

**Domestic Market Highlights:**

**Wholesale Prices for India as an average for first week of January trade firm by 5.80% and are currently hovering at Rs.2930-2940/quintal. We expect non-basmati rice market to move range bound with firm tone in coming week.** Wholesale basmati rice prices in Delhi moved weak in first week of January due to frail demand and supply from producing states and currently hover in the range of Rs.4200-4250 for 1121 sella and Rs.51-5300 for steam. Overall basmati rice is expected to trade range bound in coming weeks.

**Sowing of Rabi rice crop continued to be lower than last year but improved in last week from 12.5% down to 8.0% till date,** with preliminary reports from the States placing the total area sown at 14.77 lakh hectares (lh), as on January 01-2016, against 16.05 lakh hectares in the corresponding period last year. However normal area under rabi rice is approx 43.11 lakh hectare. We expect that total area under paddy will decline by 3-5% from normal due to crop shifting in major rabi rice growing states.

**Total Rice exported from India in the fourth week of December was 160787.40 tonnes, down about 10%** from last week export of 178763.75 tonnes. Out of total rice exports, basmati rice contributes 46.20%, and non-basmati rice is 53.79% in this period with quantity of around 74296.21 tonnes and 86488.20 tonnes respectively as per latest data extract from IBIS. Major importers of Indian Basmati rice in this period were Iran, Saudi and Korea whereas top importers for non-basmati were Nigeria, Ivory Coast and Benin. We expect Middle East countries to remain the major basmati buyers for Indian Basmati from Mundra, Kandla and Kakinada Port in coming months.

**Procurement in the Northern States is almost over, but will gradually spread to other parts of the country as harvest progresses.** Government procurement of MY 2015/16 rice under the minimum support price (MSP) continues to be ahead of last year due to the timely harvest (last year delayed due to October rains) and good harvest from the irrigated Northern States. Government procurement through November 30, 2015, is estimated at 13.87MMT compared to 10.64 MMT during the corresponding period of MY 2014/15.

**The FAO estimates 2016 global rice trade at around 45.3 million tons, up about 1.4% from an estimated 44.7 million tons last year.** The FAO expects most of the importers, especially in Africa and Latin America, to replenish inventories. On the export side, the expansion of trade could be dampened next year by more limited availabilities in several export origins, says the FAO. It expects exports of Vietnam to increase while those of India, Brazil and the U.S. to fall.

**India's rice stocks in the central pool as of December 1, 2015 stood at around 11.315 million tons down about 48% from around 21.57 million tons recorded during the same period last year**, according to data from the Food Corporation of India (FCI). India's rice stocks in the central pool are down about 8% from around 12.27 million tons recorded on November 1, 2015. The current rice stocks are about one million tons more than the required strategic reserve norms of around 10.25 million tons for this time of the year, according to the FCI.

**Price Outlook:-Average Rice price in all India is likely to trade steady with firm tone due to higher demand and tight supply.**

### **International Market Highlight:**

**The Philippines may import 400,000 metric tons of rice in the first half of 2015-16 year, and as per reported 500,000 tons of rice has been already imported from Thailand and Vietnam.** On the other hand final assessment will be made in January on how much rice will be imported for 2016. El Nino is expected to intensify in the first half of 2016.

**The government of Turkey has announced the paddy purchasing price for 2015-16 at around TL (Turkish Lira) 1,580 (around \$534) per tonne.** Harvesting of paddy is almost over in the country and paddy as well rice prices is continuous bearish due to fresh arrival in the market. In 2015, Turkey is expected to produce record 920,000 tonnes of paddy this year, up about 11% from around 830,000 tonnes in 2014.

**After Nigeria, Mali is the second largest rice producing country in African continent and this year (2015-16)** Mali is expected to produce 2,451,321 tonnes of rice which is up by around 13% from last year.

**South Korea's state run Agro Fisheries & Food Trade Corporation (KAFTC) has purchased 55,555 tons of non-glutinous brown rice of China and U.S. origins for delivery between March 31, 2015 and April 30, 2015 in tenders that closed on December 9, 2015.**

**Vietnam's rice exports between January and November had year-on-year increase of 3.6 percent** in volume, but a 4.9 percent annual decrease in value. Rice exports in the first nine months reached 6.24 million tons, fetching US\$2.65 billion in total. Shipments in October and November were sharply increases compared to previous months, citing new contracts signed with the Philippines and Indonesia in October as the main reason. Under the contracts that will expire in March next year, Vietnam is set to export 450,000

tons of rice to the Philippines and one million tons to Indonesia. The contracts may bring the total rice exports in 2015 to 6.8 million tons, while the estimated figure released in September was only 6.02 million tons. The Vietnam Food Association cut the minimum price of exported rice twice, in May and September.

**The IGC forecasts 2015-16 global rice trade at around 42 million tons, unchanged from the previous year's 42 million tons as well as its previous estimate of around 42 million tons. Thailand is projected to be the world's leading exporter in 2016.**

#### Rice Prices in Various Markets:

Dec-29-2015	White Rice 5% Broken	White Rice 25% Broken
Gujarat	2422.87	2223.73
Andhra Pradesh	2402.62	2203.48

In Rs. /Quintal

#### Rice Prices in Various Markets

Market Center	Arrivals	Variety	Minimum Price	Maximum Price	Modal Price
<b>Cereals</b>					
<b>Rice</b>					
<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>					
Addanki	NR	B P T	4050	4100	4070
Divi	0.1	B P T	3100	3200	3100
Kandukur	0.1	B P T	3800	4000	3900
Kondapi	0.1	B P T	3800	4000	3900
Markapur	0.1	B P T	3900	4000	3950
Nandyal	0.1	Sona Fine	4200	4300	4250
Polavaram	NR	Sona	3000	3600	3400
Proddatur	NR	Masuri	4000	4200	4100
Repalli	0.1	B P T	4200	4400	4300
<b>Assam</b>					
Cachar	60	Common	2400	2900	2700
		Fine	3000	3600	3200
		Other	2000	2500	2300
Dhekiajuli	27	Common	1700	1900	1800
		Fine	2100	2600	2400
Dhing	75	Common	1600	2000	1800
		Fine	3000	3500	3200
Dibrugarh	15	Other	2200	2900	2550
Howly	65	Broken Rice	1200	1500	1300
		Common	1800	2000	1900

		Fine	2300	2600	2400
		Super Fine	4000	4300	4200
Karimganj	60	Common	2050	2150	2100
Lanka	80	Common	1700	1750	1725
North Lakhimpur	11	Common	1800	2000	1900
		Fine	2600	2800	2700
		Super Fine	3000	4000	3500
Srirampur	120	Common	2950	3200	2980
<b>Bihar</b>					
Bihariganj	NR	Other	3000	5000	4000
Kishanganj	NR	Other	2600	3000	2800
Nawada	NR	Other	1700	1900	1800
<b>Gujarat</b>					
Jambusar	NR	Other	3000	4000	3500
Jambusar(Kaavi)	NR	Other	3000	4200	3700
<b>Jammu and Kashmir</b>					
Jammu (Grain Mandi)	NR	Basmatibar (Raw/Old)	6800	7000	6900
<b>Jharkhand</b>					
Chaibasa	NR	Coarse	1500	2000	1800
		Fine(Basmati)	2200	2800	2400
		Medium	2100	2600	2300
Daltenganj	NR	Other	2240	2590	2320
Gadhwah	NR	Other	2400	3100	2800
Godda	NR	Medium	2200	2600	2400
		Other	1800	2000	1900
Lohardaga	24	Common	1600	2000	1860
		Fine	3000	3400	3170
		Medium	2200	2400	2365
Pakur	2.88	Fine	3044	3235	3155
Saraikela	NR	Medium	2440	2600	2510
		Other	1860	2000	1950
Simdega	8	Boiled Rice	2075	2200	2100
		Broken Rice	1230	1400	1300
		Fine	2235	2400	2350
		Motta (Coarse) Boiled	1765	1900	1850
<b>Karnataka</b>					
Bangalore	2350	Medium	4000	4200	4100
Bangarpet	641	Broken Rice	1520	1850	1680
		Sarbatl Raw	2480	2980	2880
Chintamani	39	Broken Rice	1800	2000	1900
		Hansa	2500	2800	2700
		Sona	3650	5100	4850
<b>Kerala</b>					
Chengannur	10	IR-8	2400	2800	2500
		Jaya	3200	3600	3500

Kottayam	10	Other	3200	3600	3500
<b>Maharashtra</b>					
Bhivandi	7	1009 Kar	2200	4450	3300
Kolhapur(Laxmipuri)	20	1009 Kar	2000	4700	3000
<b>Manipur</b>					
Lamlong Bazaar	2	Other	NR	2500	2500
<b>Meghalaya</b>					
Shillong	1	Other	3400	3600	3500
<b>Orissa</b>					
Bonai	1	Other	2000	2200	2000
Deogarh	9	Other	2000	3000	2500
Karanjia	5.5	Common	3000	3200	3100
		Other	2600	2800	2700
Nimapara	4.5	Other	2000	2400	2200
<b>Tripura</b>					
Melaghar	3	Coarse	2300	2400	2350
		Fine	2950	3050	3000
		Masuri	2500	2600	2550
<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>					
Achalda	190	III	NR	NR	2240
Azamgarh	228	III	2075	2120	2090
Balrampur	38	Other	2025	2055	2040
Bareilly	214	Coarse	NR	NR	2200
Bijnaur	8	III	NR	NR	2180
Dibiapur	8	III	NR	NR	2230
Divai	14	III	2040	2080	2060
Farukhabad	3.5	III	NR	NR	2210
Fatehpur	7	III	NR	NR	2130
Gulavati	2	III	1980	2100	2045
Jaunpur	40	Coarse	1900	1950	1930
Kannauj	9.5	III	NR	NR	2200
Khairagarh	5	III	NR	NR	2080
Madhoganj	27.5	Other	2100	2200	2150
Mirzapur	25	Other	1875	1940	1915
Pilibhit	250	Coarse	2170	2200	2185
Raibareilly	15	Other	2000	2075	2030
Rampur	16.5	Other	NR	NR	2185
Sardhana	1.5	III	NR	NR	2090
Shahganj	NR	III	1920	1960	1940
Sitapur	136	Coarse	2160	2350	2235
Varanasi(Grain)	520	Other	1935	1960	1945
<b>West Bengal</b>					
Beldanga	40	Other	2275	2325	2300
Jalpaiguri Sadar	23	Fine	2700	2775	2750
		Other	1925	1975	1950
		Super Fine	3675	3725	3700
Kaliaganj	15	Other	2225	2600	2550
Kasimbazar	46	Other	2300	2350	2320

Mekhliganj	22	Common	1950	2050	2000
		Fine	3050	3150	3100
Pandua	52	Ratnachudi (718 5-749)	2250	2350	2300
Purulia	40	Other	2230	2250	2240
Raiganj	20	Other	2550	2650	2600
Ramkrishanpur(Howrah)	23.6	Other	2400	2600	2500
		Sona Mansoori Non Basmati	2000	2200	2100
Samsi	500	Fine	2790	2820	2800
		H.Y.V.	1890	1920	1900
Sheoraphuly	10	Ratnachudi (718 5-749)	2400	2600	2500

**(Arrivals and Prices in Rs/Qtl)**
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