

BLACK PEPPER

Fundamentals:

Today's Update:

- Steady to weak sentiment was witnessed in Black pepper spot market on Wednesday.
- On subdued demand today in the benchmark market, arrivals and prices reported down by 37.68% and 0.20% respectively.
- According to the International Pepper Association (IPC) last week Lampung black pepper (Indonesia): at \$3,878/ton, down 0.13%, Brazilian black pepper ASTA 570: at 2,750 USD/ton, unchanged, Kuching black pepper (Malaysia) ASTA: at 5,900 USD/ton, unchanged, Muntok (Indonesia) white pepper: at \$6,302/ton, down 0.14%, Malaysian white pepper ASTA: at \$7,600/ton, unchanged.
- Weak consumption demand is still the factor holding back the recovery of pepper prices in the following months, especially from the two major pepper consuming markets in the world, Europe and the US. Currently, Brazil is entering the pepper harvest, output is expected to increase by 10% compared to 2021 to 98,000 tons in 2022. Indian pepper production is expected to increase slightly. However, Vietnam's pepper production is expected to decrease due to unfavorable weather factors, while it is expected to be stable in other pepper producing countries.

Previous Update:

- India imported around 7,866.68 MT garbled black pepper from January 2022 to July 2022 highest from Brazil-3,894 MT followed by Vietnam- 2,347.60 MT.
- However, it is up by 10.63% from the same period last year. During the last year from January 21 to July 21, total imports were 7110.97 MT, highest from Vietnam- 3,038 MT followed by Brazil- 2,816.78 MT.
- India imported around 236.80 MT ungarbled black pepper, down by 80.97% from the same period last year, at 1,244.19 MT.
- According to some sources, in **India**, more than normal rainfall in July may affect pepper plants during fruiting period. Meanwhile, Sri Lanka's pepper harvest is in its final stages.
- As per current situations, AgriWatch expected India's pepper productions for 2021-22 likely to go down by 8 to 10% compared to last year. Last year (2020-21) India's Pepper production was 62,000 MT.

Black Pepper Spot Market Prices (Loose): (Rs/Qtl)										
State	Centre	Grade	28-Sep-22	27-Sep-22	Change					
Kerala	Kochi Benchmark market	Ungarbled	49300	49400	-100					
		Garbled	51300	51400	-100					
Karnataka	Chikmagalur	Ungarbled	50000	50000	Unch					
Delhi	New Delhi	Unpolished	54000	54000	Unch					
		550 GL	55000	55000	Unch					
		Number 11.5	56000	56000	Unch					
	Arrivals & Off-take in Tons									
State	Centre	Parameter	28-Sep-22	27-Sep-22	Change					
Kerala	Kochi	Arrivals	21.5	34.5	-13					
		Off-take	21.5	34.5	-13					



	Black Pepper FOB Prices (USD/MT)									
Date	Brazil ASTA 570	ex Kochi (India) ASTA	Lampung (Indonesia) ASTA 570	Kuching (Sarawak, Malaysia) ASTA	Ho Chi Minh (Vietnam) 500g/l	Ho Chi Minh 550g/l				
21-09-22	2750	6491	3883	5900	3350	3600				
22-09-22	2750	6406	3878	5900	3350	3600				
23-09-22	2750	6374	3877	5900	3350	3600				
26-09-22	2750	6316	3856	5900	3350	3600				
27-09-22	2750	6309	3846	5900	3350	3600				
28-09-22	2650		3824	5900	3350	3600				

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