

Maize Market Fundamentals:

- **Steady to weak sentiments prevailed in key maize markets on Wednesday.** Lesser wheat prices compared to maize and improved arrivals of maize shift the demand of maize towards wheat little bit which stabilizes the prices of maize. However, weakness in Rupee again might gives maize exporters some hope in the coming days. **Meanwhile, at present weak export as well as domestic demand of maize** has been witnessed. Also, decreasing international prices of maize doesn't seem supportive for domestic maize prices.
- **Dry cargo has started emerging from Tamil nadu** which might pressurize the prices of maize further. Also, expected arrivals of corn within 10-15 days will pressurize the prices of maize.
- **More than 150 rakes of maize have been moved out from Karnataka market** in this season till date. Out of which 45 rakes of maize has been transported in this season till date from Haveri (Karnataka) region and 34 rakes from Davangere. Also, 30 rakes have been moved from Ranebennuru center (Karnataka) this season till date. It is also reported that around 36 rakes of maize have been moved from Koppal to various consumption centers and ports till date in this season. Also, 2 rakes has been moved from Shimoga market as reported in this season till date

International Market Commentary:

US corn futures end slightly lower amid tight trading, with some profit-taking occurring after recent gains. Traders lack fresh impetus to push the market higher after its recent strength ahead of Thursday's USDA report. Hoped from it is dues to the extent of South American crop losses and potential gains for US exports. Meanwhile, corn fell despite gains in crude and a weaker dollar as a lack of fresh exports is keeping a lid on the market. CBOT March corn ends down 2c at \$6.42 1/4 per bushel.

Outlook:

Maize prices are continuously moving downwards and buyers are not showing buying interest in the falling market as they are expecting further price decline in maize. In addition to it, need based buying have witnessed from Poultry and Starch industries. Also, appreciation of Rupee hits profit margins of maize exporters and keeps the exporters out of the export market. Considering expected arrivals of maize stock in 10-15 days from AP, and lesser export demand, we expect prices of maize will fall in the coming days.

Spot Prices at Key Markets:

Market	Grade	Prices (Rs./qtl)			Arrivals in bags		
		8-2-2012	7-2-2012	Change	8-2-2012	7-2-2012	Change
Delhi	Hybrid	1260	1275	-15	545	545	Unch
Nizamabad	Bilty	1180	1180	Unch	10	10	Unch
Davangere	Bilty	1150	1150	Unch	3333	1333	+2000
Koppal	Bilty	-	1170	-	-	1000	-
Ahmedabad	Feed	1310	1300	+10	-	-	-
Ahmedabad	Starch	1350	1350	Unch	-	-	-

NCDEX Maize Futures

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Spread	Feb-12	Mar-12	Apr-12
Feb-12	1	1209	1209	1190.5	1201	Spot	-21		
Mar-12	-3.5	1225	1230	1218	1227	Jan-12		26	52
Apr-12	-4	1244	1253	1240	1253	Feb-12			26

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change	Stocks	Demat 07.02.12	In-Process 07.02.12	Total 07.02.12	FED 30.01.12
Feb-12	2090	-360	12460	-460	Davangere	1252	51	1303	1252
Mar-12	1150	200	7520	250	Delhi	1021	0	1021	1021
Apr-12	850	720	2190	420	Nizamabad	8115	133	8248	8115

CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) on 7th Feb 2012

Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Mar-12	253.08	253.87	251.61	252.79	-2.00
May-12	255.84	256.53	254.27	255.25	-1.08
Jul-12	257.61	258.40	256.23	256.82	-3.75
Sep-12	237.54	238.13	234.68	235.57	-2.66
Dec-12	227.89	228.88	225.53	226.42	-2.36

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