



SIHAM/FSRP 2 TOGO AGRIMARKET INSIGHTS

Enhancing access to reliable market information for informed decision-making and resilience for smallholder farmers.

Technical Partners

INTRODUCTION

The Hydro-Agro-Meteorological Information System (SIHAM), developed and implemented by the International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC) under the second phase of the Food System Resilience Program (FSRP 2), is supported by the World Bank and the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP) as part of broader efforts to strengthen food systems resilience and improve agricultural productivity in Togo and across West Africa. Through a network of technical and institutional partners, SIHAM provides farmers and other agricultural stakeholders with access to weather forecasts, market information, advisory services, agricultural finance opportunities, and micro-insurance solutions that support informed decision-making and resilience.

As the project nears its completion in September 2026, SIHAM/FSRP 2 continues to expand access to reliable agricultural information through digital platforms, agribusiness clusters, digikiosks, and strategic partnerships. This second edition of AgriMarket Insights highlights key market trends, service updates, and project achievements that are contributing to improved access to information, stronger market participation, and enhanced resilience among farmers across Togo. The collaborative approach adopted under SIHAM/FSRP 2 demonstrates the potential of integrated digital agricultural information systems to strengthen decision-making and resilience among farming communities.

SIHAM DIGITAL PLATFORM UPDATES

Access to agricultural information increasingly depends on digital solutions that connect farmers with weather, market, advisory, and financial services. Therefore, the SIHAM platform continues to evolve as an integrated digital ecosystem designed to support informed decision-making across agricultural value chains.

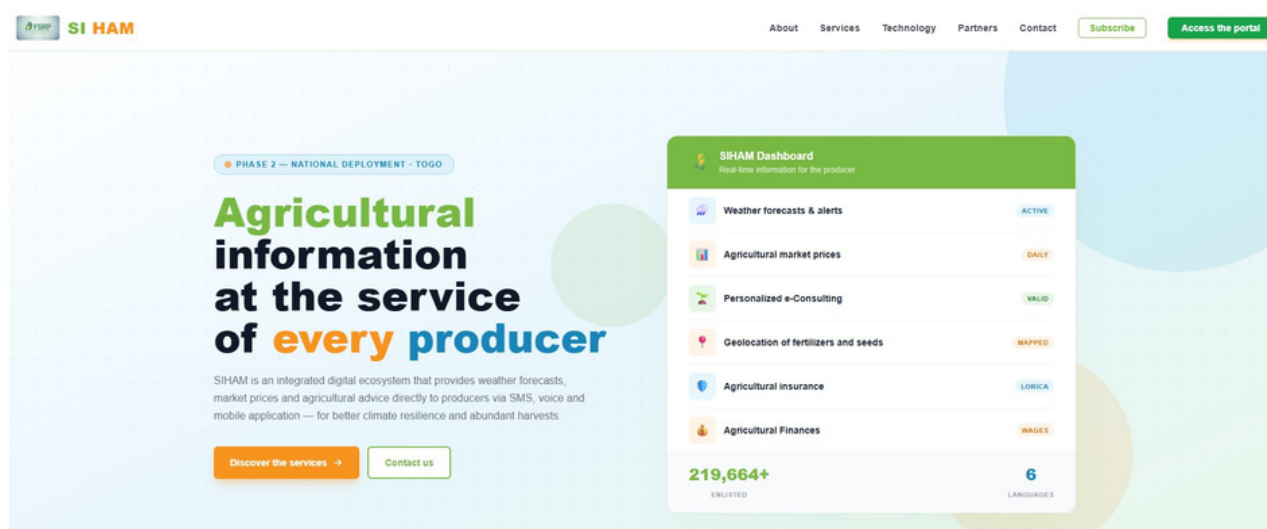


Figure 1: SIHAM dashboard showing key features of the SIHAM web application

Recent SIHAM updates have focused on strengthening the platform's dissemination architecture through agribusiness clusters, digikiosks, WhatsApp groups, and partnerships with service providers coordinated by TIC Agrobusiness and other institutions. The platform was also updated to support the integration of agricultural finance information, expanding opportunities for farmers to access financial services alongside weather, market, and advisory information. These developments contribute to improving the accessibility, efficiency, and sustainability of SIHAM services as deployment continues across the country.

MARKET INFORMATION AND TRANSPARENCY

AGRICULTURAL COMMODITY PRICES

Access to reliable market information is essential for informed decision-making across agricultural value chains. Through a partnership with the Directorate of Planning, Statistics, and Monitoring and Evaluation (DPSSE), SIHAM facilitates access to agricultural market information that helps farmers, traders, and other stakeholders better understand market dynamics and identify market opportunities.

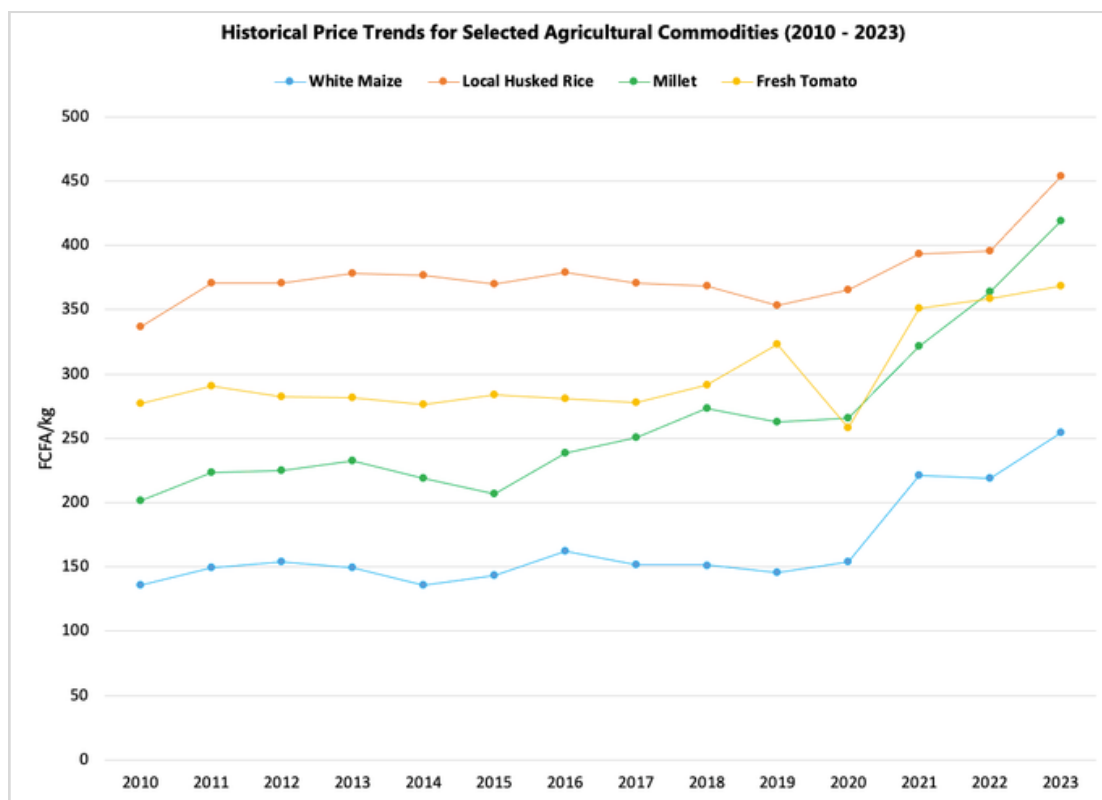


Figure 2: Average prices of selected agricultural commodities in Togo from 2010 to 2023

Between 2010 and 2023, prices of selected agricultural commodities showed an overall upward trend across all commodities, with millet and white maize registering particularly strong growth, as illustrated in Figure 2. Local husked rice remained the highest-priced commodity among the selected crops, while prices for all commodities increased noticeably after 2020. DPSSE collects and disseminates market prices for more than 20 agricultural commodities across all 39 prefectures of Togo on a monthly basis. By providing access to this information, the SIHAM platform contributes to improved market transparency, better planning, and stronger resilience among agricultural stakeholders.

AGRICULTURAL MICRO-INSURANCE (FARMCOVER)

SIHAM/FSRP 2 continues to facilitate access to agricultural micro-insurance through its partnership with Lorica Assurances and its Farmcover product. Farmcover is an index-based agricultural insurance solution that uses satellite-derived climatic data to protect farmers against crop losses caused by drought and excessive rainfall.

During the first quarter of 2026, 1,971 insurance-related messages were disseminated through text messaging and WhatsApp channels to raise awareness and promote access to agricultural insurance services among farmers. Farmcover currently covers maize, soybean, rice, cassava, cashew, and vegetable crops. Beginning with the 2027 agricultural season, coverage will be expanded to include coffee and

cocoa, further broadening climate risk protection for farming households. By reducing climate-related income losses, Farmcover contributes to income stabilization, improved access to agricultural credit, investment security, and enhanced food security.



ACCESS TO AGRICULTURAL FINANCE

Access to finance remains a critical factor in improving agricultural productivity and strengthening value chains. Through partnerships with financial institutions, SIHAM promotes awareness of financing opportunities available to farmers, producer organizations, cooperatives, and other agricultural stakeholders.

One such partner is Women and Associations for Gain both Economic and Social (WAGES), a microfinance institution that promotes financial inclusion and supports agricultural development through a range of credit products and partnerships.

In 2026, WAGES continued expanding its support to rural communities through programs such as Entrepreneurship, Employment and Economic Empowerment for Youth (E4Y), Regional Program for the Integration of Agricultural Markets (PRIMA), Support for the Promotion of Agroecological Market Gardening in Togo (ProSMAT), and the Shared-Risk Agricultural Financing Incentive Mechanism Support project (ProMIFA), supporting agricultural production, agroecological market gardening, agri-enterprises, and cooperatives.

As of July 31, 2026, WAGES had increased its agricultural loan portfolio to approximately 1.64 billion CFA francs (approximately U.S. \$2.85 million), compared with 856 million CFA francs (approximately U.S. \$1.54 million) at the end of 2025. Agriculture's share of the institution's total credit portfolio also increased from 5.2% to 8.6%, demonstrating a growing commitment to financing agricultural activities in Togo. This expansion contributes to improving farmers' access to financial resources, supporting investment in agricultural production and strengthening resilience across agricultural value chains.

WEATHER INFORMATION

Access to timely and reliable weather information remains a vital component of SIHAM/FSRP 2's efforts to strengthen farmers' resilience to climate variability. Through information provided by the Togolese National Meteorological Agency (ANAMET), weather forecasts and agro-meteorological advisories are disseminated to farmers via text and voice messages and digital applications, enabling them to make timely decisions on planting, fertilizer application, crop protection, and harvesting activities.

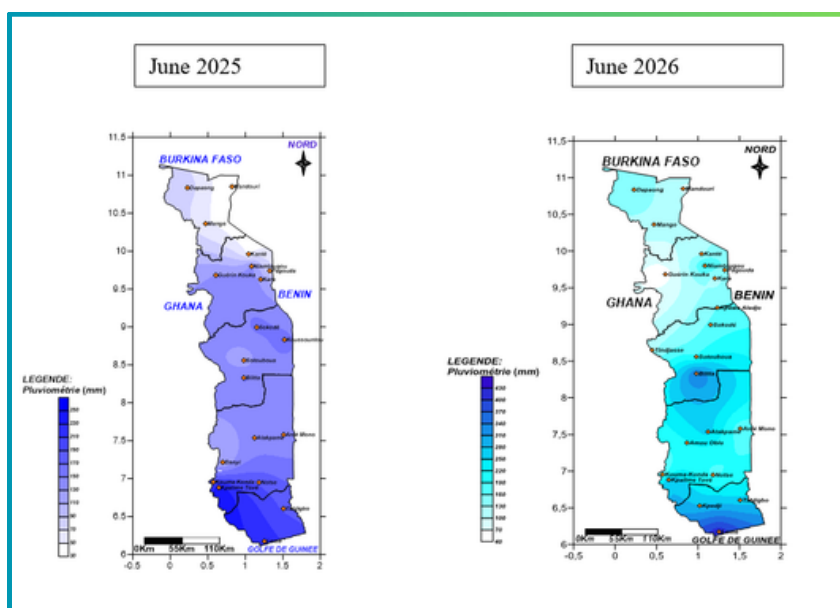


Figure 3: Cumulative rainfall for Togo, June 2025 and 2026

Source: ANAMET, 2026

June Weather Overview: Togo experienced widespread rainfall activity across the entire country in June 2026, as shown in Figure 2. The month typically corresponds with a well-established phase of the rainy season, characterized by more frequent and abundant precipitation than that observed during the earlier months of the year.

The highest rainfall amount in June 2026 was recorded in Lomé at 422.4 mm. Following the heavy rains of June 28–29, several municipalities experienced flooding. In comparison, the highest cumulative rainfall of June 2025 was recorded at Kpalimé Tové (246.0 mm). Considering data from synoptic stations only, June 2026 saw above-average rainfall nationwide.

Overall, rainfall conditions during June 2026 were sufficient to support agricultural activities across the country. July and August 2026 are expected to be characterized by continued rainfall in northern Togo, while the southern part of the country is likely to experience a relatively short dry spell, consistent with the region's seasonal climate pattern.

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Dr. Latifou ISSAOU
Director General, ANAMET



SEEDS AND CROP PROTECTION PRODUCTS

Through its collaboration with the Directorate of Agricultural Production (DPA), SIHAM provides farmers with access to information on certified seed varieties, recommended crops, and approved crop protection products, enabling them to make informed decisions ahead of the cropping season. For the 2026 season, a range of approved varieties remained available for major food crops, including maize, rice, soybean, cowpea, sorghum, groundnut, and sesame. Notably, a new hybrid maize variety, Sammaz 50, was introduced and certified, further expanding the improved seed options available to farmers. These efforts contribute to improved access to quality and resilient planting materials, supporting increased productivity, enhanced adaptability to local conditions, and stronger agricultural resilience across value chains.

In addition to seed-related information, SIHAM provides farmers with access to information on approved plant protection products authorized for use in Togo, helping promote safe and informed input use while supporting crop health and productivity in accordance with national agricultural regulations.

FERTILIZERS

Using information provided by the Agricultural Input Supply and Management Cooperative (CAGIA), SIHAM continues to disseminate fertilizer market information to support informed input purchasing decisions by farmers and other agricultural stakeholders. Fertilizer is an essential input for agricultural production in Togo, with NPK 15-15-15 and urea (46% N) still the most widely used fertilizers for food crop production. Through the government's agricultural input subsidy program, both products continued to be available at a fixed national price of 18,000 CFA francs (approximately U.S. \$32) per 50-kg bag during the 2026/27 agricultural campaign.

Despite continued pressures on global fertilizer markets, domestic supply conditions remained favorable. Togo maintained a fertilizer stock of nearly 120,000 metric tons, sufficient to cover farmers' needs throughout the agricultural season, with stable fertilizer prices from the beginning of 2026 through the third quarter of the year. Although fertilizer distribution continues to be driven primarily through the government-subsidized system, private sector distributors remain active in the market. Consultations with agro-input suppliers indicate that market prices for NPK 15-15-15 and urea remained aligned with the official subsidized price, supporting continued access to fertilizers for farmers nationwide.

As the main agricultural season draws to a close in both the northern agricultural zone (Centrale, Kara, and Savanes regions) and the southern agricultural zone (Maritime and Plateaux regions) and with the second growing season beginning in the south, continued monitoring of global and domestic fertilizer markets is essential to assess potential impacts on fertilizer availability and pricing in the months ahead.



PROJECT ACTIVITIES AND UPDATES

EXPANDING ACCESS TO SIHAM SERVICES

Training Agricultural Business Management Technical Advisors (CTGEAs)



CTGEA training session were conducted across the six regions of Togo.

To strengthen the delivery of SIHAM services at the local level, 62 Agricultural Business Management Technical Advisors (CTGEAs), including six women, were trained across the six regions of Togo. The training covered agribusiness cluster governance, market linkages, digital agriculture services, and the role of digikiosks in disseminating agro-meteorological, market, and advisory information. By equipping CTGEAs with the necessary knowledge and tools, SIHAM is strengthening its capacity to extend digital agricultural services to farmers nationwide.

STRENGTHENING AGRIBUSINESS CLUSTERS

Supporting the Establishment and Effective Operation of Agribusiness Clusters



Discussions with stakeholders of the agribusiness cluster in Ataké, Est-Mono.

Field visits and stakeholder consultations were conducted to assess the establishment and operation of agribusiness clusters and strengthen their role in the SIHAM dissemination network. As of July 2026, 720 agribusiness clusters had been established, with 14,773 registered actors, including 52.3% women and 34.7% youth. Of the total registered actors, 12,799 were producers. These structures play an important role in connecting farmers to agricultural information, market opportunities, financial services, and advisory support.

ENSURING THE SUSTAINABILITY OF SIHAM

Advancing Long-Term Sustainability and Institutional Ownership



Strategic Committee members discussed the sustainability of the SIHAM system.

As the SIHAM/FSRP 2 project nears its end, efforts have increasingly focused on ensuring the long-term sustainability of the platform and its services. During the Strategic Committee meeting held on June 5, 2026, discussions focused on the SIHAM business model, the costs associated with information dissemination, the use of affordable digital channels such as WhatsApp and the Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD) protocol, and the institutional arrangements required to support the continued operation of the system beyond project closure. The need to further strengthen the technical and institutional foundations of SIHAM to support its sustainable operationalization was also emphasized during the meeting. The experience gained through SIHAM/FSRP 2 provides valuable lessons for the long-term operation of integrated digital agricultural information systems and multi-stakeholder service delivery mechanisms.



ABOUT SIHAM/FSRP 2

SIHAM is a digital agro-meteorological public service under FSRP, financed by the World Bank, GAFSP, and the Government of Togo, strengthening food system resilience through improved access to climate information and data-driven decision-making. It is Implemented with the technical support of IFDC.

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