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Overview:

- **World Pepper Production Most Likely to Decline**
- **Chinese Ginger Becoming Threat to Domestic Market**
- **Pepper Prices Increasing Continuously**
- **Chilli Prices Moving Range Bound in Spot and Futures**
- **Cardamom Prices Continued Steady on Weaker Side**

News Highlights:

World Pepper Production Most Likely to Decline

Global production of black pepper is projected to decrease by 33200 tonnes next year and it seems to reflect in domestic prices, which have shot up by Rs 700 a quintal in two weeks in Domestic market. The production in the International Pepper Community (IPC) countries next year is estimated at 2.11 lakh tonnes as against 2.45 lakh tonnes in 2005, which is less by 33200 tonnes. However, in non-IPC countries it will be 17400 tonnes compared with 17270 tonnes this year, a marginal increase of 130 tonnes, according to IPC sources. As reported earlier, production in India will be lower by 25000 tonnes. As against 70000 tonnes in 2005, production next year is estimated at 45000 tonnes. Brazilian production is expected to remain at this year's level of 33000 tonnes while Vietnam is estimated to be lower by 3000 tonnes at 87000 tonnes next year. There has been international demand for Indian pepper during the past few weeks but the increase in domestic prices during the week has weakened it. The latest f.o.b prices quoted for ASTA grade were: Indonesia \$1,450 a tonne, Brazil \$1275-1,300 and Vietnam \$1400 a tonne. Indian parity is \$1575 (f.o.b) a tonne. In the domestic market, there is high demand while availability has already shrunk. Sri Lankan exporters who had quoted \$1275-1350 a tonne earlier are now defaulting, resulting in a drop in arrivals. They have also raised the price to \$1450-1475 a tonne. Market sources reported that arrivals at Kochi are very low as Traders and Farmers not ready to sell their product in the Market in Expectation of further increase in prices. Trade experts are of the view that prices may touch the level of Rs.8000 per quintal in coming weeks.

Chinese Ginger Becoming Threat to Domestic Market

China is insistently started selling dried ginger at a price tag of Rs 8000 per quintal f.o.b. Mumbai and Kochi. While domestic price are above Rs 11000, ginger from China, including import duty, costs around Rs 10800 per quintal. The domestic price of dried ginger in Mumbai would total to Rs 13000 per quintal after including taxes. This gave China a price advantage over India in the current season, which is a crucial factor in decisive domestic prices. Demand for dried ginger in the north Indian markets use to reach during the winter season. Dried ginger from China is on the edge to becoming threat to the domestic market in current season. Market sources expecting a shoot up in prices since there had been reports that China was short of output

this season based on preliminary estimates but in later estimates, it was reported that China was having a bumper production during current season. China was aggressively slashing prices and this might affect production in India. The average annual production in India is 12000-15000 tonne and the price of ginger plays a major factor in determining the production of dried ginger. The current domestic price band for dried ginger is between Rs 11000 and 12000 per quintal and poor stock position is the major reason for the high price level. Meanwhile, dried ginger from Karnataka started arriving in terminal markets would be in full swing in a fortnight and production yet to pick up in Kerala. Prices would remain steady on weaker side if Chinese ginger supply to Indian market on lower prices continues.

Cardamom Prices Continued Steady on Weaker Side

Cardamom prices continued to rule steady at on weaker side due heavy arrivals at auctions held in Kerala and Tamil Nadu during the week. North Indian Buyers and Exporters were active for making stocks, as the prices of all the varieties remained weak. Exporters bought eight tonnes of cardamom at the auction held in Kumily on last Monday. Export sources reported that the, Exports last month from Kerala and Tamil Nadu were estimated at 125 tonnes and it is expected to remain at this level in November. They also revealed that the reports of crop damage in Guatemala increasing enquiries and orders from global markets. The maximum price at Kumily auction was in the range of Rs 170-391 per kg and running bulk was sold in the range of Rs 205-215 per kg. Increased availability of superior varieties has pushed down the prices of even 8-mm bold (green) to Rs 390 per kg. This variety, which used to fetch up to Rs 1000 per kg, was sold at Rs 391 in the Cardamom Processing and Marketing Company (CPMC) auction at Kumily in last week.

Chilli Prices Moving Range Bound in Spot and Futures

Chilli prices are moving range bound in a narrow range of Rs. 50 per quintal on poor off takes at Guntur mandi. According to market sources, the spot markets are likely to see a supply crunch of good quality chilli. However, there is ample supply of other varieties, demand for which is very low. Prices might firm up during later part of the week, if farmers, in anticipation of a higher price, refuse to release the stock. Although the quite good demand of good quality chilli, the arrival of good quality chilli from the warehouses as well as the overall crop availability is very low. Some

global market demand is coming from Sri Lanka, Malaysia. Also, the rain-induced damage to crops had pushed the prices up forcing the buyers to remain on the sidelines. Market sources also revealed that the chilli prices would remain steady to firm in coming weeks, but if some further rains coming then prices may again shoot up.

Pepper Prices Increasing Continuously

Pepper prices increasing continuously on short supply and buying support. Pepper prices Spot markets at Kochi increased significantly by Rs. 150 in comparison to previous trading day spot prices. Future Markets prices at

NCDEX increased notably against previous day prices. Prices at NCDEX in December contract remain in the range of 7282-7490 points. Weather forecast of some more heavy rains that may further delay in fresh crop arrivals, which is already delayed by one month. Low Arrivals creating supply crunch and Heavy Demand of black pepper from North Indian markets. News of about 30 percent estimated Crop Loss and Low production estimates of Vietnam crop are the reasons behind the shooting up of Pepper Prices. Market Sources reported that prices may improve further and may reach up to the level of Rs. 8000 per quintals in coming weeks.

Domestic Prices For the week ending 26.11.2005:

Spice	Grade/Variety	Market	Price (RS/KG) For The Week (26.11.05)	Price (RS/KG) For The Week (19.11.05)	Last Month (RS/KG)Same Week (29.10.05)	Last Year Same Week (RS/KG) (27.11.2004)
Black pepper*	Malabar garbled (mg-1)	Cochin	68.33	66.17	6442	62.00
Cardamom	(Small) Ungraded	Vandanmettu	222.65	226.32	229.54	306.77
Cardamom	Cardamom (large)	Gangtok	100.00	97.50	95.63	87.50
Chilli	Non -cold storage	Guntur	17.80	18.00	13.80	31.40
	Cold storage		29.20	30.00	25.60	21.00
Ginger	Unbleached (new)	Cochin	120.00	111.67	100.00	140.00
Turmeric	Alleppey finger (AFT) Selam	Cochin	50.00	50.00	50.00	55.00
		Mumbai	56.50	56.50	56.50	55.75
		Duggirala	31.00	31.13	29.13	31.75
Coriander	Indori 5%	"	24.25	21.63	18.88	20.25
Cumin	4%	"	70.63	65.00	61.88	78.13
Clove	Grade 1	Cochin,	220.00	220.00	220.00	290.00
		Nagarcoil	240.00	240.00	240.00	300.00
Cinnamon		Delhi	60.00	51.00	46.50	49.50

International Spot Prices for the week ending 23.11.2005:

Spice	Origin/Grade	Market	Price For The Week (23.11. 05) (US\$/TON)	Price For The Week (18.11. 05) (US\$/TON)	Last Month Same Week (21.10.05) (US\$/TON)	Last Year Same Week (24.11.04) (US\$/TON)
Black pepper	Malabar garbled (mg-1)	New York	1698	1698	1720	1610
Cardamom * (small)	Fancy green Indian Asta (8 mm)	New York	8820	8820	8820	8820
		Saudi Arabia	7730	7840	7730	9190
Chillies	Indian sannm-4 (stem less)	New York	1367	1367	1367	1300
Ginger	India cochin	New York	3484	3484	3484	-
	Chinese peeled	New York	3462	3418	3462	2646
Turmeric	Indian ground India Alleppey finger	New York	1213	1213	1213	1213
			2050	2161	2050	1985
Garlic	Chinese	New York	2822	2756	2822	1566
Coriander	Canada	New York	772	772	772	816
Cumin	Syrian India	New York	1830	1830	1830	1985
			2029	2315	2029	2028
Fennel	Indian Asta Egyptian	New York	1455	1566	1455	1234
			1411	1411	1411	1300
Fenugreek	India/turkey	New York	750	750	750	750
Clove	Mad/zanz/com/ Indo Sri Lanka (hand picked)	New York	3704	3704	3704	4190
			7166	7166	7166	7717
Cassia	Vera c/w a volatile oil content	New York	1455	1455	1455	1455
Cinnamon	Ceylon h2 cinnamon (soft bark)	New York	5292	5292	4740	4630

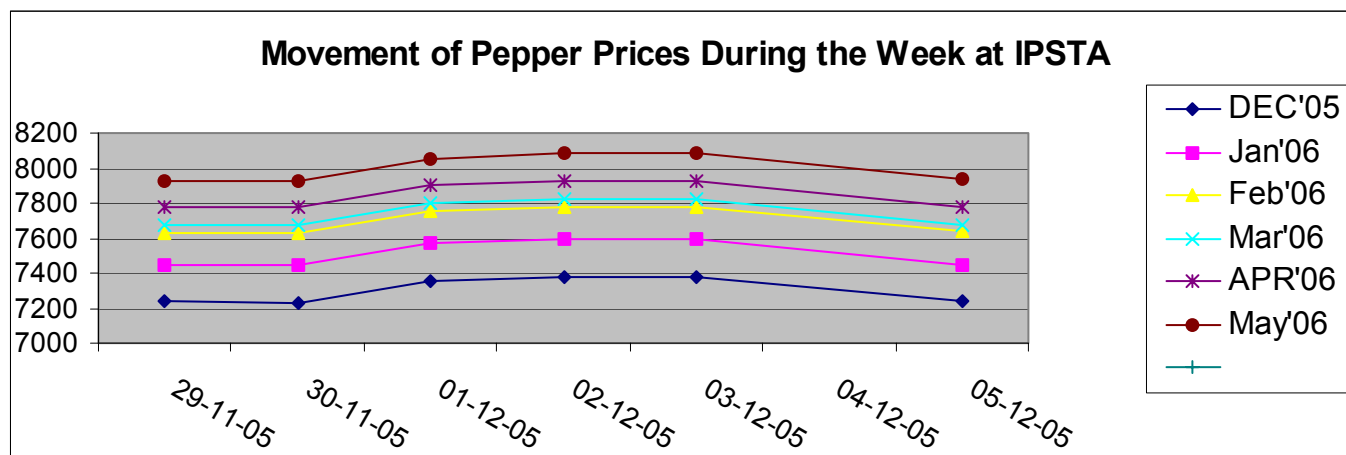
Market Analysis:

Pepper:

A Brief Weekly Fundamental Analysis of IPSTA Pepper Futures Trading

The graph below is showing the closing prices for the different contract months at the IPSTA in the week. Prices

taken upward movement from Tuesday upto Saturday and then downward from Monday onwards declining trend in every contract, the prices would most likely to take upward movement in coming days.



Movement of Garbled and Ungarbled prices at Kochi during the week (Rs/quintal):

Pepper	29.11.05	30.11.05	01.12.05	02.12.05	03.12.05	05.12.05
Ungarbled	6600	6700	6850	6900	6900	6900
Garbled	7000	7100	7250	7300	7300	7300

The prices of garbled and ungarbled varieties of pepper increased by Rs.400 per quintal in Kochi market during the week; Demand for black pepper started coming from Domestic markets for northern parts of the country and some export demand from USA and other European countries. Arrivals were still lower than off take. Market sources reported that prices started picking up on domestic buying support and fresh crop being delayed over continuous rains. In coming week prices would see some more improvement after a slight technical dip in prices .

Delhi terminal mandi

In Delhi market prices improved by Rs.5 per Kg. Prices of black pepper firm due to poor arrivals from the Kochi and fair amount of buying support. Prices at Delhi Market would see some more improvement in coming week.

Pepper	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Golden Unpolished	71-77	76-78
11.5	85-92	85-95
No. 12	95-107	97-108

Note: Prices are in Rs. Per Kg.

Turmeric:

Erode mandi: Turmeric prices remained steady on firm side in comparison with previous week level. Average Arrivals of turmeric in the Erode were reported between 3000-5000 bags daily during the week maximum 5500 bags per day. Due to poor arrivals prices improved slightly which are going down earlier, trade sources reported that prices would improve further in near future in due to short supply at trading centers and also if the rains which are now a

days regular feature in TN continues then prices can see some further improvement in prices in coming weeks..

DATES	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Loose Finger	2775-2850	2800-2900
Bilty	3050-3100	3075-3150
Loose Gattah	2825-2850	2825-2850
Bilty	3075-3100	3075-3100
Loose SP Gattah	2875-2900	2900-2950
Bilty	3125-3150	3150-3200
Loose DP Gattah (Salem)	3025	3050
Bilty	3275	3300
Kolkata Quality Bilty (75 kg)	2200	2225

Prices are in Rs/ Qtl.; NR: Not Reported;(1 bag=75 Kg)

Nizamabad Mandi

Prices remained steady in finger and gattah grades in comparison with previous week levels. Daily arrivals and off take in Nizamabad were reported to be just near 800-900 bags level but demand is on weaker side during the week. Prices would may move slight upward direction in coming week if marriage and winter season demand from north India going to pick up in coming week.

DATES	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Nizamabad Gattah	2600-2625	2600-2625
Nizamabad Finger	2700-2725	2700-2725

Note: Prices are in Rs/ Qtls.; NR: Not reported

Warangal mandi: Market opened all days during the week. Prices for turmeric in the market continued to hold steady

levels on weaker side. Prices for Gattah and Finger were in the range of Rs.2600-2750 per quintal.

Delhi Mandi: Demand for turmeric was sluggish. Prices remained steady to slightly weak in all grades with more or less same prices of turmeric in comparison of previous week. However, talks of sufficient stock and steady demand would keep the movement of prices steady with weak undertone in coming week too.

DATES	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Nizamabad finger	3100	3050-3100
E.Finger mini Selam	3600	3550-3600
E. Single polish Gattah	3175	3050-3175
E. Double polish Gattah	3600	3575
Warangal polish	3100	3000-3100
Selam Finger	4100	4050-4100

Note: Prices are in Rs/ Qtl.

Clove:

Delhi mandi Delhi clove market prices and demand remained steady on weaker side. Traders are expecting improvement in its prices in coming week or so following the low production reports from the origin countries. Prices would remain firm in coming week too.

DATES	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Indonesia	215	200-205
Ketan	220	210
Colombo	180	180
Madagascar	181	182
Zanzibar	220	210

Note: Prices are in Rs/Kg

Hyderabad mandi demand seen some improvement following firm demand from the retail end. Indonesian clove grade was offered at Rs. 210-212 per kg. While Colombo grade was traded at Rs. 185 per kg. The price of Zanzibar was recorded at Rs 205-210 per Kg.

Cumin:

Unjha Mandi: Cumin prices weakened during the week at Unjha market. Prices declined slightly against previous week due to decrease in supply pressure. Sowing of jeera going on in Saurashtra and North Gujarat region is almost completed and it about 1.5 times of the previous production. Daily average arrivals were in the range of 2000-2500 bags per day and off takes were in the range of 4000-5000 bags per day during the week. Prices would remain weak in coming week due to sluggish demand and weak arrivals. So there are maximum chances of steady to weak movement in prices in coming week.

DATES	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Kisan Mal-FAQ	1150-1500	1125-1320
Ganesh	1325	1290-1310
M/c. Cleaned	1425-1525	1390-1410
Sup. M/c. Cleaned	1525-1600	1450-1550

Note: Prices are in Rs/20 Kg

In **Hyderabad mandi** the rates of Kisan mal-FAQ grade was reported between Rs.1220/20kg.during this week. Prices are likely to remain firm in the coming week.

Delhi Mandi:

Cumin prices remain firm in different grades i.e. more or less same, as expectation of improvement in demand due to starting of marriage season. Prices would remain steady to weak in coming week.

Grade	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Chalu	63-65	64-68
Ganesh	69-71	71-74
M/Cleaned	68-82	70-85
Best	83-95	88-93

Red Chillies:

Guntur Mandi. Guntur Chilli Market was opened for whole week with steady prices with weaker sentiments. Daily average arrivals were about 25000-30000 bags recorded, average off takes were in the range of 20000-22000 bags per day. Chilli prices were more or less same in different grades on this week after seen a significant improvement due to the news of crop damage due to excess rain and firm domestic demand last week. Prices had seen steady sentiments on weaker side from the previous week. Market sources reported that prices would remain steady in coming week as according to market sources crop going to delay for one month.

DATES	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
COLD	3000-3200	3000-3100
UNCOLD	1700-2100	1700-2200
WHB	3100-3300	3100-3250
Byadgi	3300-3450	3300-3400
Sannam Best	3100-3300	3100-3300
Sannam Med. Best	2700-3200	2700-3200
Namdhari	2900-3100	2900-3100
273	2950-3200	2950-3200
Guntur Fullcut	4300-4500	4500
Ankur	3400-3600	3400-3600
Phatki	1350-1500	1250-1350
Indo5	3000-3200	3000-3200
Tejaseed	3300-3550	3200-3600
Roshni	2850-3000	2850-3000

Note: Prices are in Rs/Qt, NR-Not Reported

Delhi Mandi:

Chilli prices were steady on upper side in different grades on firm demand due the starting of marriage season and cold season. News of chilly crop damage due to excess rain in producing areas of AP and Karnataka give a push to the prices. Prices are increased at the production centers i.e. main market at Guntur and Nagpur too. Traders are expecting steady trend to persist in coming months. Price would remain steady in coming week also.

DATES	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Guntur Pala	3200-3400	3400
Guntur Fullcut	4800-5300	4800-5200
Guntur Packing (new)	3800-4000	4000
Nagpur Pala	3200-3300	3300
Nagpur Fullcut	3500-3700	3700
Nagpur Packing	3400-3800	3800

Note: Prices are in Rs/Qt

Cardamom:

Delhi mandi

Cardamom prices remain steady weaker side due to supply pressure and steady demand. Prices were more or less same in comparison to previous week except slight improvement in medium grades. Traders in Delhi have done aggressive buying from the sources markets and build up inventory ahead of festivals. The prices would remain steady to firm in coming week too.

DATES	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Panwali	205-210	205-210
Colour Robin	200-215	200-215
C Bold 6.5mm	215-230	220-230
Extra Bold 7mm	250-270	250-270
Ex Bold 7.5mm	325-350	325-350
Handpicked	430-485	430-485

Note: Prices are in Rs/kg

Hyderabad Mandi

Prices in Hyderabad were slight firm, as demand was started picking up on starting of marriage season; prices improved were more or less same in each grade in comparison with previous week in superior grades. Harvesting of Current crop in Guatemala is expected to start in December. Prices would remain steady in coming week.

DATES	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Colour Robin	200-250	205-250
C Bold 6.5mm	210-220	215-220
Extra Bold 7mm	245-250	245-250
Ex Bold 7.5mm	325-330	325-330
8.00 mm	410-425	410-425

Note: Prices are in Rs/kg; IO=Indian origin

Coriander:

Delhi Mandi

Delhi market seen a firm trend in prices and demand. Prices of coriander improved significantly in comparison to previous week in all grades. In coming week prices would remain steady to firm.

Coriander Grade	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
FAQ (Chalu)	2000-2400	2300-2500
Medium	2500-2900	3000-3100
Green	3000-4000	3500-4000
Extra Green	4200-5000	4500-5000

Note: Rate Per Quintal

Rajasthan Mandi: Due to good demand and slightly weak arrivals in Rajasthan Mandi Prices shoot up by Rs 200-250 per quintal in loose grades upto Thursday then again declined on Friday Saturday in lack of demand but on Monday prices again recovered about Rs. 100 per quintal. Average daily arrivals of coriander in Ramganj 4000 bags, Kota 4000 bags, Baran 2000-2500 bags and Guna 800-900 bags recorded during the week.. There would be some more improvement in demand and prices in coming week.

DATES	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Kota Badami (40 kg)	960-970	880-990
Kota Eagle (40 kg)	1000-1010	900-1020
Ramganj Badami (loose per qtls)	1800-2000	1675-1950
Ramganj Eagle (loose per qtls)	1900-2050	1800-2050
Kota Badami (loose per quintal)	1800-2000	1675-1950
Kota Eagle (loose per quintal)	1900-2050	1800-2050

Methi

Kota mandi:

Methi prices remain steady to firm during the week in Kota mandi. Sowing is on peak now a days and normal sowing going on in comparison to previous year. Daily average arrivals were in the range 150-300 bags per day during the week. Arrivals at Neemuch mandi were 1000 bags daily with an increase of Rs.25-50 per quintal in prices on firm demand. Market sources expecting some more improvement in demand and prices in near future. Prices would see steady sentiments in prices in coming week.

Methi price at Kota Mandi

Methi Grade	Nov 22-28	Nov 29-Dec 05
Methi (Uncleaned)	1525-1650	1550-1675
Methi (Cleaned)	1600-1825	1625-1850

Note: Rate Per bag (100 Kg. each)

Prices of Methi seen steady to trend during the week. Delhi market witnessed firm trade. The prices would remain firm on positive side in coming week.

Methi price at Delhi Mandi

Methi Grade	Nov 21-26	Nov 28-Dec 03
Chalu	2000-2200	2050-2200
Jabara	2750-3100	2775-3100
Better	3250-3500	3275-3500

Note: Rate Per quintal

Technical Analysis:
Commodity: Black Pepper

Exchange: NCDEX

Contract Month: December 2005

Candlesticks, Stochastic oscillator, RSI, MACD and PROC all technical indicators are showing Bearish sentiments in the market. Fundamentals supporting the improvement in prices but due to negative technical correction prices

started moving southwards. Stochastic oscillator is in oversold region negative correction taking place today. Overall there are maximum chances of downward movement in coming week.



Recommendation: The prices would most likely to move downward movement in coming week for 3-4 days. So one should go for short the positions at resistance levels. From

Friday onwards there may be chances of positive correction. The prices would be in the range of 7228-7601 in this week.

Commodity: Turmeric

Exchange: NCDEX

Contract Month: December 2005

Candlesticks, Stochastic oscillator and MACD all technical indicators showing bearish sentiment in the prices. Fundamentals are also supporting the bearish sentiments of the market as Prices are steady to firm in spot market

over poor arrivals and flood in some turmeric growing areas also heavy rains can also harm the turmeric crop which may turn the market to up side.



Recommendation: Go for Short term as well as intra day buying near Resistance levels in the week. The prices would be in the range of 2784-2902 in this week.

Commodity: Cumin (Jeera)

Exchange: NCDEX

Contract Month: December 2005

All the indicators are showing bearish sentiment in the market. Stochastic oscillator which in neutral region taken negative correction. MACD is in positive zone but bearish and started moving horizontally sign of range bound

movement in market. Overall all the technical indicators with support of fundamentals showing bearish sentiments in the prices.



Recommendation: As the market fundamentals as well as technical showing bearish sentiment in the market. To short positions on short term and intra day basis holds good.

Market would move downward. Market would move in the range of 6391-6571 in this week.

Commodity: Red Chili

Exchange: NCDEX

Contract Month: December 2005

Stochastic Oscillator taken downward move and moving in neutral region and bullish. RSI is bearish. Candlesticks showing bearish sentiments. Overall technical and

fundamentals showing the bearish sentiments in coming week.



Recommendation: As per Fundamental and technical analysis, market would move downward. So one can go for

making positions short near resistance levels. Prices would be in the range of 3040-3219 in this week.

WEATHER WATCH (As on 05.12.05)

ALL INDIA WEATHER FORECAST BULLETIN VALID FOR NEXT 5 DAYS

Weather Outlook

During the last 24hrs, scattered to fairly widespread rainfall is realized over the north Tamilnadu, Lakshadweep, Kerala, Karnataka and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Yesterday's upper air cyclonic circulation has weakened further during last 24hrs and lies over southeast Arabian Sea. With the continuance of cyclonic circulation over the al Arabian Sea today, the east-west shear zone is characterized by three cyclonic circulations, respectively positioned over the Bay of Bengal, and Arabian Sea. However, moderate rainfall activity is expected to continue over the south peninsular India subsequently in view of the active east-west shear zone. A fresh cyclonic circulation and a low pressure formed over the southeast Bay of Bengal is expected get organized in to a well marked low pressure area within the pre-existing east-west shear zone over the south Bay of Bengal and also over the warm ocean surface while moving towards the peninsular India in coming days. Currently(08:30UTC), the system is located at 10.2oN and 91.2oE with an estimated central pressure of 1002hPa and maximum sustained wind speed of about 30-35Km/Hr and is expected to move in west-northwesterly direction in coming days. Under its influence, coastal Tamilnadu and south coastal Andhra Pradesh are likely to receive a fresh spell of fairly widespread to widespread rains with isolated heavy falls starting around 7-8 December, 2005. Cold wave conditions that are prevailing over NW India covering Punjab, Haryana and West Rajasthan are likely to continue for next 2-days at least. A weak western disturbance is expected to approach north Pakistan and adjoining J & K region around 7th Dec., 2005 and under its influence scattered snow/rainfall is expected over J & K and

Himachal Pradesh following 7th December, 2005. snow are likely to continue over the region for next 24 Hrs.

NORTH & NORTH NORTHWEST INDIA [J&K, HP, UTTARANCHAL, PUNJAB, HARYANA, DELHI, WEST UP]
Cold wave conditions are likely to continue in coming days. A fresh spell of scattered snow/rain spell is expected over J & K, Himachal and Uttaranchal during 7-9 Dec., 2005

EAST AND NE INDIA [EAST UP, BIHAR, JHARKHAND, WEST BENGAL, ORISSA, NE STATES]

Mainly dry weather may prevail over the region except over Orissa where some isolated to scattered rainfall activity is expected during 7-9 Dec., 2005.

CENTRAL INDIA [MP, CHATTISGARH, VIDARBHA]
Mainly dry weather is expected over the region.

SOUTH INDIA [TAMILNADU, AP, KERALA, KARNATAKA, ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS, LAKSHADEEP]

Isolated to scattered rains are also expected over the south India for next 2-days due to active east-west shear zone associated moderate convective activity. Under the influence of the new cyclonic circulation system present over the south Andaman Sea, fresh spell of rain is likely to commence by around 7th Dec., 2005 over the coastal Andhra Pradesh and Tamilnadu. Subsequently, fairly widespread to widespread rains with isolated heavy falls are expected as well over north Tamilnadu and south coastal Andhra Pradesh.

WEST INDIA [MAHARASHTRA OTHER THAN VIDARBHA, GUJARAT, RAJASTHAN]

Mainly dry weather is expected to prevail over the region.

Source: GOI (NCMRWF& IMD)

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