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Executive Summary:

- > Mixed sentiments witnessed in major spot markets of maize on Saturday.
- Nizamabad and Davangere markets of maize reported closed on Saturday due to Weekend.
- In Ahmadabad region of Gujarat, Poultry feed makers' demand quoted firm by Rs. 5 per quintal to Rs. 1330 per quintal while starch feed makers' demand quoted steady at Rs. 1350 per quintal on Saturday, sourced from Maharashtra.
- In Delhi, hybrid maize quoted firm by Rs. 5 per quintal to Rs. 1355 per quintal. Sources revealed that prices could trade steady to weak in near term.
- The maize bilty prices in Khanna market was quoted steady at Rs. 1460 per quintal on Saturday. Around 10 motors of maize reportedly arrived in the market. Sources revealed that maize stock could be around 150 motors.
- As per second advance estimate of crop production released on Saturday, Maize production is expected at 23.29 million tons during 2013-14.

International Market Commentary:

- Corn prices decreased yesterday by \$ 1.08 /MT and settled at \$178.30 /MT for March contract on CBOT market.
- As per USDA, U.S accumulated corn export figures reached to 16,461,914 metric tons for the 2013-14 marketing year which is higher by ~88% from the last marketing year during the same period but down by 22% from the last week. Exports of 7,45,000 MT were reported by U.S. to Japan (330,200 MT), Mexico (146,700 MT), Peru (99,300 MT), South Korea (60,600 MT), and Colombia (29,600 MT) for the period Feb 7- Feb 13, 2014.

Outlook and Recommendation

Maize is expected to feature steady to firm tone amid higher domestic demand from poultry and starch in the near term.

| NCDEX Maize Futures | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|--|
| Contract | +/- | Open | High | Low | Close | | | |
| Mar-14 | -6.00 | 1222.00 | 1222.00 | 1210.00 | 1213.00 | | | |
| Apr-14 | -5.00 | 1165.00 | 1165.00 | 1148.00 | 1157.00 | | | |
| May-14 | Unch | 1160.00 | 1161.00 | 1152.00 | 1159.00 | | | |

| Spread | Mar-14 | Apr-14 | May-14 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Spot | - | | |
| Mar-14 | | - | - |
| Apr-14 | | | - |

| Contract | Volume | Change | OI | Change |
|----------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| Mar-14 | 700 | 10 | 14860 | 120 |
| Apr-14 | 1810 | 930 | 21340 | 990 |
| May-14 | 370 | -10 | 7470 | -10 |

| Stocks | Demat | In-Proce ss | Total | FED | |
|-----------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|--|
| - | 21.2.14 | 21.2.14 | 21.2.14 | 17.2.14 | |
| Gulabbagh | - | - | - | - | |
| Davangere | - | - | - | - | |
| Nizamabad | - | - | - | - | |
| New Delhi | - | - | - | - | |
| Sangli | 14503 | 0 | 14503 | 14503 | |
| Jalgaon | 101 | 0 | 101 | 101 | |

Spot Prices at Key Markets

| Markat | Oreste | Prices (Rs./qtl) | | | Arrivals in Quintal | | |
|--------------|---------------|------------------|-----------|--------|---------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Market | Grade | 22-Feb-14 | 21-Feb-14 | Change | 22-Feb-14 | 21-Feb-14 | Change |
| New Delhi | Hybrid/Local | 1355 | 1350 | 5 | 600 | 500 | 100 |
| Kopal | Bilty | Closed | 1210 | - | Closed | 1000 | - |
| Davangere | Bilty | Closed | 1220 | - | Closed | 2000 | - |
| Ranebennur | Hybrid/Local | NA | NA | - | NA | NA | - |
| Bagalkot | Hybrid/Local | 1160 | NA | - | 158 | NA | - |
| Gadag | Local | 1141 | 1221 | -80 | 145 | 54 | 91 |
| Hubli | Local | NA | NA | - | NA | NA | - |
| Shimoga | Hybrid/Local | 1140 | NA | - | 812 | NA | - |
| Nizamabad | Bilty | Closed | 1260 | - | Closed | 2000 | - |
| Karimnagar | Local | NA | NA | - | NA | NA | - |
| Khammam | Local | NA | NA | - | NA | NA | - |
| Sangli | Feed | 1233 | 1233 | Unch | NA | NA | - |
| Yeola-Nashik | Bilty | 1140 | 1140 | Unch | 400 | 1500 | -1100 |
| Naugachia | Bilty | NA | NA | - | NA | NA | - |
| Kolkata | Mill Delivery | NA | NA | - | NA | NA | - |
| | Feed | 1330 | 1325 | 5 | 0000 | 10000 | -8000 |
| Ahmedabad | Starch | 1350 | 1350 | Unch | 2000 | | |
| Outstates at | Local | 1300 | 1300 | Unch | | 1000 1 | 4000 |
| Gulabbagh | Bilty | 1320 | 1320 | Unch | 2000 | | 1000 |
| Khowa | Local | 1350 | 1350 | Unch | | 1800 - | 200 |
| Khanna | Bilty | 1460 | 1460 | Unch | 1500 | | -300 |
| Ludhiana | Local | 1425 | 1425 | Unch | NIA | NIA | |
| Ludhiana | Bilty | 1450 | 1450 | Unch | NA | NA | - |

| CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) as on 21 Feb, 2014 | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|
| Contract Month | Open | High | Low | Close | Change | | |
| Mar-14 | 179.28 | 179.68 | 177.22 | 178.30 | -1.08 | | |
| May-14 | 181.84 | 182.24 | 179.58 | 180.66 | -1.28 | | |
| Jul-14 | 183.42 | 184.01 | 181.06 | 182.14 | -1.57 | | |
| Sep-14 | 183.42 | 183.71 | 180.96 | 181.65 | -1.97 | | |
| Dec-14 | 184.40 | 184.80 | 181.84 | 182.73 | -1.77 | | |

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