1. **Always access the latest commodity calculator** (see A. below) from the USAID Implementation Tools Page, available at: <https://www.usaid.gov/what-we-do/agriculture-and-food-security/food-assistance/resources/implementation-tools>



**B.**

**A.**

**Figure 1: Screenshot of USAID Implementation Tools Page**

* 1. To run the commodity calculator
* Select your commodity from the drop-down menu in the column labeled “Commodity”
* Enter the required number of metric tons in the column labeled “MT”
* Enter the Inland Rate ($/MT), if applicable
* Enter the current ocean freight estimate in the column labeled “Ocean Rate $/MT”

**Always access the latest Ocean Freight Price Estimates** (see B. above)

* Additional shaded columns will automatically fill
1. If “Total Program Cost” exceeds budget, rerun calculator using a less expensive–and acceptable–alternative commodity.

**To familiarize yourself with the commodity calculator:** See the FY 2017 *Commodity Calculation Worksheet* on the next page, (which was applicable to the period October – December 2016).

