

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

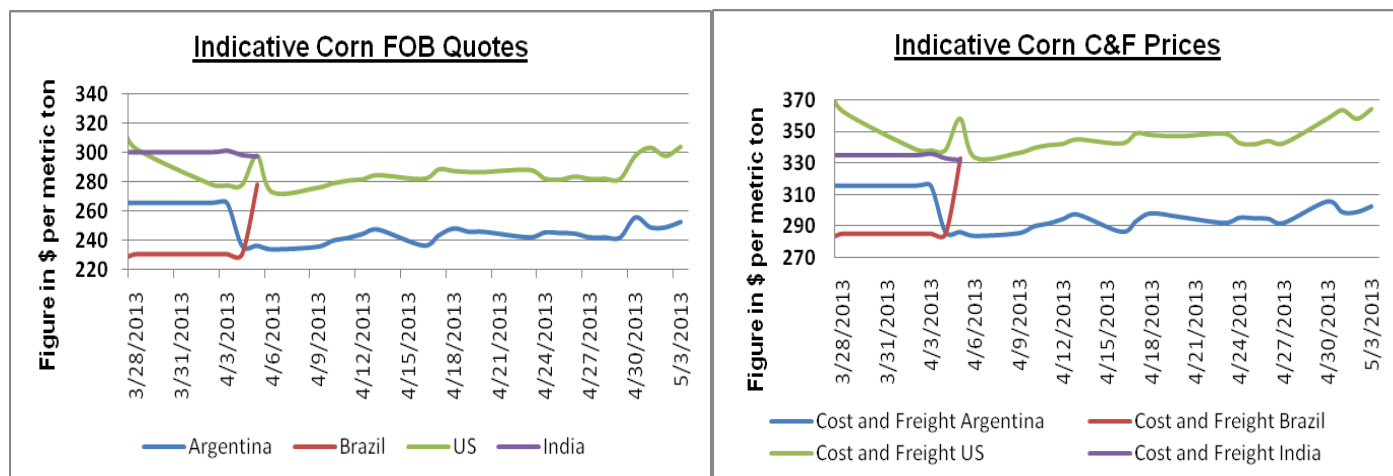
During the week, weak sentiments prevailed in most of the major spot markets of maize.

In the Ahmadabad market of Gujarat, weak demand for maize from poultry industry was reported, thereby, declining prices of maize. Further, increase in arrivals of new crop from Bihar resisted any upwards movement in the market. In the Koppal market of Karnataka, no arrivals have been reported in the past week. As per latest advance estimate released by Ministry of Agriculture, maize production is estimated to be at 21.82 million tons, up from previous estimate of 21.06 million tons.

ON THE EXPORT FRONT:

Exports are not being made by India currently as competing nations are quoting lower corn prices.

Indian C&F Rate to Thailand vs. other Countries (\$1= Rs. 53.95)				
	Argentina	Brazil	US	India (Davengere Origin)
FOB	252.66	NA	304.10	NA
Incl Cost and Freight (C&F)	302.66	NA	364.11	NA



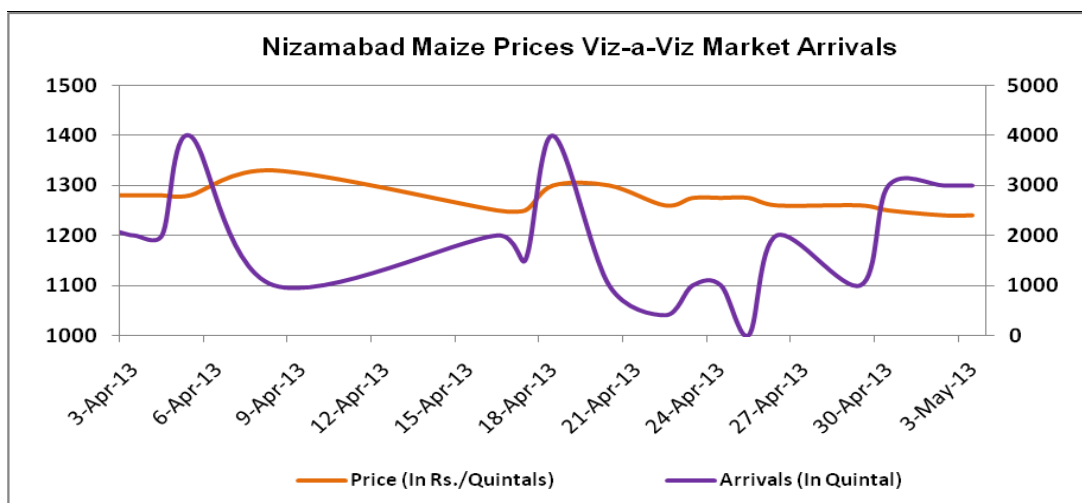
As per IBIS data, in the current marketing year (Oct'12-Sep'13), total maize exports were reported around 2.12 million tons during the October- March period. During March month, 0.559 million tons corn exports reported to Indonesia, Vietnam, Malaysia, China, Taiwan, Singapore through JNPT Sea, Tondiarpet ICD, Chennai Sea, Tuticorin Sea, Krishnapatnam Sea port.

CURRENT MARKET DYNAMICS:

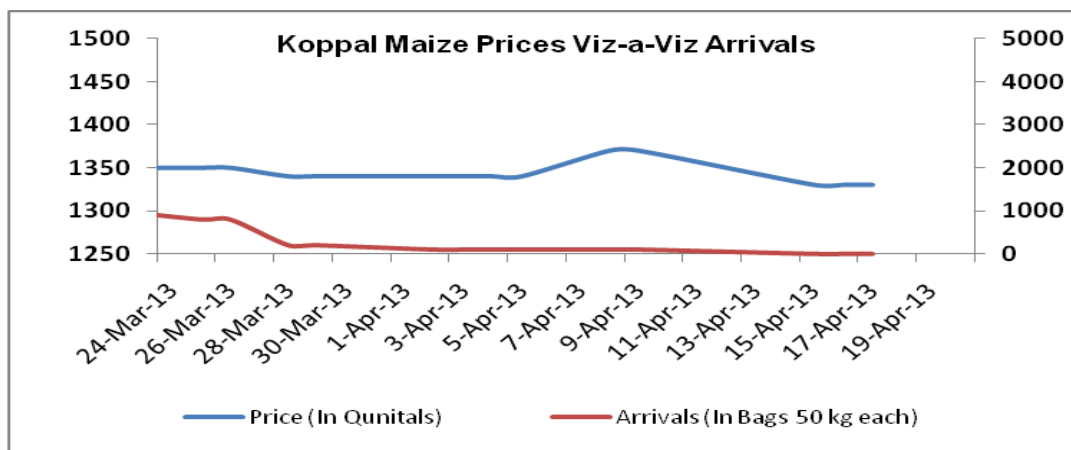
During the week, weak sentiments witnessed in most of the major spot markets of maize. The various key spot markets dynamics were as under:

Bihar: Weak demand in maize was witnessed during the week under review in the spot markets. The crop quality is reported good and contains 13-14 % moisture at this time. Average demand is being witnessed from Kolkata feed millers due to seasonality. We expect that prices could go down to supply pressure in the market.

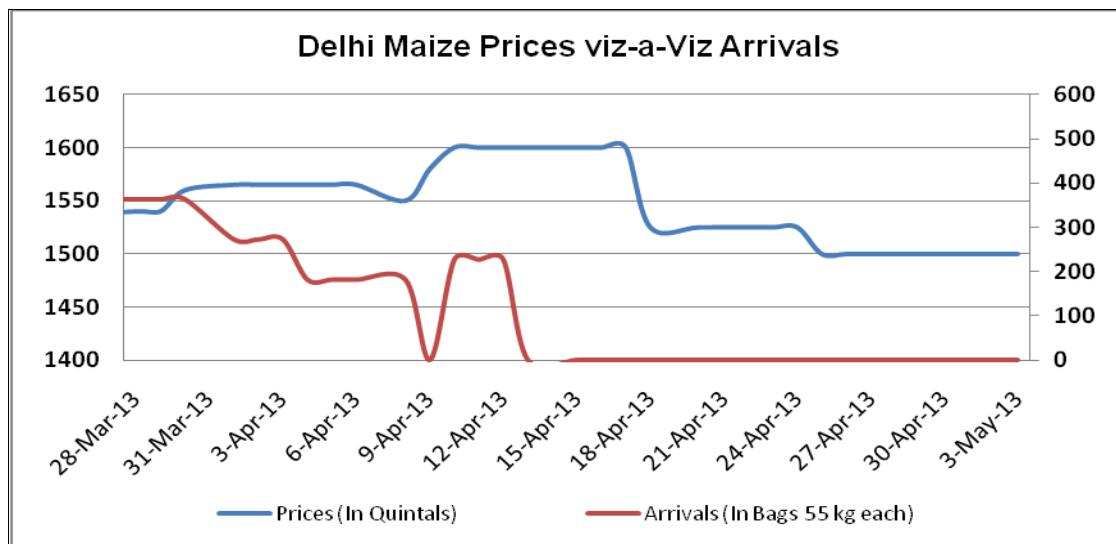
Andhra Pradesh: Maize prices fell during the week as dull demand was reported in the Nizamabad market of A.P amid thin arrivals. As per sources, stock position in the market is about 3 lakh bags. Demand from Hyderabad was also reported lower.



Karnataka: In the Koppal market of Karnataka, no arrivals have been reported during the week under consideration.



Delhi: In Delhi spot market, arrival of maize was reported nil during last week. However, arrivals of red maize have commenced in the market. Sources revealed that maize is going to Rajpura (Punjab) at Rs 1375/qrtl station delivery on demand from feed industry.



BUSINESS FROM VARIOUS SOURCING CENTERS DURING THE SEASON TILL DATE:

Destination	By Road (Rs/MT)	By Rake (Rs/MT)
Kolkatta	13000 (Bihar origin)	
Gujarat	13100 (Maharashtra Origin)	

MAIZE SPOT MARKET PRICES (RS. /QUINTAL)

Market	Grade	3 May, 2013	Week Ago	Month Ago	2 Months Ago	Year Ago
Delhi	Hybrid	1500	1500	1565	1500	-
Davangere	Bilty	-	-	1355	1400	1095
Koppal	Bilty	-	-	1340	1360	1140
Shimoga	Bilty	-	-	1360	1410	-
Ranebennur	Bilty	-	-	1360	1410	-
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	-	-	1251	1312	-
Gadag	Local	1280	1280	1315	1298	-
Hubli	Local	-	1252	1271	1301	-

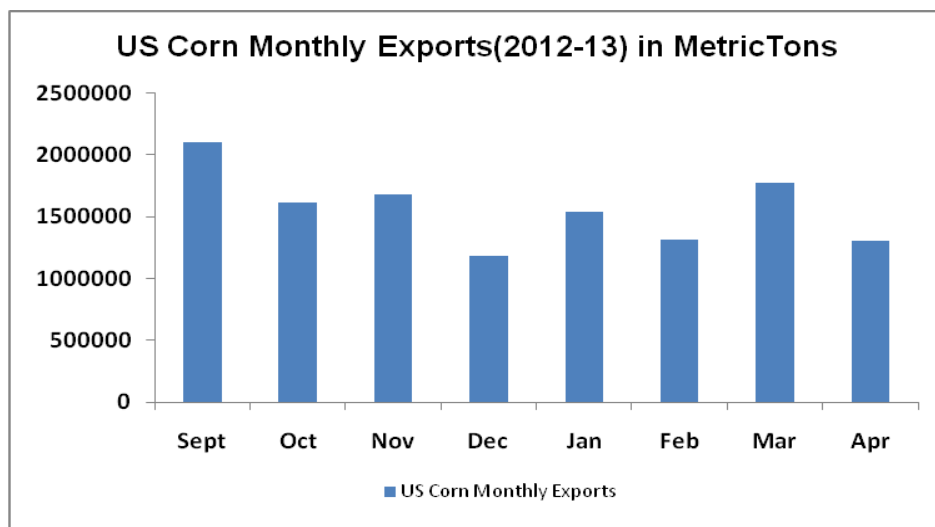
Naugachia	Bilty	1050	1225	-	-	900
Nizamabad	Bilty	1240	1260	1280	1315	1150
Karimnagar	Local	1200	1240	1273	1357	-
Khammam	Local	-	-	-	1325	-
khanna	Bilty	1450	1500	1500	1500	-
Ludhiana	Bilty	-	-	-	1460	-
Salem	Hybrid/Local	-	-	5300	-	-
Sangli	Bilty	1370	1375	1388	1405	1420
Ahmedabad	Feed	1310	1350	1440	1460	1240
	Starch	1365	1400	1500	1525	1270

DOMESTIC MAIZE OUTLOOK:

Indian corn prices are likely to trade range bound at current levels due to sluggish export demand and arrival pressure from new crop from Bihar. However, slight gains in CBOT corn prices may provide support.

INTERNATIONAL MARKET: HIGHLIGHTS/CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS:

As per USDA, U.S. corn export figures reached to 12,521,448 metric tons for the 2012-13 marketing year. Net corn sales were up 5 per cent from the previous week, and from the prior 4-week average. Increases reported for Japan (107,800 MT), Mexico (93,800 MT), unknown destinations (87,600 MT), Colombia (21,000 MT), Venezuela (20,000 MT), and El Salvador (6,400 MT), were partially offset by decreases for Trinidad (14,200 MT) and Honduras (3,700 MT). Net sales of 656,000 MT for 2013/2014 were reported.



Some other major International Corn Highlights during the week are:

- As per Buenos Aires Grains Exchange, Argentina's 2012-13 season corn yields are seen better than expected as the harvest advances. The exchange has estimated the corn production at 24.8 million tons.
- Lanworth has reduced its forecast of the U.S. corn harvest to 13.90 billion bushels, down from its previous estimate of 13.93 billion bushels due to recent rainfall in the producing regions. Expected corn planted area is estimated to reduce by 1 per cent to 96.2 million acres. It has also lowered the 2013-14 Ukraine corn output estimate to 25.9 million tons from 26.4 million tons.
- As per data from trade ministry, Brazil's corn exports fell to 606,100 tons in April '13 compared with 1.51 million tons in March '13.
- Corn planting areas of US Midwest are likely to receive heavy rainfall in the coming days which is likely to impact the already slow pace of sowing in the regions.
- As per the latest sowing progress report released by USDA, corn planting has reached 6 per cent of the estimated area, advancing 1 per cent from last week compared with a 5 year average of 31 per cent. Planting pace is very slow this year as last year 53 per cent corn had been planted by this time.

INTERNATIONAL MAIZE OUTLOOK:

Corn prices edged higher on the CBOT to witness the biggest weekly rise in 10 months on concerns of delayed corn plantings in the US belt due to rainfall, raising expectations of acreage shift to soybeans.

Maize CBOT Weekly Futures Price Listing (USD/Ton)				
	Contract Month	03.05.2013	25.04.2013	Change
Corn CBOT Prices	May-13	274.54	253.97	20.57
	Jul-13	260.56	245.80	14.76
	Sep-13	229.76	216.68	13.08
	Dec-13	220.02	209.10	10.92
	Mar-13	223.96	213.43	10.53

CBOT CORN FUTURES OUTLOOK:



(CBOT Corn Chart: July Contract)

- Candlestick chart pattern reveals downwards movement in the market, but gains in the past week.
- Prices are likely to be supported by the wet weather forecasts in the producing regions for the coming week, further delaying the corn sowing.
- **Strategy:** Markets participants should buy CBOT corn around 685 U.S cents/bushels and the target would be 710 U.S cents/bushels.

FUTURES MARKET ANALYSIS: NCDEX MAIZE:

(June Contract Weekly Chart)

- Candlestick formation reveals that prices could move in a range of Rs. 1135-1170.
- Prices are expected to remain weak in the near term but may get support from rise in CBOT.
- **Strategy:** Sell near resistance level and target would be 1140 for the near term.

Maize NCDEX (June)

Support & Resistance				
S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
1120	1135	1164	1170	1200

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