

Domestic Market Highlights:

Rice export from India in the month of December was approx 14.71 lakh tonnes which was up by 60% last year December export of 9.2 lakh tonnes and also up from last month from 52%. Non basmati rice contribution was around 59% and rest 40.78% contribution of basmati rice with quantity of 8.71 lakh tonnes and 6 lakh tonnes respectively as per data received from IBIS.

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, 2105.

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:

Jan-04-2016	White Rice 5% Broken	White Rice 25% Broken
Gujarat	2431.63	2231.77
Andhra Pradesh	2411.38	2211.52

In Rs. /Quintal

Rice Prices in Various Markets

Market Center	Arrivals	Variety	Minimum Price	Maximum Price	Modal Price
Cereals					
Rice					
Andhra Pradesh					
Addanki	NR	B P T	4050	4100	4080
Chirala	0.1	B P T	3900	4000	3950
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
Nandyal	0.1	Sona Fine	3100	3200	3150
Ongole	0.1	B P T	4000	4100	4020
Pamaruru	NR	B P T	1100	1250	1150
Polavaram	NR	Sona	3200	3600	3400
Proddatur	NR	Masuri	4000	4200	4100
Repalli	0.1	B P T	2200	2400	2300
Assam					

Cachar	40	Common	2400	2900	2700
		Fine	3000	3600	3200
		Other	2000	2500	2300
Dibrugarh	25	Other	2200	2900	2550
Gauripur	78	Fine	3500	5500	4500
		Other	1900	3000	2700
Hailakandi	4	Common	2400	2900	2700
		Fine	3000	3600	3200
		Other	2000	2500	2300
Howly	41	Broken Rice	1200	1500	1300
		Common	1800	2100	2000
		Fine	2300	2400	2350
		Super Fine	4000	4300	4200
Karimganj	100	Common	2050	2150	2100
		Fine	2600	3100	2900
Lanka	55	Common	1700	1750	1725
North Lakhimpur	9.1	Common	1800	2000	1900
		Fine	2600	2800	2700
		Super Fine	3000	4000	3500
P.O. Uparhali Guwahati	73	Common	1800	2400	2100
		Fine	2100	3500	2800
		Super Fine	3400	14000	8900
Bihar					
Bhagalpur	NR	Other	3600	3800	3700
Bihariganj	NR	Other	3000	5000	4000
Chhapra	0.1	Other	3000	3100	3050
Kishanganj	NR	Other	2600	3000	2800
Nawada	NR	Other	1700	1900	1800
Gujarat					
Dahod	43.4	Coarse	4000	4200	4100
Jambusar	NR	Other	3000	4000	3500
Jambusar(Kaavi)	NR	Other	3000	4500	4000
Jammu and Kashmir					
Jammu (Grain Mandi)	NR	Basmatibar (Raw/Old)	6800	7000	6900
Jharkhand					
Chakulia	NR	Fine	2150	2350	2260
		Medium	1860	1980	1930
Daltenganj	NR	Other	2240	2500	2340
Godda	NR	Medium	2000	2400	2200
		Other	1800	2000	1900
Jamshedpur	NR	Fine	4100	4300	4200
		Medium	3600	3800	3700
Koderma	49	Fine	3400	3600	3500
		Medium	2400	2600	2500
		Motta (Coarse)	1600	1800	1700

		Boiled			
Latehar	NR	Boiled Rice	1900	2000	1950
		Fine	3100	3300	3200
		Medium	2600	2800	2700
Lohardaga	NR	Common	1800	2000	1950
		Fine	2900	3200	3050
		Medium	2200	2500	2350
Saraikela	NR	Medium	2460	2600	2530
		Other	1950	2200	2060
Karnataka					
Bangalore	1915	Medium	4000	4200	4100
Kolar	2	Broken Rice	1700	2000	1800
		Fine	5250	5500	5366
Madikeri	3	Other	1200	1200	1200
Kerala					
Aroor	4	Basumathi	6800	7000	6900
		IR-8	2400	2600	2500
		Jaya	2800	3000	2900
		Other	2900	3100	3000
Cherthala	7.5	IR-8	2300	2400	2350
		Jaya	3260	3350	3300
		Other	3850	4000	3900
Mannar	10	IR-8	3000	3200	3100
		Jaya	3000	3200	3100
		Other	6000	6200	6100
Thodupuzha	70	IR-8	2300	2600	2600
		Mataa Parboiled	3500	4000	3800
Maharashtra					
Alibagh	3	Other	3500	4000	3750
Bhivandi	8	1009 Kar	2370	4800	3080
Kolhapur(Laxmipuri)	30	1009 Kar	2000	4700	3000
Mangaon	1	Other	1800	3500	2800
Murud	3	Other	2500	3000	2750
Meghalaya					
Shillong	1.2	Other	3400	3600	3500
Orissa					
Bampada	10	Other	2400	3000	2500
Barikpur	10	Common	2300	3000	2400
		Other	2400	3200	2500
Bolangir	7	Other	2300	2400	2300
Bonai	1	Other	2000	2000	2000
Deogarh	9.5	Other	2000	3000	2500
Jeypore	6.5	Common	300	330	325
Jeypore(Kotpad)	7.4	Common	3000	3300	3250
Nimapara	6.5	Other	2000	2400	2200
Tusura	6	Other	2300	2400	2300
Tripura					

Silachhari	0.8	Masuri	2700	2900	2800
Uttar Pradesh					
Agra	92	III	NR	NR	2170
Aligarh	70	III	2100	2200	2160
Balrampur	38	Other	2130	2165	2150
Bareilly	225	Coarse	NR	NR	2180
Basti	146.5	III	2000	2150	2070
Etawah	650	III	NR	NR	2250
Faizabad	180	III	2100	2150	2120
Gazipur	72	III	1890	1910	1900
Gonda	180	III	2100	2200	2150
Jaunpur	50	Coarse	1900	2000	1940
Kannauj	10	III	NR	NR	2210
Lalganj	18	III	1980	2020	2000
Lucknow	127	Coarse	2000	2125	2070
Madhoganj	26	Other	2100	2200	2150
Mathura	550	III	NR	NR	2080
Mirzapur	27	Other	1900	1950	1925
Muradabad	10	III	NR	NR	2240
Muzzafarnagar	70	Common	NR	NR	2030
Naugarh	14	III	2000	2070	2035
Orai	NR	Other	NR	NR	2000
Partaval	40	III	1990	2055	2025
Pilibhit	260	Coarse	2170	2215	2195
Raibareilly	21	Other	2000	2075	2040
Sardhana	1.2	III	NR	NR	2070
Shahganj	NR	III	1880	1920	1900
Sitapur	130	Coarse	2150	2350	2240
Siyana	2	III	1970	2130	2045
Tilhar	1.5	Other	2165	2210	2200
Varanasi(Grain)	560	Other	1920	1950	1945
Yusufpur	15	III	1850	1900	1870
Uttrakhand					
Bazpur	1000	Common	1900	1900	1900
Gadarpur	280	Other	1840	1840	1840
Tanakpur	16	Other	2000	2200	2100
West Bengal					
Balarampur	2.3	Other	2230	2240	2230
Barasat	45	Masuri	2100	2300	2200
		Other	2400	2600	2500
Beldanga	40	Other	2275	2325	2300
Bishnupur(Bankura)	105	Masuri	1850	1950	1900
		Other	2350	2450	2400
Burdwan	434	Common	1680	1720	1700
		Fine	2030	2070	2050
Champadanga	14	Ratnachudi (718 5-749)	2300	2450	2400
Ghatal	29	Common	1770	1850	1820

		Fine	2200	2270	2240
Guskara(Burdwan)	249	Fine	2130	2170	2150
Haldibari	20	Fine	2300	2500	2400
Indus(Bankura Sadar)	80	Other	2300	2400	2350
Islampur	3	Other	2100	2200	2150
Kalimpong	1.2	Other	2300	2500	2400
Kalipur	60	Other	2000	2200	2100
		Sona Mansoori Non Basmati	1680	1800	1750
Karsiyang(Matigara)	1.6	Other	2400	2900	2600
Kasimbazar	46	Other	2310	2380	2340
Kasipur	1.1	Other	2280	2280	2280
Khatra	37	Other	2150	2300	2200
Mekhliganj	20	Common	1950	2050	2000
		Fine	3050	3150	3100
Memari	246	Common	1680	1720	1700
		Fine	2030	2070	2050
Pandua	52	Ratnachudi (718 5-749)	2400	2600	2500
Purulia	36	Other	2180	2200	2200
Raiganj	20	Other	2550	2650	2600
Tamluk (Medinipur E)	10	Common	2200	2350	2300
		Fine	2400	2550	2500

(Arrivals and Prices in Rs/Qtl)

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