Domestic Market Highlights:

Wholesale Prices for India as an average for second week of August traded firmed by 4.97% from last week. Prices are currently hovering at Rs.2880-2885 /quintal and 4.59% up from price of Rs.2690/Quintal during corresponding period last year. Agriwatch expects non-basmati rice market to move range bound with firm tone in coming week.

Prices of 1121 steam is in Delhi Market is Rs.5200-5350/quintal while 1121 sella rice is about 4100-4150/quintal. At JNPT port, price of Sona Masuri is hover in the range of Rs.3200-3300/quintal.

The total sown area as on 12th August, 2016 as per reports received from States, stands at 954.18 lakh hectare as compared to 895.91 lakh hectares at this time last year. It is reported that rice has been sown/transplanted in 326.08 lakh hectares ,which is up by 7% from last year area of 304.71 lakh hectare.

Kharif sowing in Haryana as on August 8 dropped 0.19 percent at 28.44 lakh hectares against acreage sown same period last year. Paddy area reached at 11.86 lakh hectares, against 12.71 lakh hectare in 2015.

Total Rice exported from India in the first week of August was 12818.19 tons out of which basmati rice contribute 28%, and non-basmati rice is 71.86% in this period with quantity of around 36065.59 tons and 92118.6 tons respectively as per latest data extract from IBIS.

Indian FOB for 1121 steam in the month of July moved up from last month and currently is in the range of USD 909-910/MT which is up by around 1.24% from last month price. Average basmati rice price increased due to increased buying interest for stockpiling which push the price in northward direction. Pakistani basmati price has also moved up from USD 825/MT to 907$/MT, according to the UN's Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO). Currently Pakistani basmati FOB is hovering in the range of USD 907-908/MT which is up by 9.93% from last month FOB of USD 750/MT.

Procurement target for paddy in terms of rice for Kharif Crop during Kharif Marketing Season (KMS) 2016-17 has been finalized as 330 lakh tonnes against target of 300 lakh tonnes of last year i.e. KMS 2015-16. In KMS 2015-16 actual procurement of rice (Kharif crop) was 309.28 LMT. Highest target is set for Punjab(94.5 lakhtons) followed by Chhattisgarh(35.00) lakh Tons) and U.P(33.50 LT).

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

International Market Highlight:

Thailand sold 347,500 tonnes of rice from state stockpiles in two July auctions, as the country looks to eliminate stockpiles built up under the previous administration. The world's second-biggest rice exporter after India has stocks of about 9 million tonnes after buying rice from farmers at prices exceeding global rates under a scheme. Thailand plans to clear the stockpiles by the end of 2017.

Post revises the estimate of MY 2015/16 Indonesian paddy harvested area to 12.0 million hectares from the previous estimate of 11.8 million hectares. Thus, it is estimated that MY 2015/16 Indonesian paddy production will increase to 36.2 MMT compared to the previous estimate of 35.6 MMT of milled rice equivalent. Considering higher production estimates, Post expects MY2015/16 Indonesian rice imports will decline to 1.8 MMT compared to the initial estimate of 2.0 MMT.

Increased purchase orders for Thai par-boiled rice from Africa coupled with substantial drop in second-crop rice production as a result of prolonged drought have driven the price of paddy in the domestic market to surpass 10,000 baht per tonne – the highest price recorded in three years. Price of 5% paddy with 15% moisture was quoted at local rice market at 10,500 baht per tonne compared to 8,500 baht in early July – an increase of about 2,000 baht which is the highest in three years. African countries had placed orders for the purchase of Thai par-boiled rice which results driving up the paddy of new crop required to turn into par-boiled rice. The price of par-boiled rice itself has increased to 15,500-15,800 baht /T as export price was quoted at US$395/tonne. It is expected that about 650,000 tonnes/month of rice would be exported during July-September period and would then increased to about 800,000 tonnes per month during the fourth quarter of the year. For the whole year, between 9.2-9.3 million tonnes of Thai rice are expected to be exported.

Vietnam's rice export is estimated to drop to 5.65 million tonnes in 2016, down 14 percent against the previous year and 800,000 tonnes lower than initial forecast. According to the Vietnam Food Association (VFA), this is the first time since 2009 Vietnam's rice export may fall below 6 million tonnes. At present, Vietnam's big rice importers like the Philippines and Indonesia are showing no intention of buying more rice. Meanwhile, the purchasing power of China, which accounts for nearly 35 percent of Vietnam's export volume, is declining. VFA statistics showed that Vietnam shipped abroad 2.65 million tonnes of rice in the first half of this year, earning 1.14 billion USD. China remained Vietnam's largest rice importer, accounting for 35 percent of the market share, followed by Africa and Indonesia. As of late 2016, there are about 1.27 million tonnes of rice in stock. However, the rice output of the summer-autumn crop is predicted to decrease due to long-lasting drought and saline intrusion.

Cambodia exported 268,190 tons of milled rice in the first half of 2016, down 5.8 percent from the 283,825 tons in the same period last year. The Southeast Asian country has exported its milled rice to 57 countries and regions around the world. Three top buyers are China, France and Poland, adding that China imported some 47,024 tons of milled rice from Cambodia during the January-June period this year, France imported 37,463 tons and Poland purchased 36,164 tons. Cambodia produced over 9 million tons of paddy rice a year. With this amount, country has over 3 million tons of milled rice left over for annual export.

Rice Prices in Various Markets :(in Rs. /Quintal)

Paddy Prices in Various Markets

Market	Arrivals	Variety	Minimum Price	Maximum Price	Modal Price
	(Tonnes)		(Rs./Quintal)	(Rs./Quintal)	(Rs./Quintal)
Andhra Pradesh					
Achanta	NR	MTU-1010	1580	1600	1590
Akiveedu	NR	Paddy	1440	1480	1460
Bhimunipatnam	NR	Paddy	1410	1450	1430
Chipurupalli	NR	1001	1410	1450	1450
Divi	0.1	B P T	1600	1700	1600
Kaikaluru	NR	MTU-1001	1450	1450	1450
		MTU-1010	1680	1680	1680
Koilkunta	NR	B P T	1500	1700	1600
Nandigama	0.1	B P T	1600	1650	1600
Narsipatnam	NR	Paddy	1410	1450	1430
Pidugurala(Palnadu)	NR	B P T	1800	2000	1900
Pusapatirega	0.1	1001	1410	1410	1410
Rajam	20	Paddy	1400	1450	1430
Saluru	NR	1001	1410	1430	1420
Sampara	NR	B P T	1500	1520	1510
		Swarna Masuri (OLD)	1450	1500	1470
Srikalahasti	NR	ADT 37	1200	1333	1266
		B P T	2000	2133	2066
Vuyyur	NR	B P T	1450	1500	1475

		MTU-2077	1410	1450	1430
Yellamanchili	NR	Paddy	1410	1450	1430
Chattisgarh					
Arang	1	Paddy Medium	1200	1200	1200
Dongargaon	11	Other	1300	1450	1300
Kasdol	5	Paddy	1200	1200	1200
		Paddy fine	1250	1250	1250
Gujarat					
Dahod	66.4	Paddy Coarse	1330	1360	1340
		Paddy fine	1675	1750	1700
Dehgam	0.5	Other	1625	1700	1662
Jharkhand					
Gumla	NR	Other	1225	1300	1263
Madhya Pradesh					
Balaghat	5.53	Common	1304	1450	1390
		Paddy fine	1691	2181	1850
Bichhiya	118.48	Other	1475	1475	1475
Mohgaon	38	Common	1420	1450	1420
Maharashtra					
Armori	2	Other	2188	2350	2325
Sindevahi	7	Other	2200	2300	2200
Orissa					
Bonai	0.3	Other	1410	1450	1410
Jajpur	40	Other	1410	1500	1410
Karanjia	0.06	Other	1410	1410	1410
Kendupatna	32	Other	1410	1410	1410
Tamil Nadu					
Arur	NR	Paddy	1450	1650	1500
Kamuthi	NR	ADT 36	1350	1500	1450
Karur	NR	Other	1460	1500	1480
Telangana					
Chityal	NR	MTU-1010	1450	1450	1450
Gangadhara	0.1	I.R. 64	1450	1450	1450
Huzzurabad	NR	1001	1410	1410	1410
		MTU-1010	1450	1450	1450
Koratla	NR	Paddy	1450	1450	1450
Tripura					

Sonamura	7	Fine	1500	1600	1550
		Masuri	1475	1575	1525
		Other	1450	1550	1500

(Arrivals and Prices in Rs/Qtl)

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	(Tonnes)		**(Rs./Quintal)**	**(Rs./Quintal)**	**(Rs./Quintal)**
Andhra Pradesh					
Divi	0.1	B P T	2600	2700	2600
Markapur	0.1	B P T	4000	4200	4100
Assam					
Dibrugarh	5.5	Other	2000	2900	2450
North Lakhimpur	5.5	Common	1800	2000	1900
		Fine	2600	2800	2700
		Super Fine	3000	4000	3500
Bihar					
Nawada	NR	Other	1800	2000	1900
Gujarat					
Dahod	18.1	Coarse	4000	4200	4100
Jambusar	NR	Other	2500	4000	3300
Jambusar(Kaavi)	NR	Other	3000	4000	3500
Jharkhand					
Gumla	NR	Other	2800	4200	3500
Ranchi	NR	Coarse	1950	2400	2225
		Fine	3500	6000	3600
		Medium	2500	2900	2640
Karnataka					
Chintamani	43	Broken Rice	1950	2150	2000
		Hansa	2300	2600	2500
		Sona	3600	5200	4500
Maharashtra					
Akola	NR	1009 Kar	3250	3800	3525
Kolhapur(Laxmipuri)	10	1009 Kar	2300	5100	3400
Orissa					
Bonai	0.5	Other	2200	2500	2500
Karanjia	5.5	Common	2600	2800	2700
		Other	2400	2600	2500
Tripura					
Melaghar	2	Coarse	2500	2600	2550
		Fine	3000	3100	3050

		Masuri	2700	2800	2750
Uttar Pradesh					
Azamgarh	190	III	2150	2250	2200
Dibiapur	8.6	III	2230	2250	2240
Jaunpur	260	Coarse	2200	2220	2210
Mirzapur	9	Other	1950	2010	1975
Robertsganj	10	III	NR	NR	1950
Siyana	1.5	III	NR	NR	2250
West Bengal					
Islampur	4	Other	2300	2400	2350

(Arrivals and Prices in Rs/Qtl)