

Cooling Headline Inflation Masks Rising Core and Input Cost Risks

Indonesia's headline CPI inflation eased to 0.17% MoM and 2.72% YoY in Nov '25 (Cons: 2.75% YoY; KBVS: 2.79% YoY; Prev: 2.86% YoY). Across the inflation basket, core inflation remained relatively firm at 0.11% MoM or 2.36% YoY (Prev: 0.25% MoM or 2.36% YoY). Administered-price inflation inched up to 0.05% MoM or 1.58% YoY (Prev: 0.02% MoM or 1.45% YoY), while volatile food inflation recorded a notable improvement, easing to 0.01% MoM or 5.48% YoY (Prev: 0.01% MoM or 6.59% YoY).

Beyond demand-supply dynamics, the persistence of core inflation in Nov '25 also reflects the impact of Rupiah depreciation, which averaged around 0.6% MoM during the month. The overall price pattern was characterized by sharp divergences in volatile food categories. Upward pressure came from monthly price increases in shallots, fresh fish, carrots, oranges, mustard greens, cucumbers, and long beans, alongside seasonal upticks in airfares and gold jewelry. Conversely, prices softened for broiler chicken meat, rice, red chilies, chicken eggs, jengkol, and potatoes. At the same time, higher water tariffs in Jakarta and Boalemo (Gorontalo Province), combined with non-subsidized fuel price increases implemented in early November, contributed to the rise in administered-price inflation.

Inflationary pressures were also reflected in the latest S&P Global Indonesia Manufacturing PMI, which rose strongly to 53.3 (Prev: 51.2) in Nov '25, the highest since Feb '25. However, this expansion came with a surge in input costs, reaching their highest level since Feb '25, while output charges climbed to their highest level since Apr '24. These trends indicate the possibility of further inflationary pass—through in the coming months as manufacturers adjust selling prices. On the positive side, improving domestic demand supported gains in employment, output, and purchasing activity.

Outlook and Implications for Financial Markets

Looking ahead, risks stem not only from the potential rise in manufactured goods inflation but also from weather-related disruptions that could affect the supply side. With the rainy season intensifying and Tropical Cyclone Senyar expected by BMKG to persist through Feb '26, the threat of harvest disruptions, flooding, and logistical delays has increased. Such vulnerabilities could quickly reverse the favorable trends in volatile food prices and generate sudden upside risks to the headline CPI during a period of peak year-end demand. Key commodities likely to be affected include palm oil, coffee, corn, and rice, in addition to chilies and poultry products. Even so, Bulog's sizeable rice inventory of 3.8 mn tons should help cushion some of the associated risks.

Rupiah depreciation remains another concern, though expectations of a Fed rate cut—likely 25 bps at the 10 Dec '25 meeting—may help stabilize the currency thereafter, reducing imported inflation pass—through to both core and headline measures. In this context, stronger coordination by national (TPIP) and regional inflation control teams (TPID) will be essential to maintain price stability as year—end mobility increases. Government year—end stimulus programs, including toll—road discounts, airfare reductions, lower sea and rail transport fares, and support for the national online shopping festival (Harbolnas), should also help offset inflationary pressures.

From a monetary-policy perspective, if inflation remains contained, we expect Bank Indonesia to have room for a rate cut this month. We now assign a high probability to a further 25 bps reduction in the BI Rate to 4.50% by year-end, contingent on a synchronized Federal Reserve rate cut and continued domestic price stability. Such a coordinated policy shift would likely improve liquidity conditions, drive a further decline in SUN10Y yields, and enhance the relative attractiveness of Indonesian financial assets.



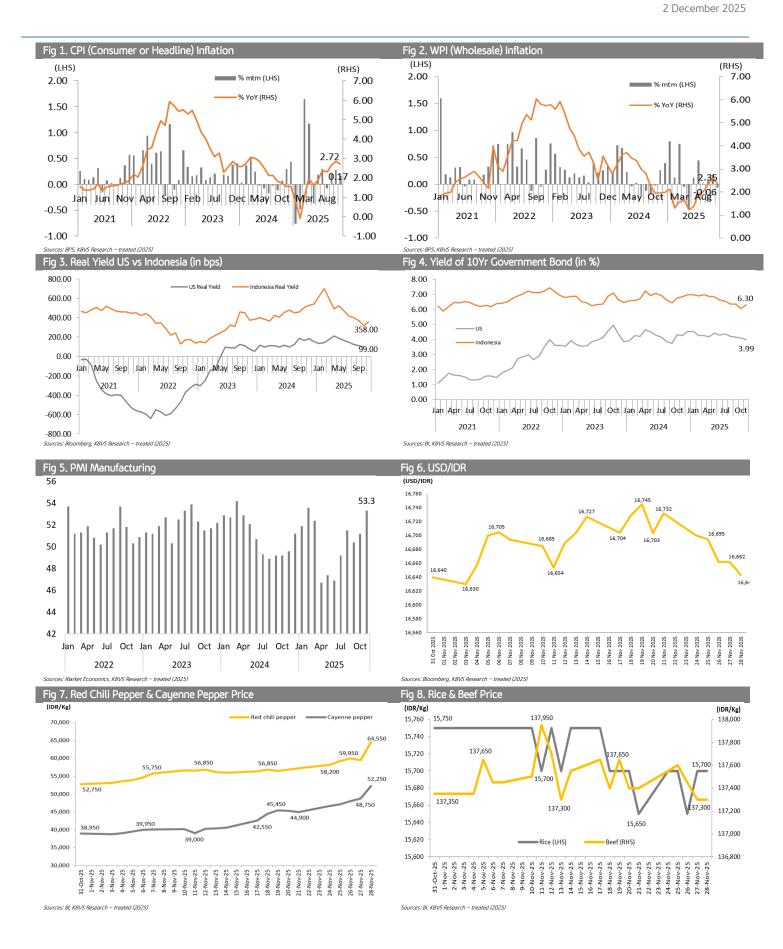




Table 1. CPI, WPI & Farmer Exchange Rate Nov '25								
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Indicators	Latest	M-1	MoM	YoY				
Consumer Price Index (CPI)	109,04	108,74	0,28%	2,86%				
Food, Beverages, and Tobacco	109.22	109.04	0.17%	2.72%				
Clothing and Footwear	113.59	113.52	0.06%	4.25%				
Housing, Water, Electricity, and Household Fuels	104.06	104.03	0.03%	0.76%				
Equipment, Tools, and Routine Household Maintenance	104.20	104.18	0.02%	1.57%				
Health	104.08	104.05	0.03%	0.23%				
Transport	106.45	106.32	0.12%	2.09%				
Info, Comm. and Financial Services	110.22	109.85	0.34%	0.71%				
Recreation, Sport and Culture	99.23	99.25	-0.02%	-0.25%				
Education Services	105.37	105.35	0.02%	1.15%				
Food and Beverages Services/Restaurants	106.19	106.19	0.00%	1,26%				
Personal Care and Other Services	108.06	107.99	0.06%	1.50%				
Core inflation	107.65	107.47	0.17%	2.36%				
Administered Price	110.49	110.22	0.24%	1.58%				
Volatile Food	114,11	114.09	0.02%	5.48%				
Wholesale Price Index (WPI)	105.40	105.46	-0.06%	2.35%				
Agriculture	107.83	107.96	-0.12%	5.76%				
Mining and Quarrying	100.83	100.06	0.77%	0.10%				
Manufacturing	107.68	107,82	-0.13%	2.16%				
Farmer Exchange Rate	124,05	124,33	-0.23%	2,78%				
Farmers Price Received Index	154.72	115.13	34.39%	27.56%				
Farmers Price Paid Index	124.73	124.77	-0.03%	-15.05%				

Sources: BPS, KBVS Research - treated (2025)

NI -	Commodity		Price (Rp per Kg)				Monthly Price Change
No.		10/31/2025	11/7/2025	11/14/2025	11/21/2025	11/30/2025	(%, ptp)
1	Rice	15,750	15,750	15,750	15,650	15,700	-0.32%
1	Lower Quality Rice I	14,450	14,450	14,450	14,400	14,300	-1.04%
2	Lower Quality Rice II	14,300	14,300	14,250	14,300	14,250	-0.35%
3	Medium Quality Rice I	15,900	15,900	15,900	15,850	15,850	-0.31%
4	Medium Quality Rice II	15,750	15,700	15,700	15,700	15,700	-0.32%
5	Super Quality Rice I	17,100	17,100	17,100	17,050	17,050	-0.29%
6	Super Quality Rice II	16,600	16,600	16,600	16,550	16,550	-0.30%
II	Chicken meat	38,050	37,550	37,850	39,350	39,900	4.86%
1	Fresh Race Chicken Meat	38,050	37,550	37,850	39,550	39,900	4.86%
Ш	Beef	137,350	137,450	137,550	137,400	137,300	-0.04%
1	Quality 1 Beef	140,500	140,650	140,700	141,400	140,500	0.00%
2	Quality 2 Beef	132,450	132,550	132,650	133,050	132,750	0.23%
IV	Chicken eggs	31,450	31,450	31,450	31,550	31,800	1,11%
1	Fresh Chicken Eggs	31,450	31,450	31,450	31,600	31,800	1.11%
٧	Red onion	41,850	41,900	41,600	42,450	44,700	6.81%
1	Medium Shallot	41,850	41,900	41,600	42,550	44,700	6.81%
VI	Garlic	38,850	38,800	38,600	38,800	38,950	0.26%
1	Medium Size Garlic	38,850	38,800	38,600	38,900	38,950	0.26%
VII	Red chili pepper	52,750	55,750	56,000	57,250	64,550	22.37%
1	Large Red Chili	49,650	55,050	57,150	57,350	59,950	20.75%
2	Curly Red Chili	53,200	55,100	54,300	56,650	64,600	21.43%
VIII	Cayenne pepper	38,950	40,050	40,600	44,900	52,250	34.15%
1	Green Cayenne Pepper	36,250	36,750	37,550	40,200	46,750	28.97%
2	Red Cayenne Pepper	40,600	41,650	42,700	49,800	55,250	36.08%
IX	Cooking oil	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	0.00%
1	Bulk Cooking Oil	18,600	18,650	18,600	18,650	18,650	0.27%
2	Branded Packaging Cooking Oil 1	22,450	22,450	22,450	22,400	22,400	-0.22%
3	Branded Packaging Cooking Oil 2	21,350	21,350	21,400	21,400	21,400	0.23%
Χ	Sugar	18,750	18,800	18,800	18,800	18,750	0.00%
1	Premium Quality Sugar	19,700	19,800	19,800	19,800	19,750	0.25%
2	Local Sugar	18,050	18,000	18,050	18,050	18,000	-0.28%

Sources: BI, KBVS Research - treated (2025)

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