

**Maize Domestic Market Fundamentals:**

- Mixed sentiments witnessed in major spot markets of Maize on Friday.
- Sources revealed that crop has started to arrive in Davengre region of Karnataka and Warangal district of Andhra Pradesh. However, volume is pretty low.
- In Andhra Pradesh, farmers has sown maize in 5.32 lac hectares till 19th September 2012 which is 7.3% higher as compared to last year and also higher from normal sown area as on date ~4.99 lac hectares. Around 107% sowing has completed in AP till date. Crop condition is reportedly good in various maize growing belts of AP.
- Fresh arrivals start in karimnagar market of Andhra Pradesh with 20% moisture level.
- Ahmadabad feed millers are purchasing 15000 tons maize on daily basis from Uttar Pradesh and Bihar regions.

**International Market Scenario:**

- Corn prices decreased by \$4.13 per tons yesterday and settled at \$293.63 for December contract in CBOT markets.
- Japan farm ministry is likely to buy 1.21 million tons of foreign wheat for use in animal feed this financial year, up from its March plan of 764,000 tons, as demand for wheat increased after corn become more expensive.
- As per USDA, U.S. corn export figures reached to 379,14,800 metric tons for the 2011-12 marketing year which is lowered by 73,41,606 metric tons from the last marketing year during the same period. Exports for September 1-6 were 249,400 metric tons, mainly for South Korea (57,500 MT), China (54,600 MT), Mexico (45,500 MT), and Japan (39,600 MT).
- Argentina will export an additional 2.75 million tons of corn from its 2011-12 crop which is expected to ease the tight international markets.
- The U.S. corn harvest is likely to be at 10.727 billion bushels, down slightly from last month's estimate of 10.779 billion but above from analysts' average estimate of 10.38 billion, which would be the smallest corn crop in six years, and the lowest yield in 17 years at 122.8 bushels per acre.

**Outlook:** Corn prices are moving down in the International market due to increase in U.S. Midwest harvesting which is bringing fresh supplies to the market and impacting prices of domestic market. However, keeping in view delayed sowing and harvesting prospects of maize for the coming kharif crop give us a hint of bullishness for medium to long term.

**Spot Prices at Key Markets:**

| Market    | Grade  | Prices (Rs./qtl) |           |        | Arrivals in bags |           |        |
|-----------|--------|------------------|-----------|--------|------------------|-----------|--------|
|           |        | 21.9.2012        | 20.9.2012 | Change | 21.9.2012        | 20.9.2012 | Change |
| Delhi     | Hybrid | 1335             | Closed    | -      | 1273             | Closed    | -      |
| Nizamabad | Bilty  | 1465             | Closed    | -      | -                | -         | -      |
| Davangere | Bilty  | 1450             | Closed    | -      | 667              | Closed    | -      |
| Naugachia | Bilty  | 1280             | Closed    | -      | 3333             | Closed    | -      |
| Kolkata   | Mill   | 1500             | Closed    | -      | 6667             | Closed    | -      |
| Ahmedabad | Feed   | 1500             | Closed    | -      | 2000             | Closed    | -      |
|           | Starch | 1500             | Closed    | -      |                  |           |        |

**NCDEX Maize Futures**

| Contract | +/-    | Open    | High    | Low     | Close   | Spread | Sept-12 | Oct-12 | Nov-12 |
|----------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| Oct-12   | -11.00 | 1341.00 | 1349.00 | 1321.00 | 1336.00 | Spot   | 129     | -      | -      |
| Nov-12   | -9.00  | 1238.00 | 1248.00 | 1225.00 | 1232.00 | Oct-12 |         | -104   | -81    |
| Dec-12   | -11.00 | 1256.00 | 1279.00 | 1253.00 | 1255.00 | Nov-12 |         |        | 23     |

  

| Contract | Volume | Change | OI    | Change | Stocks    | Demat<br>20.9.12 | In-Process<br>20.9.12 | Total<br>20.9.12 | FED<br>17.9.12 |
|----------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Oct-12   | 16800  | -3890  | 42310 | -1500  | Davangere | 298              | -                     | 298              | 298            |
| Nov-12   | 12660  | 1750   | 71440 | -630   | Nizamabad | 297              | -                     | 297              | 328            |
| Dec-12   | 1950   | -2280  | 14830 | 60     | Delhi     | 31571            | 255                   | 31826            | 31409          |

**CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) as on 20<sup>th</sup> Sep 2012**

|               |        |        |        |        |              |
|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|
| <b>Dec-12</b> | 297.17 | 298.15 | 290.87 | 293.63 | <b>-4.13</b> |
| <b>Mar-13</b> | 298.05 | 299.04 | 292.25 | 295.00 | <b>-3.64</b> |
| <b>May-13</b> | 297.46 | 297.76 | 291.66 | 294.61 | <b>-3.15</b> |
| <b>Jul-13</b> | 294.41 | 294.81 | 288.90 | 292.05 | <b>-2.76</b> |
| <b>Sep-13</b> | 263.32 | 263.61 | 259.38 | 261.74 | <b>-1.38</b> |

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