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Maize Domestic Market Fundamentals:

- Steady to weak sentiments prevailed in various maize spot markets on Wednesday. Recent WASDE report pressurize the prices of maize in CBOT as well as in domestic markets. In addition to it, consistent arrivals of maize from Bihar depress the prices.
- Fresh arrivals of maize has started from UP and traders are quoting maize price at Rs 910 per quintal as reported.
- Maize sowing has started in AP and farmers have planted maize in 0.012 lac hectares till 6th June 2012 lower than last year ~0.02 lac hectares maize sowed at same period.
- Coming months are pretty much crucial for India as increasing demand of corn from South Korea and Japan and lower corn stocks in US might shift major consumers towards India to fulfill their short term corn requirements. It is notable that Indian corn prices are traded much below US corn prices and also giving stiff competition to the Argentina corn.
- Rare purchase of around 39000 metric tons of Indian corn by South Korean Feed miller Nonghyup Feed Inc. at 259.83 per ton C&F for July delivery. South Korea is experimenting with Indian corn as Indian corn is offering much below compared to US corn. South Korea is trying to fill the supply gap for the time being by importing Indian corn. However, countries like Vietnam have raised quality concerns over Indian corn. If Indian corn exporters can deliver good quality corn then lucrative Indian corn prices can attract big importer counties like Japan. China and South Korea.
- Feed millers in Vietnam bought around 20,000 tonnes of Indian maize this week for shipment in July. Indian corn to Vietnam was traded at around \$248 a tonne, including cost and freight (C&F)

International Market Scenario:

- Corn prices declined yesterday over rainfall forecast in the coming week. Also, WASDE report depress the prices of corn in CBOT markets.
- USDA increase world corn production by 4.2 million tons this month over increasing corn production in countries like China, EU-27 etc. As far as exports are concerned, corn exports are projected 50 million bushels lower owing to tight corn US supplies and stiff competition with Brazil and Argentina which pressurize the US corn exports which might depress the corn prices in International corn markets.
- USDA decrease ratings of corn crop to 66 percent good to excellent from 72 percent a week ago. Recent decline in corn crop ratings was due to extended dry weather last week.

Outlook: Recent WASDE report changes the corn sentiments and give the short players an opportunity. Meanwhile, corn prices in domestic markets seems range bound with higher demand from feed buyers and new crop arrivals from UP.

Spot Prices at Key Markets:

	Grade	F	Prices (Rs./qtl)		Arrivals in bags			
Market		13.6.2012	12.6.2012	Change	13.6.2012	12.6.2012	Change	
Delhi	Hybrid	1050	1050	Unch	909	909	Unch	
Nizamabad	Bilty	1050	-	-	-	-	-	
Davangere	Bilty	-	1120	-	-	833	-	
Koppal	Bilty	1100	1100	Unch	-	-	-	
Naugachia	Bilty	850	870	-20	13333	16667	-3333	
Kolkata	Mill	980	1000	-20	8333	8333	Unch	
Ahmedabad	Feed	1150	1130	+20	<u> </u>	7000	4000	
	Starch	1160	1150	+10	6000	7000	-1000	

NCDEX Maize Futures

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Spread	June-12	July-12	Aug-12
June-12	-2	1095	1097	1093	1093	Spot	-43	-88	-129
July-12	-1	1142	1142	1135	1138	June-12		45	86
Aug-12	1	1181	1181	1175	1179	July-12			41

Contract	Valuma	Change	0	Change	Stocks	Demat	In-Process	Total	FED
Contract	Volume	Change	U	OI Change Stocks		12.06.12	12.06.12	12.06.12	11.06.12
June-12	70	-90	2460	-50	Davangere	2838	0	2838	2838
July-12	870	-2000	14650	-230	Nizamabad	5448	0	5448	5448
Aug-12	260	-330	8990	170	_				

CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) as on 12th June 2012

Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Jul-12	234.19	235.77	226.52	229.86	-8.00
Sep-12	212.94	213.63	205.07	207.23	-5.51
Dec-12	210.87	211.26	203.39	205.66	-11.50
Mar-13	215.69	215.69	208.21	210.38	-4.53
May-13	218.45	218.45	211.36	213.43	-4.43

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