

Maize Market Fundamentals:

Firm sentiments witnessed in maize spot markets on Tuesday. Improved demand of maize increase the maize prices.

- Ukraine corn exports falling to 10 million tonnes from 12 million tonnes due to storage difficulties and low quality which restrict corn exports from Ukraine.
- Corn growers has probably grow corn in 4.5 million hectares for 2012-13 which is around 25% higher corn sowed compared to last year, according to Ukraine Agribusiness club.
- Weak rake business has been reported from Koppal as decreasing international corn prices and appreciation in Rupee discourage the exporters and find difficulty in export parity from prevailing domestic prices.
- US has export around 170,200 tonnes of corn to Mexico, Reuters.
- Growers from AP has sowed maize in 289,000 hectares for Rabi season 2011 -12 which is 18% higher sowing figures compared to last year same period.
- Corn demand in International market is expected to rise from China in the coming days after witnessing dull demand of china due to Chinese New Year.
- Maize has been planted in 351000 hectares till 24/1/2012 in Bihar for Rabi season 2011 -12 which is 6.4% higher compared to 2010-11 maize rabi sowing same period. Rabi has sowed in 330000 hectares last year same period. Moreover, Bihar has targeted around 3.5 lac hectares of planting of maize for Rabi season 2011-12.

Outlook:

Increasing arrivals of maize from TN and lower demand of corn might kept the maize prices under pressure for short term. Also, sharp decline in International corn prices might restrict the corn export from India. Maize prices are likely to trade range bound with weak bias in the coming days.

Spot Prices at Key Markets:

Market	Grade	Prices (Rs./qtl)			Arrivals in bags		
		31-01-2012	30-01-2012	Change	31-01-2012	30-01-2012	Change
Delhi	Hybrid	1260	1250	+10	455	455	Unch
Nizamabad	Bilty	1180	-	-	100	-	-
Davangere	Bilty	1170	1165	+5	5000	3417	+1583
Koppal	Bilty	1160	1140	+20	7000	7000	Unch
Ahmedabad	Feed	1265	1270	-5	7000	4000	+3000
Ahmedabad	Starch	1300	1315	-15			

NCDEX Maize Futures

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Spread	Feb-12	Mar-12	Apr-12
Feb-12	2	1231	1238	1222	1232	Spot	-52		
Mar-12	3.5	1256	1267	1255	1263	Jan-12		31	53
Apr-12	2.5	1285	1294	1282	1285	Feb-12			22

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change	Stocks	Demat 30.01.12	In-Process 30.01.12	Total 30.01.12	FED 23.01.12
Feb-12	2110	-3000	13920	270	Davangere	850	352	1202	600
Mar-12	460	-1190	5300	110	Delhi	2042	0	2042	2520
Apr-12	100	-210	1740	0	Nizamabad	8064	51	8115	8014

CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) as on 30th Jan 2012

Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Mar-12	251.71	252.99	246.98	248.66	-10.00
May-12	253.87	255.05	249.35	251.02	-3.84
Jul-12	255.45	256.53	248.95	252.40	-9.75
Sep-12	233.80	233.90	229.96	231.14	-2.66
Dec-12	224.35	225.14	221.40	222.29	-2.46

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