

Maize Domestic Market Fundamentals:

- Mixed sentiments witnessed in major spot markets of maize on Tuesday.
- Demand for maize may arise from Ahmadabad region of Gujarat as they have lower stock. Meanwhile, Punjab poultry farms have shifted demand towards bajra from maize.
- In Bihar, Maize old stock is almost over and sowing for new crop would start from the first week of November.

International Market Scenario:

- Corn prices decreased by \$6.10 per ton yesterday and settled at \$290.18 for December contract in CBOT markets.
- As per USDA crop progress report, 79% corn crop has harvested till date which is below 1% from expectation due to rainy conditions in U.S. but higher by 37% from last year during the same period and 41% from 5 year avg. In Iowa and Illinois, the top two production states for corn crop, corn harvesting was 87 percent completed till date.
- South Korea's Korea Corn Processing Industry Association (KOCOPIA) purchased 55,000 tons corn via a tender from Cargill Inc of U.S. and South American origin at \$319.80 per ton on a cost and freight basis. The product will arrive to the ports of Incheon and/or Kunsan by March 5, 2013.
- China's General Administration of Customs released preliminary trade data for September month. According to that, China exported 6,107 million ton corn in the September month which is higher by 1,125 million tons from the last month.
- As per Argentina Government, corn planting is less due to persistent heavy rain in key growing regions but corn germination is well in condition. Around 29% of the estimated corn area of 4.97 million hectares has planted in the Argentina till date trailing last season's pace by 3 percentage points. The U.S. Department of Agriculture has forecast that Argentine corn output will rise to 28 million tons in 2012/13 from 21 million tons in the last season.

Outlook: Sluggish export demand amid new crop arrivals pressurized the corn prices. We expect maize prices to go down further due to arrival pressure.

Spot Prices at Key Markets:

Market	Grade	Prices (Rs./qtl)			Arrivals in bags		
		10/16/2012	10/15/2012	Change	10/16/2012	10/15/2012	Change
Delhi	Hybrid	1350	1350	Unch	1273	1273	Unch
Nizamabad	Bilty	1325	Closed	-	10000	Closed	-
Davangere	Bilty	1410	1400	+10	1667	3333	-1666
Naugachia	Bilty	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kolkata	Mill	1400	1350	+50	6667	6667	Unch
Ahmedabad	Feed	1450	1470	-20	4000	3000	+1000
	Starch	1425	1415	+10			

NCDEX Maize Futures

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Spread	Oct-12	Nov-12	Dec-12
Oct-12	-21.00	1382.00	1385.00	1362.00	1364.00	Spot	-39	-	-
Nov-12	-19.00	1280.00	1285.00	1255.00	1261.00	Nov-12		-103	-71
Dec-12	-19.00	1315.00	1315.00	1285.00	1293.00	Dec-12			32

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change	Stocks	Demat	In-Process	Total	FED
						15.10.12	15.10.12	15.10.12	15.10.12
Oct-12	820	-380	3930	-620	Davangere	99	0	99	99
Nov-12	16710	540	50540	-2620	Nizamabad	201	0	201	201
Dec-12	7540	350	28070	1680	Delhi	31383	0	31383	31388

CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) as on 15th October 2012

Dec-12	295.79	295.79	288.31	290.18	-6.10
Mar-13	295.79	295.79	288.21	290.18	-6.10
May-13	293.23	294.12	286.15	288.02	-6.10
Jul-13	290.18	290.18	283.59	285.46	-6.00
Sep-13	258.99	259.28	254.07	256.33	-4.43

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