

Executive Summary:

- As per trade sources, India imported around 58,941 MT of maize for the month of December'19. Out of which, around 53,120 MT was imported from Ukraine for the Kandla port at an average value of \$200 USD/ MT while around 4,416 MT was imported from Myanmar for the Tuticorin, Chennai and Kolkata port at an average value of \$263.95 USD/ MT.
- Sentiments remained same as most of the maize cash markets were closed on Wednesday due to Makar Sankranti festival.

Previous Updates:

- In India, maize has been sown in around 14.52 lakh hectares as of 10th Jan'19 for Rabi season 2019-20 which is higher than 13.54 lakh hectare covered during corresponding period last year. In Maharashtra, it has been sown in around 1.79 lakh hectare which is higher than 1.01 lakh hectare during corresponding period last year while in Gujarat, it has been sown in around 1.30 lakh hectare which is higher than 0.96 lakh hectare during corresponding period last year. In Bihar, it has been sown in around 4.57 lakh hectare which is same than corresponding period last year. However, in Tamilnadu, it has been sown in around 1.42 lakh hectare which is lower than 1.97 lakh hectare during corresponding period last year.
- 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.
- As per trade sources, NAFED has issued an international tender to import up to 100,000 MT of Non- GMO corn; to be sourced from Ukraine for the shipment between 1st Feb'20 to 10th Feb'20. Around 50,000 MT is sought for shipment to the Mangalore port and rest to the Tuticorin port at around \$227/ MT.
- 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 due to local stockists demand. Local stockists are buying maize at Rs. 2000 per quintal (Godown Delivery).
- As per media report, MMTC has revised its import tender volume for Non- GMO yellow corn from 50,000 MT to 1,75,000 MT for the shipment latest by 10th Feb 2020. Three consignment of 50,000 MT (+/-5%) each is sought for shipment at the Visakhapatnam, Tuticorin and Mangalore port and 25,000 MT (+/- 5%) at the Mumbai port. MMTC has also postponed the deadline for offer submissions in the tender to 14th Jan 2020 from 7th Jan 2020. Offer will remain valid up to 20th Jan 2020.
- 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.
- 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, Vessel (INCE FORTUNE) at berth with 53,120.00 tonnes of corn was expected to discharge at Kandla port on 23 December, 2019.
- 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:

- As per USDA, U.S corn exports reached 8.89 MMT in the 2019-20 marketing year. At 0.51 MMT (for the period 27th December- 02nd January, 2020) US corn exports were up 15 percent from the previous week and 1 percent from the prior 4-week average; mainly for the destinations like Mexico (265,400 MT), Japan (89,800 MT), Colombia (82,400 MT), Canada (25,100 MT), and Honduras (23,700 MT).
- USDA decreased its world corn ending stock estimates by 2.75 MMT to 297.81 MMT for 2019/20 compared to previous month due to increase in consumption estimates for 2019/20. Corn ending stock estimates for U.S also decreased by 0.46 MMT to 48.07 MMT for 2019/20 due to increase in consumption estimates which could lead to corn prices at CBOT market while for Ukraine, it slightly increased its corn ending stock estimates by 0.05 MMT to 0.86 MMT compared to previous month estimates. For Argentina, it kept unchanged its corn ending stock estimates compared to previous month while for Brazil, it decreased its corn ending stock estimates by 0.5 MMT to 4.58 MMT due to increase in exports estimates compared to previous month estimates.

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

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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
	14-Jan-20	14-Jan-20	14-Jan-20	13-Jan-20
Nizamabad	-	-	-	-
Sangli	504	-	504	504

Spot Prices at Key Markets

Centre	Grade	Prices (Rs./qtl)			Arrivals in Quintal		
		15-Jan-20	14-Jan-20	Change	15-Jan-20	14-Jan-20	Change
New Delhi	Hybrid	2200	2200	Unch	NA	NA	-
Koppal	Loose	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Davangere	Loose	Closed	Closed	-	Closed	Closed	-
Ranebennur	Hybrid/Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	NA	2050	-	NA	378	-
Gadag	Local	NA	2210	-	NA	200	-
Hubli	Local	NA	1930	-	NA	276	-
Shimoga	Hybrid/Local	NA	1870	-	NA	630	-
Nizamabad	Bilty	Closed	Closed	-	Closed	Closed	-
Karimnagar	Local	NR	NR	-	NR	NR	-
Khammam	Local	NR	NR	-	NR	NR	-
Sangli	Feed	2045	2047	-2	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	Closed	Closed	-	Closed	Closed	-
	Starch	Closed	Closed	-			

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Khanna	Local	NR	NA	-	NR	NA	-
	Bilty	NR	NA	-			
Ludhiana	Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
	Bilty	NA	NA	-			
Jalgaon	Bilty	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Chhindwara	Loose price	Closed	Closed	-	Closed	Closed	-

CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) as on 14 January,2020

Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Mar-20	153.24	153.73	152.85	153.14	-0.20
May-20	155.80	156.39	155.50	155.90	-0.10
Jul-20	158.36	158.75	157.97	158.36	-0.20
Sep-20	158.36	158.65	158.06	158.36	-0.30
Dec-20	159.05	159.34	158.85	159.15	-0.20

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