

## Executive Summary:

- In Month of September approximately 19218 MT of onion was exported as compared to previous year 150833 MT. Onion export was comparatively low this year because Government has hiked the Minimum Export price (MEP) to \$900/MT from \$650/MT to curtail exports and bring down the rising onion prices in domestic markets.
- In Maharashtra Kharif sowing is completed with sown area of 72000 hectares compared to previous year sown area of 46000 during kharif season.
- In Karnataka, targeted onion area for kharif season is approximately 145000 hectare. So, far 101462 hectares of area is sown compared to previous year's 22,299 hectares.
- In A.P, onion acreage for kharif season is approximately 27,950 ha. So far 28,593 hectares of area is sown as compared to previous year's 22117 hectare area. Normally sown area during this time is approximately 25587 hectares.
- Fresh onion is arriving in market from Karnataka and few pockets of Maharashtra which have bring down the onion prices to some extent. But arrivals are not consistently rising due to rains.

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

Center Name	Avg. Wholesale Price(30 September-5 October)	Avg. Wholesale Price(23 September-28 September)	% Change in Wholesale Price over prev. week	Avg. Retail Price (30 September-5 October)	Avg. Retail Price (23 September-28 September)	% Change in Retail Price over prev. week
BANGALORE	3200	2842	12.60	3575	3700	-3.38
BHUBANESHWAR	3920	4300	-8.84	4075	4740	-14.03
CHENNAI	4320	5633	-23.31	5400	6834	-20.98
DELHI	3600	4167	-13.61	5300	6000	-11.67
HYDERABAD	3800	3400	11.76	4660	5000	-6.80
JAIPUR	4150	4208	-1.38	5080	5667	-10.36
KOLKATA	4083	4650	-12.19	5680	5980	-5.02
MUMBAI	4350	4000	8.75	5750	6000	-4.17
Patna	4740	5100	-7.06	5625	6417	-12.34

(Source: Agriwatch, NHB)

The above table depicts the wholesale and retail prices of onion in major cities of India. In wholesale market onion prices have shown a mixed variation. Prices have increased in Bangalore, Hyderabad and Mumbai by approximately 12%, 11% and 8% respectively.

In Delhi prices have fallen by approximately 13% compared to previous week prices. Prices have fallen as imported onion from Pakistan, Afghanistan, Egypt and China was available in market.

In retail market prices of onion have fallen in almost all the markets as demand will be lower in this week due to Navratri festival. Arrivals have also increased because of imported onion and fresh onion available from Karnataka and few pockets of Maharashtra.

## Weekly Wholesale Prices and Arrivals in producing regions

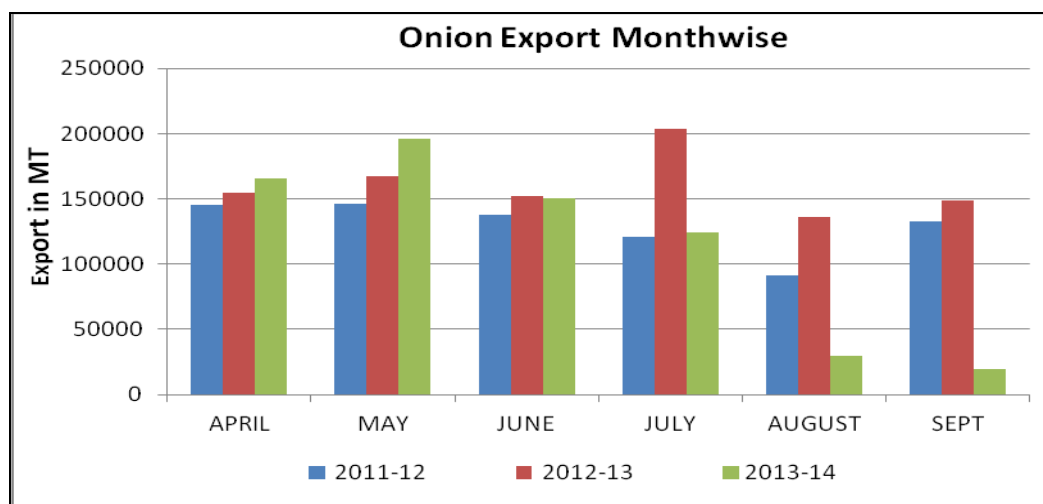
Center Name	Avg. Wholesale Price (30 September-5 October)	Avg. Wholesale Price (23 September-28 September)	% Change in Wholesale Price over prev. week	Total Arrivals (30 September-5 October) Quintals	Total Arrivals (23 September-28 September) Quintals	% Change in Arrivals over prev. week
<b>LASALGAON</b>	4083	4663	<b>-12.44</b>	5300	11925	<b>-55.56</b>
<b>PIMPALGAON</b>	3883	4338	<b>-10.49</b>	9680	10250	<b>-5.56</b>
<b>BANGALORE</b>	3200	2842	<b>12.60</b>	470000	417500	<b>12.57</b>
<b>INDORE</b>	3100	3367	<b>-7.93</b>	48500	45500	<b>6.59</b>

(Source: Agriwatch)

The above table shows the weekly difference between prices and arrivals in producing regions. Prices have decreased in all the markets except Bangalore where prices have shown an increase of 12.60%.

Prices have fallen down as government ease down rules and regulation for imported onion and demand is going to be low in this week. In Bangalore arrivals are maximum because fresh crop from 'Chitradurga' is arriving at a regular pace and expected to continue with same pace for next few weeks.

## Monthly Export Comparison:



(Source: Agmarknet)

The above graph shows the export of Onion in last 3 years. Export in month of August and Subsequently in month of September have fallen because of increased MEP. In month of August, MEP was \$650/MT which was

further increased to \$900/MT in month of September which resulted into very less export compared to previous year.

## 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 4900/ quintal. On the higher side prices may find resistance at in the range of Rs. 4500-4700/Qtl.

The Fibonacci retracement shows that prices have breached the level of 23% and 38.2% and it is expected that prices may find support at 50% retracement level which comes near Rs 3400/ quintal. If this level is breached then next support would be around Rs. 2700, the 61.8% retracement level from its peak of Rs. Rs. 5700/Qtl.

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