

BLACK PEPPER

Fundamentals:

Today's Update:

- Continued steady to weak sentiment was witnessed in Black pepper spot market on Tuesday.
- Vietnam Pepper prices as on 7th February simultaneously slowed down in key provinces in the country. Highest price is currently 59,500 VND/kg, pepper prices stabilized again after increasing by 500 VND/kg yesterday. Currently, the domestic market is buying pepper in the range of 56,000 - 59,500 VND/kg. In which, Gia Lai and Dong Nai recorded prices of 56,000 VND/kg and 57,000 VND/kg, respectively. Next are the two provinces of Dak Lak and Dak Nong with the same level of 57,500 VND/kg. Similarly, in Binh Phuoc and Ba Ria - Vung Tau were flat at 58,500 VND/kg and 59,500 VND/kg respectively.
- World pepper price, According to International Pepper Association (IPC) on February 6 compared to February 3 are, in Lampung black pepper (Indonesia): at \$3,645/ton, down 1.04%, Brazilian black pepper ASTA 570: at 2,900 USD/ton, unchanged, Kuching black pepper (Malaysia) ASTA: at \$4,900/ton, unchanged, Muntok white pepper: at 6,144 USD/ton, down 1.06%, Malaysian white pepper ASTA: at \$7,300/ton, unchanged.

Previous Update:

- According to data from Cambodia's Ministry of Agriculture, the country's pepper exports in 11 months of 2022 reached 8,303 tons, down more than 70% over the same period. Currently, Cambodia is exporting pepper to 20 countries and territories with the main products being ordinary pepper and Kampot pepper, a geographical indication product.
- According to Govt. official, pepper exports fell because the global economy has not yet recovered from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The lack of tourists has led to a decrease in orders for consumer goods such as pepper. Cambodia's annual pepper production is about 20,000 tons with an area of nearly 7,000 hectares, but this output has decreased by about 10-20%.
- Pepper is grown mainly for export because domestic consumption only accounts for 5-7% of production each year. Sales have decreased significantly from the beginning of 2022 until now. As of November, Kampot pepper exports reached just over 80 tons, while the same period was over 114 tons.
- The main harvest season of Vietnam lasts until the end of April. The Vietnam Pepper Association (VPA) predicts that in 2023 production will increase by about 5% compared to 2022 to 180,000-185,000 tons.
- In 2022, Vietnam pepper export reported 228,000 tons, a decrease of 12% in volume compared to the same period in 2021.
- As per current situation, AgriWatch expects India's pepper production for 2022-23 likely to be around 52,000 to 53,000 MT. Last year production was 57,000 to 58,000 MT.

Black Pepper Spot Market Prices (Loose): (Rs/Qtl)					
State	Centre	Grade	07-Feb-23	06-Feb-23	Change
Kerala	Kochi Benchmark market	Ungarbled	48700	48800	-100
		Garbled	50700	50800	-100
Karnataka	Chikmagalur	Ungarbled	48500	49000	-500
Delhi	New Delhi	Unpolished	55000	55000	Unch
		550 GL	54500	54500	Unch
		Number 11.5	58500	58500	Unch
	Arrivals & Off-take in Tons				
State	Centre	Parameter	07-Feb-23	06-Feb-23	Change
Kerala	Kochi	Arrivals	59	51.5	7.5
		Off-take	59	51.5	7.5

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
31-01-23	2800	6331	3660	4900	3250	3350
01-02-23	2800	6331	3660	4900	3250	3350
02-02-23	2800	6331	3660	4900	3250	3350
03-02-23	2900	-	3683	4900	3250	3350
06-02-23	2900	6300	3671	4900	3250	3350
07-02-23	2900	6300	3671	4900	3250	3350

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