

Maize Weekly Research Report

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

DOMESTIC MAIZE MARKET SUMMARY

Amid continuing good domestic demand from feed industry/manufacturers and shortage of good quality stuff would keep supporting Maize prices during the ongoing week besides expected delay in Rabi Bihar Maize arrivals.

MAIZE TRADE SCENARIO

Maize prices in benchmark Nizamabad market was traded at Rs. 2,325 per quintal and poultry feed quality is being supplied to Hyderabad and Tamil Nadu at Rs. 2,400 to Rs. 2,450 per quintal (delivered basis). Loose Maize prices in Davangere and Karnataka was being traded at Rs. 2,180 per quintal during the week under review.

As per the sources Maize with (14-15) % moisture content is being traded in Bihar between Rs. 2,300 to Rs. 2,400 per quintal. Average quality Maize sourced from Bihar is being supplied to Kolkata and Siliguri to fulfil the demand of poultry feed industry between the range of Rs. 2,550 – Rs.2,600 per quintal.

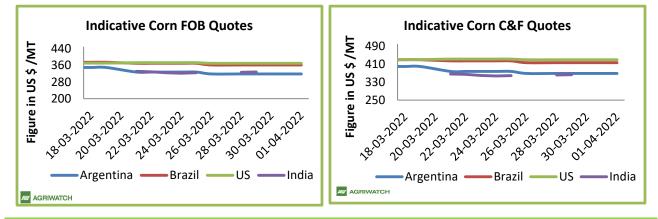
INTERNATIONAL CORN MARKET SUMMARY

Corn on CBOT increased by 31.69 USD/MT to 294.77 USD/MT for March '22 contract as compared to previous week, due to Russia-Ukraine crisis.

U.S. Maize exports have reached at 32.18 million metric tonne (MMT) for the 2021-22 Marketing Year, with the exports of 1.88 MMT for the period of 18th March 2022 – 24th March 2022, these exports were up by 26 percent from the previous week and 24 percent also from the prior 4-week average.



EXPORT PARITY TREND



Indian C&F Rate to Thailand vs. other Countries (\$1=Rs.75.98)							
As on 29.03.2022	Argentina	Brazil	US	India			
FOB	319.00	362.00	370.00	328.38			
C&F	369.00	417.00	430.00	363.38			

As evident from the above chart and table, there has been a reasonable export parity for Indian maize, while Argentina remains the close competitor especially after relaxation of pesticides norms on Argentine Corn by EU.

INDIAN EXPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF February'22

As per the trade sources, India exported around 2,44,521 MT of Maize in February 2022 at an average FoB of US\$ 305.84 per MT, out of which, 1,36,328 MT was exported to Vietnam at an average FoB of US\$ 271.77 per MT. And 57,990 MT was exported to Bangladesh at an average FoB of US\$ 306.30 per MT. Around 19,032 MT was exported to Malaysia at an average FoB of US\$ 290.89 per MT and approximately 24,757 MT was exported to Nepal at an average FoB of US\$ 304.50 per MT.

VESSEL POSITION

As per the source, 30,800 metric tonne (MT) Maize Vessel MEGALOHARI is waiting to berth for loading at Tuticorin port. And 33,000 MT of Maize Vessel KALIXENOS has completed loading at Tuticorin port.

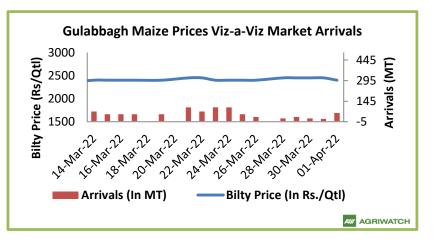


CURRENT MARKET DYNAMICS

A sideways to firm tone witnessed in most of the major Maize cash markets during the week under review. The various key spot markets dynamics are as under:

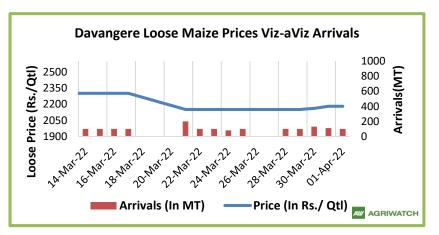
BIHAR:

In Gulabbagh market, Maize is being traded at Rs. 2,450 per quintal (Bilty Price). Maize in Gulabbagh would trade with firm to sideways sentiment in the range of Rs. 2,350 – Rs. 2,550 per quintal for this week, due to good domestic demand prevailing in northern feed markets, also lower availability of Maize will continue to support the Maize market.



KARNATAKA:

In Davangere market of Karnataka, loose maize is being traded at Rs. 2,180 per quintal. Maize in Davangere likely trade sideways between the range of Rs. 2,100 - Rs. 2,250 per quintal, due to stable demand from feed industry.



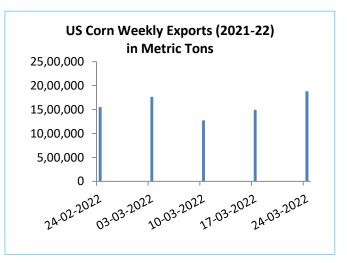
DOMESTIC MAIZE OUTLOOK:

AgriWatch expects Maize prices to trade sideways with firm bias in coming week amidst good domestic demand from feed industry. Also, prevailing shortage of good quality Maize in the market would provide support to Maize. In long term prices are again expected to attain a firm trend since at present average to lower quality stock has already been sold at lower prices. With start of new good quality supply in market demand of Maize would revive again at higher prices. Also, export demand of Indian Maize seems good which would provide support to domestic Maize market.



INTERNATIONAL MARKET HIGHLIGHT:

U.S. Maize exports have reached at 32.18 million metric tonne (MMT) for the 2021-22 Marketing Year, with the exports of 1.88 MMT for the period of 18th March 2022 – 24th March 2022, these exports were up by 26 percent from the previous week and 24 percent also from the prior 4-week average, to the destinations like China (457,600 MT), Japan (432,200 MT), Mexico (335,200 MT), Colombia (170,800 MT), and Canada (96,800 MT).



Also as per the USDA there has been confirmation for 1,36,000 tonnes private sales of U.S Corn for the Marketing year 2021-22, although destinations of these shipments are still unknown.

PREVIOUS UPDATES

USDA in its March month report, decreased its World Maize Ending Stock Estimate by 1.25 MMT to 300.97 MMT for March '22/ 2021-22, and also reduced its World Maize Production Estimates by 0.79 at 120.614 MMT for March '22/ 2021-22. USDA also reduced the Ending Stock Estimates for U.S.A by 2.54 at 36.57 MMT, Argentina by 1.40 MMT to 1.02 MMT and for Brazil it decreased its Ending Stock Estimates by 0.10 MMT to 5.22 MMT for March '22/ 2021-22.

INTERNATIONAL CORN OUTLOOK:

Corn on CBOT increased by 31.69 USD/MT to 294.77 USD/MT for March '22 contract as compared to previous week, due to international clashes going on. However, in current dynamics stating clear expectations of higher or lower price movement of Corn on CBOT is quite unclear. Also, weather-related conditions in Brazil and Argentina will support corn on CBOT.

ANNEXURE:

MAIZE SPOT MARKET PRICES (RS. /QUINTAL

Maize (Corn) Weekly Prices:								
Market	Grade	01-Apr-22	25-Mar-22	02-Mar-22	31-Mar-21	01-Apr-20		
Naugachia	Bilty	2400	2500	2325	Closed	Closed		
Delhi	Hybrid Maize(U.P.)	2550	2550	2250	1550	Closed		
Davangere	Loose	2180	2150	2175	1500	Closed		
Shimoga	Bilty	2160	NA	1700	Closed	1500		
Ranebennur	Bilty	NA	NA	2090	Closed	1400		
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	2220	2115	NA	Closed	NA		
Gadag	Local	NA	NA	NA	1475	NA		
Nizamabad	Bilty	Closed	2300	NA	Closed	Closed		
Khanna	Bilty	2350	2350	2120	Closed	Closed		
Sangli	Feed	2461	2343	2292	1659	Closed		
Ahmedabad	Feed	Closed	2500	2225	Closed	Closed		

Maize CBOT Weekly Futures Price Listing (USD/Ton)							
	Contract Month	31-Mar-22	24-Mar-22	Change			
Corn CBOT Prices	Mar-22	294.77	263.08	+31.69			
	May-22	288.57	294.57	-6.00			
	July-22	274.1	286.8	-12.70			
	Sep-22	269.18	268.69	+0.49			
	Dec-22	269.48	262.78	+6.70			
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