Rice Cooking Manual

How Rice Consumption Works:

• Requirement of Rice → Price → Shop Visit (time needed) → Cooking Time → Eating Time

Daily Rice Requirements:

Meal	Uncooked Rice Quantity		
Lunch	½ cup (75-100 grams)		
Dinner	½ cup (75-100 grams)		
Total per day	1 cup (150-200 grams)		

Price Estimate for Rice (200 grams)

Item	Quantity	Price per kg (BDT)	Total Cost (BDT)	Total Cost (USD)	Total Cost (EUR)	Notes
White rice	200 grams	ት60-ት80 per kg	ቴ12-ቴ16	\$0.11-\$0.15	€0.10-€0.13	Common price for medium- quality rice in Bangladesh

Time to Cook 1 Cup of Rice (Bangladeshi White Rice)

Method	Time (Water Boiling)	Time (After Boiling Starts - Simmering)	Time (Resting off Heat)	Total Time (Incl. Prep)	Notes
Stovetop (Boil + Simmer)	5–7 min	10-15 minutes	5 minutes	20-25 minutes	If you soak the rice beforehand (20–30 minutes), the cooking time can reduce to 8–10 minutes as soaked rice cooks faster.

△ Water Required for Cooking Rice

Ri	ice Quantity (Uncooked)	Water Quantity	Notes	
1	cup (about 200 grams)	2 cups (about 480 ml)	Common ratio: 1 part rice to 2 parts water	

1 cup of uncooked white rice typically weighs 180–200 grams, and it should be cooked with 2 cups (480 ml) of fresh water.

Eating Time:

• Total Eating Time: 20-25 minutes.

Recommended Cooking Steps (Stovetop Method):

- 1. Wash & Soak Rice (optional): Soak for 20-30 minutes (optional).
- 2. Add Water: Use 2 cups of water for 1 cup of rice.
- 3. Bring to Boil: Wait for 5-7 minutes until water boils.
- 4. Simmer: Cover and simmer on low heat for 10-15 minutes.

5. Rest: Let the rice rest off heat for 5 minutes with the lid on.

How Uncooked Rice Increases When Cooked

• 1 cup of uncooked rice yields approximately 3 cups of cooked rice, enough for 2 meals.

When cooking rice, it absorbs water and **expands about 2.5 to 3 times its original volume**. This is why cooking in bulk is time-efficient — you get a lot more cooked rice from a small amount of uncooked rice!

• 1 cup uncooked rice → 3 cups cooked rice

Supplementary Definitions, Figures, and Tables



Figure 1: Rice Soaking Water Level Measurement

Soaking Rice:

Soaking means resting the rice in water at normal temperature — no heat, no flame, no stove involved.

Steps to Soak Rice Properly:

- 1. Place the rice in a bowl or pot (but off the stove).
- 2. Add clean, room-temperature water (enough to cover the rice by about 1-2 inches).
- 3. Let the rice sit on the counter (no heat) for 20–30 minutes.
- 4. Drain the soaking water completely.
- 5. Add **fresh water** before cooking on the stove.

What Does "Simmer" Mean?

Simmering means cooking food gently in **hot water just below the boiling point**. You'll see **small bubbles** rising slowly, not a rolling boil.

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