

Domestic Market Highlights:

Total basmati rice export in the second week of Oct (12-18), 15 was 64784.50 tonnes. Mundra, Kandla & Loni ICD was the major port for basmati rice export center during this period. Total non basmati Rice export in the second week of Oct (12-18), 15 was 82028.33 tonnes. Mundra, Vizag and Kolkata Sea was the major port for basmati rice export center during this period.

Wholesale Prices for India as an average for third week of October traded weak by 0.39% and are currently hovering at Rs.2630-2640/quintal. We expect non-basmati rice market to move range bound to slightly weak due to fresh arrival in major mandis.

Pusa basmati paddy has started hitting the Fazilka mandi in Punjab, purchasing is yet to commence. Millers are hesitant to buy paddy at current price as they had incurred heavy losses last year due to lower price in global market. Millers are not going to offer Rs 1700 to Rs 1800 per qtl this year. Higher price than this would make their business unviable. They say basmati price is ruling Rs3700 to Rs 3800 per qtl and at this price they are unable to offer more than Rs 1800 per qtl. They fear that large quantity of last year is still unsold. It would continue to restrict aromatic rice price in the weeks ahead. On the other hand farmers says that price should be around Rs 2500 per qtl so that they can meet their input cost and continue to grow basmati.

With increasing cost of production, lower rainfall and declining prices for aromatic rice prices farmers in Punjab and Haryana are facing problems related to basmati rice marketing this season. Ample stock in major importing countries, unexpectedly lower price, quality issue and sluggish demand from global market for aromatic rice have pressurized basmati rice price further. Farmers are in depressed mood and when they are expecting higher prices for their produce, prices rules lower. This has increased their problem. Now they have started protesting against the prevailing lower price are demanding a Minimum Support Price (MSP) of Rs 4200 to Rs 5000 per quintal from the government.

Total rice exports from India for MY-2014-15 till September-15 was 118 Lakh tonnes which was up by around 14% from last year's export of 104.3 lakh tonnes for the same period. Non- basmati rice exports in the month of September was 5.0 lakh tonnes and basmati exports in the month was 3.83 lakh tonnes. The total rice export is touched 118 lakh tonnes for MY- 2014-15, which will up by 13% from MY 2013-14 export of 104 lakh tonnes. Basmati exports in the end of marketing year were 41 lakh tonnes which is 18% up from last year exports of 34.59 lakh tonnes. Even after ban from Iran which is one of the largest buyers of Indian Basmati rice. In MY 2014-15, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Kuwait, USA were the main buyers.

Price Outlook:-Average Rice price in all India is likely to reel under pressure with beginning of new arrival.

International Market Highlight:

Indonesia has finally agreed to import rice from Thailand and Vietnam to secure domestic stocks and maintain stable prices after previously insisting that stocks were low but enough to satisfy his commitment to self-sufficiency in the vital commodity. Indonesia needs rice supplies from overseas to maintain sufficient stocks in anticipation of failed harvests due to prolonged drought caused by the El Niño weather phenomenon. As per State Logistics Agency current stocks had almost run out, with only 1.4 million tons remaining. Vietnam had agreed to provide 1 million tons of rice for Indonesia. Thailand has not yet come to an agreement. As Agriwatch expect, it is likely to increase the rice price of Vietnam after this deal as demand of Vietnam rice is more in overseas market.

Vietnam 5% broken rice is now showing at about \$375 per ton, up about \$15 per ton from a week ago, up about \$15 per ton from a month ago and down about \$65 per ton from a year ago.

USDA forecasts 2015 global rice trade at around 42.4 million tons, down 2% from an estimated 43.2 million tons in 2014 and unchanged from last month's forecast. USDA expects a 2 million ton or 18% decline y/y in 2015 Thai rice exports and weaker shipments from Egypt, but says an increase from other countries such as India, Pakistan and the U.S. may not fully compensate for fall in Thai exports.

The Philippines rice stocks have declined for fourth consecutive month in September 2015 after increasing in April and May, according to the Bureau of Agricultural Statistics (BAS). Total rice stocks in the Philippines as of September 1, 2015 stood at around 1.96 million tons, down about 12.5% from around 2.24 million tons recorded in August 2015, and up about 31.5% from around 1.49 million tons recorded during the same period last year.

Vietnam's rice stockpile shrinks as exports increase: On the back of the lowered expectations for the year, the VFA has dropped its export target to 6.1-6.3 million metric tons, 700,000-500,000 metric tons less than last year. The VFA official warned that

despite the decline in rice exports, there is not much stockpiled because the central region had a poor crop. Nearly 1.4 million metric tons on order have not been delivered to customers, nearly 800,000 metric tons of which belong to Chinese customers. The VFA official expressed concern that many of these contracts are unlikely to be fulfilled.

Rice Prices in Various Markets:

Oct-23-2015	White Rice 5% Broken	White Rice 25% Broken
Gujarat	2338.20	2208.30
Andhra Pradesh	2317.95	2135.50

In Rs. /Quintal

Rice Prices in Various Markets

Market	Arrivals	Variety	Minimum Price	Maximum Price	Modal Price
	(Tonnes)		(Rs./Quintal)	(Rs./Quintal)	(Rs./Quintal)
Andhra Pradesh					
Addanki	NR	B P T	3950	4000	3970
Chirala	0.1	B P T	3900	4000	3950
Denduluru	NR	Sona	2300	2500	2400
Divi	0.1	B P T	3500	3600	3500
Kandukur	0.1	B P T	3400	3600	3500
Kondapi	0.1	B P T	3700	3800	3750
Machilipatnam	NR	B P T	3700	3800	3750
		Coarse	2200	2400	2300
Markapur	0.1	B P T	3900	4000	3950
Nandyal	0.1	Sona Fine	4200	4300	4250
Narasaraopet	0.1	B P T	4000	4200	4100
Ongole	0.1	B P T	3720	3800	3740
Tiruvuru	NR	Fine	3400	3600	3500
Visakhapatnam	0.1	B P T	3600	3800	3700
Assam					
Dhing	86	Common	1700	2000	1800
		Fine	3200	3500	3350
Lanka	40	Medium	1700	1800	1750
North Lakhimpur	7	Common	1800	2000	1900
		Fine	2600	2800	2700

		Super Fine	3000	4000	3500
Silapathar	3.5	Fine	2500	3500	3000
		Medium	2100	2300	2200
Bihar					
Bhagalpur	NR	Other	3800	4000	3900
Kishanganj	NR	Other	2400	2800	2600
Nawada	NR	Other	1900	2100	2000
Jharkhand					
Bokaro (Chas)	NR	Other	2450	2650	2550
Chakulia	NR	Fine	2120	2330	2260
		Medium	1870	1980	1930
Daltenganj	NR	Other	2230	2400	2340
Giridih	12.54	Fine	3300	3500	3500
		Medium	2300	2500	2500
		Motta (Coarse) Boiled	2100	2200	2200
Godda	NR	Medium	2400	2800	2600
		Other	1800	2200	2000
Jamshedpur	NR	Fine	3700	3900	3800
		Medium	2600	2700	2650
Pakur	5	Fine	3054	3264	3152
Saraikela	NR	Medium	2430	2600	2560
		Other	1860	2000	1970
Karnataka					
Chintamani	17	Broken Rice	1750	1950	1850
		Hansa	2400	2750	2600
		Sona	3250	4850	4400
Doddaballa Pur	170	Broken Rice	1250	1315	1307
Kerala					
Mannar	10	IR-8	2500	2700	2600
		Jaya	3500	3700	3600
		Other	6500	6700	6600
Maharashtra					
Bhivandi	7	1009 Kar	1850	2050	1950
Lakhandur	4	Other	1500	1500	1500
Manipur					
Bishenpur	1	Other	2800	2900	2800
Meghalaya					
Shillong	0.7	Other	3400	3600	3500
Orissa					
Barikpur	10	Common	2200	3000	2300

		Other	2300	3200	2400
Bolangir	5	Other	2400	2500	2400
Bonai	0.5	Other	2000	2000	2000
Junagarh	41.83	Other	2100	2200	2100
Kalahandi(Dharamagarh)	31.75	Other	2100	2200	2100
Nilagiri	10	Other	2100	2300	2200
Tusura	5	Other	2400	2500	2400
Tripura					
Taliamura	38	Masuri	2600	2700	2650
Uttar Pradesh					
Agra	53	III	NR	NR	2080
Ajuha	24	Other	NR	NR	2100
Balrampur	34	Other	2060	2095	2075
Bareilly	290	Coarse	NR	NR	2250
Bijnaur	24	III	NR	NR	2230
Bindki	22.5	Other	NR	NR	2265
Chorichora	15	III	2110	2150	2130
Dadri	65	III	NR	NR	2070
Dibiapur	6	III	NR	NR	2270
Divai	13	III	2025	2075	2050
Faizabad	105	III	2080	2130	2100
Farukhabad	5	III	NR	NR	2200
Ghaziabad	50	III	NR	NR	2060
Gonda	97	III	2160	2280	2200
Gulavati	2	III	2000	2100	2060
Jaunpur	45	Coarse	1950	2050	2000
Jhansi	11	Other	1920	1980	1950
Muradabad	NR	III	NR	NR	2260
Muzzafarnagar	40	Common	NR	NR	2060
Nagina	145	Common	NR	NR	2240
Pilibhit	900	Coarse	2180	2210	2195
Sardhana	1	III	NR	NR	2075
Shahganj	NR	III	1980	2040	2010
Sitapur	95	Coarse	2050	2200	2100
Yusufpur	12	III	1970	2050	2010
Uttarakhand					
Gadarpur	2911	Other	1915	2010	1963
West Bengal					
Barasat	65	Masuri	2100	2300	2200
		Other	2400	2600	2500
Beldanga	42	Other	2300	2350	2325

Garbeta(Medinipur)	26	Other	2180	2230	2200
Islampur	4	Other	2000	2100	2050
Medinipur(West)	13	Other	2230	2280	2250
Pandua	46	Ratnachudi (718 5-749)	2300	2500	2400
Sheoraphuly	11	Ratnachudi (718 5-749)	2450	2650	2550

(Arrivals and Prices in Rs/Qtl)
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