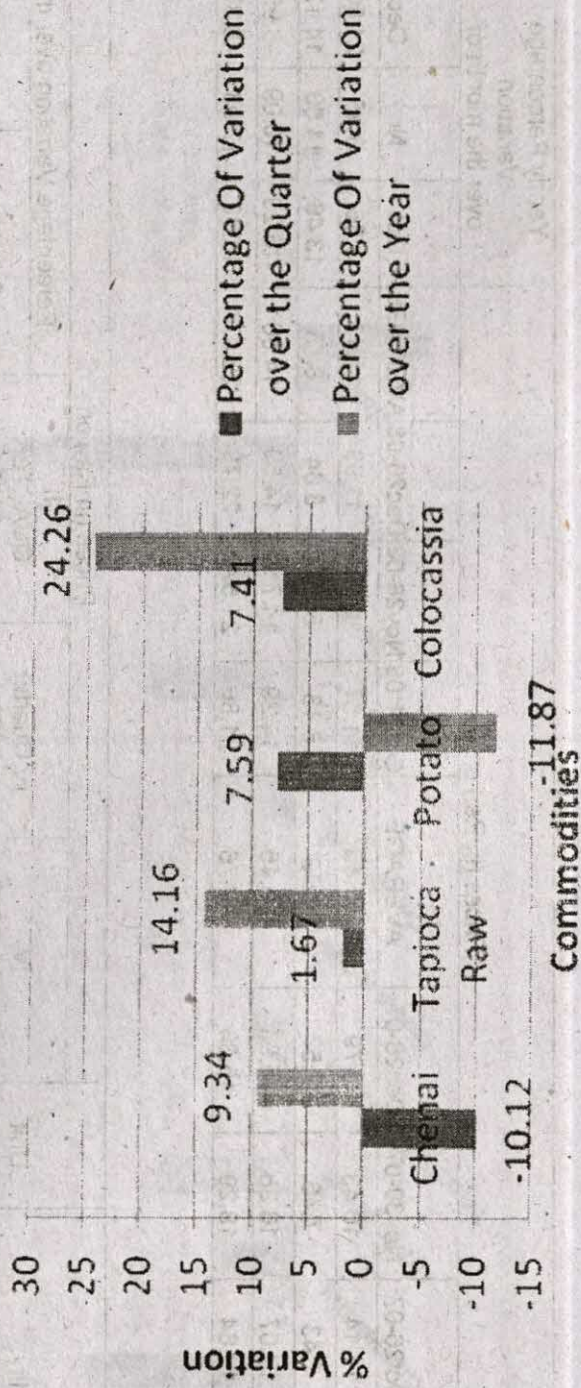
Sl.No	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			IV Quarter 2007	IV Quarter 2008	III QUARTER 2008	Year		
1	Chennai	Kg	10.45	11.43	12.72	-10.12	9.34	
2	Tapioca Raw	Kg	7.49	8.55	8.41	1.67	14.16	
3	Potato	Kg	16.45	14.50	13.48	7.59	-11.87	
4	Colocassia	Kg	17.76	22.07	20.55	7.41	24.26	

In the tubers group, the price of all items except Chennai had moved in upward direction compared to previous quarter. Potato have shown a negative change during the year. The percentage variation of prices of Tubers is presented below.

Graph 6

Percentage variation of prices of Tubers

Tubers



W L R E S E

7. VEGETABLES.

Table-7

Comparison of state average Retail prices of Vegetables.

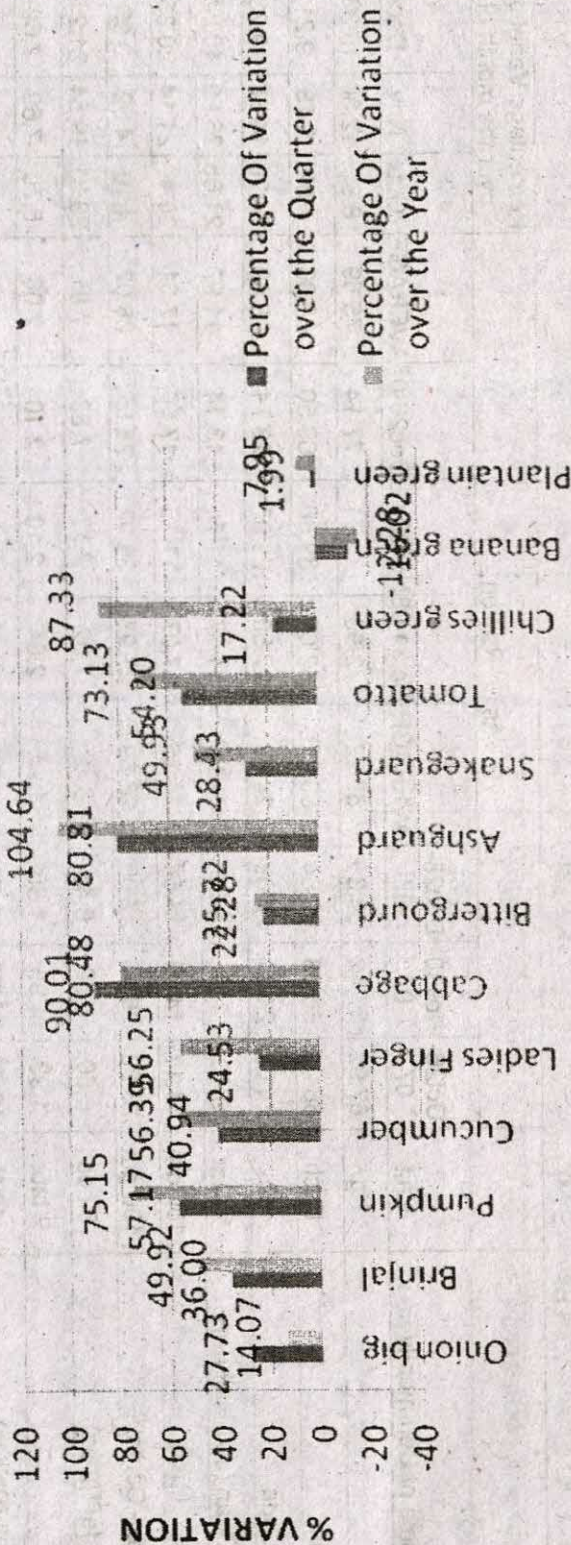
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on										Yearly Percentage Variation over the month of		
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07	AVERAGE	Oct31-08	Nov28-08	Dec26-08	AVERAGE	Oct	Nov	Dec		
1	Onion big	Kg.	19.29	13.84	12.14	15.09	13.43	19.07	19.14	17.21	-30.38	37.79	57.66		
2	Brinjal	Kg.	13.50	15.50	12.93	13.98	24.00	16.57	22.29	20.95	77.78	6.90	72.39		
3	Pumpkin	Kg.	8.14	7.93	7.71	7.93	13.86	13.43	14.36	13.88	70.27	69.36	86.25		
4	Cucumber	Kg.	9.86	8.50	9.64	9.33	16.43	12.00	15.36	14.60	66.63	41.18	59.34		
5	Ladies Finger	Kg.	14.36	13.14	13.14	13.55	21.50	19.07	22.93	21.17	49.72	45.13	74.51		
6	Cabbage	Kg.	13.43	11.21	10.86	11.83	19.21	21.57	23.29	21.36	43.04	92.42	114.46		
7	Bittergourd	Kg.	21.93	21.78	20.21	21.31	29.07	23.86	27.43	26.79	32.56	9.55	35.72		
8	Ashguard	Kg.	8.07	8.00	8.29	8.12	17.21	14.64	18.00	16.62	113.26	83.00	117.13		
9	Snakeguard	Kg.	13.50	12.29	12.14	12.64	22.79	14.79	19.29	18.96	68.81	20.34	58.90		
10	Tomatto	Kg.	14.43	13.36	10.50	12.76	31.29	22.21	12.79	22.10	116.84	66.24	21.81		
11	Chillies green	Kg.	16.20	17.40	16.90	16.83	38.90	26.40	29.30	31.53	140.12	51.72	73.37		
12	Banana green	Kg.	18.86	16.93	17.71	17.83	14.21	14.86	15.86	14.98	-24.66	-12.23	-10.45		
13	Plantain green	Kg.	11.71	11.29	11.21	11.40	11.93	12.36	12.64	12.31	1.88	9.48	12.76		

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on					Percentage Variation over the	
			IV Quarter 2007	IV Quarter 2008	III QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year		
1	Onion big	Kg.	15.08	17.21	13.48	27.73	14.07		
2	Brinjal	Kg.	13.98	20.95	15.41	36.00	49.92		
3	Pumpkin	Kg.	7.93	13.88	8.83	57.17	75.15		
4	Cucumber	Kg.	9.33	14.60	10.36	40.94	56.39		
5	Ladies Finger	Kg.	13.55	21.17	17.00	24.53	56.25		
6	Cabbage	Kg.	11.83	21.36	11.24	90.01	80.48		
7	Bittergourd	Kg.	21.31	26.79	21.91	22.28	25.72		
8	Ashguard	Kg.	8.12	16.62	9.19	80.81	104.64		
9	Snakeguard	Kg.	12.64	18.96	14.76	28.43	49.93		
10	Tomatto	Kg.	12.76	22.10	14.33	54.20	73.13		
11	Chillies green	Kg.	16.83	31.53	26.90	17.22	87.33		
12	Banana green	Kg.	17.83	14.98	17.07	-12.28	-16.02		
13	Plantain green	Kg.	11.40	12.31	12.07	1.99	7.95		

In the vegetables group, an upward trend in price have observed compared to previous quarter and previous year .The prices of banana green decreased by 12.28% when compared to the previous quarter. The following graph represents the percentage variation of prices of vegetable.

Graph 7

PERCENTAGE VARIATION OF PRICES OF VEGETABLES



COMMODITIES

8. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Table-3
Comparison of state average Retail prices of miscellaneous items

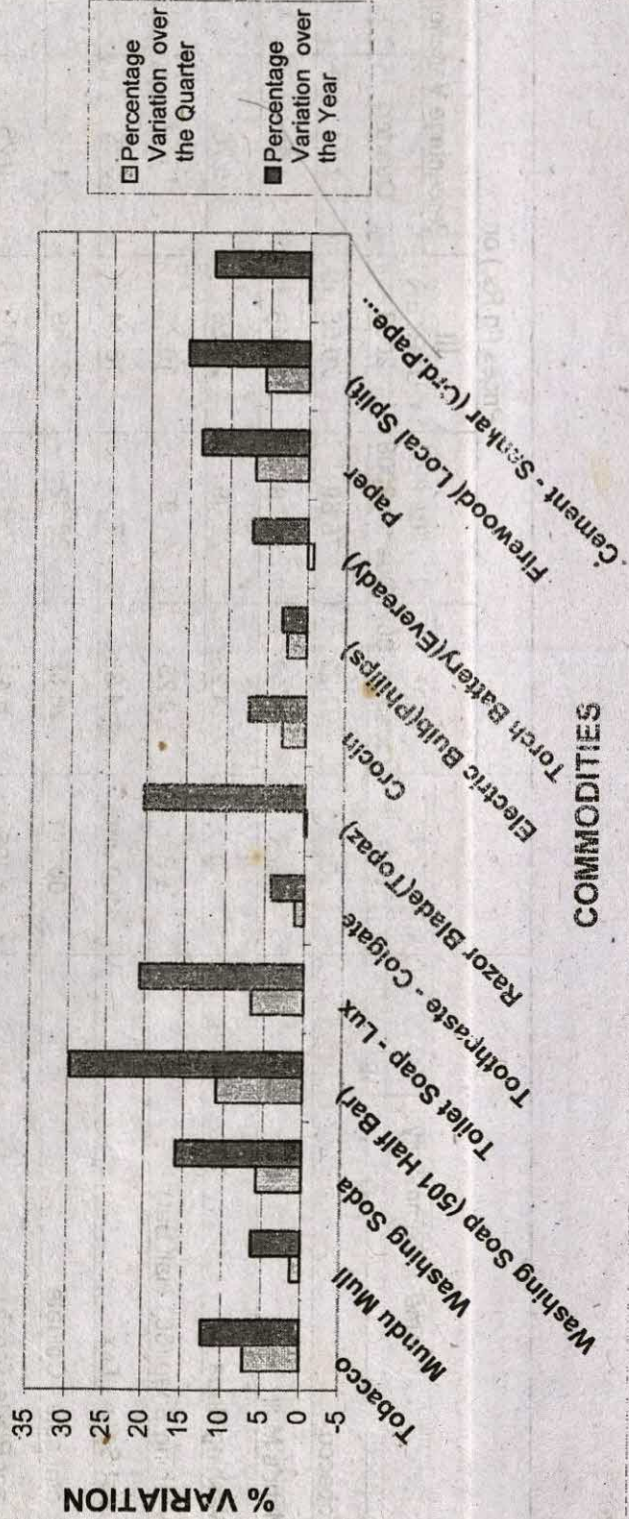
Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on							Percentage Variation over the month of			
			Oct26-07	Nov30-07	Dec28-07	AVERAGE	Oct31-08	Nov28-08	Dec26-08	AVERAGE	Oct	Nov	Dec
1	Tobacco	Kg.	67.92	67.42	66.31	67.22	73.93	75.71	77.14	75.59	8.85	12.30	16.33
2	Mundu Mull	Each	66.08	66.08	63.64	65.27	69.07	69.50	69.50	69.36	4.52	5.18	9.21
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	24.08	24.54	24.08	24.23	27.50	28.07	28.71	28.09	14.20	14.38	19.23
4	Washing Soap (501 Half Bar)	½ Bar	9.10	9.25	9.33	9.23	11.07	11.71	13.14	11.97	21.65	26.59	40.84
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	14.17	14.33	14.54	14.35	17.07	17.36	17.50	17.31	20.47	21.14	20.36
6	Toothpaste - Colgate	100 gm	26.83	26.83	27.00	26.89	27.93	28.07	28.07	28.02	4.10	4.62	3.96
7	Razor Blade(Topaz)	5 nos	6.50	6.50	6.46	6.49	7.82	7.77	7.83	7.81	20.31	19.54	21.21
8	Crocin	2 tabs	1.93	1.95	1.95	1.94	2.04	2.10	2.10	2.08	5.70	7.69	7.69
9	Electric Bulb(Philips)	40W	10.79	10.73	10.73	10.75	10.96	11.11	11.19	11.09	1.58	3.54	4.29
10	Torch Battery(Eveready)	Each	11.92	11.85	12.04	11.94	12.75	12.71	12.89	12.78	6.96	7.26	7.06
11	Paper	24 Sheets	12.25	12.25	10.88	11.79	13.21	13.21	13.75	13.39	7.84	7.84	26.38
12	Firewood(Local Split)	Quintal	187.00	189.00	185.00	187.00	211.67	218.33	216.67	215.56	13.19	15.52	17.12
13	Cement - Sankar (Ord.Paper Bag)	Packet	253.56	252.40	255.40	253.78	286.15	285.65	280.56	284.45	12.85	13.57	9.85

Sl. No.	Name of Commodity	Unit	Prices (in Rs.) on				Percentage Variation over the	
			IV Quarter 2007	IV Quarter 2008	III QUARTER 2008	Quarter	Year	
1	Tobacco	Kg.	67.22	75.59	70.55	7.14	12.45	
2	Mundu Mull	Each	65.27	69.36	68.45	1.33	6.27	
3	Washing Soda	Kg.	24.23	28.09	26.56	5.76	15.93	
4	Washing Soap (501 Half Bar)	½ Bar	9.23	11.97	10.79	10.94	29.69	
5	Toilet Soap - Lux	100 gm	14.35	17.31	16.24	6.59	20.63	
6	Toothpaste - Colgate	100 gm	26.89	28.02	27.69	1.19	4.20	
7	Razor Blade(Topaz)	5 nos	6.49	7.81	7.83	-0.26	20.34	
8	Crocin	2 tabs	1.94	2.08	2.02	2.97	7.22	
9	Electric Bulb(Philips)	40W	10.75	11.09	10.82	2.50	3.16	
10	Torch Battery(Eveready)	Each	11.94	12.78	12.88	-0.78	7.04	
11	Paper	24 Sheets	11.79	13.39	12.54	6.78	13.57	
12	Firewood(Local Split)	Quintal	187.00	215.56	204.17	5.58	15.27	
13	Cement - Sankar (Ord.Paper Bag)	Packet	253.78	284.45	284.16	0.10	12.09	

During the quarter the price of 11 items under this group had gone up. The prices of all the items in this group showed increase compared with the previous year. The graphical representation of the percentage variation in prices of miscellaneous items is presented below.

Graph 8

PERCENTAGE VARIATION OF PRICES OF MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS



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