

Maize Weekly Research Report

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

DOMESTIC MAIZE MARKET SUMMARY

Overall Maize cash markets traded mixed during the week compared to last week. Agriwatch expects that Maize would trade steady despite continuous demand from domestic feed markets as expectation of new crop arrivals in near term would weigh on market sentiments.

MAIZE TRADE SCENARIO

Sources revealed that Hyderabad poultry feed makers are buying Maize at Rs.1,550-1,600 per quintal; sourced from Telangana while, Kolkata feed makers are buying Maize at Rs. 1,550-1,600 per quintal, sourced from Gulabghat region of Bihar. In Karnataka, maize export has been slow due to insufficient quality arrivals; which contains 8-10% water fungus.

FIRST ADVANCE ESTIMATE OF RABI PRODUCTION

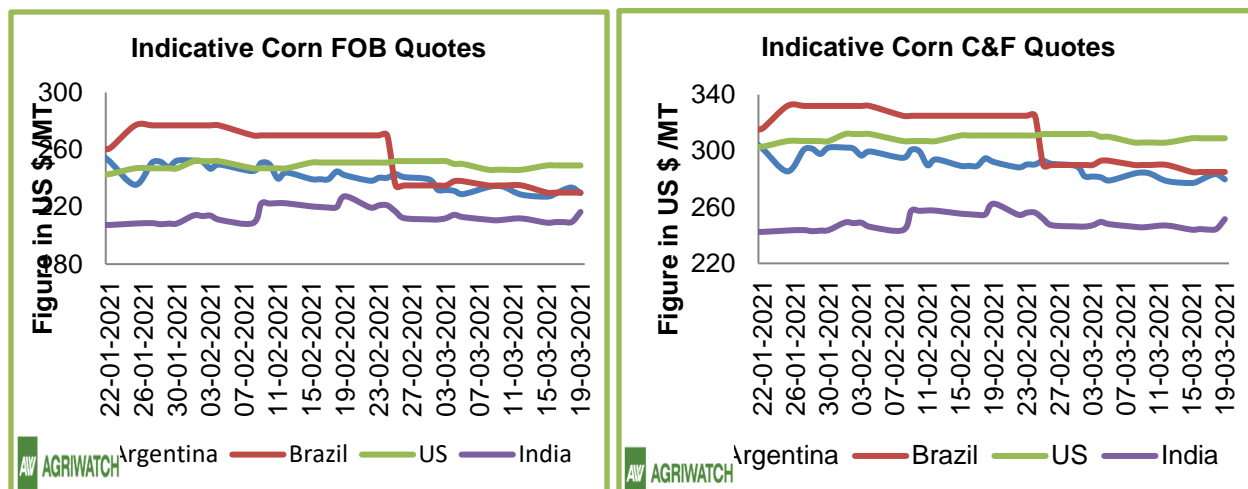
Agriwatch's first advance estimate for the Maize production in 2020-21 Rabi season is 6.41 MMT with average yield of 3.74 MT per hectare.

INTERNATIONAL CORN MARKET SUMMARY

Corn on CBOT rose by 7.38 USD/MT to 219.58 USD/MT for March'21 contract compared to previous week. Agriwatch expects that increase in export demand for U.S. Maize would support to CBOT Maize in near term.

At 2.20 MMT (for the period March 05- March 11, 2021) U.S. Maize exports were up 38 percent from the previous week and 42 percent from the prior 4-week average; mainly for the destinations like Japan (434,400 MT), Mexico (390,100 MT), China (356,900 MT), Colombia (199,900 MT), and Taiwan (192,400 MT).

EXPORT PARITY TREND



Indian C&F Rate to Thailand vs. other Countries (\$1= Rs. 72.53)				
As on 19.03.2021	Argentina	Brazil	US	India
FOB	229.72	230.00	249.00	216.46
C&F	279.72	285.00	309.00	251.46

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

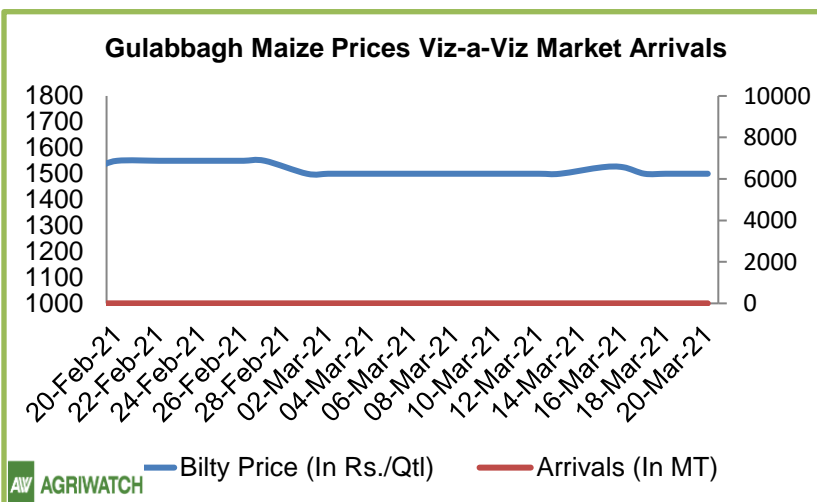
Sources revealed that 7,000 MT of Maize Vessel, PHC DYNAMIC, has complete loading at Vizag port on March 13, 2021 while, 33,000 MT of Maize Vessel, DENSA PUMA, has complete loading at Krishnapatnam port on March 14, 2021. Besides, 8,000 MT of Maize Vessel, J PEACE, was expected to arrive Vizag port on March 06, 2021. And, 30,980 MT of Maize Vessel, EAST BANGOK, was expected to complete loading at Chennai port on March 20, 2021. Besides, 8,500 MT of Maize Vessel, RAINBOW SYMPHONY, was expected to arrive Krishnapatnam port on March 19, 2021 while, 21,800 MT of Maize Vessel, VTC PALNET, was expected to complete loading at Krishnapatnam port on March 21, 2021. And, 21,000 MT of Maize Vessel, INFINITY K, was expected to complete loading at VIZAG port on March 22, 2021.

CURRENT MARKET DYNAMICS:

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

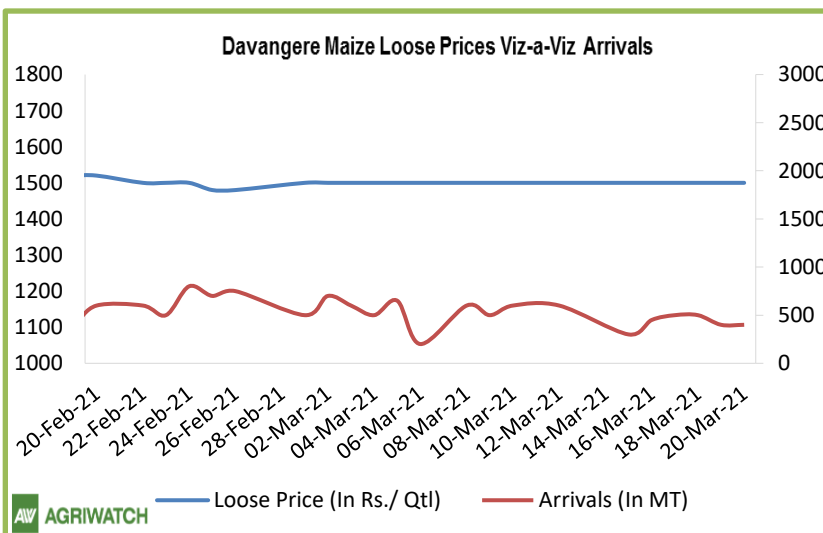
BIHAR:

- In Gulabghat region of Bihar, Maize is being traded at Rs.1,500 per quintal (Bilty Price). Maize in Gulabghat would trade steady to range bound and stay in the range of Rs. 1,450-1,500 per quintal for the week. Expectation of new crop arrivals during the month of April could weigh on market sentiments.



KARNATAKA:

- In Karnataka, maize is likely to trade steady to range bound in near term as maize export has been slow from last week due to insufficient quality arrivals; which contains 8-10% water fungus.

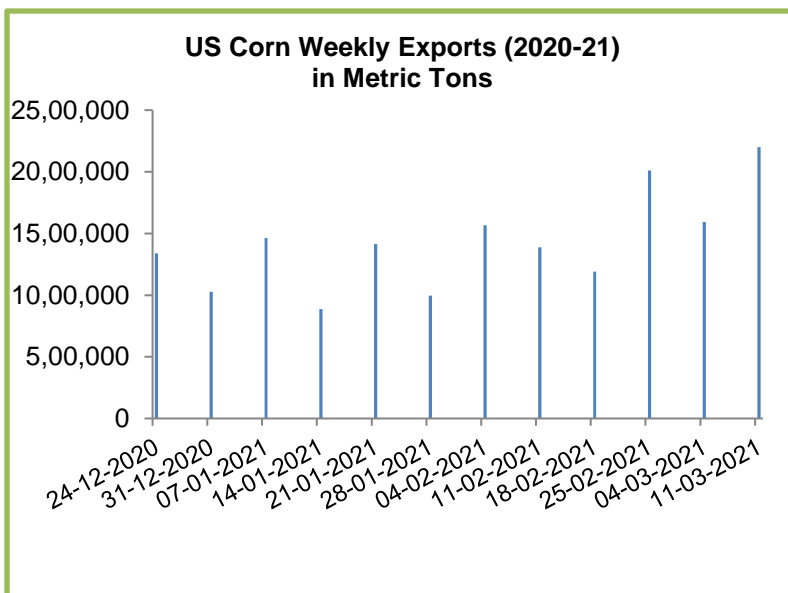


DOMESTIC MAIZE OUTLOOK:

Agriwatch expects that Maize would trade steady despite continuous demand from domestic feed markets as expectation of new crop arrivals in near term would weigh on market sentiments.

INTERNATIONAL MARKET HIGHLIGHT:

As per USDA, U.S. Maize exports have reached 29.96 MMT in the 2020-21 marketing year. At 2.20 MMT (for the period March 05-March 11, 2021) U.S. Maize exports were up 38 percent from the previous week and 42 percent from the prior 4-week average; mainly for the destinations like Japan (434,400 MT), Mexico (390,100 MT), China (356,900 MT), Colombia (199,900 MT), and Taiwan (192,400 MT). Agriwatch expects that increase in export demand for U.S. Maize would support to CBOT Maize in near term.



USDA increased its World Maize Ending Stock Estimate by 1.14 MMT to 287.67 MMT for 2020-21, along with an increase in Production Estimates, which would weigh the global Maize market.

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ANNEXURE

MAIZE SPOT MARKET PRICES (Rs. /QUINTAL)

Maize (Corn)Weekly Prices:						
Market	Grade	19-Mar-21	12-Mar-21	19-Feb-21	19-Mar-20	19-Mar-19
Naugachia	Bilty	1400	1350	1425	NA	1925
Delhi	Hybrid Maize (U.P.)	1550	1575	1480	1700	2200
Davangere	Loose	1500	1500	1520	1100	1950
Shimoga	Bilty	NA	NA	1300	NA	2030
Ranebennur	Bilty	NA	NA	NA	1390	2100
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	1410	1500	1505	NA	1950
Gadag	Local	1505	NA	1480	1275	2020
Nizamabad	Bilty	1500	1500	1500	Closed	NA
Khanna	Bilty	1400	1400	1380	1680	2050
Sangli	Feed	1687	1687	1644	1525	2150
Ahmedabad	Feed	1600	1600	1500	1585	2160
	Starch	1625	1650	1525	1550	2200

Maize CBOT Weekly Futures Price Listing (USD/Ton)				
	Contract Month	19-Mar-21	12-Mar-21	Change
Corn CBOT Prices	May-21	219.58	212.20	7.38
	July-21	212.1	208.06	4.04
	Sep-21	192.71	195.27	-2.56
	Dec-21	185.62	188.48	-2.86
	Mar-22	188.67	-	-

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