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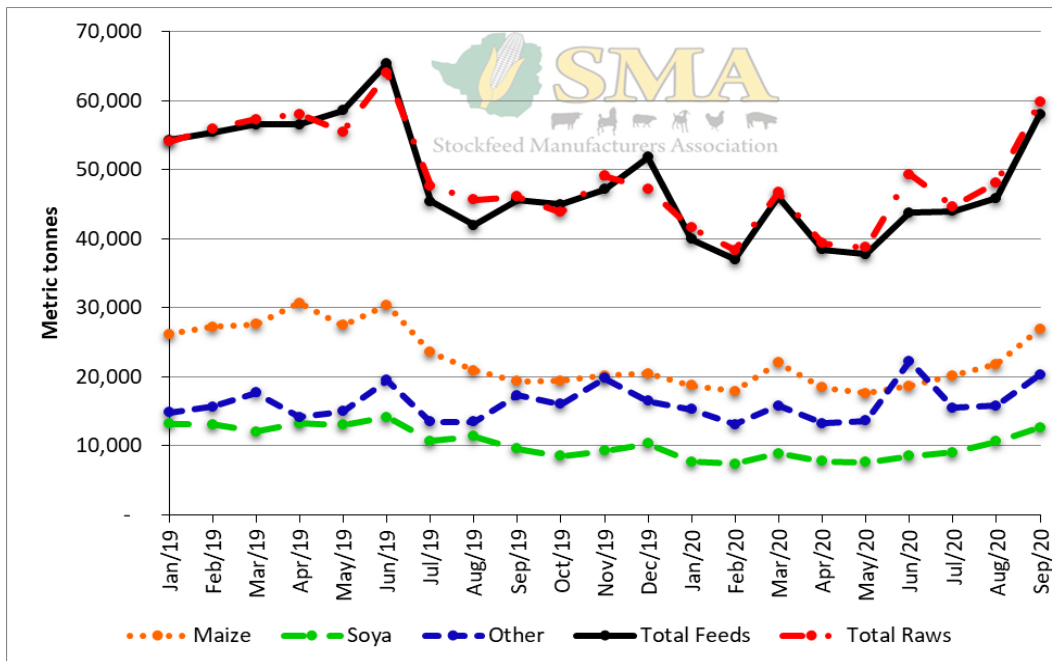
OVERVIEW

The foreign exchange auction held on 24th November resulted in an average weighted rate of USD 1: ZWL 81.82. 289 bids worth nearly USD 30.6 million were accepted on the main auction and 44% was allocated for the import of raw materials.

Stockfeed Manufacturers Association of Zimbabwe

SMA held their meeting on 18th November where issues affecting the industry were discussed. Prices of maize imports from South Africa are firming off the back of the strengthening of the Rand, increased logistical constraints at the border and the unexpected changes in weather patterns. Soyabeans and meal remain scarce on the local market with quoted prices in excess of USD 500/mt. Please refer to the enclosed Raw Materials Supply.

SMA has released its Returns for the third quarter of 2020. Procurement of raw materials and production of stockfeeds averaged 50,870 and 49,304mt per month



Monthly Tonnages of Raws Procured and Feeds Produced



respectively, representing increases of 10 and 11% respectively over the same period in 2019 and increases of 20 and 23% over the second quarter of 2020.

The average monthly cost of raw materials procured over the third quarter of 2020 was ZWL 1,447m (USD 13.8m), being increases of 1,284% (63%) respectively, over the same period last year, and 57% (0%) over the second quarter of 2020.

Maize and soya procurements during the third quarter constituted the bulk of raw materials used, accounting for 45% and 21% of all raw materials procured by weight and 40% and 33% by value, respectively.

Zimbabwe Poultry Association

The Council of ZPA met on 26th November to discuss the poultry industry and the availability of poultry products during the festive season. Chief among the concerns raised is the recent alert about the risk from H5 highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) virus spreading to Africa. The Department of Veterinary Services is establishing a Task Force that will include the private sector to review and update the Zimbabwe HPAI Preparedness and Response Plan. The industry is encouraged to remain alert and contact the relevant authorities at the slightest sign of a possible occurrence of the disease.

The supply of hatching eggs is still a cause for concern. However, it is anticipated that the volume of imports gazetted in Statutory Instrument 245 of 2020 will meet the needs of the market. ZPA continues to monitor the situation.

Zimbabwe Fish Producers Association

ZFPA held their Open meeting on 25th November where industry participants discussed several issues affecting the industry. ZFPA have proposed to National Parks that the Breeders License of USD 500 be applicable to breeders of fish only and not to every fish farmer. The Association will engage stakeholders in the sector so that they are aware of the levies required and to strengthen lobby and advocacy efforts by ZFPA.

Livestock Diary: December 2020

Thursday 10th Open Meeting of members of the Pig Producers Association of Zimbabwe

Enclosures

- Raw Materials Supply, November 2020