**S1 Table. The effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on food prices in Asian economies: Results from previous studies.**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Country | Data used | Storable foods | Perishable foods | Effects of COVID-19 on price | Source |
| Bangladesh | * Farm price (survey) |  | * Vegetables | * Dropped more than 50% | Alam and Khatun [39] |
| China (151 markets) | * Wholesale prices (time series) | * Rice * Wheat flour |  | * No significant changes * No significant changes | Ruan, Cai, and Jin [17] |
|  |  |  | * Chinese cabbage | * Increased significantly (11-65%) |  |
| China (Shandong, Beijing, and Hubei) | * Wholesale prices (time series) |  | * Chinese cabbage | * Increased significantly | Yu et al. [18] |
| China | * Wholesale prices (time series) |  | * Fresh fruits and vegetables | * Increased by about 10% | Çakır, Li, and Yang [19] |
| India (urban food markets) | * Wholesale and retail prices (time series) | * Rice * Atta * Edible oils * Pulses |  | * 0.98% increased * 0.54% increased * 3.5% increased * 6% increased | Narayanan and Saha [13] |
|  |  |  | * Potato * Tomato | * 15% increased * 28% increased |  |
| India (Maharashtra, Jharkhand, and Meghalaya) | * Wholesale and retail prices (time series) | * Rice |  | * Increased | Imai, Kaicker, and Gaiha [9] |
|  | * Onion * Potato * Tomato | * Increased * Increased * Increased |
| India (four districts in Haryana) | * Farm gate prices (phone interview) | * Wheat |  | * Negligible effect | Ceballos, Kannan, and Kramer [14] |
|  | * Tomato | * Fell steeply |
| India (Jammu and Kashmir) | * Wholesale prices (time series) |  | * Onion * Vegetables * Fruits | * Increased * Declined by 19% * Declined by 11-39% | Ali and Khan [15] |
| India (Jharkhand, Assam, Andhra Pradesh, and Karnataka) | * Producer prices (phone survey) |  | * Vegetables | * 80% of farmers reported a decline in prices | Harris et al. [16] |
| Myanmar | * Millers’ prices (face-to-face survey) | * Local rice * Exported rice |  | * No significant changes * Increased significantly | IFPRI [12] |

Source: Authors’ compilation from various sources.