

Executive Summary:

- In India, maize has been sown in around 12.43 lakh hectares as of 27th Dec'19 for Rabi season 2019-20 which is higher than 12.09 lakh hectare covered during corresponding period last year. In Maharashtra, it has been sown in around 1.33 lakh hectare which is higher than 0.90 lakh hectare during corresponding period last year while in Gujarat, it has been sown in around 1.21 lakh hectare which is higher than 0.82 lakh hectare during corresponding period last year. However, In Bihar, it has been sown in around 4.15 lakh hectare which is lower than 4.27 lakh hectare while in Tamilnadu, it has been sown in around 1.42 lakh hectare which is lower than 1.90 lakh hectare during corresponding period last year.
- As per trade sources, India exported around 40,720 MT of maize for the month of November'19 at an average FoB of \$319.80/ MT. Out of which, around 35,062 MT Indian maize was exported mainly to Nepal at an average FoB of \$316.88/MT; mainly through Jogbani ICD followed by Raxaul and Nepalgunj road port.
- From the trade point of view, Maize is moving towards Hyderabad at Rs. 2,250 per quintal while it is being bought by local starch feed makers at Rs. 1900 per quintal. It is moving towards Namakkal at Rs. 2100 per quintal while Bangalore at Rs. 2050 per quintal; sourced from Davangere. Maize which is medium in size and fungus affected, being delivered to Tamilnadu at Rs. 1950 per quintal; sourced from Hassan and Mysore.

Previous Updates:

- In Davangere region of Karnataka, maize arrivals are still containing moisture 18% due to cold weather and fungus 3-4%. Despite the fresh arrival in Tamilnadu, maize is likely to trade steady on the expectation of fresh stockists demand.
- In Nizamabad, maize arrivals are containing fungus 5% and damaged grains around 5-7%. Maize is likely to trade steady in the near term.
- As per trade sources, India imported around 6,393 MT of maize for the month of November'19. Out of which, around 4,675 MT was imported from Myanmar for the Tuticorin port at an average value of \$268.15 USD/ MT and for the Chennai sea port at an average value of \$216.04 USD/ MT.
- As per trade sources, Vessel (INCE FORTUNE) at berth with 53,120.00 tonnes of corn was expected to discharge at Kandla port on 23 December, 2019.
- As per media report, MMTC has issued an international tender to import up to 50,000 MT of Non-GMO corn for the shipment latest by 22nd Jan 2020 which would be at buyer's option. Around 25,000 MT (+/- 10%) is sought for shipment at the Vishakhapatnam port and 25,000 MT (+/- 5%) at the Kakinada port. The tender closed on 2nd January 2020 with offers having to remain valid up to 1730 hrs. IST on 9th Jan 2020.
- In Kurnool and Khammam districts of A.P, grain size is small to medium and damaged grain up to 7%. Sources revealed that in Nandikotkur region of Kurnool district, around 1,20,000 MT of maize has been stocked. Out of which around 30,000 MT has been released.
- As per 2nd advanced estimates for 2019-20, Agriwatch expects maize production for this Kharif season at 18.34 MMT with the expected yield of 2209.37 kg/ hectare.

International Market Commentary:

- Corn on CBOT rose by 0.89 USD/MT to 153.54 USD/MT for March'20 contract compared to previous week and is likely to trade firm on the expectation of increase in domestic demand in U.S.
- As per USDA, U.S corn exports reached 7.93 MMT in the 2019-20 marketing year. At 0.33 MMT (for the period 13th December- 19th December, 2019) US corn exports were down 54 percent from the previous week and 44 percent from the prior 4-week average; mainly for the destinations like Mexico (154,600 MT), Japan (82,500 MT), Canada (21,800 MT), Panama (19,700 MT), and Colombia (16,300 MT).

Outlook and Recommendation: Maize cash market is likely to trade steady to slightly firm in the near term.

NCDEX Maize Futures

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Volume Change	OI	OI Change
Jan-20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb-20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar-20	--	--	--	--	--	-	-	-	-

*Prices are taken at 5:00 p.m.

Spread	Jan-20	Feb-20	Mar-20
Spot	-	--	--
Jan-20	--	-	--
Feb-20	--	--	-

*Basis –Nizamabad (Spread calculated as at 5:00 p.m. price)

Stocks	Demat	In-Process	Total	EDD
	27-Dec-19	27-Dec-19	27-Dec-19	23-Dec-19
Nizamabad	-	-	-	-
Sangli	505	-	505	505

Spot Prices at Key Markets

Centre	Grade	Prices (Rs./qtl)			Arrivals in Quintal		
		30-Dec-19	28-Dec-19	Change	30-Dec-19	28-Dec-19	Change
New Delhi	Hybrid	2250	2250	Unch	NA	NA	-
Koppal	Loose	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Davangere	Loose	1960	Closed	-	5000	Closed	-
Ranebennur	Hybrid/Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Gadag	Local	1900	1920	-20	1659	1208	451
Hubli	Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Shimoga	Hybrid/Local	1885	NA	-	1073	NA	-
Nizamabad	Bilty	2025	Closed	-	700	Closed	-
Karimnagar	Local	NR	NR	-	NR	NR	-
Khammam	Local	1900	NR	-	15	NR	-
Sangli	Feed	2028	2100	-72	NA	NA	-
Naugachia	Bilty	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Kolkata	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Gulabghat	Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
	Bilty	NA	NA	-			
Ahmedabad	Feed	2200	NR	-	6000	NR	-
	Starch	2250	NR	-			

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Khanna	Local	2110	2100	10	1800	1800	Unch
	Bilty	2250	2250	Unch			
Ludhiana	Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
	Bilty	NA	NA	-			
Jalgaon	Bilty	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Chhindwara	Loose price	NR	Closed	-	NR	Closed	-

CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) as on 27 December,2019						
Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	
Mar-20	152.75	153.93	152.75	153.54	0.59	
May-20	155.41	156.49	155.31	156.19	0.59	
Jul-20	157.77	158.75	157.77	158.56	0.59	
Sep-20	157.67	158.46	157.57	158.36	0.49	
Dec-20	158.36	159.05	158.36	158.85	0.30	

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