

# Maize Weekly Research Report

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### DOMESTIC MAIZE MARKET SUMMARY

Overall Maize cash markets traded steady to slightly firm during the week compared to last week. Agriwatch expects that Maize would trade steady to slightly firm in near term too due to continuous demand from global and domestic feed markets.

### MAIZE TRADE SCENARIO

Sources revealed that Maize is being loaded for Chennai and Krishnapatnam ports at Rs. 1,665-1,675 per quintal and Rs. 1,645-1,655 per quintal, respectively; sourced from Karnataka. Maize is being loaded for Vizag port at Rs. 1,550 per quintal; sourced from Madhya Pradesh. Maize is also moving towards South at Rs. 1,625 per quintal; sourced from Madhya Pradesh. Hyderabad poultry feed makers are buying Maize at Rs.1,600 per quintal; sourced from Telangana while, Kolkata feed makers are buying Maize at Rs. 1,600-1,650 per quintal, sourced from Gulabghat region of Bihar.

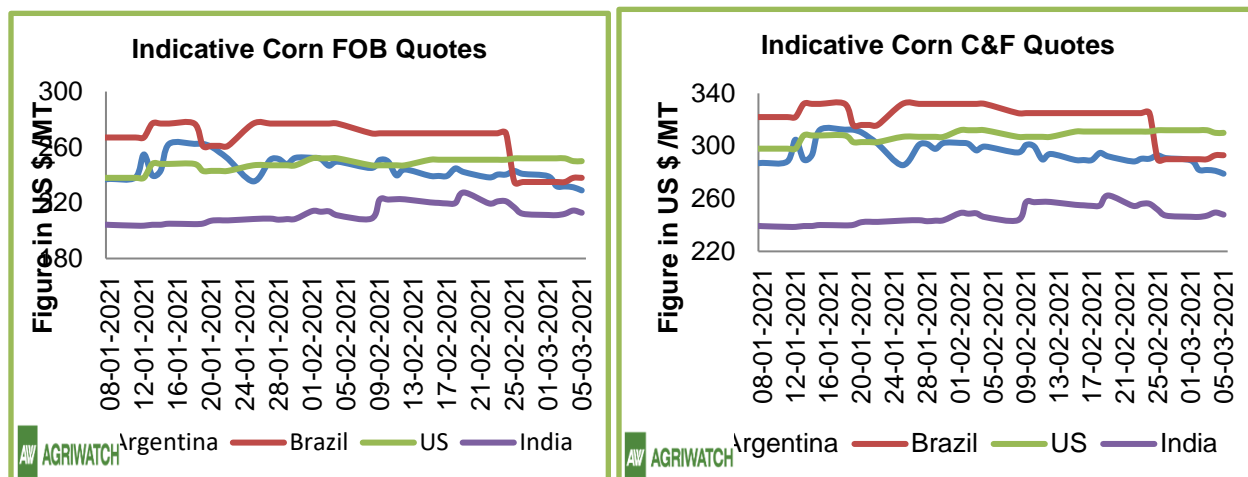
### FIRST ADVANCE ESTIMATE OF RABI PRODUCTION

Agriwatch's first advance estimate for the Maize production in 2020-21 Rabi season is 6.41 MMT with average yield of 3.74 MT per hectare.

### INTERNATIONAL CORN MARKET SUMMARY

Corn on CBOT rose by 2.56 USD/MT to 221.25 USD/MT for March'21 contract compared to previous week due to unfavorable weather condition in crop growing regions of South America. Agriwatch expects that increase in export demand for U.S. Maize in near term would support CBOT Maize.

At 2.01 MMT (for the period February 19-25, 2021) U.S. Maize exports were up 69 percent from the previous week and 57 percent from the prior 4-week average; mainly for the destinations like Japan (3,51,600 MT), China (3,46,700 MT), Mexico (2,61,100 MT), South Korea (1,73,700 MT), and Saudi Arabia (1,29,300 MT).

**EXPORT PARITY TREND**


Indian C&F Rate to Thailand vs. other Countries (\$1= Rs. 72.81)				
As on 05.03.2021	Argentina	Brazil	US	India
<b>FOB</b>	228.94	238.00	250.00	212.88
<b>C&amp;F</b>	278.94	293.00	310.00	247.88

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 4,18,098 MT of Maize in the month of January 2021 at an average FoB of US\$ 222.79 per MT, out of which, 1,75,644 MT was exported to Bangladesh at an average FoB of US\$ 213.44 per MT and around 1,31,015 MT was exported to Vietnam at an average FoB of US\$ 238.20 per MT.

**VESSEL POSITION**

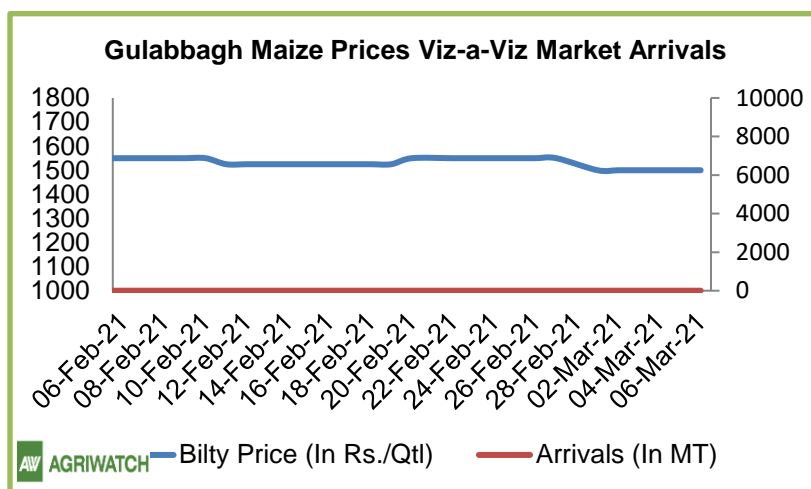
Sources revealed that 28,000 MT of Maize Vessel, OSPREY BULKER, was expected to arrive at Kakinada port on February 27, 2021. And, 22,000 MT of Maize Vessel, VTC GLORY, was expected to complete loading at Vizag port on February 26, 2021 while, 32,000 MT of Maize Vessel, MAGPIE SW, has complete loading at Krishnapatnam port on February 28, 2021. And, 45,000 MT of Maize Vessel, OBE QUEEN, has complete loading at Vizag port on February 22, 2021. And, 6,800 MT of Maize Vessel, VSG DREAM, has complete loading at Krishnapatnam port on February 24, 2021. Besides, 9,500 MT of Maize Vessel, POCHARD S, has complete loading at Kandla port on March 01, 2021. And, 6,000 MT of Maize Vessel, VSG PRIDE, is waiting for berth at Krishnapatnam port from March 02, 2021. And, 7,000 MT of Maize Vessel, PHC DYNAMIC, is expected to arrive at Vizag port from March 07, 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:

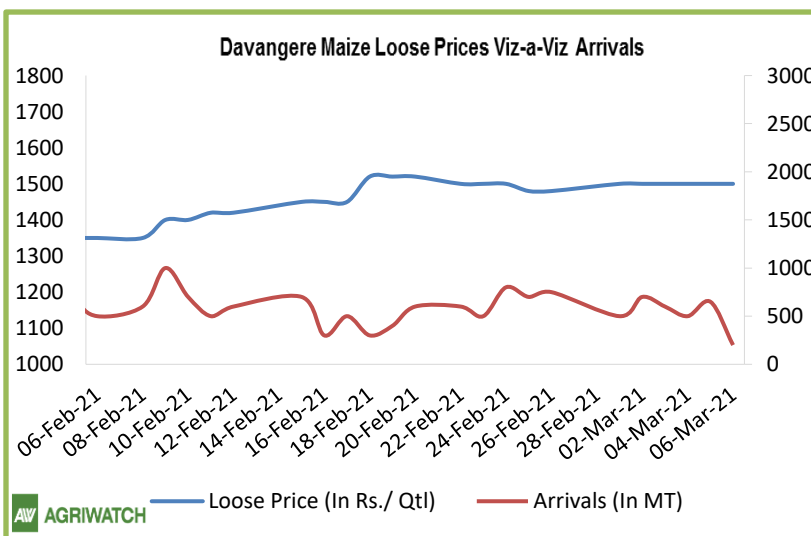
#### BIHAR:

- In Gulabgh region of Bihar, Maize is being traded at Rs.1,500 per quintal (Bilty Price). Maize in Gulabgh 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 slightly firm in near term. Maize is being loaded for Chennai and Krishnapatnam ports at Rs. 1,665-1,675 per quintal and Rs. 1,645-1,655 per quintal, respectively; sourced from Karnataka.

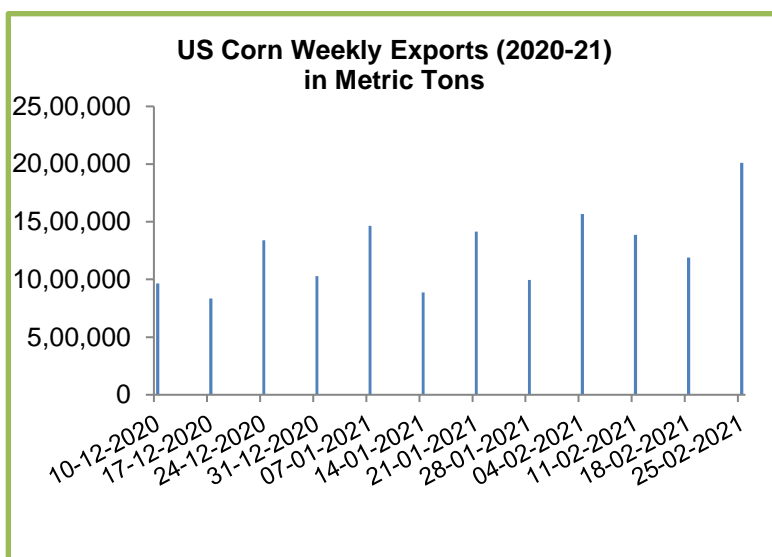


### DOMESTIC MAIZE OUTLOOK:

Agriwatch expects that Maize would trade steady to slightly firm due to continuous demand from global feed markets.

### INTERNATIONAL MARKET HIGHLIGHT:

As per USDA, U.S. Maize exports have reached 26.17 MMT in the 2020-21 marketing year. At 2.01 MMT (for the period February 19-25, 2021) U.S. Maize exports were up 69 percent from the previous week and 57 percent from the prior 4-week average; mainly for the destinations like Japan (3,51,600 MT), China (3,46,700 MT), Mexico (2,61,100 MT), South Korea (1,73,700 MT), and Saudi Arabia (1,29,300 MT). Agriwatch expects that increase in export demand for U.S. Maize would support CBOT Maize.



### INTERNATIONAL CORN OUTLOOK:

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### ANNEXURE

#### MAIZE SPOT MARKET PRICES (RS. /QUINTAL)

Maize(Corn)Weekly Prices:						
Market	Grade	05-Mar-21	26-Feb-21	05-Feb-21	05-Mar-20	05-Mar-19
Naugachia	Bilty	1450	1450	1400	NA	1925
Delhi	Hybrid Maize (U.P.)	1550	1480	1480	1825	2100
Davangere	Loose	1500	1480	1300	1700	1900
Shimoga	Bilty	1530	NA	1330	1600	2020
Ranebennur	Bilty	NA	NA	NA	1620	1950
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	1490	1530	1385	1525	1936
Gadag	Local	1525	1520	1330	1565	1868
Nizamabad	Bilty	1500	1500	1550	1800	NA
Khanna	Bilty	1400	1400	1400	1750	1950
Sangli	Feed	1695	1660	1528	1716	2100
Ahmedabad	Feed	1470	1480	1425	1800	2070
	Starch	1525	1525	1500	1700	2000

Maize CBOT Weekly Futures Price Listing (USD/Ton)				
	Contract Month	05-Mar-21	26-Feb-21	Change
Corn CBOT Prices	Mar-21	221.25	218.69	2.56
	May-21	214.75	215.54	-0.79
	July-21	210.23	210.62	-0.39
	Sep-21	196.45	192.71	3.74
	Dec-21	189.56	185.33	4.23

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