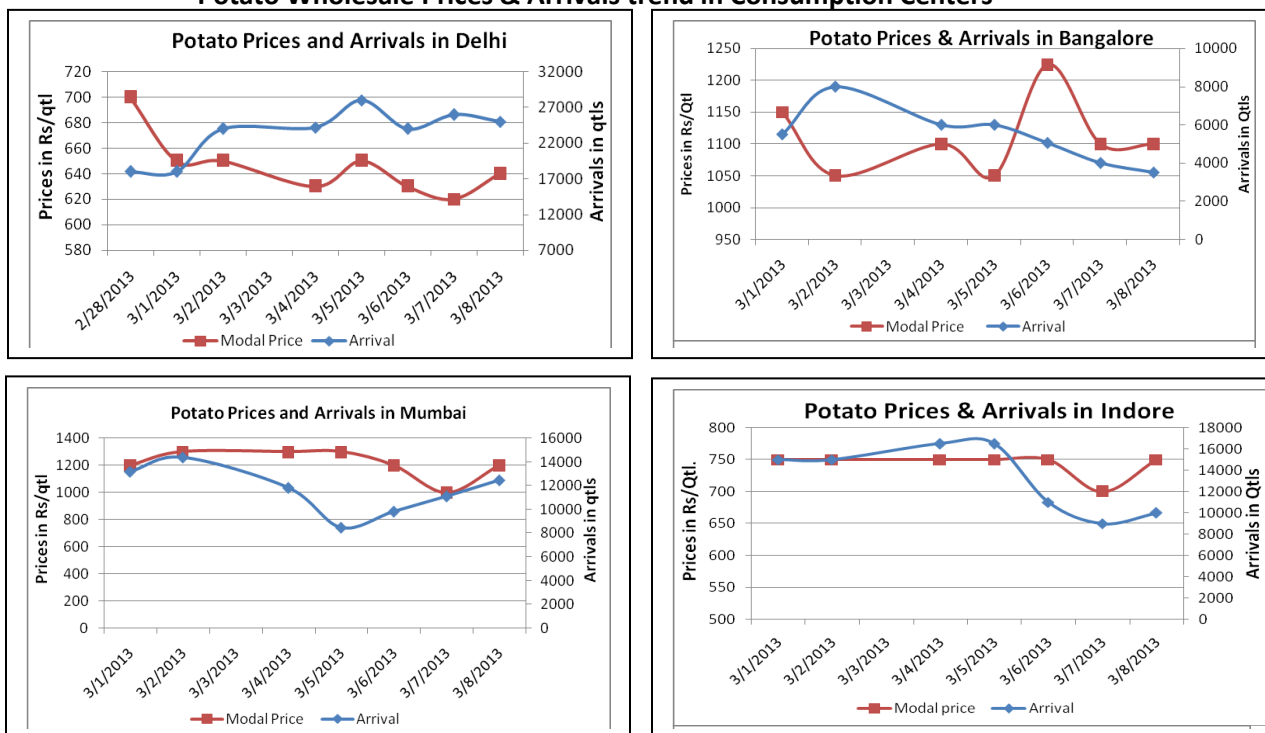


Potato Fundamentals:

- Uttar Pradesh is expected to produce 14-15 million tonnes, compared with 13.5-14 million tonnes last year. West Bengal's production is estimated at 9.5 million tonnes, against 8.5 million tonnes last year.
- In Bihar, potato production is expected to marginally higher than last year.
- There is ongoing unrest among the cold store owners of west Bengal as the cold store rent is much lower than actual cost incurred for storing potato in the season. Cold store rent in West Bengal is regulated by State government.
- Some of cold stores in west Bengal are still not opened due to this lower rent. This might impact the prices during harvesting and farmers may have to sell their produce in distress.

Potato Wholesale Prices & Arrivals trend in Consumption Centers



(Source: AGRIWATCH)

Potato Prices & Arrivals in major Mandi as on 6.3.2013

Mandi	Burdwan	Khandauli	Farrukhabad	Kanpur	Indore	Tarkeshwar	Bangalore
Price (Rs/Qt)	400	650-700	401	500-650	500-1000	440	1000-1200
Arrivals (in Qt)	-	200000	30000	17000	10000	-	3500

Potato Prices & Arrivals in major Mandi as on 7.3.2013

Mandi	Ludhiana	Khandauli	Farrukhabad	Kanpur	Indore	Ahmedabad	Bangalore
Price (Rs/Qt)	450-500	600-700	421	500-650	500-900	650-700	1000-1200
Arrivals (in Qt)	4000	200000	18000	15000	9000	6240	4000

(Source: Agriwatch)

MCX- Potato Futures Analysis: (as on 8 March 2013)

Symbol	Exchange	Expiry Date	Today's Close Price	Previous Close Price	Net Change	Today's Open Interest	Previous Day Open Interest	Change
POTATO	MCX	15-Mar-13	787.4	808	-20.60	4770	6660	-1890
POTATO	MCX	15-Apr-13	747.2	774	-26.80	15780	15420	360
POTATO	MCX	15-May-12	754.9	755	-0.10	31200	29250	1950
				Total				420

(Source: MCX)

Daily Price Chart of MCX- Agra April Contract:



(Source: AGRIWATCH RESEARCH)

Candlestick chart trend reveals weakness in the market. RSI is moving down in neutral region in the market indicates prices may go down in short term. Prices closed between 9 and 18 days EMAs indicates bearish sentiment in the market. 740 level may take supports level for short term.

Potato Prices in major markets – Wholesale vs. Retail as on 8th March 2013

Centre	Wholesale Prices (Rs/ qtl)	Retail Price (Rs/ kg)	Centre	Wholesale Prices (Rs/ qtl)	Retail Price (Rs/ kg)
NORTH ZONE			EAST ZONE		
CHANDIGARH	700	10	PATNA	NR	NR
DELHI	675	12	BHAGALPUR	600	8
HISAR	800	9	RANCHI	NR	10
KARNAL	850	10	BHUBANESHWAR	550	8
SHIMLA	600	10	CUTTACK	700	10
MANDI	800	10	SAMBALPUR	590	8
SRINAGAR	NR	NR	KOLKATA	600	8
JAMMU	NR	NR	SILIGURI	550	8
AMRITSAR	650	11	NORTH-EAST ZONE		
LUDHIANA	NR	NR	ITANAGAR	NR	NR
BATHINDA	NR	NR	GUWAHATI	NR	8
LUCKNOW	800	10	SHILLONG	1300	18
KANPUR	600	8	AIZWAL	2200	30
VARANASI	900	10	DIMAPUR	2400	30
AGRA	700	10	AGARTALA	800	12
DEHRADUN	720	10	SOUTH ZONE		
WEST ZONE			PORT BLAIR	NR	NR
RAIPUR	1200	14	HYDERABAD	1600	18
PANAJI	NR	NR	VIJAYWADA	1433	16
AHMEDABAD	1300	18	BENGALURU	1500	17
RAJKOT	775	9	DHARWAD	2000	21
BHOPAL	1300	15	T.PURAM	2400	27
INDORE	900	13	ERNAKULAM	2100	23
GWALIOR	1600	18	KOZHIKODE	1800	24
JABALPUR	800	10	PUDUCHERRY	1600	18
MUMBAI	850	18	CHENNAI	1000	13
NAGPUR	1000	13	DINDIGUL	NR	NR
JAIPUR	500	10	THIRUCHIRAPALLI	1700	18
JODHPUR	900	12			
KOTA	NR	NR			

(Source: State Civil Supplies Dept)

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