



Shurugwi BNB¹ for March 2015

A. Essential Food Items:	Preferred Brand	Unit Available	Quantity	Average US\$
Mealie Meal	Red Seal (Rollermeal)	20kg	2	24.00
Cooking oil	D'lite	2Ltrs	2	7.20
Beef	Mixed	1kg	2	24.67
Chicken	Suncrest cuts	2kg	1	18.00
Fish	Fresh	1kg	2	8.33
Dried Fish	Kapenta	1kg	2	8.50
Salt	Pro-brands	2kg	1	0.98
Bread	Bakers Inn	1loaf	30	30.00
Peanut Butter	Lyons	375ml	3	4.30
Drink	Mazoe	2Ltrs	2	6.00
Rice	Red Seal	2kg	2	4.00
Eggs	Standard	1 crates	2	12.00
Sugar	Gold star (white)	2kg	4	7.53
Tea (leaves)	Tanganda	250g	4	3.43
Milk	Steri	500ml	10	14.00
Margarine	Buttercup	2kg	1	11.73
Onions	Onions	1kg	5	5.00
Tomatoes	Tomatoes	1kg	10	10.00
Vegetables (greens)	rape	1kg	15	15.00
Sub-total				214.68
B. Essential Non-food items				
Washing soap	Green bar	1kg	3	5.53
Bathing soap	Geisha tablets	250g	4	4.00
Washing Powder	Omo	1kg	1	6.20
Toothpaste	Colgate	100ml	2	1.93
Sanitary pads	Farai	1 pack	3	3.00
Toilet paper	Softex	4 rolls	4	3.85

¹ The following are the shops and markets where PRFT collected data on prices of basic commodities for the March 2015
BNB: Batanai, Mukusha and Sebang. The survey was conducted on the 19th and 20th of March 2015.

Shoe Polish	Nugget	50ml	2	2.20
Lotion	Camphor	500g	1	3.02
Floor Polish	Cobra	1 litre	1	4.83
Toilet Cleaner	Harpic	750ml	1	2.23
Jelly	Vaseline	250ml	2	4.37
Sub-total				41.17
C. Rates and other essential services				
Water & Sanitation (medium cost - fixed)	Water			
	Average usage/month+fixed	m3	40	30.00
	Sanitation (Sewage)	fixed		0.00
Monthly rent (4 roomed house)	Basic accomodation	per room	4	200.00
Electricity ²	Fixed (Sept - Dec 2010)		1	40.00
Sub-total				270.00
Total for basic needs basket for Shurugwi				525.85
Other Costs				
Telephone/Communication		\$/month		30.00
School Fees				
Tertiary	University			420.00
	Technical/Professional College		National certificate	175.00
			National Diploma	225.00
	High School (Forms 5&6)	per term		120.00
	Secondary (Forms 1-4)	per term		70.00
	Primary	per term		25.00
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² Electricity charges were estimated using averages that families are now paying following the installation of pre-paid meters in most homes in Shurugwi.

Uniforms	Girls	Complete set	Enbee Prices	70.00
	Boys	Complete set	Enbee Prices	60.00
Health care	CIMAS Basicare scheme			0.00
Fuel & Lighting	Paraffin			1.12
	Diesel			1.35
	Petrol			1.43
	Matches	Carton of 12		0.75
	Candles	pack of 6		2.00
	Firewood	per month		10.00

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