

Domestic Market Updates:

- Spot prices are varying at a number of significant markets. Prices for local maize and bilty maize have decreased by Rs. 20 and Rs. 30 respectively. The prices remained unchanged in Davangere.
- As per reports, the maize harvest has accelerated in the Tirupur district's Udumalai and Kudimangalam districts of Tamil Nadu, and farmers there are distressed as a result of the decline in prices. The price of maize is low in local markets when it is purchased in large quantities by chicken feed producers from other states like Bihar, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, etc. However, the yield in those states dropped last season for a variety of reasons, including rain damage. Maize commanded high prices in the neighborhood markets as a result. Due to the extensive harvesting taking place in the region, the availability of resources has grown and the price has begun to decline. Currently, a quintal of maize worth Rs. 2,800 is available for Rs. 2,300. Farmers worry that prices may decrease further if the supply rises because the harvest has only just begun.
- According to the most recent report from the Agriculture Department of GOI, India's Rabi Maize area coverage until December 31st 2022 will have slightly increased compared to the same time previous year. In comparison to the same period last year, when maize was sown on 14.56 lakh hectares, it has now been planted on 17.64 lakh ha, or around 21% more land.

Spot Prices at Key market

Centre	Grade	Prices (Rs./qtl)			Arrivals in Quintal		
		05-Jan-23	04-Jan-23	Change	05-Jan-23	04-Jan-23	Change
New Delhi	Hybrid	2420	2420	Unch	NA	NA	-
Koppal	Loose	2110	2110	Unch	2000	NA	-
Davangere	Loose	2230	2230	Unch	900	900	Unch
Ranebennur	Hybrid/Local	NR	NR	-	NR	NR	-
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	2251	2250	1	379	436	-57
Gadag	Local	NR	2151	-	NR	385	-
Hubli	Local	2209	2225	-16	21	14	7
Shimoga	Hybrid/Local	NR	NR	-	NR	NR	-
Nizamabad	Bilty	NR	NR	-	NR	NR	-
Karimnagar	Local	NR	NR	-	NR	NR	-
Khammam	Local	NR	NR	-	NR	NR	-
Sangli	Feed	2395	2396	-1	NA	NA	-
Naugachia	Bilty	2500	2500	Unch	1000	1000	Unch
Kolkata	Mill Delivery	2800	2800	Unch	NA	NA	-
Gulabbagh	Local	2450	2470	-20	4000	3000	1000
	Bilty	2670	2700	-30			
Ahmedabad	Feed	2375	2375	Unch	1000	1000	Unch

	Starch	2375	2375	Unch			
Khanna	Local	2325	2300	25	900	900	Unch
	Bilty	2400	2410	-10			
Ludhiana	Local	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-
	Bilty	NA	NA	-			
Jalgaon	Bilty	2700	2700	Unch	2800	2800	Unch
Chhindwara	Loose price	NA	NA	-	NA	NA	-

International Market Updates:

- According to reports, Brazil exported 43.17 million metric tonnes of corn in 2022, a 109.5% increase over the 20.6 million metric tonnes it exported the year before as a result of production recovering from the summer crop losses and rising interest in the country's grain amid supply concerns brought on by the conflict in Ukraine and subsequent Chinese demand. Because December grain exports came in at 5.8 million mt rather than the anticipated 6.1 million mt, the year's output of corn fell short of the forecasted 43.5 million mt. With 12% of the total volume, Iran was Brazil's top export market, followed by Japan (12%) and Spain (12%). In 2023, gaining access to the Chinese market was the major goal, and 22 ships carrying grain with a possible destination of China are presently being followed. The robust export rate is anticipated to continue in 2023 as January corn shipments are forecast to be 4.3 million mt, up from 2.2 million mt in the same month in 2022.
- According to news reports, following a decline in the maize production due to drought, Kenya's imports of are now more than doubled to 519,611.30 tonnes in the first nine months of 2022. During the same time period last year, the nation imported 214,100.9 tonnes of maize. This is the country's largest import of maize since 2017. The lack of the dietary staple has caused retail prices of maize flour to soar, leaving 5.1 million people in need of food assistance.
- According to reports, a record maize crop in Brazil is anticipated to be harvested in 2022–2023, which typically drives down prices, but the forecast of strong demand on global markets points to continued port differentials. With an expected increase in planted area to 22.3 ha from 21.6 ha, the overall corn crop for 2022–23 is predicted to be 125.8 MT, significantly higher than the estimated 113.1 MT for the crop in 2021–22. Brazilian corn exports are predicted by market participants to reach 44–46 MT in 2023.
- U.S. Maize exports have reached at 9.23 million metric tonne (MMT) for 2021-22 Marketing Year, with the exports of 1.01 MMT for the period of 15th December 2022 to 22nd December 2022. Exports of 1,012,500 MT were primarily to Mexico (441,600 MT), China (278,400 MT), Japan (124,200 MT), Colombia (45,400 MT), and Guatemala (33,700 MT).

- Closing price of Corn on CBOT down by 6.59 USD to 257.37 USD per MT as compared to previous day's closing price for Mar-23 contract.

CBOT Corn Daily Futures Price Listing (USD/MT) as on 4 th January 2023					
Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Mar-23	264.06	264.46	256.88	257.37	-6.59
May-23	263.77	264.16	257.17	257.47	-6.40
Jul-23	261.60	261.90	255.11	255.60	-6.10
Sep-23	244.38	244.87	239.46	239.85	-5.02
Dec-23	238.38	238.97	233.75	234.14	-4.72

Outlook and Recommendation:

- Arrivals will slowly begin to arrive at the markets in Karnataka and nearby states upon completion of maize growing in Tamil Nadu. However, due the stockists and traders are stocking up maize as prices will surge on the coming days upon Makar Sankranti. On the long run, prices will only subside by end of march to beginning of May. For the coming weeks, prices tend to remain mostly flat to slightly firm. Exports also are on the weaker side due ti disparity even with the neighboring countries.

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