## REPORT ON RICE AND CORN STOCKS INVENTORY

## RICE

- As of March 1, 2016, the total rice stock inventory was 2.67 million metric tons (Figure 1). This was 18.0 percent above the 2.27 million metric tons level in March 2015 but 9.1 percent lower than last month's inventory level of 2.94 million metric tons (Table 1).
- Compared with last year, rice stocks in NFA depositories increased by 96.3 percent. On the other hand, stocks in the households and in commercial warehouses decreased by 8.6 percent and 5.2 percent, respectively (Table 1).
- Compared with last month, rice stocks in NFA depositories, which comprised 86.9 percent of imported rice, grew by 8.6 percent. However, stocks in the households and in commercial warehouses dropped by 11.8 percent and 25.0 percent, respectively (Table 1).
- Of this month's total rice stock inventory,
  40.4 percent were in NFA depositories,
  33.2 percent were with the households and
  26.4 percent in commercial warehouses.
- The total rice inventory for this month would be sufficient for 79 days. Stocks in NFA depositories would be enough for 32 days, those in the households for 26 days, and those in commercial warehouses for 21 days.

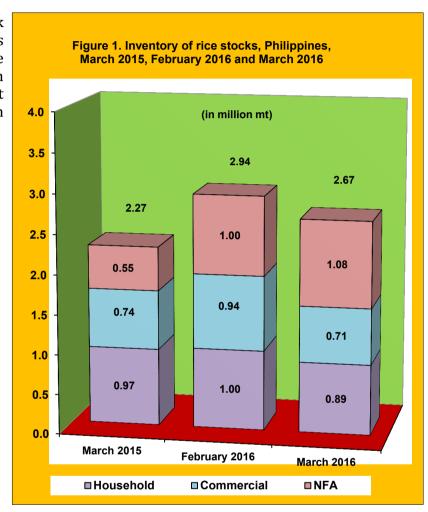


Table 1. Percentage change in the inventory of rice stocks, Philippines, March 2016 and February 2016 and March 2015

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					Percentage Change				
•	ITEM	Mar. 1, 2016	Feb. 1, 2016	Mar. 1, 2015	Mar. 2016 /	Mar. 2016 /			
					Feb. 2016	Mar. 2015			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)			
	<b>TOTAL STOCKS</b>	2,674.2	2,942.8	2,265.5	(9.1)	18.0			
	Household	886.2	1,004.6	969.7	(11.8)	(8.6)			
	Commercial	706.4	942.4	744.9	(25.0)	(5.2)			
	NFA	1,081.6	995.8	550.9	8.6	96.3			

## **CORN**

- The total corn stock inventory as of March 1, 2016, was 302.4 thousand metric tons (Figure 2). This was 62.1 percent higher than last year's record of 186.5 thousand metric tons but 3.0 percent lower than last month's level of 311.7 thousand metric tons (Table 2).
- corn Year-on-year, stocks in the households and in commercial warehouses increased by 2.5 percent and **127.0** percent, respectively. On the other stocks NFA depositories hand. in decreased by 70.7 percent (Table 2).
- Month-on-month, corn stocks in the households and in NFA depositories grew by 21.8 percent and 4.2 percent, respectively. However, stocks in the commercial warehouses dropped by 11.5 percent (Table 2).
- Around 67.8 percent of this month's total corn stock inventory were in commercial warehouses, 32.0 percent were with the households, and 0.2 percent in NFA depositories.

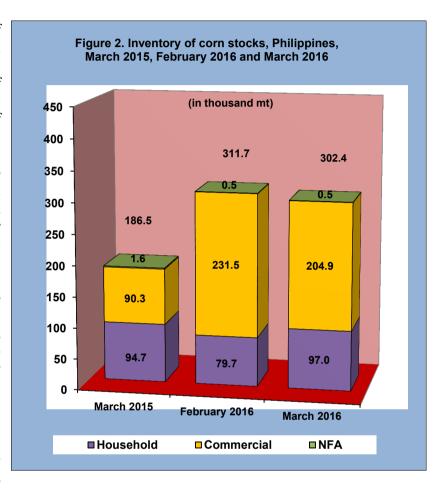


Table 2. Percentage change in the inventory of corn stocks, Philippines, March 2016 and February 2016 and March 2015

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				Percentage Change					
ITEM	Mar. 1, 2016	Feb. 1, 2016	Mar. 1, 2015	Mar. 2016 /	Mar. 2016 /				
				Feb. 2016	Mar. 2015				
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)				
TOTAL STOCKS	302.4	311.7	186.5	(3.0)	62.1				
Household	97.0	79.7	94.7	21.8	2.5				
Commercial	204.9	231.5	90.3	(11.5)	127.0				
NFA	0.5	0.5	1.6	4.2	(70.7)				