

BLACK PEPPER

Fundamentals:

Today's Update:

- Continued steady sentiment was witnessed in Black pepper spot market on Saturday.
- Vietnam Pepper price (February 8) simultaneously increased by 1,000 VND/kg in the domestic market. Currently, Ba Ria - Vung Tau has recorded a price return of over 60,000 VND/kg. In which, the lowest price is 57,000 VND/kg in Gia Lai province. Next is Dong Nai province with 58,000 VND/kg. The two provinces of Dak Lak and Dak Nong jointly adjusted the purchase price to a common level of 58,500 VND/kg. Similarly, pepper prices today in Binh Phuoc and Ba Ria - Vung Tau also increased to 59,500 VND/kg and 60,500 VND/kg, respectively.

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	11-Feb-23	10-Feb-23	Change
Kerala	Kochi Benchmark market	Ungarbled	48700	48700	Unch
		Garbled	50700	50700	Unch
Karnataka	Chikmagalur	Ungarbled	Closed	48500	-
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	11-Feb-23	10-Feb-23	Change
Kerala	Kochi	Arrivals	24.5	45	-20.5
		Off-take	24.5	45	-20.5

Black Pepper FOB Prices (USD/MT)						
Date	Brazil	ex Kochi (India) ASTA	Lampung (Indonesia)	Kuching (Sarawak, Malaysia) ASTA	Ho Chi Minh (Vietnam) 500g/l	Ho Chi Minh 550g/l
	ASTA 570		ASTA 570			
06-02-23	2900	6300	3671	4900	3250	3350
07-02-23	2900	6300	3642	4900	3250	3350
08-02-23	2900	6300	3628	4900	3250	3350
09-02-23	2900	-	-	4900	3250	3350
10-02-23	2900	-	3624	4900	3250	3350

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