

Executive Summary:

- All India, onion arrival in October 4th week is approximately 25% lower compared to previous week. If we compare onion arrivals in October 4th week on a yearly basis we find that arrivals are 41 % lower than last year during same time.
- In Karnataka, targeted area for Rabi season is approximately 15876 hectares. Maximum area is in Bijapur and Bagalkot which contributes approximately 45% to total area.
- According to International Business Information System (IBIS), approximately 39460 tons of onion has exported as on 26-10-2014 which includes both processed and unprocessed onion from sea route.
- As per initial estimate of Agriwatch, kharif area in Maharashtra is expected to be in the range of 60000-62000 Ha against previous year acreage of approximately 63500 ha.
- Across the country arrivals have fallen because of festival season during the week. The other reason is increase in late kharif area in Maharashtra region.

Weekly Wholesale and Retail Onion Prices (Rs/Qtl) in important markets across India

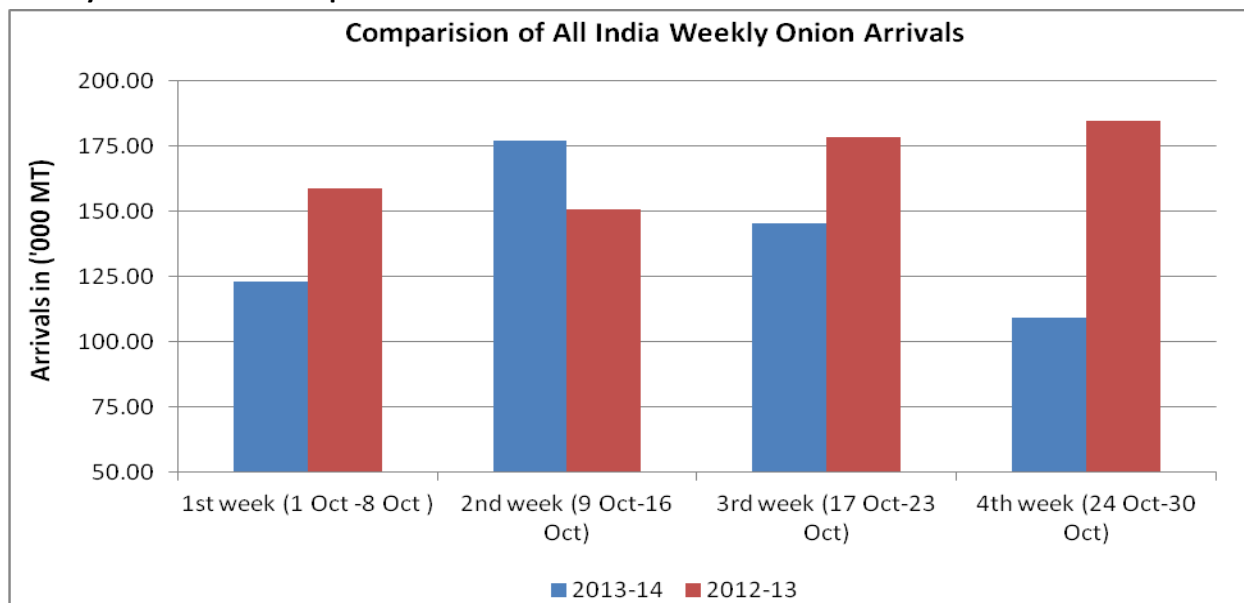
Centre	Wholesale Prices (Rs/Qtl.)#			Retail Prices (Rs./Kg.) *		
	Current Week	Previous Week	A year ago	Current Week	Previous Week	A year ago
	As on 28.Oct.2014	As on 20.Oct.2014	As on 28.Oct.2013	As on 28.Oct.2014	As on 20.Oct.2014	As on 28.Oct.2013
DELHI	1565	NA	4408	3100	3500	7800
LUCKNOW	NR	1675	4800	3000	2000	7500
AHMEDABAD	1300	1600	4000	2500	2500	6000
INDORE	1375	1250	2000	1400	1400	5800
MUMBAI	1800	1700	5000	3000	2900	6700
JAIPUR	1550	1500	NR	2400	2200	5000
BHUBANESHWAR	2000	1950	6700	2400	2200	5800
KOLKATA	NR	NR	NR	2200	2200	6400
HYDERABAD	NR	1600	4200	2500	2500	4400
BANGALORE	2300	1900	NR	2200	1800	4500
TRIVANDRUM	NR	NR	NR	3500	3500	7400
CHENNAI	NR	NR	NR	2300	2200	5100

(Source: #Agmarknet, *Consumer Affairs)

*In Bangalore market, wholesale prices are higher than retail prices because both sources are different.

Above table shows wholesale and retail prices of onion across different markets. Mixed sentiment witnessed in domestic wholesale market during the week period due to lower arrival. Onion prices may likely to fall in coming days as fresh arrivals from Maharashtra and Karnataka will increase. Firm sentiment witnessed in onion Retail prices during the period. New crop arrivals pressurize the prices. We expect prices will fall down further as arrivals likely to go up.

Weekly Onion Arrival Comparison:



(Source: Agmarknet)

The above graph depicts the week on week basis All India onion arrivals compared to last year. In fourth week of October arrivals reported lower as mostly market remain closed due to festival season. The other reason is increase in area of late kharif season. But arrivals are expected to increase ahead as arrivals may increase ahead.

Technical Analysis of Onion Prices at Lasalgaon, Nasik:



(Note: Each bar or "candle" in the chart shows the price movement in a particular week. The green candle signifies prices increased and red candle signifies prices decreased in that week. The length of the "candle" shows the upper and lower end of the price range for the week.)

The above chart shows the weekly price movement of onion in the benchmark of Lasalgaon mandi of Nasik. Candlestick chart indicates range bound movement in the market. RSI is moving up in neutral zone indicates prices may go up in the market. As per Fibonacci retracement prices may touch a higher level of Rs 1900/ quintal else it will remain range bound. For the coming week prices are expected to remain in the range of Rs Rs 1300- Rs 1800/ quintal.

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