

## Executive Summary:

- New arrivals were started coming to the market from Bangalore region. Arrivals may increase till mid September.
- In Indore, arrivals have fallen as farmers are not bringing their stocked crop in market due to heavy rains and expectations of increase in prices.
- In Andhra Pradesh district Onion sowing area reported till 28<sup>th</sup> August 2013, 13762 hectares as compared to the last year same period 19550 hectares.
- In Karnataka district Onion sowing area reported till 19<sup>th</sup> August 2013, 78328 hectares as compared to the last year same period 17107 hectares. State Government target area for this year is 145344 hectares.
- Auction in Lasalgaon and few markets like Niphad and Vinchur in nasik district is halted by APMC as traders refused to accept new norms. Presently, weighing charges are Rs 2.68 per quintal and portorage Rs 2.12 per quintal. Around 44% increase has been made in the existing weighing and portorage charges under the new norms. Furthermore, Rs 10 is charged per tractor loaded with onion on electronic weighing bridge owned by traders as well as APMCs.

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

Center Name	Avg. Wholesale Price (26 August -31 August)	Avg. Wholesale Price (19 August -24 August)	% Change in Wholesale Price over prev. week	Avg. Retail Price (26 August -31 August)	Avg. Retail Price (19 August -24 August)	% Change in Retail Price over prev. week
BANGALORE	3830	3790	1.06	4375	4550	-3.85
BHUBANESHWAR	4360	4390	-0.68	4725	5020	-5.88
CHENNAI	4600	5200	-11.54	6000	6500	-7.69
DELHI	3910	4062.5	-3.75	5500	5250	4.76
HYDERABAD	4250	3687.5	15.25	4600	5000	-8.00
JAIPUR	4000	3800	5.26	5000	5500	-9.09
KOLKATA	4021	4850	-17.09	6125	6160	-0.57
MUMBAI	3937.5	4030	-2.30	5000	5000	Unch
Patna	4190	4240	-1.18	5420	5517	-1.76

(Source: Agriwatch, NHB)

The above table depicts the wholesale and retail prices of onion in major cities of India. Mostly onion Prices have decreased in all the markets. Maximum prices were decreased in Kolkata by 17.09 followed by Chennai 11.54% and Delhi 3.75% respectively. It is expected that prices may start coming down in coming days on expectations of increase in arrivals from Southern States.

**Weekly Wholesale Prices and Arrivals in producing regions**

Center Name	Avg. Wholesale Price (26 August-31 August)	Avg. Wholesale Price (19 August-24 August)	% Change in Wholesale Price over prev. week	Total Arrivals (26 August-31 August) Quintals	Total Arrivals (19 August-24 August) Quintals	% Change in Arrivals over prev. week
LASALGAON	3706.25	4056.25	-8.63	15750	23750	-33.68
PIMPALGAON	3616.67	3920.65	-7.75	13125	27375	-52.05
BANGALORE	3830	3790	1.06	142200	191000	-25.55
INDORE	2630	2887.5	-8.92	85500	48200	77.39

(Source: Agriwatch)

The above table shows the weekly difference between prices and arrivals in producing regions. Prices have decreased in all the markets due to starting of new crop arrivals in the domestic market.

In Indore, arrivals have increased by approximately 77.39% as compared to the previous week. Sources revealed that, export demand was reported in Indore market as a result stockists were releasing their stocks.

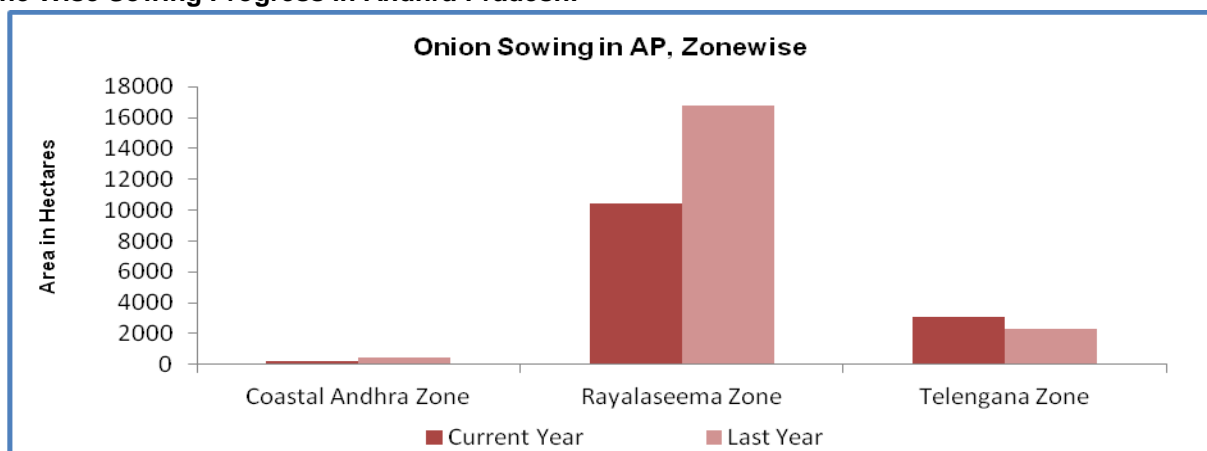
**Onion Sowing Progress in Andhra Pradesh:**

Onion has been sown in 0.25 lakh hectares in A.P as on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2013. Onion sowing progressing week on week. The comparative sowing is tabulated below -

**Onion Sowing Progress in AP:**

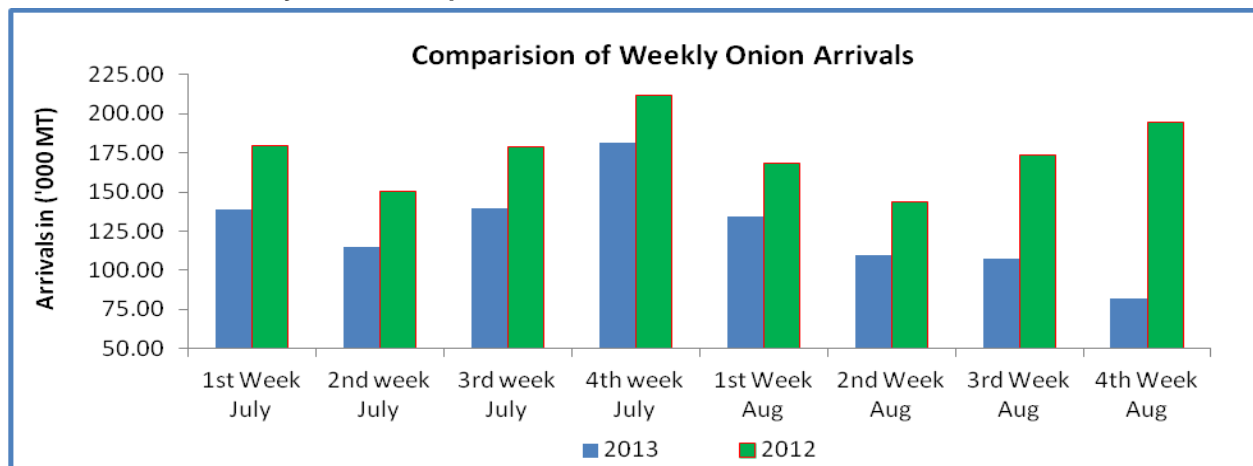
Area in Lakh hectares	Normal		During Corresponding Period		Current Year as on 28-08-2013	% Sown to	
Crop	Season	As on date	As on 28-08-2011	As on 28-08-2012		Season	As on date
Onion	0.28	0.25	0.24	0.20	0.14	49%	55%

In Andhra Pradesh region, Onion area reported down till 28<sup>th</sup> August 2013 as compared to the same period last year.

**Zone Wise Sowing Progress in Andhra Pradesh:**

Source - Agriwatch

## All India- Onion weekly arrival comparison



(Source: Agmarknet)

The above table depicts the weekly all India arrivals. Arrivals are clearly lower as compared to previous year in every week. But it is following the same pattern in both the years. In August, arrivals from first week to fourth week down due to less stored onion from Rabi season in Maharashtra and also lower arrivals from other states.

## 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 4500/ quintal. On the higher side prices may find resistance at previous high Rs 4600 and on the lower side support can be placed near at Rs.3700 / quintal. Relative Strength Indicator (RSI) oscillator is hovering above overbought region and expected prices may correct in short term.

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