

Maize Weekly Research Report

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

DOMESTIC MAIZE MARKET SUMMARY

All India Maize cash markets traded mixed during the week compared to last week. Agriwatch expects that despite continuous export demand, Maize would trade range bound as domestic trade of maize is being impacted due to several widespread cases of bird flu in India.

Trade sources revealed that Andhra Pradesh government has procured around 1,99,736 MT of Maize till January 22, 2021. While, Uttar Pradesh government has procured around 1,06,412 MT of Maize till January 16, 2021.

MAIZE TRADE SCENARIO

Sources revealed that maize is being loaded for Krishnapatnam, Vizag and Chennai port at Rs. 1,555 per quintal, Rs. 1,620 per quintal and Rs. 1,551 per quintal, respectively; sourced from Davangere and Kotturu region of Karnataka. Hyderabad poultry feed makers are buying Maize at Rs.1,550 per quintal; sourced from Nizamabad region Of Telangana. While, Kolkata feed makers are buying maize at Rs. 1,600 per quintal, sourced from Gulabbagh region of Bihar.

STATE WISE RABI SOWING COVERAGE

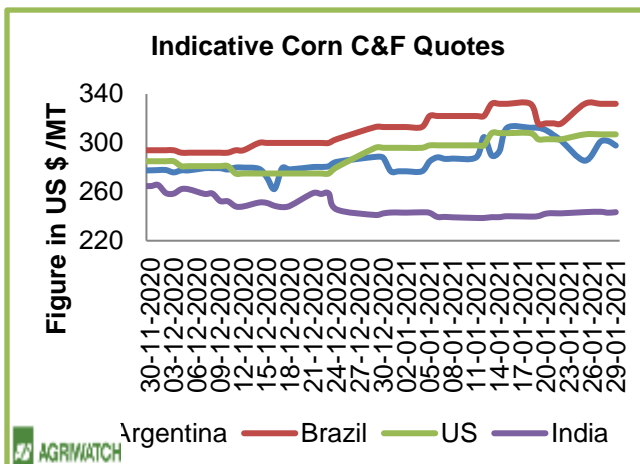
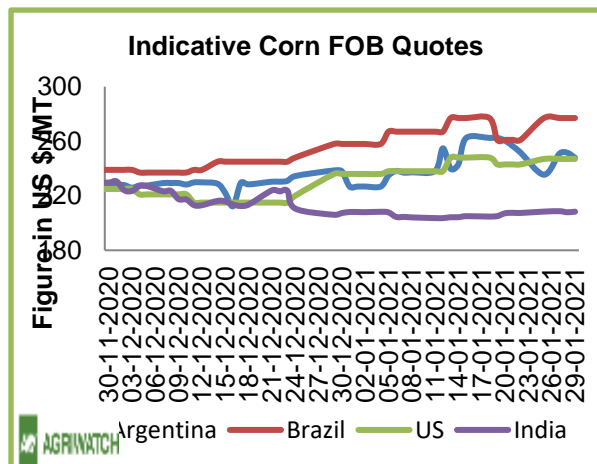
In India, Maize has been sown in 16.94 lakh hectares as of January 29, 2021, which is lower than the 17.49 lakh hectares of area during the corresponding period last year. In Andhra Pradesh, it has been sown in 1.28 lakh hectares; lower than the 1.67 lakh hectares in the corresponding period, last year. In Karnataka, it has been sown in 0.76 lakh hectares; lower than the 0.87 lakh hectares in the corresponding period, last year and in Telangana, it has been sown in 1.08 lakh hectares; lower than the 1.39 lakh hectares in the corresponding period, last year. In Tamil Nadu, it has been sown in 1.58 lakh hectares; lower than the 1.65 lakh hectares in the corresponding period, last year. However, in Bihar, it has been sown in 5.27 lakh hectares; higher than the 5.05 lakh hectares in the corresponding period, last year and in Maharashtra, it has been sown in 2.73 lakh hectares; higher than 2.28 lakh hectares in the corresponding period, last year.

INTERNATIONAL CORN MARKET SUMMARY

Corn on CBOT rose by 0.60 USD/MT to 215.94 USD/MT for March'21 contract compared to previous week. Agriwatch expects that increase in export demand for U.S. Maize in near term and decrease in Global Maize Ending Stock, would support CBOT Maize.

At 1.00 MMT (for the period January 22-28, 2021) U.S. Maize exports were down 30 percent from the previous week and 17 percent from the prior 4-week average; mainly for the destinations like Japan (2,53,600 MT), China (2,09,500 MT), Mexico (1,90,900 MT), Colombia (1,08,800 MT), and Chile (45,300 MT).

EXPORT PARITY TREND



Indian C&F Rate to Thailand vs. other Countries (\$1= Rs. 73.92)				
As on 04.02.2021	Argentina	Brazil	US	India
FOB	249.61	277.00	252.00	211.04
C&F	299.61	332.00	312.00	246.04

As depicted by the above data, there is parity for Indian maize as gap of prices between India and other exporting countries has narrowed.

EXPORTS

As per trade sources, India exported around 3,59,265 MT of Maize in the month of December 2020 at an average FoB of US\$ 221.05 per MT.

VESSEL POSITION

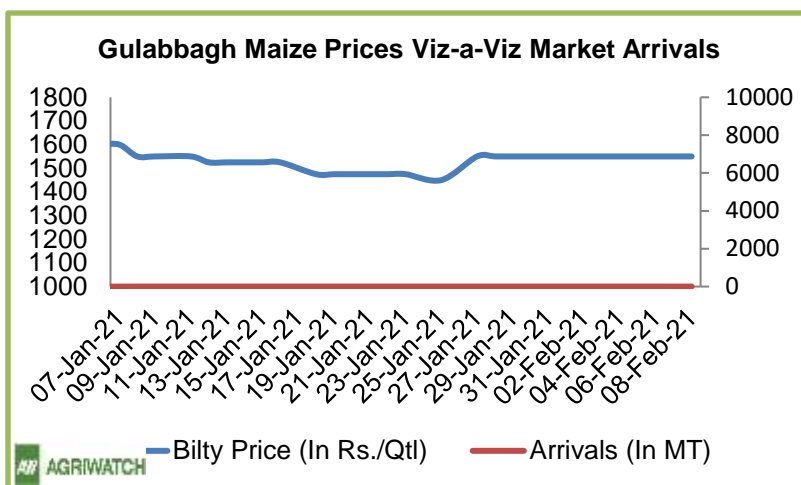
Sources revealed that 22,000 MT of Maize Vessel, DMC NEPTUNE, was expected to complete loading at VIZAG/ Visakhapatnam port on February 04, 2021. Around 31,500 MT of Maize Vessel, LADY C, was expected to complete loading at Chennai port on February 08, 2021. And, 18,000 MT of Maize Vessel, EVOLUTION, is expected to arrive at Krishnapatnam port on February 05, 2021. Besides, 45,000 MT of Maize Vessel, OBE QUEEN, is expected to arrive at Vizag port on February 10, 2021.

CURRENT MARKET DYNAMICS:

During the week under review, steady to slightly firm sentiments were reported in most of the major cash markets of maize. The various key spot markets dynamics are as under:

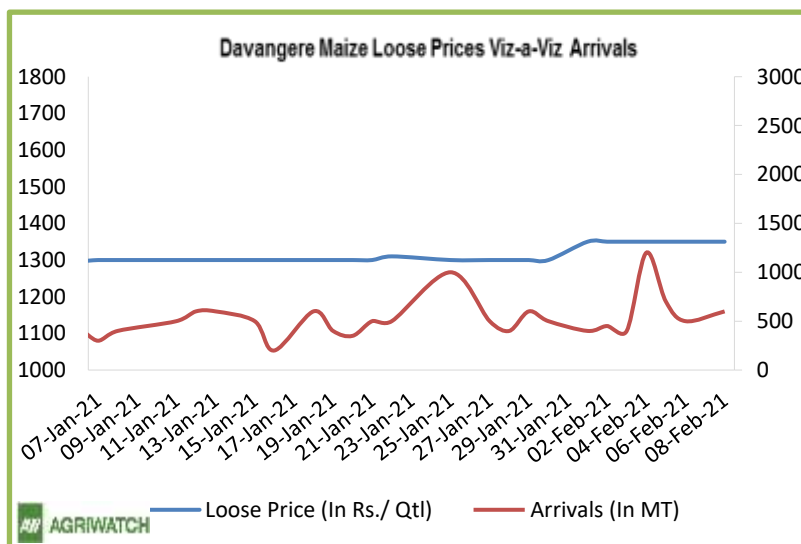
BIHAR:

- In Gulabbagh region of Bihar, Maize is being traded at Rs.1,500-1,550 per quintal (Bilty Price). Maize in Gulabbagh would trade steady to range bound and stay in the range of Rs. 1,500-1,550 per quintal for the week.



KARNATAKA:

- In Karnataka, maize is likely to trade steady to range bound in near term despite fresh export demand. Maize is being loaded for Krishnapatnam, Vizag and Chennai port at Rs.1,555 per quintal, Rs.1,620 per quintal and Rs.1,551 per quintal, respectively; sourced from Davangere and Kotturu region of Karnataka.

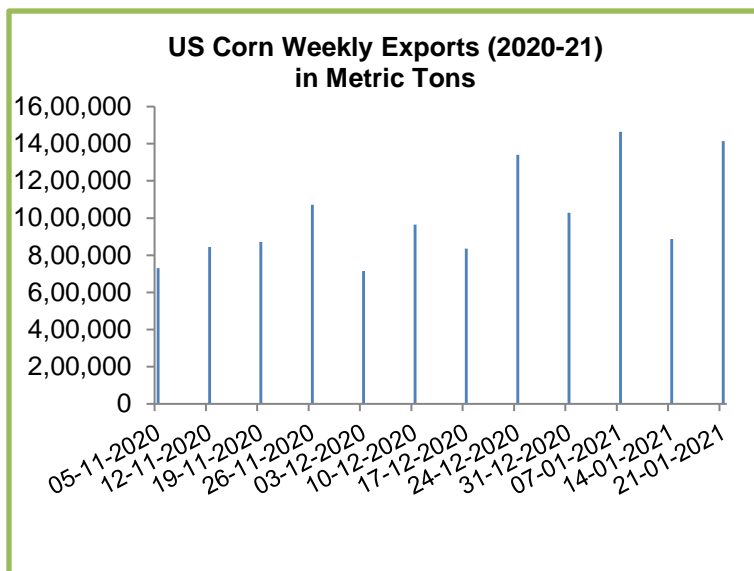


DOMESTIC MAIZE OUTLOOK:

Agriwatch expects that despite continuous export demand, Maize would trade range bound as domestic trade of maize is being impacted due to several widespread cases of bird flu in India.

INTERNATIONAL MARKET HIGHLIGHT:

As per USDA, U.S. Maize exports have reached 20.02 MMT in the 2020-21 marketing year. At 1.00 MMT (for the period January 22-28, 2021) U.S. Maize exports were down 30 percent from the previous week and 17 percent from the prior 4-week average; mainly for the destinations like Japan (2,53,600 MT), China (2,09,500 MT), Mexico (1,90,900 MT), Colombia (1,08,800 MT), and Chile (45,300 MT).



PREVIOUS UPDATES

Argentina has fixed export limit of 30,000 MT per day to safeguard domestic supply which is another reason to increase.

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ANNEXURE

MAIZE SPOT MARKET PRICES (Rs. /QUINTAL)

Maize(Corn)Weekly Prices:						
Market	Grade	05-Feb-21	29-Jan-21	05-Jan-21	05-Feb-20	05-Feb-19
Naugachia	Bilty	1400	1400	1450	NA	2100
Delhi	Hybrid Maize (U.P.)	1480	1470	1500	2000	2150
Davangere	Loose	1300	1300	1330	1800	1950
Shimoga	Bilty	NA	1330	NA	1820	NA
Ranebennur	Bilty	NA	NA	1350	1820	1970
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	1385	1445	1385	1700	1920
Gadag	Local	1330	1410	1361	1720	1900
Nizamabad	Bilty	1550	1550	1450	2050	2000
Khanna	Bilty	1400	1370	1400	1950	2100
Sangli	Feed	1528	1525	1540	1878	2093
Ahmedabad	Feed	1425	1450	1480	1900	2200
	Starch	1500	1530	1480	1900	2200

Maize CBOT Weekly Futures Price Listing (USD/Ton)				
	Contract Month	05-Feb-21	29-Jan-21	Change
Corn CBOT Prices	Mar-21	215.94	215.34	0.60
	May-21	215.54	215.54	0.00
	July-21	211.11	211.21	-0.10
	Sep-21	188.28	185.13	3.15
	Dec-21	177.85	175.29	2.56

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