

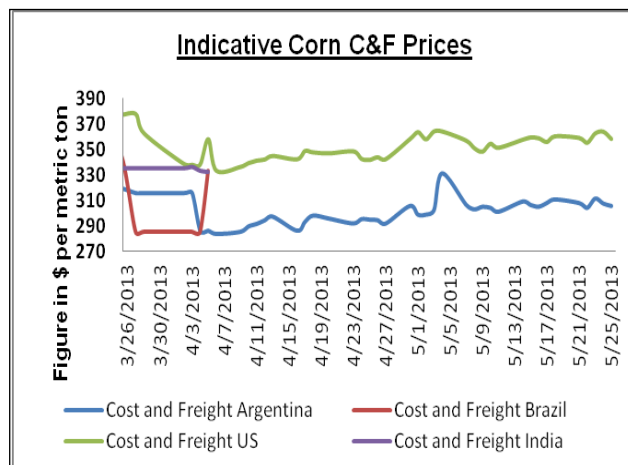
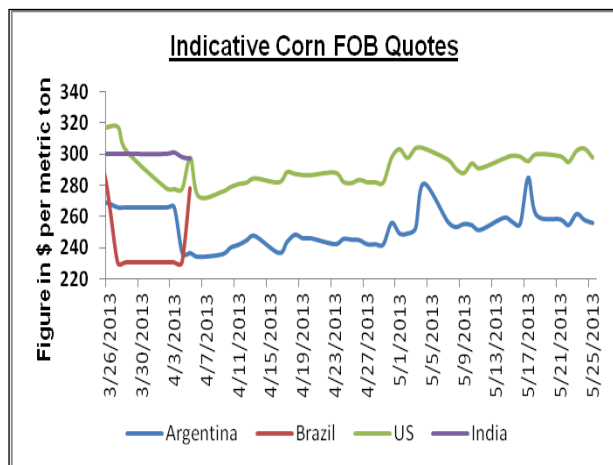
## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Steady to firm sentiments witnessed in most of the major spot markets of maize during last week due to lower crop arrivals in the market.

As per Agriwatch trade sources, in Bihar, around 60% corn crop harvesting has completed. Traders are expecting lesser production this year because of yield loss due to unfavorable weather conditions. Sources revealed that crop contain around 16% moisture levels, due to which crop is not moving towards Kolkata from the Naugachia region of Bihar. In A.P., corn harvesting is almost done and no damage reported till date. As per trade sources, around 15-20% area has shifted in maize from paddy and tilli. Around 3 lakh bags of maize (old & new) could be in the A.P. spot market. Meanwhile, In Gujarat, feed makers are buying corn from the Rajasthan. Earlier, they were purchasing it from Bihar and Maharashtra. During the week, poultry feed makers demand reported for corn in a range of Rs. 1320-1425 per quintal. Meanwhile, starch feed makers demand reported in a range of Rs. 1400-1450 per quintal.

## ON THE EXPORT FRONT:

As per latest IBIS data, in the current marketing year (Oct'12-Sep'13), total maize exports were reported around 2.66 million tons during the October- April period. During April month, 0.537 million tons corn exports reported to Malaysia, Taiwan, Vietnam, and China through Tondiarpet ICD, JNPT, Chennai Sea and Kakinada port.



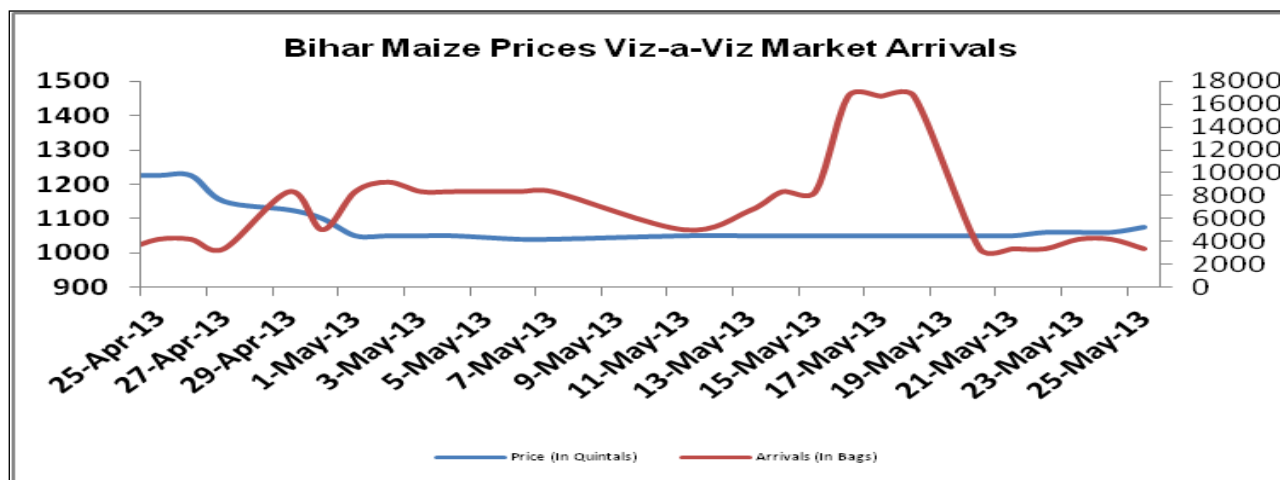
Exports are not being made by India currently as competing nations are quoting lower corn prices.

Indian C&F Rate to Thailand vs. other Countries (\$1= Rs. 55.52)				
	Argentina	Brazil	US	India (Davengere Origin)
<b>FOB</b>	255.81	NA	298.15	NA
<b>Incl Cost and Freight (C&amp;F)</b>	305.81	NA	358.15	NA

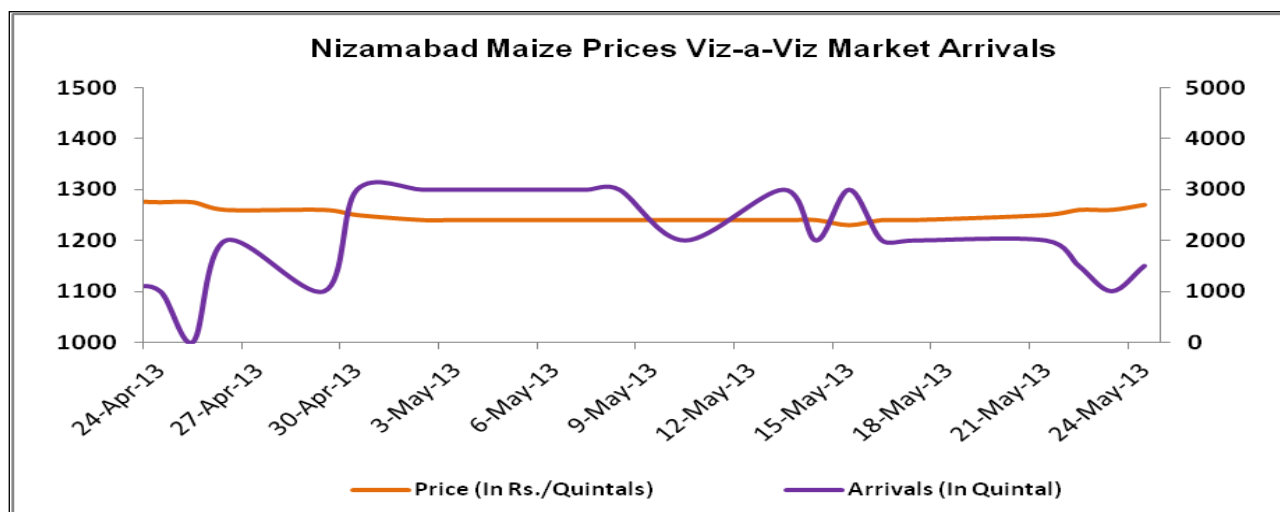
### CURRENT MARKET DYNAMICS:

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

**Bihar:** In Bihar, maize traded slightly firm due to lower arrivals in the market during last week.

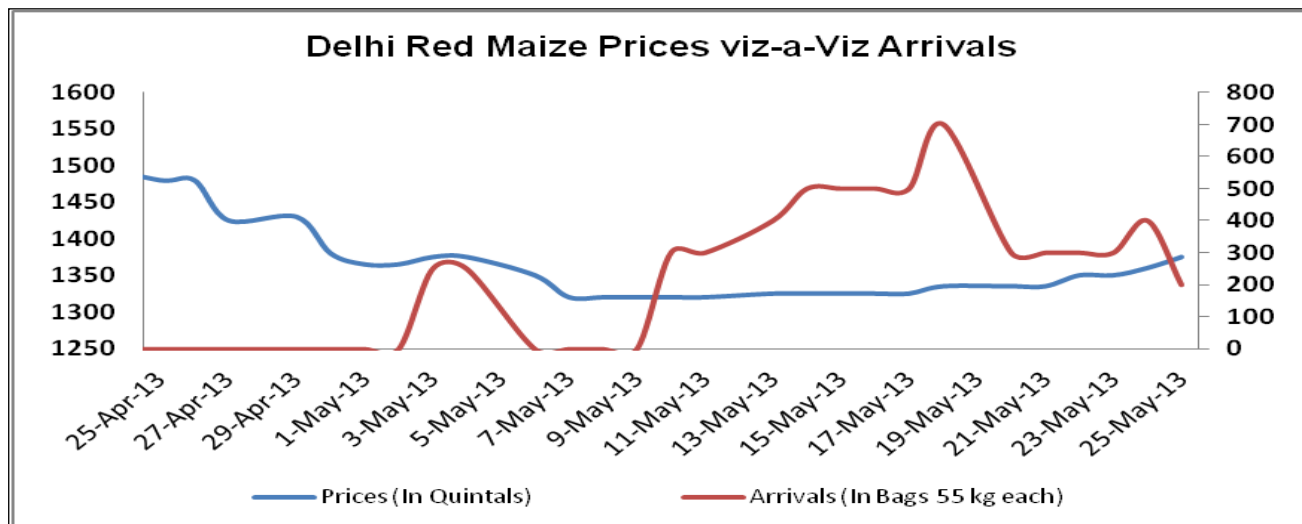


**Andhra Pradesh:** In Nizamabad spot market, maize traded firm due to lower crop arrivals during last week. In A.P., corn harvesting is almost done and no damage reported till date. As per trade sources, around 15-20% area has shifted in maize from paddy and tilli. Around 3 lakh bags of maize (old & new) could be in the A.P. spot market.



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

**Delhi:** In the Delhi spot market, traders are expecting that maize prices could go up due to increase in freight charges and lower availability of transport facility in Naugachia region of Bihar as they prefer to load lichi instead of maize. Also, wet weather conditions in Bihar disrupted the supply during last week. Red maize traded in a range of Rs.1330-1375 per quintal sourced from Bihar during last week.



### BUSINESS FROM VARIOUS SOURCING CENTERS DURING THE SEASON TILL DATE:

Destination	By Road (Rs/MT)	By Rake (Rs/MT)
Kolkatta	13000 (Bihar Origin)	
Delhi	13750 (Bihar Origin)	
Gujarat	14250 (Rajasthan Origin)	

**MAIZE SPOT MARKET PRICES (RS. /QUINTAL)**


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Market	Grade	24 May ,2013	Week Ago	Month Ago	2 Month Ago	Year Ago
Delhi	Hybrid	-	1400	1500	1535	-
	Red	1360	1325	1480	-	1100
Davangere	Bilty	1360	1340	1340	1370	1090
Koppal	Bilty	-	-	-	1350	1100
Shimoga	Bilty	1340	1340	1340	1330	-
Ranebennur	Bilty	-	1300	-	1350	-
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	1241	1225	1231	1255	-
Gadag	Local	1301	1266	1282	1301	-
Hubli	Local	1252	-	1260	1292	-
Naugachia	Bilty	1060	1050	1225	-	900
Nizamabad	Bilty	1270	1240	1275	1350	1100
Karimnagar	Local	1233	1227	1241	1285	-
Khammam	Local	-	-	-	-	-
khanna	Bilty	1325	1350	1500	1525	-
Ludhiana	Bilty	-	-	-	-	1250
Salem	Hybrid/Local	-	3000	-	-	-
Sangli	Bilty	1420	1386	1380	1414	-
Ahmedabad	Feed	1400	1310	1340	1450	1170
	Starch	1430	1370	1450	1510	1210

**DOMESTIC MAIZE OUTLOOK:**


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Indian corn prices are likely to trade range bound in the near term amid sluggish export and domestic demand with the lower supply from the Bihar.

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### INTERNATIONAL MARKET: HIGHLIGHTS/CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS:

As per USDA, U.S. corn export figures reached to 13282073 metric tons for the 2012-13 marketing year which is lowered by ~54.5% from the last marketing year during the same period. Corn exports were down by 10 percent to 270,000 metric tons from the last week and 11% from the prior 4-week average. Out of total weekly exports of 270,000 MT for the period of May 10-16, 2013 reported by U.S to Mexico (142,200 MT), Japan (35,600 MT), Taiwan (33,300 MT), Cuba (27,000 MT), and Panama (13,200 MT).



Some other major International Corn Highlights during the week are:

- As per Reuter news, The Government of Argentina held its outlook for 2012/13 corn production at 25.7 million tons.
- As per Reuter news, the Agriculture Department told that Private exporters has reported the sale of 540,000 tons of U.S. corn to China and to unknown destinations for delivery in the new marketing year, beginning from Sept 1. The sales included 360,000 tons for China and 180,000 tons to the unidentified buyer.
- As per Reuter news, an agricultural meteorologist said on Wednesday that U.S. farmers should begin winding down corn plantings over the next week to 10 days despite occasional showers and storms that will cause temporary delays.
- As per Reuter news, European Traders told that a buyer in Oman has purchased about 10,000 tons of corn of Argentine origin at the price about \$295 a ton c&f for the shipment in the first half of June.
- As per Reuter news, a trader told that China's state buyer may have booked at least five U.S. cargoes for September and October new-crop shipments of corn on Tuesday. That followed at least two cargoes booked by Chinese buyers a day earlier.
- As per the latest crop progress report released by USDA, the corn crop has been planted 71% as of 19th May, 2013 in the corn growing regions of U.S., higher by 43 % from the last week but below 24% from the last year and 8% from the last 5 year average period. Meanwhile, Corn has emerged 19% till date which is also higher 14% from the last week but below 54% from the last year and 27% from the last 5 year average period.
- As per Reuter news, preliminary Japanese government data shows that Japan's use of corn in animal feed production fell to 42.2 % in the March'13 from 44.3% during the same month last year due to higher U.S. corn prices. Japanese buyers have turned to cheaper Brazilian corn and Brazil's share of Japan's corn imports topped the United States for a third month in a row in March, rising to 50.2 percent from just 0.1 percent in March 2012.

### INTERNATIONAL MAIZE OUTLOOK:

Corn prices on CBOT market increased due to big sale of U.S. corn to China and strong demand from U.S. ethanol makers during the last week. However, forecast for rain that will improve prospects for recently seeded crops in the U.S. Midwest could limit the gains.

Maize CBOT Weekly Futures Price Listing (USD/Ton)				
	Contract Month	23.5.2013	16.5.2013	Change
Corn CBOT Prices	May-13	260.56	252.49	+8.07
	Jul-13	221.79	217.96	+3.83
	Sep-13	210.48	206.25	+4.23
	Dec-13	214.71	210.28	+4.43
	Mar-13	217.76	213.23	+4.53

### CBOT CORN FUTURES OUTLOOK:



(CBOT Corn Chart: July Contract)

- Candlestick chart pattern reveals range bound movement in the market.
- Strategy: Markets participants should buy CBOT corn around 648 U.S cents/bushels and the target would be 667 U.S cents/bushels.

**FUTURES MARKET ANALYSIS: NCDEX MAIZE:**

**(July Contract Weekly Chart)**

- Candlestick formation reveals that prices could move in a range of Rs. 1277-1346.
- Breaching the level, prices could go down to 1243 level.
- **Strategy:** Sell near 1340 level and target would be 1277 for the near term.

**Maize NCDEX (July)**

Support & Resistance				
S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
1174	1243	1293	1346	1380

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