

Maize-Weekly Fundamental Report

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WEEKLY DIGEST AND OUTLOOK

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Maize prices for the week under review displayed almost a weak sentiment on the account of slight decline in the arrivals of Maize as the new harvest has just begun. At bench mark market Davangere, the new arrivals on an average for the week were sold at Rs. 2350 to Rs.2400 to Namakkal and at Rs. 2200 to Rs.2300 to Bangalore. However, Average weekly prices at Gulabbagh market in Bihar were at Rs. 2,650 per quintal which is more than the previous week's average weekly prices.

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Outlook:

AgriWatch expects, steady to weak price movement of Maize during the coming week in domestic market since domestic demand from various sectors like poultry remains sluggish along with negligible market supply due to high moisture content in new arrivals. However, international demand will gradually increase as the Indian Maize upon increase in production as compared to its competitors.

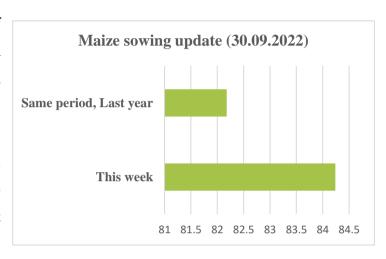


WEATHER SCENARIO

As per reports, extensive showers are expected in West and East Madhya Pradesh, Marathwada, North and South Karnataka, and Maharashtra. This could lead to damages for crops at matured and harvesting stages and affect new sowing.

DOMESTIC SCENARIO Maize Sowing Update

As per the latest update of Agriculture department, GOI, India marked a slight rise in Maize area coverage till 30th September 22 as compared to same period last year. Till last week Maize has been sown in 84.32 lakh Ha. compared to 82.17 lakh Ha. same period last year, which is approximately 3%

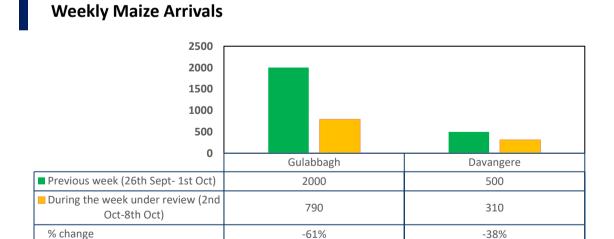


■ During the week under review (2nd Oct-8th Oct)

more compared to last year for same time period. As per the report, largest area coverage under Maize was in M.P at around 16.14 Lakh hectares as compared to 15.13 Lakh hectares during same period last year. The latest updates are much awaited.

New Rabi Arrivals/Supply in Bihar Markets

■ Previous week (26th Sept- 1st Oct)



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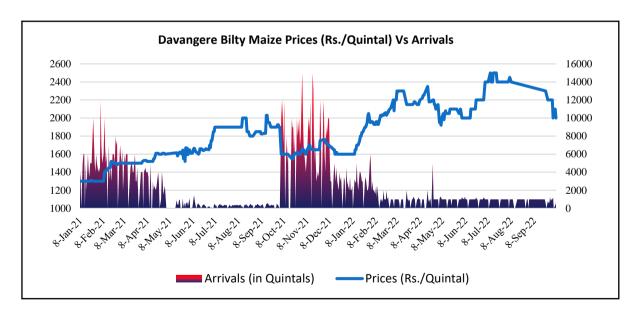


500 MT, the arrivals decreased to 310 MT for the week under review. Additionally, there was a decrease in total arrivals at benchmark market Gulabbagh, Bihar, from the previous week's 2000 tonnes to 790 tonnes during the week under review.

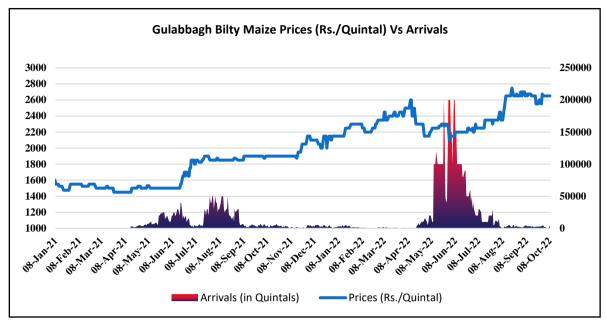
Spot Price

An overall slightly weak movement witnessed in Maize prices across the major spot markets of the country, on the account of decrease in both supply and demand at the markets.

Maize (Corn)Weekly Prices:								
Market	Grade	08-Oct- 22	01-Oct-22	07-Sep- 22	07-Oct- 21	07-Oct-20		
Naugachia	Bilty	2400	2350	2450	1825	1350		
Delhi	Hybrid Maize (U.P.)	2350	2475	2400	1850	1300		
Davangere	Loose	Closed	2200	0	1600	1250		
Shimoga	Bilty	NR	NR	2300	NR	NR		
Ranebennur	Bilty	NR	NR	2450	NR	1400		
Bagalkot	Hybrid/Local	2119	2040	NR	NR	1245		
Gadag	Local	1819	1739	NR	NR	1275		
Nizamabad	Bilty	2160	Closed	2500	1900	1375		
Khanna	Bilty	2150	2100	2190	Closed	1130		
Sangli	Feed	2280	2216	2636	1870	1433		
Ahmedabad	Feed	2500	2400	2550	1850	1400		
	Starch	2350	2300	2550	1850	1400		







Maize prices for the week under review displayed almost a weak sentiment on the account of slight decline in the arrivals of Maize as the new harvest has just begun. Also, the demand for maize of high moisture content is low from all sectors including the poultry. At bench mark market Davangere, the new arrivals on an average for the week were sold at Rs. 2350 to Rs.2400 to Namakkal and at Rs. 2200 to Rs.2300 to Bangalore. The arrivals were lowered, also with moisture content above 25%, bought at around Rs.1500 to Rs.2000. However, Average weekly prices at Gulabbagh market in Bihar were at Rs. 2,650 per quintal which is more than the previous week's average weekly prices.

Domestic Demand and Trade

As per trade sources, the new arrivals at the benchmark markets had reduced due to the ongoing harvest at major producing states. The new arrivals are however containing moisture content above 25% and therefore the demand among the major sectors like poultry are comparatively less. In the case of states like Andhra Pradesh, the harvest practices are occurring at a good condition due to good weather. The rainfall occurrence has caused no much crop damages. The demand from Kurnool markets is more from Tamil Nadu but expects a lower price as the moisture content is more. The maize exports are expected to be on a higher note this year as the production is more with just 5% to 10% damage. The FOB and C&F quotes have also started to reduce as the outcome of this year's production is anticipated to be more.



Exports

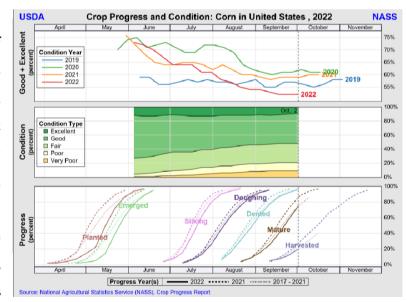
As per the Trade sources India exported around 1,97,506 MT of Maize during August 2022 with the average FOB of around 346.01 USD/MT. Also, out of this around 1,44,415 MT of Maize was exported to Bangladesh with an average FOB of around 318.07 USD/MT and 24,965 MT of Maize was exported to Nepal with an average FOB of around 325.80 USD/MT. The latest data is awaited.

Weekly Averages of FOB and C&F Rate to Thailand (\$1=Rs.81.89)							
	Argentina	Brazil	US	India			
FOB	363.50	296.50	339.50	281.25			
C&F	413.50	351.50	399.50	316.25			

The most recent updates indicate that the current crop in India is of a fair size, combined with an increase in harvesting activities and favorable weather in the main growing states. Additionally, because exporters are aware of the magnitude of the arriving crop and its availability, they are lowering their FOB quotations in an effort to secure as many orders as possible. A few of exchanges are also selling the previous stock at a discount. Domestic demand is also currently quite low as a result of the high moisture content of the newest arrivals. With an increase in the rate of arrivals, the prices could drop even further.

INTERNATIONAL SCENARIO

According to the USDA's U.S. Corn Planting Report as of October 3, 2022, 42% of the corn was in good condition, and 10% was in excellent condition, which was roughly on par with the previous week 43% good and excellent for the same time period in 2017. Additionally, 75% of the corn crop was



mature and 96% of it was in the dented stage.



U.S. maize exports were 1.60 million metric tonnes (MMT) for the 2021–2022 marketing year, with 0.57 MMT of those exports occurring between September 15 and September 22, 2022. Mexico (239,200 MT), China (141,200 MT), Japan (135,000 MT), El Salvador (19,400 MT), and Venezuela were the top export destinations (15,300 MT).

Corn on CBOT up by 2.26 USD to 268.98 USD per MT for Sep'22 contract, as compared to previous week, on the account fair supply from U.S. However, AgriWatch expects that for upcoming week Corn on CBOT would trade weak to range bound.

Maize CBOT Weekly Futures Price Listing (USD/Ton)								
	Contract Month	9-Oct-22	2-Oct-22	Change				
Corn CBOT Prices	Sep-22	268.98	266.72	+2.26				
	Dec-22	272.03	269.28	+2.75				
	Mar-23	272.63	269.48	+3.15				
	July-23	270.46	267.02	+3.44				

DOMESTIC OUTLOOK

AgriWatch expects, steady to weak price movement of Maize during the coming week in domestic market since domestic demand from various sectors like poultry remains sluggish along with negligible market supply due to high moisture content in new arrivals. Also, the rainfall is anticipated to increase which could lead to potential damages to matured crops or crops at harvest stage in places like M.P. and U.P. The crop currently harvested are also having fungus potential due to this rainfall hence as demand increases in the near future, prices tend to surge. However, international demand will gradually increase as the Indian Maize upon increase in production as compared to its competitors.