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Executive Summary:

- In India, maize has been sown in 2.31 lakh hectares as of 13th Nov'20, lower than corresponding period last year area of 2.61 lakh hectares. In Bihar, it has been sown in 0.10 lakh hectares; lower than 0.30 lakh hectares compared to corresponding period last year. In Tamil Nadu, it has been sown in 0.99 lakh hectares; lower than 1.24 lakh hectares compared to corresponding period last year. In Karnataka, it has been sown in 0.23 lakh hectares; lower than 0.24 lakh hectares compared to corresponding period last year. However, in Maharashtra, it has been sown in 0.47 lakh hectares; higher than 0.24 lakh hectares compared to corresponding period last year.
- In A.P, maize targeted area for the Rabi Season 2020-21 has been set at 2.03 lakh hectares. It has been sown in 0.02 lakh hectares as of 11th Nov'20 which is lower than 0.06 lakh hectares of the corresponding period last year. Maize sown area is 1% to season normal.
- In Naugachia region of Bihar, Maize is being traded at Rs.1,450-1,550 per quintal (Bilty Price) and is being delivered to Uttar Pradesh at Rs.1,550-1,700 per quintal and Kolkata at Rs.1,650-1,700 per quintal. In Gulabghat, it is being traded at Rs. 1,650 per quintal (Bilty Price). Hyderabad poultry feed makers are buying Maize at Rs.1,600 per quintal; sourced from Nizamabad region. It is also moving towards Bengaluru, Nammakal and Sangli at Rs.1,500 and Rs.1,550 and Rs. 1,600 per quintal, respectively; all sourced from Davangere region of Karnataka.

Previous Updates:

- Government procurement could support the market to gain. However, expectation of arrival pressure after festive season could limit the gain.
- In Karnataka, crop arrivals still contains moisture of upto 25% due to cloudy weather. In Maharashtra, it contains moisture of upto 20%.
- Trade sources revealed that in Telangana, Government has procured around 1.5 lakh quintal of maize till 11th November, 2020.
- Announcement by Telangana and M.P government to procure the entire quantity of maize and 2 lakh MT by Karnataka government would support the market to trade firm ahead. Procurement by Maharashtra and Haryana government would also support to the market.
- As per trade sources, India exported around 2,23,781 MT of maize in the month of September'20 at an average FoB of \$185.51/ MT, out of which, 1,67,774 MT was exported to Bangladesh at an average FoB of \$190.82/MT and around 52,112 MT was exported to Nepal at an average FoB of \$178.60/MT.
- The 1st Advance Estimates of kharif production of maize for 2020-21 has pegged maize production at 19.88 MMT against set target of 22 MMT for 2020-21. However, Agriwatch's first estimate for the maize production in 2020-21 Kharif season is 18.29 MMT with average yield of 2.20 MT/ hectare.

International Market Commentary:

- Corn on CBOT rose by 2.26 USD/MT to 163.87 USD/MT for December'20 contract compared to previous day.
- In U.S, 95% of crop has been harvested as of 15th November'20, up 22 percentage points from corresponding period last year.
- As per USDA, U.S. Maize exports have reached 7.58 MMT in the 2020-21 marketing year. At 0.73 MMT (for the period October 30 -November 05, 2020) U.S. Maize exports were unchanged from the previous week but down 8 percent from the prior 4-week average; mainly for the destinations like Mexico (215,600 MT), China (202,600 MT), Japan (79,100 MT), Honduras (55,600 MT), and Panama (46,900 MT). Agriwatch expects that increase in export demand for U.S Maize in near term would support to CBOT Maize. However, crop arrivals pressure could limit the gain.

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

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NCDEX Maize Futures

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Volume Change	OI	OI Change
Nov-20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dec-20	--	--	--	--	--	-	-	-	-
Jan-21	--	--	--	--	--	-	-	-	-

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

Spread	Nov-20	Dec-20	Jan-21
Spot	-	--	--
Nov-20	--	-	--
Dec-20	--	--	-

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

Stocks	Demat	In-Process	Total	EDD
	16-Nov-20	16-Nov-20	16-Nov-20	16-Nov-20
Gulabagh	-	-	-	-
Sangli	-	-	-	-

Spot Prices at Key Markets

Centre	Grade	Prices (Rs./qtl)			Arrivals in Quintal		
		17-Nov-20	16-Nov-20	Change	17-Nov-20	16-Nov-20	Change
New Delhi	Hybrid	1550	NR	-	NA	NR	-
Koppal	Loose	NA	NR	-	NA	NR	-
Davangere	Loose	1350	NR	-	2000	NR	-
Ranebennur	Hybrid/Local	NA	NR	-	NA	NR	-
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	1410	NR	-	966	NR	-
Gadag	Local	NA	NR	-	NA	NR	-
Hubli	Local	1255	NR	-	20	NR	-
Shimoga	Hybrid/Local	NA	NR	-	NA	NR	-
Nizamabad	Bilty	1500	NR	-	1000	NR	-
Karimnagar	Local	NA	NR	-	NA	NR	-
Khammam	Local	NA	NR	-	NA	NR	-
Sangli	Feed	1510	NR	-	NA	NR	-
Naugachia	Bilty	1550	NR	-	1000	NR	-
Kolkata	Mill Delivery	1700	NR	-	NA	NR	-
Gulabagh	Local	1550	NR	-	3000	NR	-
	Bilty	1650	NR	-			
Ahmedabad	Feed	Closed	NR	-	Closed	NR	-

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	Starch	Closed	NR	-			
Khanna	Local	1350	NR	-	600	NR	-
	Bilty	1400	NR	-			
Ludhiana	Local	NA	NR	-	NA	NR	-
	Bilty	NA	NR	-			
Jalgaon	Bilty	1650	NR	-	1700	NR	-
Chhindwara	Loose price	Closed	NR	-	Closed	NR	-

CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) as on 16 November,2020

Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Dec-20	161.02	164.07	161.02	163.87	2.26
Mar-21	164.56	167.22	164.56	167.02	1.87
May-21	166.33	168.69	166.33	168.59	1.67
July-21	166.04	169.28	166.04	169.19	1.38
Sep-21	159.54	161.71	159.44	161.41	1.67

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