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Maize prices are likely to remain steady to firm sentiment in coming week as demand from feed as well as starch industry continue to be good and new arrivals are expected after mid of April or with a delay in key Bihar markets. At present, the demand of Maize in domestic markets is good from poultry industry due to higher egg and chicken prices. Also, due to the rise in temperature at various locations in past week there are chances of decreased availability of green fodder which will lead to increase in demand of Maize for cattle feed as well.

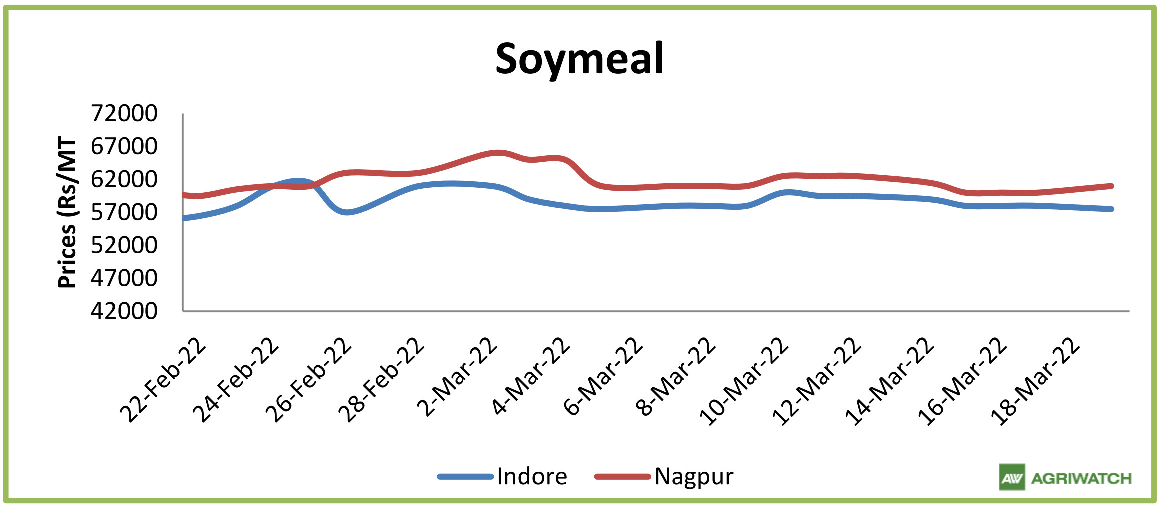
The average price of cottonseed oilcake in the Kadi market has increased slightly as compared to previous week. Prices in Kadi were at Rs. 3153 per quintal from Rs. 3167 per quintal and in Akola prices have decreased and were at Rs. 3273 per quintal from Rs. 3277 per quintal the previous week.

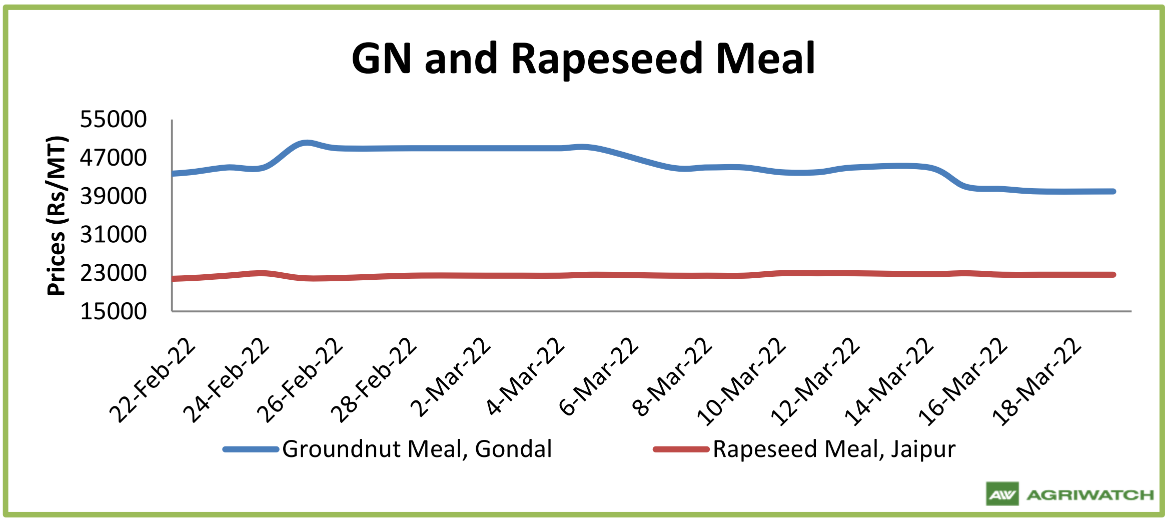
During the week of March 16 to 23 2022, the weekly average price in India was down by 4.87 percent to Rs. 2207.02 per quintal against Rs. 2320.80 per quintal last week while the wheat average prices had increased by12.72 percent from Rs. 1957.94 per quintal same time last year. On 16th March, the price of wheat in Kanpur market for mill delivery was at Rs. 2150 per quintal, down by 4.44 percent from Rs. 2250 per quintal the previous week. In domestic market new wheat crop arrivals have started in many states, which is putting some pressure on prices.The number of farmers in Madhya Pradesh registering to sell wheat to state agencies has dropped by more than 17 per cent because of the huge demand for the cereals by the private players owing to spike in global prices because of Russia-Ukraine crisis. Till March 10th, around 1.98 million farmers applied to sell wheat to government agencies, while last year during the same period it was around 2.4 million. Private traders have purchased 9.5 LMT of wheat from the godowns of Punjab through the auctions done by FCI under OMSS. Around 340 rakes have moved out of Punjab carrying wheat and 105 more rakes will move before the RMS 2022-23 starting from April 1. Due to fast movement of stocks, very few stocks are left in the covered area plinths, which in last year was around 60 LMT. Farmers from Madhya Pradesh, Punjab and other states are receiving large enquiries for wheat as a result most of the farmers are neglecting the government procurement and is directly supplying the stock to the exporters. The wheat is being sold to the traders at Rs. 2700 per quintal including freight cost to Kandla Port way higher than the MSP value of Rs. 2015 per quintal. During the week ending 18th March, wheat tender sales were done in several states. Around 14,720 MT of wheat was sold by FCI in various tenders against 7,300 MT of wheat tender the previous week. We are expecting that the prices are expected to stay steady, though there is good export demand but good crop arrivals and sufficient stocks available in the market would make the wheat market steady in the coming week.

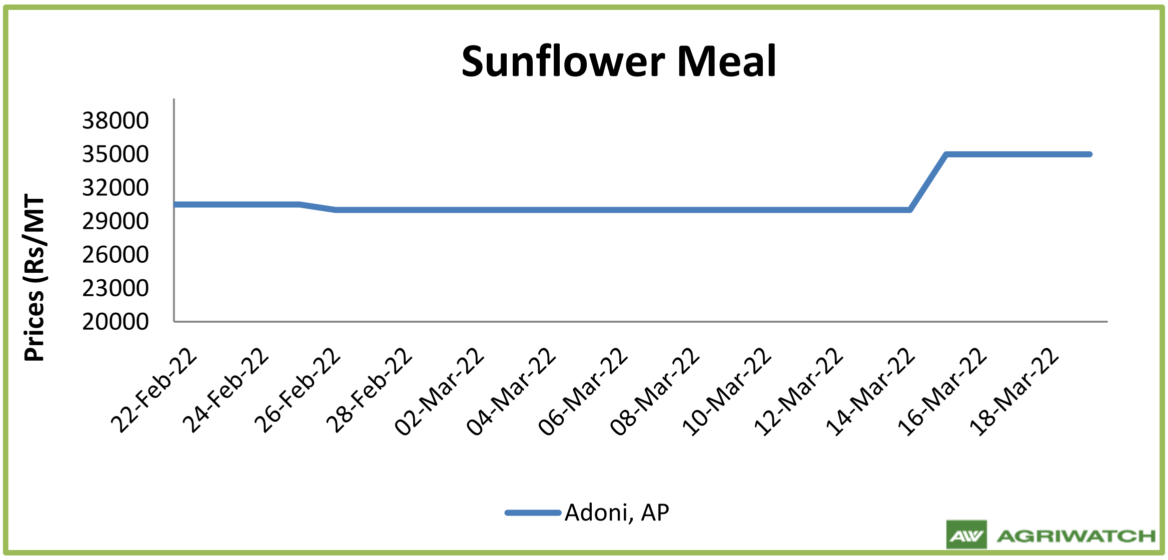
Soymeal prices are likely to trade range bound with firm bias in tandem with soybean prices The soy meal prices (Indore) are likely to feature range-bound movement between Rs. 57,000 – 62,000 /MT.

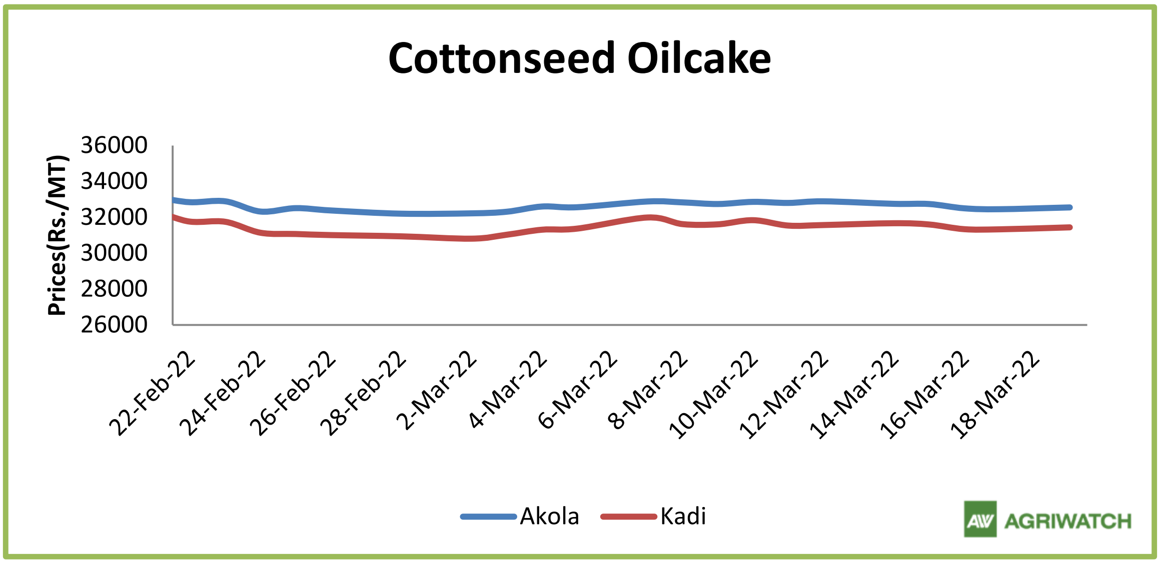
Rapeseed-mustard is expected trade range bound with weak bias amid heavy crop arrivals The seed prices are likely to trade in the range between 6,500 –7,000/Qtl. in the short-run.

Trend – Raw Material, Feed









Source: AgriWatch

Soy meal

This week Indore weekly average soymeal prices remained sideways amid low crushing in the month of February as compared to previous year same period and low export demand. The weekly average prices of soymeal remained sideways at Rs 58,500 /MT and was quoted between Rs 58,000 – 59,500/MT throughout the week. This compares with previous week's average of Rs 58,500/MT. At Latur, the weekly average went down to Rs. 62,700/MT compared to Rs. 64,333/MT a week ago, in Nanded too it went down to Rs. 62,500/MT compared to Rs. 63,083/MT a week ago. In Kota the meal prices were down to Rs. 62,740/MT compared to Rs. 64,133/MT previous week.

Department of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution has imposed stock limit on soymeal till June 30, 2022. Soymeal millers, processors or plants are allowed to hold stocks only up to 90 days of production, the limits were imposed after amending the Essential Commodities Act of 1955 to include soymeal in the category. We think the stock limit on soymeal will have minimal impact as crushers store soymeal generally for short duration. As per Agriwatch estimates, total production of soymeal in the country for MY 2021-22 is likely to be 80 lakh tonnes. Annual soymeal consumption stands between 60-65 lakh tonnes while 15-18 lakh tonnes soymeal is exported annually. So, demand and supply of soymeal in the country seems balanced. Currently India is outpriced for soybean meal export in Feb'22, FAS Kandla average price is quoted at USD 800/MT, Argentina FOB soymeal USD 505/MT. SBM FAS kandla is still outpriced by USD 295. Usually, FAS Kandla trades slightly higher than other GM soymeal but difference between Indian soymeal and Argentina soymeal soared to $743 in Aug'21 and USD 670 in Sept'21. India's Soymeal export is likely to remain weak for the next few months too due to non-competitive prices in global markets.

According to Solvent Extractor Association of India, country's February'2022 soymeal exports declined by 86% to 33,760 metric tonne compared to 2,47,085 metric tonne in the same period last year. Further, the soymeal shipments too declined by 75% to 3,48,868 metric tonne in aggrega te, during the months of April-Feb of Financial Year 2021-22 compared to 14,18,454 metric tonne during the corresponding period last year. Export remained lower because of higher prices. Additionally, lower crushing of soybean also pushing higher import of crude soybean oil in India. We expect low export in Upcoming month too and soymeal export in 2021-22 is expected at 5-8 lakh tonnes.

Soybean meal prices are expected to continue trade range bound with firm bias in tandem with soybean prices in the range of 57,000-62,000/ MT despite tight crushing and weak export demand. 62,000 is near term resistance which is 50 Day moving average and 57,000 is near term support.

Rapeseed - Mustard Seed

This week RM seed Jaipur average prices remained sideways and went barely up by 0.4% amid new crop arrivals and record acreage in the country.

Rapeseed Mustard weekly average price remained sideways and went barely up to Rs.7,163/Qtl, as compared to Rs 7,133 /Qtl last week. The market made a low of 6,987 and high of 7,337 during the week. In Sri Ganganagar, the weekly average prices of rapeseed oilcake remained sideways and witnessed mild gains at Rs 2,942/Qtl from previous week at Rs. 2,929/qtl. This week in Rajasthan, total mustard arrivals went down by 8% at 31.55 lakh bags as compared to previous week at 34.55 lakh bags. All india arrivals stood at 67.5 lakh bags vs 61.75 lakh bags previous week. Oil mills are running at full pace, of the total RM seed arrivals, 65-70% gets crushed. Mustard acreage for MY 2022-23 is markedly higher compared to previous years, driven by high realized prices during the previous marketing year. The acreage under mustard seed is significantly higher compared to the previous year in all major states- Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, West Bengal and Gujarat.

As per Agriwatch estimates, the production is expected to be 10.71 million MT, which is all time high production. It is estimated that 102.5 lakh tonnes will be crushed, which would translate into 43.05 lakh tonnes oil and 59.45 lakh tonnes RM seed DOC production. As per 2nd Advance Estimates, released by the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, the estimated production of RM seed during 2021-22 is 114.59 lakh tonne vs 102.1 lakh tonne last year.

Trade body Central Organization for Oil Industry and Trade (COOIT) has estimated mustard Rabi 2022 crop at 113 lakh tonnes marginally up from 110 lakh tonnes last month, total production includes taramira too. COOIT has estimated mustard crop production in Rajasthan at 51 lakh tonnes, 17 lakh tonnes in Uttar Pradesh, 12.5 lakh tonnes in Madhya pradesh.

According to Solvent extractor association of india, India's exports for rapeseed meal during April-Jan'2022 was down 26% at 7,29,757 metric tonne compared to 9,90,955 metric tonne during the same period previous marketing season. India's exports for rapeseed meal during April-Feb'2022 was down 25% at 7,72,423 metric tonne compared to 10,28,745 metric tonne during the same period previous year.

According to GOI, as on 04th Feb'22, All India Mustard sowing is up by 25.3% at 91.63 Lakh Ha compared with 73.12 Lakh Ha last year.According to Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's (AAFC) For 2021-22, canola supplies have tightened as compared to last year, declining 37% to 14.5 MMT, due to a 49% drop in carry-in stocks and 35% lower production following last summer's drought-reduced production in Canada.

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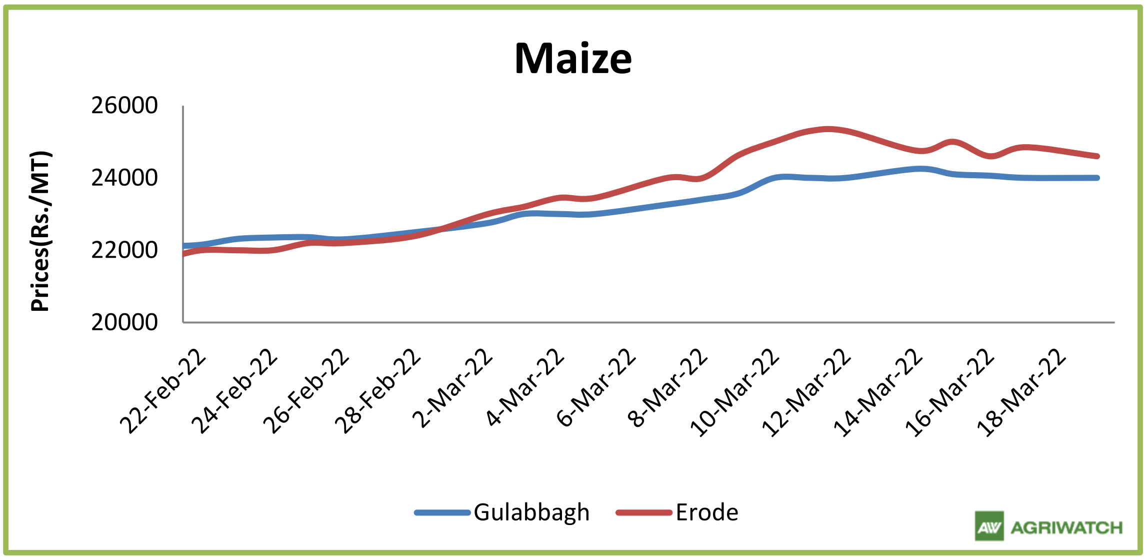
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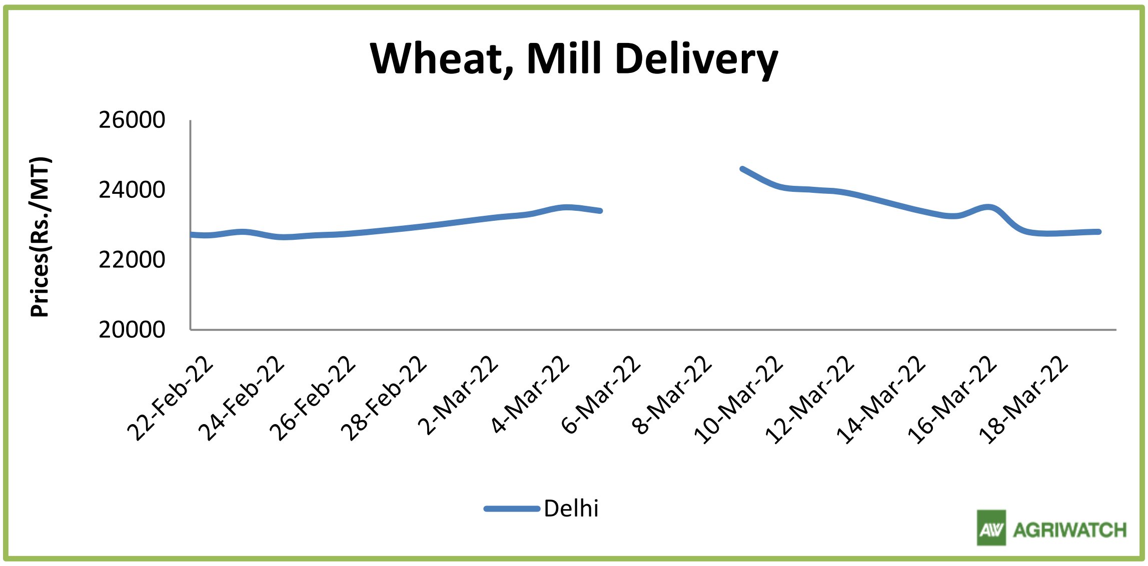
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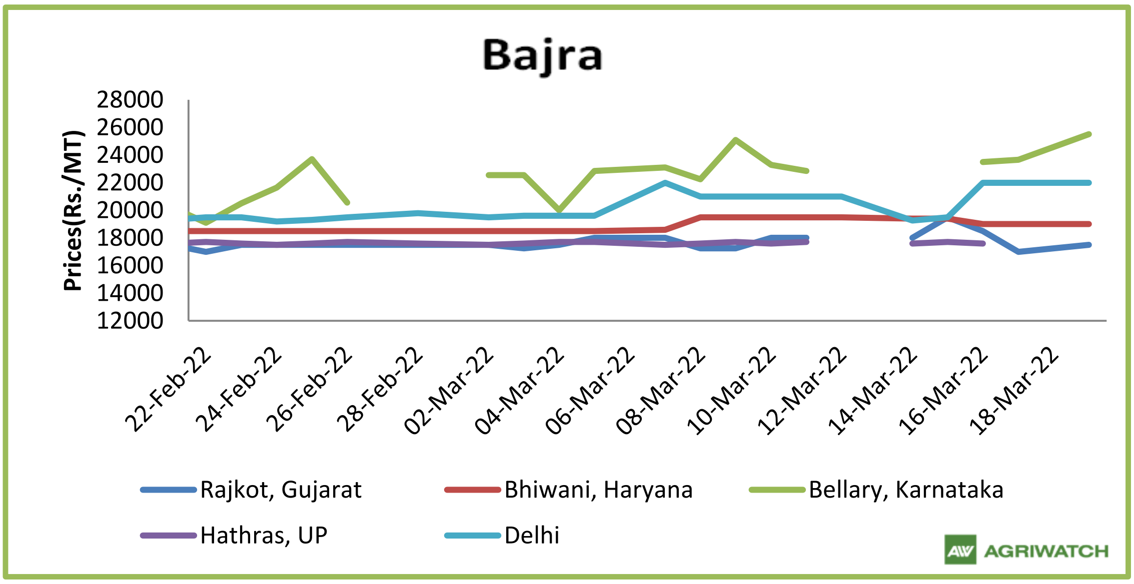
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16-Mar-22
18-Mar-22
Rajkot, Gujarat
Bhiwani, Haryana
Bellary, Karnataka
Hathras, UP
Delhi
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Source: Agriwatch (Prices: Maize-Industrial/Feed Grade: Narela Market)

Maize prices in benchmark Nizamabad market is being traded in the range of Rs. 2,200 to Rs. 2,300 per quintal and poultry feed quality is being supplied to Hyderabad and Tamil Nadu at Rs. 2,400 to Rs. 2,450 per quintal (delivered basis). Loose Maize prices in Davangereand Karnataka is being traded at par with the Nizamabad market (between Rs. 2,250 to Rs. 2,300 per quintal) during the week under review. Corn on CBOT decreased by 50.09 USD/MT to 248.22 USD/MT for March '22 contract as compared to previous week, due to peace talks held between Ukraine and Russia. AgriWatch expects that ongoing conflict between Ukraine and Russia doesn't seem to settle even after several rounds of peace talks, due to which in current dynamics stating clear expectations of higher or lower price movement of Corn on CBOT is quite unclear. However, weather-related conditions in Brazil and Argentina will support corn on CBOT. U.S. Maize exports have reached at 28.80 million metric tonnes (MMT) for the 2021-22 marketing year, with the exports of 1.27 MMT for the period of 4th March 2022 – 10th March 2022, these exports were down by 28 percent from the previous week and down by 25 percent also from the prior 4-week average, to the destinations like China (335,900 MT), Mexico (279,500 MT), Colombia (175,000 MT), Japan (94,700 MT), and Guatemala (87,300 MT

In all the mandis, the prices were showing weak trend. In Delhi, the average prices were down by 4.98 percent and is expected to trade in the range of Rs. 2250-2350 per quintal in coming week. In Indore, the prices were down by 6.73 percent and is expected to trade in the range of Rs. 2150- 2250 per quintal in coming week. In Ahmedabad, the prices were down by 5.41 percent and in coming week it is expected to trade in the range of Rs. 2280-2400 per quintal in coming week. In Kota, the prices were down by 5.83 percent and is expected to trade in the range of Rs. 2150-2250 er quintal in coming week.

Outlook: Feed prices are expected to feature sideways trend bias in coming week.

Annexure

Oil Meal Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Soy DOC Rates at Different Centers

Centers	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)		
	17-Mar-22	12-Mar-22	Parity To
Indore - 45%, Jute Bag	58000	59500	Gujarat, MP
Kota - 45%, PP Bag	62000	63700	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Dhulia/Jalna - 45%, PP Bag	62000	64000	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Nagpur - 45%, PP Bag	60000	62500	Chattisgarh, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Nanded	60000	64000	Andhra, AP, Kar ,TN
Latur	61500	63000	-
Sangli	57500	59000	Local and South
Solapur	56000	61000	Local and South
Akola – 45%, PP Bag	58000	59000	Andhra, Chattisgarh, Orrisa,Jharkhand, WB
Hingoli	60000	63500	Andhra, Chattisgarh, Orrisa,Jharkhand, WB
Bundi	61800	63500	-

International Soy DOC			
Argentina FOB USD/MT	**16-Mar-22**	**11-Mar-22**	**Change**
Soybean Pellets	566	568	-2
Soybean Cake Flour	566	568	-2
Soya Meal	-	-	-
Soy Expellers	-	-	-
Sunflower (DOC) Rates	**Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)**		
Centers	**17-Mar-22**	**12-Mar-22**	**Change**
Adoni	35000	30000	5000
Khamgaon	-	-	-
Parli	-	-	-
Latur	34000	29000	5000

Groundnut Meal (Rs/MT)	17-Mar-22	12-Mar-22	Change
Basis 45%, Saurashtra	39000	44000	-5000
Basis 40%, Saurashtra	33000	39000	-6000
GN Cake, Gondal	40000	45000	-5000

Mustard DOC/Meal	17-Mar-22	12-Mar-22	Change
Jaipur (Plant delivery)	22700	23000	-300
Kandla (FOR Rs/MT)	24000	24200	-200

Maize Spot Market Prices (Rs. /Quintal)

Market	Grade	19-Mar-22	12-Mar-22	16-Feb-22	18-Mar-21	19-Mar-20
Delhi	Hybrid	2500	2450	2300	1550	1700
Davangere	Loose	Closed	Closed	2035	1500	1100
Nizamabad	Bilty	Closed	Closed	1900	1500	Closed
Ahmedabad	Feed	2450	2400	2150	1600	1585
	Starch	2475	2400	2075	1620	1550

FOB, C&F – Maize at Various Destinations (USD/ton)

As on 16.03.2022	Argentina	Brazil	US	India
FOB	350.00	375.00	371.00	323.76
Cost and Freight	400.00	430.00	431.00	358.76

Soy Meal Exports (In MT):

Month	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Jan	155160	105678	86378	41726	283167	52771
Feb	207977	73816	132375	20309	247085	33760*
Mar	107059	39209	193920	61499	146379	
Apr	124374	68264	40829	25940	39750	
May	48900	76026	53272	46614	52434	
Jun	45975	104088	62524	56638	25918	
Jul	80797	63747	76558	61957	26725	
Aug	87668	59643	95450	58190	10975	
Sep	102212	45388	35268	68576	5831	
Oct	71425	150388	63800	120290	14538	
Nov	207630	186409	69415	198776	42951	
Dec	168865	170588	72233	251221	43260*	
Total	**1408042**	**1143244**	**982022**	**1011736**	**838264**	

Feed Ingredient Prices at a Glance						
Commodity	**State**	**Variety**	**Centre**	**19-Mar-22**	**11-Mar-22**	**Change**
Bajra	Karnataka	Hybrid	Bellary	2550	NA	-
		Hybrid	Bangalore	2300	2230	70
Jowar	Karnataka	White	Bangalore	2550	2550	Unch
		White	Bellary	2240	NA	-
Maize	Karnataka	Yellow	Davangere	closed	2400	-
	Telangana	Yellow	Nizamabad	closed	2200	-
Rice	Haryana	IR8	Karnal	3250	NA	-
		Parmal Raw	Karnal	2750	NA	-
Soy meal	Madhya Pradesh	DOC	Indore	5750	5950	-200
	Maharashtra	DOC	Sangli	5750	5900	-150
Sunflower Meal	Andhra Pradesh	Ex-factory	Adoni	3500	3000	500
Mustard	Rajasthan	Plant delivery	Jaipur	2270	2300	-30
Groundnut Meal	Gujarat	GN Cake	Gondal	3300	3900	-600
Cottonseed Oil Cake	Gujarat	Ex- Mandi	Kadi	3144	3154	-10
Cottonseed Oil Cake	Maharashtra	Ex- Mandi	Akola	3254	3279	-25
Note: Prices Rs./Qtl						