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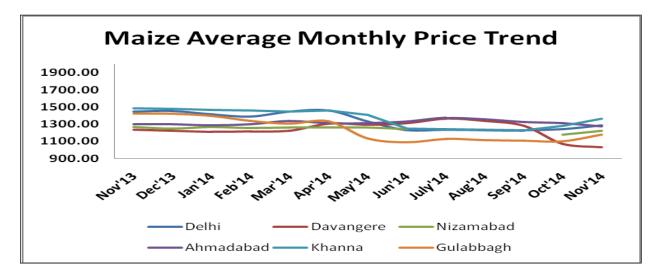
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

New crop arrivals of maize continue in the market and could pressurize the Indian maize prices to go down. Besides, the quality of maize is lower than last year and could affect to Indian exports of maize. Indian export parity has turned into negative and major competitor like Argentina, Brazil and U.S are offering attractive price in comparison to India. However, Government procurement and lower quantity of high quality maize could restrict any major fall.

Market participants are expecting export demand in the couple of weeks as price of domestic maize may dip from current level and may attract buyers like Bangladesh, Vietnam, and Malaysia. Overall, we expect maize market to trade range bound with weak bias for the December month.

At this time, Maize is moving towards Kolkata at Rs. 1425-1450 per quintal, sourced from Naugachia region of Bihar. While, it is moving towards Bangalore, Nammakal and Chitradurga at Rs. 1200 per quintal, 1220 per quintal and Rs. 1130 per quintal respectively, sourced from Davangere.

As per ministry of agriculture, maize have been sown in 5.6 lakh hectares as on 28th November, 2014 during Rabi season, higher by 0.99 lakh hectares as compared to last year.



During the month of November, in Ahmadabad region of Gujarat, poultry feed makers quotes for maize were in a range of Rs. 1200-1360 per quintal while starch feed makers quotes were firm by Rs. 20 per quintal as compared to last month, in a range of Rs. 1200-1350 per quintal, sourced from U.P.



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INDIA MAIZE BALANCE SHEET

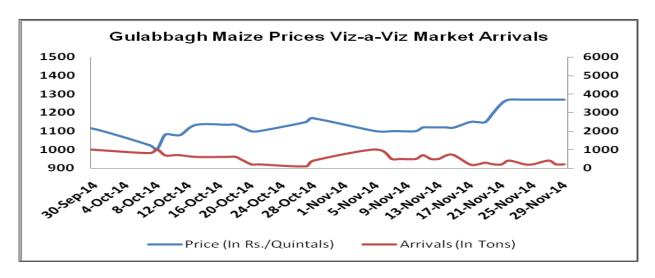
			2014-15 Quarterly B/S			
	2013-	2014-	Oct-	Jan-	Apr-	July-Sep
	14E	15F	Dec'14 F	Mar'15 F	Jun'15 F	15 F
Opening Stocks (MMT)	2.17	2.45	2.45	6.84	3.75	3.86
Production (MMT)	21.86	20.90	11.94	2.98	4.78	1.20
Farmer's Release						
(MMT)	15.71	15.04	7.29	3.13	3.24	1.39
Govt. Procurement						
(MMT)	1.09	1.09	0.49	0.60		
Pvt. Trade Release						
(MMT)	14.61	13.95	3.26	6.06	2.78	1.85
Seed Retention (MMT)	0.24	0.27	0.07	0.00	0.20	0.00
Imports (MMT)	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Total Supply (MMT)	24.04	23.36	14.39	2.98	4.78	1.21
Export (MMT)	3.73	3.32	0.24	1.20	1.53	0.35
Domestic Consumption						
(MMT)	17.86	17.41	7.31	4.87	3.13	2.09
Total Demand (MMT)	21.59	20.73	7.55	6.08	4.67	2.44
Ending Stock (MMT)	2.45	2.63	6.84	3.75	3.86	2.63

- E= AW Estimates, F=AW Forecast
- All figures in million ton



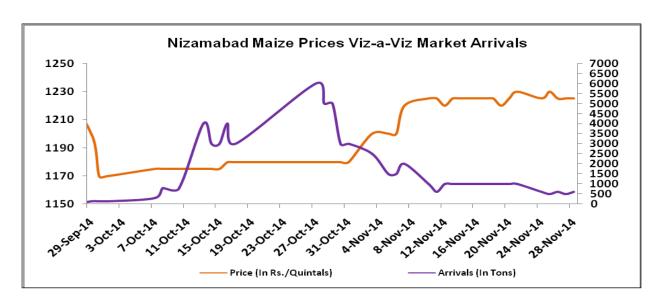
STATE - WISE MARKET DYNAMICS

BIHAR



As per trade sources, maize is moving towards Kolkata at Rs. 1425-1450 per quintal on delivered basis sourced from Naugachia region of Bihar. Maize could trade slightly firm amid good demand from Kolkata feed makers.

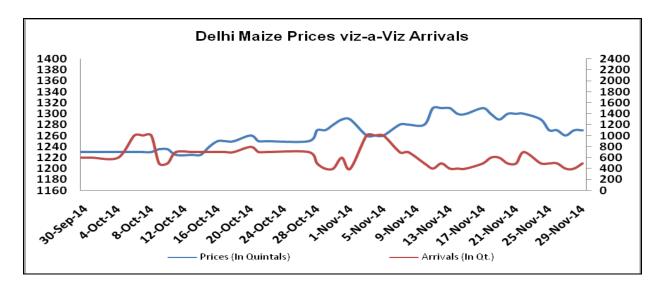
ANDHRA PRADESH



In Nizamabad, maize crop contains around 14% moisture; bilty is being quoted at Rs. 1220 per quintal. Sources revealed that government of A.P. has quantity of maize around 0.04 million tons at this time and continues procuring at the MSP. Maize could trade steady to range bound in the near term.

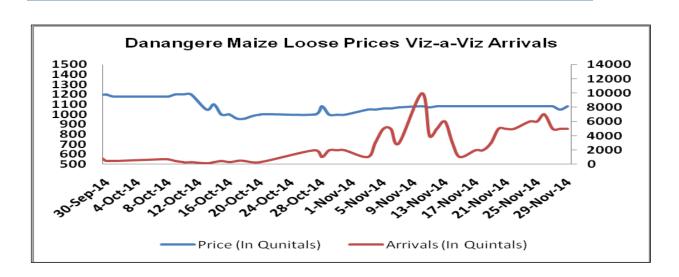


DELHI



In Delhi, hybrid maize is quoting at Rs. 1260-1270 per quintal, sourced from U.P. Sources revealed that stock of maize could be around 50000 quintal. Maize could trade steady in the near term.

Karnataka



In Davangere, moisture in maize crop is around 14-15%. It is moving towards Bangalore, Nammakal and Chitradurga at Rs. 1200 per quintal, Rs. 1220 per quintal and Rs. 1130 per quintal respectively, sourced from Davangere. Sources revealed that government of Karnataka has stock of maize around 0.20 million tons. Maize could trade steady in the near term.



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Month-wise Average prices of Maize at various markets						
Market	2014- November	2014- Oct	2013- November	% Change from Prev. Month	% Change from Prev. Year	
Delhi (U.P. Origin)	1270	1246	1450	1.93	-12.41	
Davangere(Loose)	1080	1055	1180	2.37	-8.47	
Shimoga	1050	1090	1120	-3.67	-6.25	
Bagalkot	1121	1071	1116	4.67	0.45	
Gadag	1062	983	1090	8.04	-2.57	
Nizamabad	1225	1180	1275	3.81	-3.92	
Khanna	1390	1350	1480	2.96	-6.08	
Ludhiana	1300	1300	1500	Unch	-13.33	
Sangli	1210	1212	1200	-0.17	0.83	
Gulabbagh	1270	NA	1420	-	-10.56	

PRICE OUTLOOK:

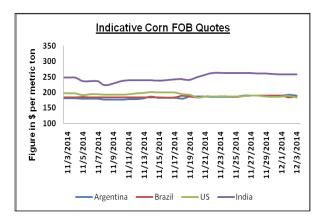
For the month of December, we expect market to move range bound with weak bias due to arrival pressure.

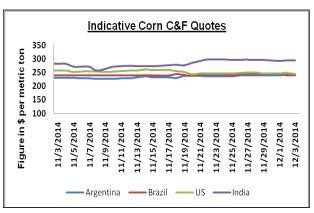


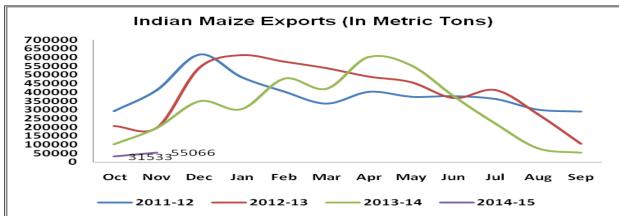


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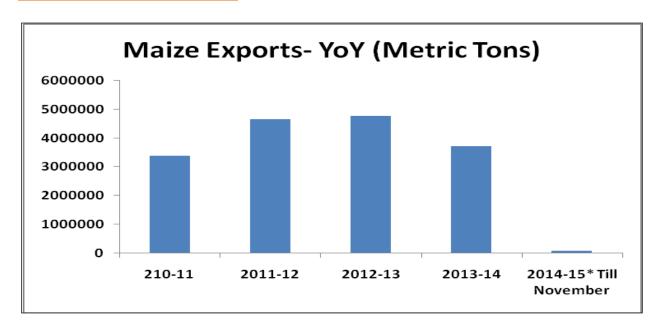




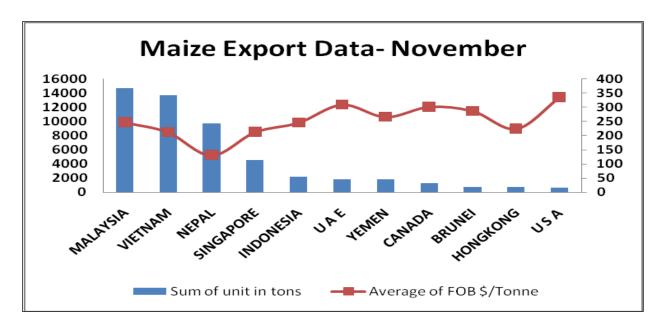
Indian C&F Rate to Thailand vs. other Countries (\$1= Rs. 61.8866)								
As on 03.12.2014	O14 Argentina Brazil US India							
FOB	189.47	186.55	184.4	258.61				
Cost and Freight (C&F)	239.47	241.55	244.4	293.61				



YEAR ON YEAR MAIZE EXPORTS



MAIZE NOVEMBER EXPORTS





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FUTURES MARKET ANALYSIS: NCDEX MAIZE (DECEMBER CONTINUOUS WEEKLY FUTURE CHART)



- Candlestick chart pattern reveals down in the market.
- > RSI is moving down in neutral zone.
- Decrease in prices with lower OI indicates to long liquidation.
- > Strategy: Sell below 1150 and target1 and target2 would be 1100, 1075.

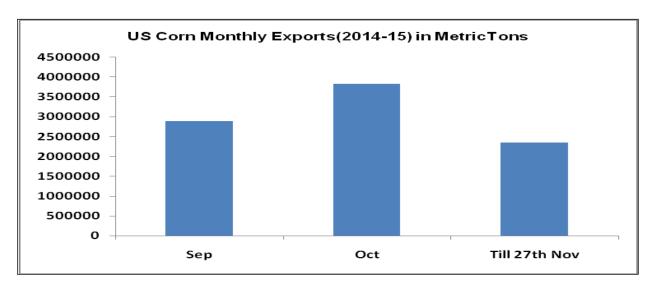
Support & Resistance						
S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2		
990	1057	1187	1219	1284		

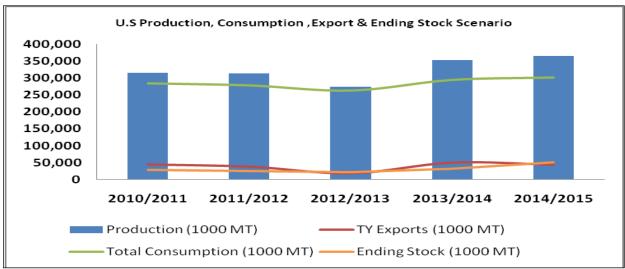
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INTERNATIONAL MARKET SCENARIO:

U.S.

As per USDA, U.S accumulated corn export figures reached to 92,57,486 metric tons for the 2014-15 marketing year. Exports of 7,46,400 MT reported by U.S Mexico (182,800 MT), Peru (177,500 MT), Japan (92,700 MT), Egypt (66,000 MT), Guatemala (63,400 MT), and Colombia (58,500 MT) for the period November 21-27, 2014.





As per the latest crop progress report released by USDA, 94% crop of corn has been harvested as of 23rd November, 2014, same from the last year but above 2% from the last 5 year average period.

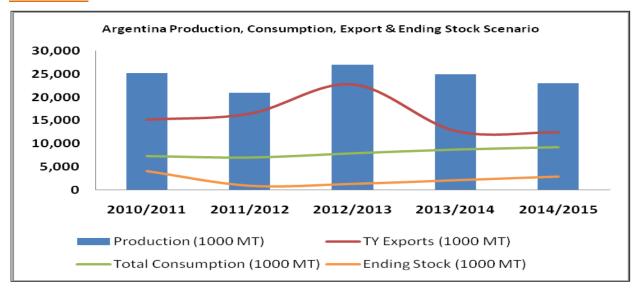
Informa Economics raised its projection for U.S. 2015 corn plantings by 0.531 million acres to 88.331 million acres from the last month.



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As per USDA, corn ending stocks for U.S are forecasted lower by 1.842 million tons to 51.008 million tons for 2014/15 from the last month forecast as U.S corn production is decreased by 1.715 million tons to 365.965 million tons from the last month and corn consumption in U.S forecasted higher by 0.127 million tons to 302.528 million tons as compared to last month.

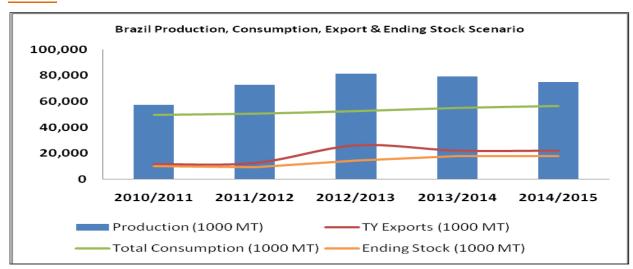
ARGENTINA



As per Rosario grain exchange, Argentina's 2014/15 commercial use corn harvest is projected at 21.5 million tons, lower than USDA forecast of 23 million tons.

USDA increased its ending stock estimates for Argentina by 0.295 million tons to 2.930 million tons from the previous month estimates for 2014/15.

BRAZIL



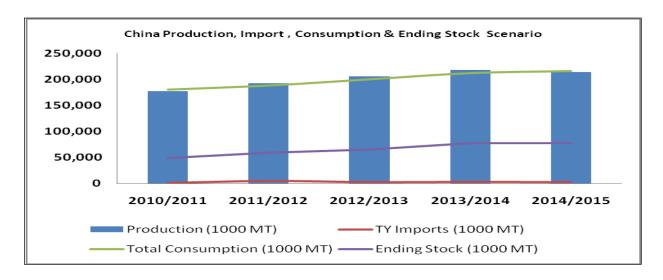


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USDA increased its ending stock estimates for Brazil by 0.5 million tons to 17.55 million tons from the previous month estimates for 2014/15 due to decrease in export estimates by 0.5 million tons to 22 million tons.

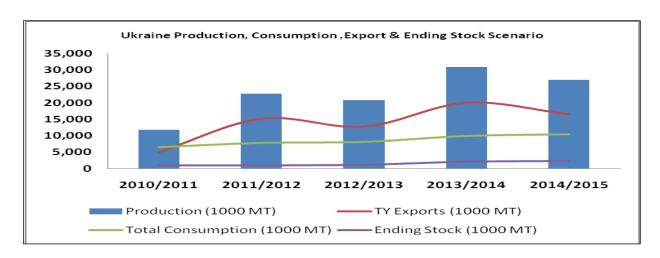
Brazil's government crop supply agency Conab forecast corn crop at 78.1 million tons for 2014-15, higher than USDA forecast of 75 million tons.

CHINA



USDA increased its corn ending stock forecast for China by 0.380 million tons to 77.715 million tons for 2014/15 from the last month. It decreased corn consumption forecast by 4 million tons to 216 million tons while decreased its production forecast by 3 million tons to 214 million ton for 2014/15.

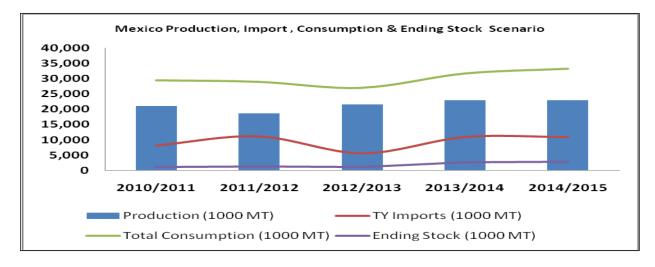
UKRAINE



USDA increased its corn production estimates for Ukraine by 2 million tons to 27 million tons for 2014-15 from the last month. Also, increased its ending stock forecast by 0.5 million tons to 2.391 million tons from the last month.



<u>MEXICO</u>



USDA increased its corn ending stock forecast for Mexico by 0.614 million tons to 2.875 million tons for 2014/15 as compared to last month forecast.

INTERNATIONAL CORN HIGHLIGHTS

The International Grains Council raised its forecast for the 2014/15 global corn production by 2 million tons to 982 million tons from the previous month forecast; mainly because of an upward revision to production in China.

Maize CBOT Monthly Futures Price Listing (USD/MT)							
	Contract Month 28.11.2014 30.10.2014 Change						
	Dec-14	147.90	147.21	0.69			
Corn CBOT Prices	Mar-15	153.01	152.32	0.69			
Com CBOT Prices	May-15	156.26	155.77	0.49			
	July-15	158.92	158.42	0.50			

As per European traders, South Korea's Major Feedmill Group has purchased 126,000 tons of corn for arrival in March 2015, likely to be sourced optionally from the U.S. (Pacific North West or Gulf ports), Europe, South America or South Africa. One consignment of 63,000 tons was purchased at \$213.95 a ton c&f plus a \$1.50 a ton surcharge for additional port unloading. Another 63,000 tons was purchased at \$214.25 a ton c&f plus a \$1.50 a ton surcharge for additional port. Meanwhile, South Korea's largest feedmaker Nonghyup Feed Inc. purchased 93,000 tons corn for shipment from the U.S. Pacific North West coast around Feb. 5-24, 2015, with arrival around Mar. 20, 2015. Some 63,000 tons was purchased at \$212.75 a ton c&f and 30,000 tons at a premium of \$1.75 c&f over the Chicago March 2015 corn contract. The purchases also had an additional \$1.50 a ton surcharge for additional port unloading. (Source: Reuters)



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Besides, a group of Israeli private buyers purchased about 120,000 tons of corn. 60,000 ton was purchased at a premium of around \$1.14 a bushel c&f over the Chicago March 2015 corn contract for shipment between Jan. 25 to Feb. 15, 2015. Another 60,000 ton was purchased at an undisclosed but slightly lower premium over the Chicago March contract for shipment around Feb. 20 to Mar. 10, 2015. (Source: Reuters)

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Corn prices on CBOT market increased last month on strong domestic cash markets and steep gains in wheat prices. However, overall market sentiments remain bearish due to high ending stock.

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