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**Executive Summary:**

- Mixed sentiment was noticed in major Maize spot market on Friday.

**Previous Updates:**

- Sources revealed that Maize in Nizamabad market was being traded between Rs. 2,200 per quintal. Loose Maize in market of Davangere, Karnataka was being traded between Rs. 2,250 to Rs. 2,350 per quintal.
- At Chhindwara market new maize with moisture between 13 % to 14 % was being traded between Rs. 2,500 per quintal to Rs. 2,510 per quintal.
- As per the source, 33,000 metric tonne (MT) of Maize Vessel KALIXENOS is waiting at berth for loading at Tuticorin port since 21st Feb 2022. Also, 36,000 MT of Maize Vessel OCEAN REEF has completed loading at Vizag port. And, 31,500 MT of Maize Vessel GOLDEN EAGLE has completed loading at Krishnapathnam port.
- Arrivals in major markets are very little leading to hike in prices at various spot markets.
- Good quality Maize with optimum moisture content was being traded in Bihar between Rs. 2,200 to Rs. 2,300 per quintal. Average quality Maize sourced from Bihar was being supplied to Kharagpur, Kolkata and Siliguri to fulfil the demand of poultry industry at the rate of Rs. 2,250 per quintal. Sourced from Bihar, Bangladesh was buying Maize at Rs. 2,250 per quintal.
- As per the trade sources, India exported around 3,00,747 MT of Maize in January 2022 at an average FoB of US\$ 288.31 per MT, out of which, 96,590 MT was exported to Bangladesh at an average FoB of US\$ 296.94 per MT. And 1,20,289 MT was exported to Bhutan at an average FoB of US\$ 288.88 per MT. Around 41,415 MT was exported to Malaysia at an average FoB of US\$ 273.68 per MT and approximately 33,488 MT was exported to Nepal at an average FoB of US\$ 277.97 per MT.
- In Andhra Pradesh, as of 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022, Rabi Maize cover has been reached at 1.95 lakh hectare as compared to 1.53 lakh hectare for same time last year. In Telengana, as of 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022, Rabi Maize cover has been reached at 1.92 lakh hectare as compared to 1.79 lakh hectare for same time last year.
- According to sowing data, as of 4<sup>th</sup> February 2022, acreage cover under Rabi Maize in India has reached at 19.31 lakh hectare as compared to 17.51 lakh hectare previous year same time. Highest acreage cover seen in Bihar at 5.96 lakh hectare, followed by Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu at 3.37 lakh hectare and 1.91 lakh hectare respectively.
- According to Gujarat Agri. Dept., with 87,924 hectares as compared to last year same period of 95,975 hectares, 80.79% sowing completed as on 10th January 2022.

**International Market Commentary:**

- U.S. Maize exports have reached at 27.53 million metric tonne (MMT) for the 2021-22 Marketing Year, with the exports of 1.76 MMT for the period of 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 2022 – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022, these exports were down by 14 percent from the previous week and also from the prior 4-week average, to the destinations like China (555,100 MT), Mexico (371,700 MT), Colombia (258,400 MT), Japan (205,100 MT), and Saudi Arabia (140,000 MT). However, rising crude oil prices amid Ukraine-Russia War may impact U.S. Corn exports.
- Corn on CBOT rose by 8.96 to 298.31 USD per MT for March'22 contract, as compared to previous day. AgriWatch expects that ongoing Ukraine-Russia war and dry weather-related conditions in Brazil and Argentina may provide support to Corn on CBOT.

**Outlook and Recommendation:** Maize cash market is likely to trade with steady to firm sentiment in the coming near term.

### Spot Prices at Key Markets

Centre	Grade	Prices (Rs./qtl)			Arrivals in Quintal		
		11-Mar-22	10-Mar-22	Change	11-Mar-22	10-Mar-22	Change
New Delhi	Hybrid	2500	2400	100	NA	NA	-
Koppal	Loose	NR	NR	-	NR	NR	-
Davangere	Loose	2300	2300	Unch	700	1000	-300
Ranebennur	Hybrid/Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	2185	2235	-50	24	109	-85
Gadag	Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Hubli	Local	2250	2180	70	45	94	-49
Shimoga	Hybrid/Local	2000	2000	Unch	1272	254	1018
Nizamabad	Bilty	2200	2200	Unch	50	10	40
Karimnagar	Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Khammam	Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
Sangli	Feed	2482	2474	8	NA	NA	-
Naugachia	Bilty	2300	2300	Unch	NA	NA	-
Kolkata	Mill Delivery	2300	2300	Unch	NA	NA	-
Gulabghagh	Local	2250	2250	Unch	1500	1500	Unch
	Bilty	2350	2350	Unch			
Ahmedabad	Feed	2375	2350	25	2500	2000	500
	Starch	2340	2325	15			
Khanna	Local	2140	2250	-110	1800	2250	-450
	Bilty	2290	2360	-70			
Ludhiana	Local	NR	NR	-	NR	NR	-
	Bilty	NR	NR	-			
Jalgaon	Bilty	2300	2300	Unch	2300	2300	Unch
Chhindwara	Loose price	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-

### CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) as on 10th March, 2022

Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Mar-22	290.73	302.35	290.73	298.31	8.96
May-22	288.47	301.36	286.99	297.53	8.96
July-22	278.43	287.98	276.86	285.81	6.99
Sep-22	260.52	267.61	257.86	266.72	6.10
Dec-22	249.99	257.27	247.04	256.58	5.91

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