

Maize Market Fundamentals:
Maize price traded mix in the spot market.

- Maize is sown in 73.18 lakh hectares as on 9th September as compared to 74.39 lakh hectares until the same time a year ago. Total Maize Area in Andhra Pradesh is estimated at 0.48 million hectares as compared to 0.44 million hectares sown last year.
- Average price spread between Maize and Wheat widens to Rs. (77.9) per quintal as on 14 September as compared to the spread of Rs. (58.3) per quintal until same time last month.
- Much of the above move remains an outcome of decline in Maize Prices as wheat prices remain steady. Widened spread between the two, improve prospects for the Maize demand in comparison to wheat.
- In Davengere, demand remains reportedly good with no crop loss reported due to the recent excess rains. New crop is expected to hit in first week of October. New crop is anticipated to have a moisture content of about 18-20%.
- Participants expect limited downside to the price, as impact of improvement in arrivals is likely to be offset by pick up in both domestic as well as export demand, once the moisture level reduces upto desired level.
- In a new development, government issued first advance estimate for 2011 -12 and according to the same, Maize Production is anticipated lower at 15.86 million tonnes as compared to 16.32 million tonnes estimated in 2010 -11
- In Nizamabad (Andhra Pradesh), reportedly demand exist from small poultries, while bigger same hold the stocks with them. Stock of 5000 tonnes exists in Nizamabad while there remains a total stock of 70000 tonnes in Andhra Pradesh.

International Market:

- US corn futures tumbled on widespread fund liquidation on demand worries and easing concerns about the crop. While the crop is still expected to be smaller than last year, traders put anecdotal reports are showing yields better than first feared. Demand remains a question after the USDA cut usage projections on Monday, although weekly export sales were strong. An overnight freeze in northwest corn belt wasn't as bad as expected.

Outlook: Maize price trend is likely to remain range bound with weak bias. New crop arrival start to hit southern regions and the same is likely to weigh on the price while on likely picking of maize at lower levels by big poultry firms is likely to act a supportive driver.

Spot Prices at Key Markets:

Market	Grade	Prices (Rs./qtl)			Arrivals in bags		
		16-09-2011	15-09-2011	Change	16-09-2011	15-09-2011	Change
Delhi	Hybrid	1050	1060	-10	909	909	Unch
Nizamabad	Bilty	Market closed		-	-	-	-
Davangere	Bilty	1190	1190	Unch	-	-	-
Naugachia	Bilty	1025-1050	1025-1050	Unch	3333	3333	Unch
Kolkata	Mill	1250-1260	1250-1260	Unch	-	-	-
Ahmedabad	Feed	1200-1240	1200-1230	+10	3000	2000 (Bags)	+1000
Ahmedabad	Starch	1170	1150-1160	+10			

NCDEX Maize Futures

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Sep-11	-16.5	1111	1131	1098	1104
Oct-11	-28.5	1142.5	1150	1111.5	1117
Nov-11	-15	1178	1178	1140	1153

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Sep-11	2270	-2670	8650	-380
Oct-11	8040	-5590	18630	1290
Nov-11	3560	-5070	12620	650

Spread	Sep-11	Oct-11	Nov-11
Spot	86	73	37
Sep-11	-	13	49
Oct-11	-13	-	36
Nov-11	-49	-36	-

Stocks	Demat	In-Process	Total	FED
	15.09.11	15.09.11	15.09.11	12.09.11
Davangere	-	-	-	-
Delhi	11375	1099	12474	7793
Nizamabad	-	-	-	-

CBOT Corn Futures:
(Unit: Cents/bushel)

Maize CBOT Daily Futures Price Listing (as on 15/09/2011) (Cents/bushel)

Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Sep'11	725.00	725.00	700.25	701.00	-23.25
Dec'11	738.50	738.50	714.00	714.75	-23.25
March'12	746.00	746.00	721.75	722.75	-22.75
May'12	749.25	749.25	725.00	726.00	-22.75
Jul'12	691.00	691.00	669.50	672.50	-20.75

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