

**Weather Update:** - It is anticipated that the 2023 monsoon season will be below normal, amounting to approximately 94% of the Long Period Average (LPA) of 868.6mm, for the four-month period from June to September.

- There is no likelihood of excessive rainfall (seasonal rainfall more than 110% of LPA), and only a 15% chance of above-normal rainfall (seasonal rainfall between 105-110% of LPA).
- Meanwhile, there is a 25% chance of normal rainfall (seasonal rainfall between 96-104% of LPA), a 40% chance of below-normal rainfall (seasonal rainfall between 90-96% of LPA), and a 20% chance of drought (seasonal rainfall below 90% of LPA).

### **BLACK PEPPER**

#### **Fundamentals:**

#### **Today's Update:**

- Steady to weak sentiment witnessed in Black pepper spot market on Thursday.
- Vietnam pepper prices as on 12th April 2023 remain unchanged, trading around 63,000 - 66,000 VND/kg. In Dak Lak and Dak Nong pepper prices today remained at 64,000 VND/kg; in Gia Lai remained unchanged at 63,000 VND/kg; in Dong Nai continues to be purchased at 63,500 VND/kg; in Ba Ria - Vung Tau is at 66,000 VND/kg; in Binh Phuoc trading at 65,000 VND/kg.
- According to preliminary statistics of the Vietnam Pepper Association, Vietnam exported 35,913 tons of pepper of all kinds in March 2023. In which, black pepper reached 32,912 tons, and white pepper reached 3,001 tons, the export volume increased by 27.5%.
- The average export price of black pepper in March was 3,454 USD/ton, white pepper was 4,841 USD/ton, compared to the previous month, the price of black pepper increased by 5.5%, but the price of white pepper decreased by 15.9%.
- Summarizing the first quarter of 2023, Vietnam pepper exports reached 76,727 tons, with black pepper reaching 70,222 tons, white pepper reaching 6,505 tons.

#### **Previous Update:**

- World pepper production in 2023 is forecast around 539,850 Mt up from 521,000 Mt in 2022.
- 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	13-Apr-23	12-Apr-23	Change
Kerala	Kochi Benchmark market	Ungarbled	48300	48400	-100
		Garbled	50300	50400	-100
Karnataka	Chikmagalur	Ungarbled	48800	48800	Unch
Delhi	New Delhi	Unpolished	NA	NA	-
		550 GL	53500	53500	Unch
		Number 11.5	55500	55500	Unch
	Arrivals & Off-take in Tons				
State	Centre	Parameter	13-Apr-23	12-Apr-23	Change
Kerala	Kochi	Arrivals	57.5	66	-8.5
		Off-take	57.5	66	-8.5

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			
06-04-23	2950	6182	3596	4900	3225	3275
07-04-23	2950	6191	3595	4900	3225	3275
10-04-23	2950	6191	3605	4900	3225	3275
11-04-23	2950	6191	3609	4900	3225	3275
12-04-23	2950	6191	3614	4900	3225	3275
13-04-23	2950	6191	3614	4900	3225	3275

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