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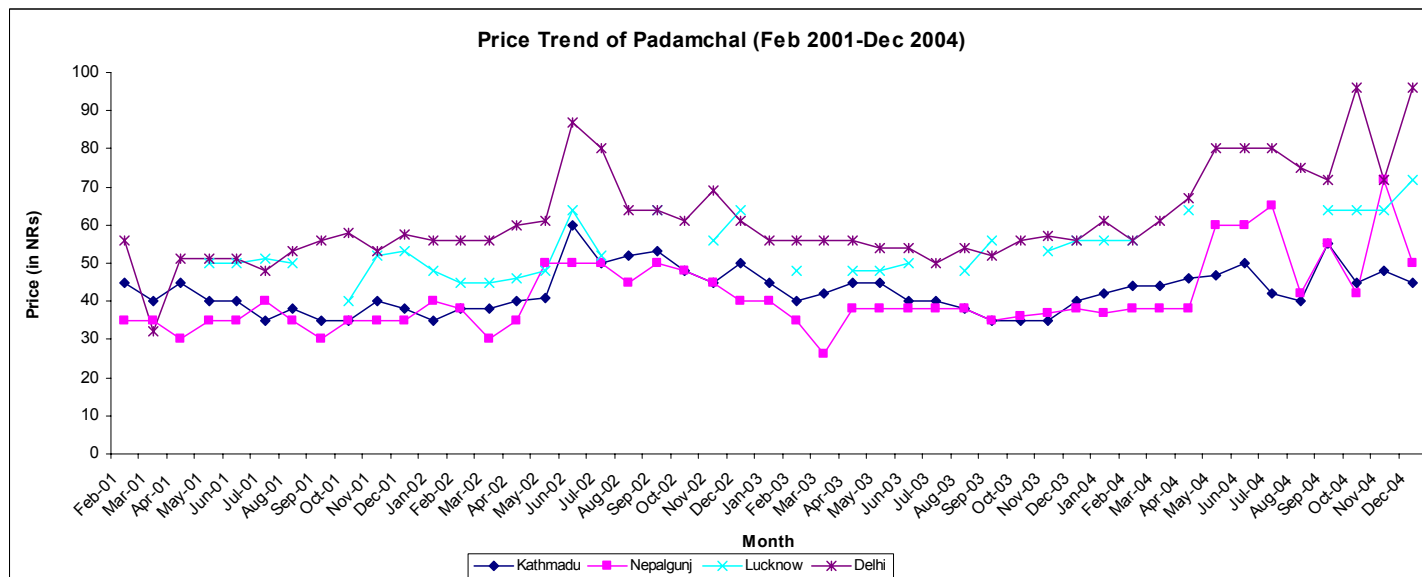
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Micro-finance for forest based enterprises

A study conducted by ANSAB in 2005 in Parbat district has shown an impressive recovery rate (99.7%) of micro-finance to NTFP based enterprises as high as 99.7%. The study points out that very few NTFP based enterprises get financing from main streaming commercial banks, micro-finance institutions, NGOs and saving credit groups. MEDEP and LFP two development programs are taking a lead in promoting forest based enterprises through micro-finance in the district. With the support of MEDEP and a total micro-credit of Rs. 2.9 million, a total of 673 micro-enterprises have been established, of which 240 are forest-based. Similarly, with a total of Rs 458,156 micro-credit flow through CFUGs, LFP has supported to establish 73 micro-enterprises, of which 33 are NTFP-based. The total amount of micro-credit investment needed in forest-based enterprises in the district is estimated to be Rs. 23 million. However, there are still problems associated with meeting burgeoning demand for micro-financing. The problems include: high management cost, little experience and knowledge in forest-based enterprises, and unclear and restrictive policy provisions.

Trend analysis- Padamchal

During 2001, 2003 and 2004, the average price of Padamchal in Nepalgunj was NRs 35/Kg, NRs 43/Kg, NRs 36/Kg and NRs 50/Kg respectively. The average price difference between Nepalgunj and Delhi market was NRs 17/Kg in 2001, NRs 21/Kg in 2002, NRs 18/Kg in 2003 and NRs 25/Kg in 2004. During the review period, with exception in some months, the price in Delhi market remained steady. The Nepalgunj market, however, demonstrated fluctuations from the second half of 2004.



Source: ANSAB, MIS Database

Price list of selected NTFP in Nepal and India Markets

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(All prices are in NRs/KG)

SN		Kathmandu	Nepalgunj	Tanakpur	Delhi	Kolkatta
1	Alaichi	125	-	-	173-200	-
2	Amala	40	35-40	-	48	48
3	Amalbed	-	65	-	86	88
4	Atis	375	550	480	640	800
6	Bhutkesh	-	180	112-	280-288	-
7	Bikhjara	130	150	160	200-240	-
8	Bhojho	24	45	40	64	48
9	Chiraito	115	130	128	176-184	168
10	Dalchini	-	-	42	48	51-56
11	Guchhichyau	4800	7000	-	-	-
12	Ginger	-	-	-	-	-
13	Harro	22	16	13-15	16-18	13
14	Jatamansi*	130	125-160	160	-	304
15	Jhyau*	52	75-85	120	168	-
16	Kakarsingi	175	100	110	104	112-120
17	Majitho	35-38	-	45	58-64	61
18	Nirmansi	950	1100	1150-1300	1440-1520	-
19	Padamchal	45	45	-	54	-
20	Pakhanbhed	12	32	45	53	48
21	Pipala	18	90	150-250	168-320	336
22	Ritha	15-20	32	24	48	40-45
23	Satawari#1	160	200-250	200-250	240-400	288
24	Satuwa#1	115	165	224	296	-
25	Silajit*	175	190	160	168	176
26	Sikakai	17	28	22	22-24	-
27	Sugandhawal*	95	110	128-130	152-155	144
28	Sugandhakokila*	85	85	120-125	168	-
29	Sutho	140	90	100	120-112	88
30	Tejpat	15-20	22	28-32	45	-
31	Timur	65-70	75	80-85	86	88
32	Yarshagumba	-	-	-	-	-

Note:

1. Prices indicated above are for dried parts.
2. *Ban on export in crude form
3. Prices for Delhi and Lucknow are from cession agent, a 6.5% commission is deducted from supplier in the quoted price.
4. Above prices are indicative which need to be confirmed with the traders before making actual business transaction

Business Opportunity

Himalyan Allo Enterprises, a Kathmandu based Allo and Hemp products manufacturing and trading house is looking for reliable suppliers to **BUY** different Hemp and Allo products.

Product	Quality	Price Offered/Kg
Allo wool	No 1	250
	No 2	210
Wool fabrics	No 1	410
Hemp wool	No 1	100
Hemp fabrics	No 1	240

Interested Sellers are requested to contact:

Mr. Bhuvan Thapa, Managing Director, Himal Allo Enterprises, Tel: 2050722, 9803012986

Events & Announcements

Find suitable business partner

Business opportunity page aims to promote business linkages between buyers and sellers in the field of natural resources sector. If you have any specific offers to make, for example, sourcing raw materials, trying to find buyers for goods and services, finding distribution partners, announcements of new products launch, news and events etc, you can let us know your requirements, with full contact address and contact person by fax, phone, or email. The sectors we cater to are: Medicinal and Aromatic Plants, Spices, Handmade Paper, Gum, Resin and Turpentine, Health care and beauty care products, Bamboo and Rattan Furniture, Essential Oil, and Natural Fabrics (Allo, Hemp and Silk). Your business offer will reach more than 2,000 exporters, manufactures, suppliers, and dealers in Nepal and abroad.

Update your organization profile

ANSAB is updating information of companies, individuals and NGOs/development projects that are involved in the natural resources sector. The information will be published in a directory form by the end of 2005. The main objective of the directory is to enhance business linkages between companies in Nepal and abroad. The listing in the directory is free of charge. If you want to be listed in the directory, send following information to us by either fax, phone, and email: Company Name, Mailing Address, Contact Person, Telephone, Fax, Email, Nature of business and product lines dealt with.