

Maize Market Fundamentals:
Maize price remain steady to lower in the spot market.

- Sentiments remained weak by fresh arrivals in major markets coupled with dearth of buying by poultry industries.
- Sources revealed fresh supplies of around 12000-18000 bags were reported in the major producing states such as Andhra Pradesh and Tamilnadu.
- Likely lower production projections for 2011-12 despite marginal increase in area to act as a supportive factor as price hover at lower levels after deriving the impact from continuous improvement in arrivals.
- Maize Area in Andhra Pradesh is sown higher in 4.90 lakh hectares as on 28th September as compared to 4.4 lakh hectares sown until same time last year. While there is no crop loss reported, moisture content in the crop remains high.
- Further, as per gathered view from the trade sources yields are likely to remain higher by about 10% as compared to last year as late rains covered up the impact of early dryness, caused by deficiency in the same. Crop with reduced moisture content is likely to arrive in another two weeks time as per trade sources.
- On the export front: corn business was done for Malaysia at USD 275 CFR Port Klang while Vietnam continue to remain on sidelines amidst no buying interest as it continue to remain dependant on the local crop.
- In Davangere, new crop arrival started towards September end, however demand face a reduction as the same from Tamil Nadu, reduces as they get own Maize crop unlike last season. Further the old crop stocks in Davangere hovers around 20000 tonnes and about 50000 tonnes in the whole Karnataka.
- On the global front: Patchy rains allowed some Argentine farmers to inch ahead with 2011/12 corn sowing in recent days. Dryness in recent weeks has delayed corn planting in Argentina.

International Market:

- US corn futures fell heavily to six-month lows after a U.S. Department of Agriculture inventory estimate exceeded expectations. The nation's corn stockpiles totaled 1.13 billion bushels, down 34 percent from 1.71 billion bushels a year earlier. Dec CBOT Corn ends down 6.3%, or 40c to \$5.92 1/2 per bushel.

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 demand 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 | | |
|-----------|--------|------------------|-----------|--------|------------------|-----------|--------|
| | | 1-10-2011 | 30-9-2011 | Change | 1-10-2011 | 30-9-2011 | Change |
| Delhi | Hybrid | 1025 | 1025 | Unch | 500 | 700 | -200 |
| Nizamabad | Bilty | 1060 | 1080 | -20 | 800 | 700 | +100 |
| Davangere | Bilty | - | - | - | 700 | 600 | +100 |
| Naugachia | Bilty | 1100 | 1140 | -40 | 100 | 100 | Unch |
| Kolkata | Mill | 1075 | 1075 | Unch | 200 | 200 | Unch |
| Ahmedabad | Feed | - | - | - | | | |
| Ahmedabad | Starch | 1275 | 1275 | Unch | 5000 | 15000 | -10000 |

NCDEX Maize Futures

| Contract | +/- | Open | High | Low | Close |
|----------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Oct-11 | -12.0 | 1003.0 | 1015.5 | 1001.0 | 1004.5 |
| Nov-11 | -15.5 | 1063.0 | 1069.0 | 1052.5 | 1055.0 |
| Dec-11 | -15.0 | 1091.0 | 1100.0 | 1086.0 | 1090.0 |

| Contract | Volume | Change | OI | Change |
|----------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| Oct-11 | 1240 | -1500 | 19680 | -320 |
| Nov-11 | 1790 | -1050 | 10910 | -330 |
| Dec-11 | 750 | 170 | 3270 | -430 |

| Spread | Oct-11 | Nov-11 | Dec-11 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Spot | 20.5 | -30.0 | -65.0 |
| Oct-11 | - | 50.5 | 85.5 |
| Nov-11 | | - | 35.0 |

| Stocks | Demat | In-Process | Total | FED |
|-----------|----------|------------|----------|----------|
| | 30.09.11 | 30.09.11 | 30.09.11 | 26.09.11 |
| Davangere | - | - | - | - |
| Delhi | 15011 | 0 | 15011 | 10324 |
| Nizamabad | - | - | - | - |

CBOT Corn Futures:**(Unit: Cents/bushel)****Maize CBOT Daily Futures Price Listing (as on 30/09/2011) (Cents/bushel)**

| Contract Month | Open | High | Low | Close | Change |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| Dec'11 | 634.25 | 636.00 | 592.50 | 592.50 | -40.00 |
| March'12 | 648.00 | 649.25 | 605.75 | 605.75 | -40.00 |
| May'12 | 655.25 | 656.75 | 613.25 | 613.50 | -39.75 |
| Jul'12 | 659.75 | 662.00 | 618.50 | 619.25 | -39.25 |
| Sep12 | 615.00 | 616.25 | 580.00 | 586.50 | -25.50 |

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