

RED CHILLI

Spot Market Recap

- Higher arrivals were reported during the week period.
- Maco Teja Variety arrivals were finished in the domestic market.
- Area under red chilli had fallen drastically in Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh in the current year. The production is also expected to take a 40 per cent down.

Fundamental Analysis

Red Chilli Arrival Scenario:

Market	% Change Over Previous Week	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2013 – 22 nd Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (9 th Mar 2013 – 15 th Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2012 – 22 nd Mar 2012) in bags
Guntur (Andhra Pradesh)	+11.29	345000	310000	350000

1Bag=45 Kgs

At Red Chilli Guntur market, higher arrivals were reported during the week period.

Red chilli arrival will be more till 10-12 days, but after that lower arrival may support the prices. Overall production is expected to be around 60% of a normal year.

The export order for the red chilli is limited. The possibility of any increase in the price would depend on fresh export orders. Sources revealed that, area under red chilli down drastically in Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh in the current year. The production is also expected 40 per cent down during the current period.

In Tamil Nadu, new crop arrivals may come to the markets like Kovilpatti, Sathur, Sankarankoil, Rajapalayam, Kamuthi, Muthukulathur and Virudhunagar by March end. In 2011-12, Tamil Nadu produced 30,298 tonnes from 58,603 hectares. Ramanathapuram, Thoothukudi, Sivagangai, Virudhunagar, Tirunelveli are the major chilli producing regions in the State.

Spot Prices Weekly Change

Commodity	Centre & Variety	% Change Over Previous Week	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		
			Current (22-3-2013)	Week Ago (15-3-2013)	Month Ago (22-2-2013)
Red Chilli	LCA 334	Unch	6000-6200	6000-6200	5800-6000
	Teja	+1.26	7700-8000	7700-7900	7000-7200
	No.5	Unch	6800-7100	6800-7100	7200-7300
	No.273	Unch	6800-7100	6800-7100	7000-7200
	Fatki	Unch	2700-3800	2800-3800	2600-3500
	Byadgi	+1.33	7400-7600	7400-7500	7700-7900

Red Chilly weekly Price Chart (Future market, Continuous chart)


Candlesticks chart pattern reveals range bound movement in the market. RSI is moving down in the neutral region indicates prices may go down in the market. Prices closed above 9 days and 18 days EMAs indicates bullish sentiment in the market. 6480 level may take strong supports level for short term.

Expected Price Range of Red Chilly (INR/Qtl): 6480 - 6760.

TURMERIC

Spot Market Recap

- Higher arrivals were reported in Turmeric market during the period.
- Overall production is likely to be 40-50% lower. Quality of new crop is expected to be good. Prices should find support as new crop may get exhausted sooner.
- Stockists are the main buyers who are showing some interest in old crop.
- Exporters have received reasonable orders from North India and they are buying mainly the quality and hybrid variety turmeric paying a higher price.

Fundamental analysis

Turmeric Arrival Scenario:

Market	% Change during corresponding period last week	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2013 – 22 nd Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (9 th Mar 2013 – 15 th Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2012 – 22 nd Mar 2012) in bags
Nizamabad (AP)	+9.83	67000	61000	6000
Erode (TN)	+47.36	28000	19000	100000

1 bag = 75kgs

Stockists are the main buyers who are showing some interest in old crop. According to a press release issued by the Andhra Pradesh Government, around 9,240 tonnes of turmeric in Nizamabad yard were damaged due to heavy rains.

Turmeric prices came under pressure due to sluggish demand from bulk buyers. Despite a lower crop projection estimates, the commodity is expected to move lower in the short term on the back of fresh crop arrivals.

Overall production is likely to be 40-50% lower. Quality of new crop is expected to be good. Prices should find support as new crop may get exhausted sooner. Stockists are buying hoping to find a trend reversal soon and prices are likely to wriggle out of the sticky groove when more clarity on damage due to infestation (around 10-15%) and new crop arrivals come to fore. Some varieties like Desi Cuddappah are expected to open at higher levels following reports of sharp fall in production.

Exporters and local traders have purchased huge stock by quoting higher price. This was due to the receipt of good number of orders from North India. Many bulk buyers have received orders from Kolkata, Odisha and parts of Gujarat. They expected some more orders from Gujarat, but the merchants there made orders for Nizamabad turmeric.

Spot Prices Weekly Change

Commodity	Centre & Variety	% Change Over Previous Week	Prices (Rs/Qtl)			
			Current (22-3-2013)	Week Ago (15-3-2013)	Month Ago (22-2-2013)	Year Ago (22-3-2012)
Turmeric	Nizamabad-Nizam Cold	Unch	6300	6300	5400	Closed
	Erode-Finger	+7.79	7800-8300	7400-7700	5850-6550	3450-4050

Turmeric weekly Price Chart (Future market, Continuous chart)



Candlestick chart pattern reveals range bound movement in the market. RSI is moving down in neutral region which may indicates prices may go down in near term. Prices closed above 9 days and 18 days EMAs indicates to bullish sentiment in the market. 6400 seems like a strong resistance level.

Expected Price Range of TMC: 6400 - 6770.

CUMIN SEED (JEERA)

Spot Market Recap:

- Higher arrivals were reported in the cumin seed spot market during the week period.
- Reports of high moisture content in the new crop may also pull down the prices.
- Fresh domestic and export demand emerged in the market at lower price level.
- Indias jeera exports are likely to hit a record high due to good quality crop.

Fundamental analysis

Jeera Arrival Scenario:

Market	% Change during corresponding period last week	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2013 – 22 nd Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (9 th Mar 2013 – 15 th Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2012 – 22 nd Mar 2012) in bags
Unjha (Gujarat)	+17.87	211000	179000	213000

Unjha 1 bag = 55kgs

Higher arrivals were reported during the week period.

On an average in Unjha mandi 26000 bags new arrivals coming to the market during the current month.

In Rajasthan new arrivals were started coming with less quantity it may increase after 1st April. According to traders, jeera production in Gujarat may be around 20-25 lakh bags. The carry forward stock may be around 8-10 lakh bags.

In Singapore one per cent Indian cumin seed offered at USD 2,400 per ton FOB Mumbai.

Spot Prices Weekly Change

Commodity	Centre & Variety	% Change Over Previous Week	Prices (Rs/Qtl)			
			Current (22-3-2013)	Week Ago (15-3-2013)	Month Ago (22-2-2013)	Year Ago (22-3-2012)
Cumin Seed	Unjha-Loose	-0.40	11975-12225	12025-12275	12000-12250	11225-11725
	Jodhpur – Loose	+1.69	12000	11800	--	--

Jeera weekly Price Chart (Future market, Continuous chart)



Candlestick chart pattern reveals bearish trend in the market. Prices closed below 9 days and 18 days EMAs in the market. RSI is moving down in neutral region indicates bearish sentiment in the market. Prices may take immediate support at 12730 levels in coming days.

Expected Price Range of Jeera (INR/Qtl): 12730-13170.

BLACK PEPPER

Spot Market Recap

- In Kochi market, lower arrivals were reported during the week under review.
- Total black pepper import between January 2012 to January 2013 stood around 12,712 tons, which was reported around 9,650 tons in the last year in the same period. In this way black pepper import increased around 32 per cent, but export decreased around 33 per cent.
- During January – November 2012, Germany has imported 24,417 mt, comprising of 22,191 and 2,226 mt of whole and ground pepper respectively, as against 23,446 mt (21,792 mt of whole and 1,654 mt of ground pepper), registering an increase of 4%.

Fundamental Analysis

Black Pepper Arrival Scenario

Market	% Change during corresponding period last week	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2013 – 22 nd Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (9 th Mar 2013 – 15 th Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2012 – 22 nd Mar 2012) in bags
Kochi (Kerala)	-59.13	114	279	66

Pepper output from the Idukki and Wayand districts in Kerala were affected while crop from the states Karnataka and Tamil Nadu are projected better. Pepper harvesting is already over in Keralas Kottayam and Pathanamthitta districts while harvesting is ongoing in other regions in kerala. Karnataka and Tamilnadu pepper will reach in the market during April May period. Cultivators in Kerala are worrying about the final crop position because if the same situation continues till March, the condition worsens further. The overall pepper crop from India will be lower than the previous estimates of 50,000-55,000 tonnes.

There was good buying for spot pepper from Idukki. Tamil Nadu-based dealers were buying high bulk density pepper at terminal market price on cash and carry basis. Meanwhile, Wayanad and Kozhikode dealers were also buying high bulk density pepper from Idukki at terminal market price for mixing it with low bulk density Wayanad and Karnataka pepper and balancing it. Indian prices moved up considerably higher with very tight supplies and thin arrivals amidst continued inquiries for Malabar Black Pepper from certain select importing countries. Malabar Black Pepper MG 1 was vaguely quoted at usd 7000 fob cochin for April shipment

Brazilian B2 500gl pepper was asked at around U\$ 6,100 FOB while ASTA grade for 580+gl was in the range of U\$ 6,600. Vietnam reporting good quality from reliable exporters at U\$ 6,600 for ASTA cleaned 570gl and U\$ 6,350 for 500gl ASTA Cleaned. Indonesia ASTA for April/May shipment said to be around U\$ 7,000.

Jakarta-based International Pepper Communitys (IPC) estimates the total global production during 2013 at 3.17 lakh tonne and exportable surplus at 3.19 lakh tonnes respectively. Production and export estimates of pepper in 2012 would be around 324,000 mt and 249,000 mt respectively, as against 317,700 mt and 246,200 mt in 2011.

In February 2013 Vietnam exported 9,286 mts of pepper included 8,193 mts black pepper and 1,093 mts white pepper. Turnover reached 61.6 million USD (black pepper: 51.9 million USD, white pepper: 9.7 million USD). The total export quantity is 23% (2,270mts) less than January. However the export price lightly increased (58 USD/mt for black pepper & 132 USD/mt for white pepper).

Import of Pepper by Singapore:

During nineties Singapore was predominant in pepper trading with a substantial volume of trade of around 44,000mt of import. Indonesia was the main source and has a share of more than 50% of pepper into Singapore. It is interesting to note that pepper trade by Singapore has experienced a substantial decrease and reached only 13,000 mt of import in 2005. The decrease was mainly due to importers in consuming countries sources pepper directly from producing countries. During the last eight years (2005 – 2012) pepper trade in Singapore fluctuated at narrow range and on an average the trade volume remained at the level of 12,000 mt of import.

Table 1. Export of Pepper in quantity and value in 2011 and 2012

Country	2011		2012		Change %	
	MT	USD'000	MT	USD'000	Quantity	Value
Brazil	32,641	207,401	29,081	192,000	-11%	-7%
India	23,750	148,745	17,500	122,500	-26%	-18%
Indonesia	36,487	214,681	64,000	431,000	75%	101%
Malaysia	14,324	93,300	10,454	77,000	-27%	-17%
Sri Lanka	5,056	32,000	10,029	66,000	98%	106%
Vietnam	123,808	732,212	116,550	791,703	-6%	8%
China	4,450	35,118	2,560	23,490	-42%	-33%
Others	10,450	62,700	11,000	66,375	5%	6%
TOTAL	250,966	1,526,157	261,174	1,770,068	4%	16%

Note: Exports for 2012 are provisional

Based on the latest information received by the IPC, total export of pepper from producing countries in 2012 excluding the raw materials used for manufacturing pepper oil and oleoresin for export was around 261,200 MT valued at around USD 1.77 billion, as against 251,000 MT worth USD 1.53 billion achieved in 2011. Vietnam received the major portion of USD 792 million which is around 45% in the total earnings in 2012 followed by Indonesia, Brazil and India.

International Prices:

In the international market Indian black pepper quoted at USD 6,925 per ton CNF New York, while April and May shipment offered at USD 6,800 per ton C&F.

Spot Prices Weekly Change

Commodity	Centre & Variety	% Change Over Previous Week	Prices (Rs/Qtl)			
			Current (22-3-2013)	Week Ago (15-3-2013)	Month Ago (22-2-2013)	Year Ago (22-3-2012)
Black Pepper	Kochi-Ungarbled	-0.85	34800	35100	39500	38000
	Kochi-Garbled	-0.81	36300	36600	41000	39500
	New Delhi-Unpolished	-2.50	39000	40000	45500	40500
	New Delhi-Number 11.5	--	--	--	--	--

Black Pepper weekly Price Chart (Future market, Continuous chart)


Candlesticks chart pattern indicates bearish sentiment in the market. RSI is moving down in neutral zone indicates prices may go down in the near term. Prices closed below 9 days and 18 days EMAs. Prices may take immediate support at Rs.35165 level in coming days.

Expected weekly black pepper price range: 35165 – 36540.

CARDAMOM

Spot Market Recap

- In Kochi, Cardamom arrivals were reported higher during the week period.
- Steady improvement in spot market supported the market sentiments.
- Stockists were inactive at higher prices level as they have sufficient stock in quantity.

Fundamental Analysis:

Cardamom Arrival Scenario

Market	%Change during corresponding period last week	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2013 – 22 nd Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (9 th Mar 2013 – 15 th Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2012 – 22 nd Mar 2012) in bags
Vandanmedu, Thekkady, Kochi, Kumily, Nedumkandam, Santhanpara & Bodinayakanur (Kerala)	+24.25	296481	238608	304550

Inferior quality arrivals were reported from the last round of picking and that has been keeping the prices low. This kind of material was normally bought by the Pan Masala industry and its closure has stopped the demand for such variety of cardamom.

Total arrivals and sales during the current season from Aug 1, 2012 to March 24 were at 9,992tonnes and 9,492 tonnes respectively. Total arrivals and sales during the corresponding period last year were at 15,202 tonnes and 14,752 tonnes respectively. Dry spell continues to prevail in the growing areas with rise in temperature. No summer rains were there during the past fortnight.

Total output is estimated at somewhere between 13,000 tonnes and 15,000 tonnes as against the production last season of 26,000 – 30,000 tonnes.

Upcountry buyers were inactive and those in the market were not covering aggressively on the anticipation that the prices might fall further. Exporters were seen covering good colour 7 mm and above size bold capsules and an estimated 60 tonnes of cardamom were bought.

Spot Prices Weekly Change

Centre	Commodity & Variety	% Change Over Previous Week	Average Auction Prices (Rs/Qtl)			
			Current (22-3-2013)	Week Ago (15-3-2013)	Month Ago (22-2-2013)	Year Ago (22-3-2012)
Vandanmedu, Thekkady, Kochi, Nedumkandam, Kumily, Santhanpara & Bodinayakanur (Kerala)	Small Cardamom	-3.28	657.90	680.23	703.00	915.06

Cardamom Weekly Price Outlook (Future market, Continuous chart)



Candlesticks chart pattern reveals bearish trend in the market. RSI is moving down in neutral zone indicates prices may go down in the market. Prices closed below 9 days and 18 days EMAs also indicates bearish sentiment in the market. 870 might act as strong support level.

Expected weekly cardamom price range: 870 - 920.

CORIANDER SEED

Spot Market Recap

- Mostly higher arrivals were reported in major coriander market during the week.
- Strong buying for well-dried crop while the new coriander crop contains high moisture content. Demand continued from South India.
- 20% new crop arrivals were coming to the market. There are some crop damaged reported in Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh region due to heavy rain during the ongoing month.

**Fundamental analysis
Coriander Arrival Scenario:**

Market	% Change during corresponding period last week	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2013 – 22 nd Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (9 th Mar 2013 – 15 th Mar 2013) in bags	Arrivals during the week (16 th Mar 2012 – 22 nd Mar 2012) in bags
Kota	+228.57	69000	21000	115000
Ramganj	+3.29	94000	91000	164000
Baran	+63.07	53000	32500	64000

1 bag=40 kg

Higher arrivals were reported in the coriander spot market. Stockists were actively looking around for well-dried old crop as they perceive a probable supply crunch even when the arrivals peak during April.

Strong buying for well-dried crop while the new coriander crop contains high moisture content. Demand continued from South India.

Spot Prices Weekly Change

Commodity	Centre & Variety		% Change Over Previous Week	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		
				Current (22-3-2013)	Week Ago (15-3-2013)	Month Ago (22-2-2013)
Coriander Seed	Ramganj	New Badami	+7.84	5400-5500	5100	5000
		New Eagle	+17.30	6000-6100	5200	5100-5200
		Scotter	+18.18	6500	5500	5400
	Kota	New Badami	+29.26	5300	3900-4100	4900
		New Eagle	+14.28	5500-5600	4700-4900	5000
	Baran	New Badami	+3.84	5300-5400	5100-5200	4700-4800
		New Eagle	+3.77	5400-5500	5200-5300	5000-5100

Coriander Weekly Price Chart (Future market, Continuous chart)


Candlestick chart pattern reveals range bound movement in the market. RSI is moving down to neutral zone indicates prices may go down in short term. Prices closed above 9 days and 18 days EMAs in the market. 6500 level is a strong supports level in short term.

Expected Price Range of Coriander: 6500 - 6735.

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