

Executive Summary:

- **In Nashik**, modal prices have increased to Rs 1500/ quintal from Rs 1250/ quintal in last one week because of high export demand from Middle East and South East Asia.
- According to trade sources in M.P major demand is coming from South India. As monsoon has arrived and local crop is over so they are buying at higher prices.
- **In Karnataka**, total targeted kharif area is approximately 99506 hectare from which 8745 hectare of area has been sown. In Karnataka last year kharif sown area was approximately 22299 ha.
- **In AP**, a total of 27950 Ha is expected to be sown of which 1660 ha has been sown as of now. (1225 ha was sown last year for the same period)
- **All India arrival** of onion crop in month of June is approximately 25% less compared to previous year at same time.
- **In Bhavnagar**, onion crop is about to over so, prices have increased by 18% compared to previous week and currently hovering in the range of Rs 1200 to Rs 1500/ quintal.
- The usual order of completion of release of onion stocks in the market is **Gujarat, Karnataka, MP and finally Maharashtra**. According to our sources, the stocks in Gujarat have been consumed, while Karnataka has about 20-25% still in storage and MP about 15-20%. Maharashtra still has 25-30% of storage onion in stock.

Weekly Wholesale and Retail Onion Prices (Rs/Qtl) in important markets across India:

Center Name	Avg. Wholesale Price (23 June-29 June)	Avg. Wholesale Price (17 June-22 June)	% Change in Wholesale Price over prev. week	Avg. Retail Price (22 June-29 June)	Avg. Retail Price (17 June-22 June)	% Change in Retail Price over prev. week
BANGALORE	1735	1692	2.54	2300	2280	0.87
BHUBANESHWAR	1790	1709	4.74	1990	2040	-2.51
CHENNAI	2000	1917	4.33	2533	2466	2.65
DELHI	1454	1392	4.45	2166	2000	7.66
HYDERABAD	1100	1200	-8.33	1720	1800	-4.65
JAIPUR	1433	1259	13.82	2216	1960	11.55
KOLKATA	2131	1724	23.61	2490	2380	4.42
MUMBAI	1612	1530	5.36	2500	2000	20.00
Patna	1587	1388	14.34	2233	1866	16.44

(Source: Agriwatch, NHB)

The above table shows the wholesale and retail prices of onion in major cities of India. Onion prices have increased in almost all the markets except Hyderabad. Prices have increased because crop from Bhavnagar (Gujarat) is almost over. The other reason fewer crops in Rabi season compared to previous year and stocking interest shown by traders/farmers as to fetch high prices in near future. Prices are expected to increase ahead as Ramzaan festival is near and demand of onion has increased.

Weekly Wholesale Prices and Arrivals in producing regions

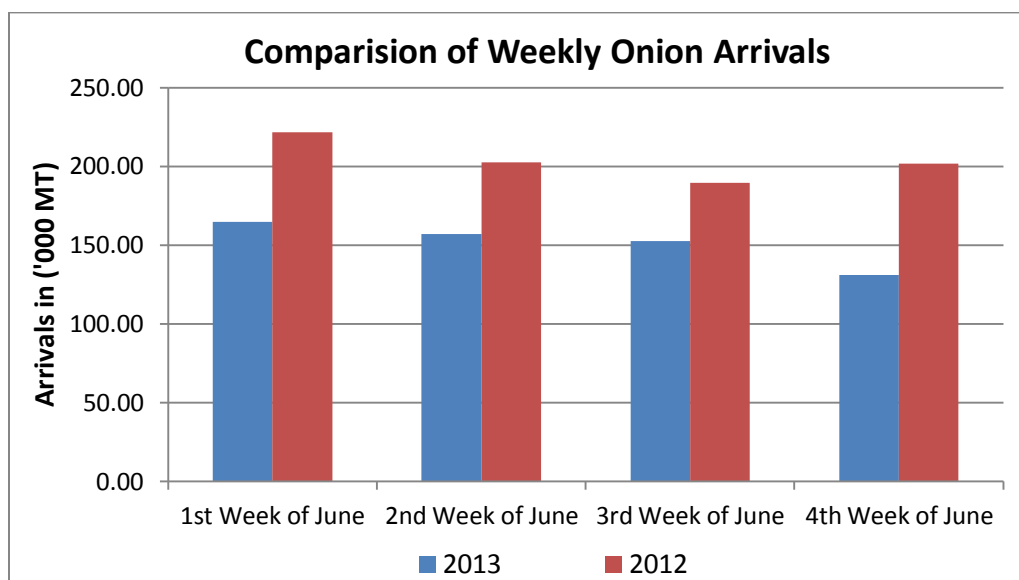
Center Name	Avg. Wholesale Price (23 June-29June)	Avg. Wholesale Price (17 June-22 June)	% Change in Wholesale Price over prev. week	Total Arrivals (23 June-29June) Quintals	Total Arrivals (17 June-22 June) Quintals	% Change in Arrivals over prev. week
LASALGAON	1422.8	1428	-0.36	57270	69875	-18.04
PIMPALGAON	1290	1413	-8.70	75775	65400	15.86
BHAVNAGAR	1288	1087	18.49	2610	1075	142.79
INDORE	1020	1017	0.29	92500	107500	-13.95

(Source: Agriwatch)

The above table shows the weekly difference between prices and arrivals in producing regions. Prices have increased in Bhavnagar and Indore whereas have fallen marginally in Lasalgaon and Pimpalgaon. Arrivals have fallen down in Lasalgaon and Indore, compared to previous week.

In Bench mark market of Lasalgaon, prices have fallen significantly which almost similar to last year whereas arrivals have fallen by 18% in comparison to last week.

All India- Onion weekly arrival comparison



(Source: Agmarknet)

The above graph shows the weekly all India arrivals. Arrivals are low as compared to previous year in every week. In June month cumulative arrival were almost 25% less compared to previous year because of lower

production this year rabi season. On a weekly basis in 4th week of June arrivals were approximately 34% down compare to last year during same time.

Technical Analysis of Onion Prices at Lasalgaon, Nasik:



(Note: Each bar or "candle" in the chart shows the price movement in a particular week. The green candle signifies prices increased and red candle signifies prices decreased in that week. The length of the "candle" shows the upper and lower end of the price range for the week.)

The above chart shows the weekly price movement of onion in the benchmark of Lasalgaon mandi of Nasik. Modal prices have increased up to a level of Rs 1600/ quintal. On the higher side prices may find resistance at a level of Rs 1800 and on the lower side prices may find support at a level of Rs 1200/ quintal. Relative Strength Indicator (RSI) is moving upward which suggest that onion market is firm ahead.

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