

Domestic Market Highlights:

- Market prices remained slightly down during the day in most of the mandis throughout the country due to lull arrivals and demand.
- This year, the cultivation of samba paddy took place on more than 45,000 hectares of land in Madurai. Farmers in Melur claim that the recent rains had an impact on harvesting since they increased the moisture level of the paddy grain. As per sources, only 88 DPCs are currently operational in the area out of the 164 certified direct procurement centres.
- As of January 5th, 2023, FCI purchased 51.4 MT of rice, which was slightly more than the previous year at 66 million tonne (MMT). The paddy procurement totaled 65 MMT over the same period the previous year. The FCI's rice stocks, which had been depleted by the implementation of the free ration scheme, have benefited from higher grain procurement. FCI had 17 MT of rice on hand at the start of the month and another 30 MMT was on the way from millers, greatly exceeding the 7.6 MMT buffer needed at the start of the year.
- India's 5% broken parboiled rice ranged from \$393 to \$398 per tonne, up from a range of \$387 to \$395 last week. This year, the government purchased unmilled rice from farmers in record amounts. Limited supply is available to private players for the exports.
- As per sources, 17.86 million tons of non-basmati rice were shipped in 2022, whereas 4.4 million tonnes of premium basmati rice were exported. While basmati rice is primarily exported from India to the Middle East, the United States, and Britain, non-basmati rice is primarily sent to Africa and Asia. Prices were driven up by an export duty on shipments of Indian non-basmati rice, but consumers soon reverted back because Thailand and Vietnam were selling rice for much more prices.
- According to the Ministry of Agriculture's most recent sowing data, which was published on February 2, 2023, paddy has been sown in 46.25 lakh hectares, compared to 35.05 lakh ha the year before, an increase of 32% this rabi season. This will offset the decrease in rice production during the kharif season. Rabi paddy is now being sown in most of the rice-growing states, with the exception of Gujarat, Maharashtra, and Tripura, where it has not yet begun.
- Now that export demand has reduced amid meagre arrivals, the market has started moving downward this week. Arrival in Punjab and Haryana is almost over now. In West Bengal, lower prices are attracting demand from Haryana, Punjab, Delhi. Whereas in Raichur, Karnataka, market is almost steady due to the limited demand from Tamil Nadu, Kerala, and Chhattisgarh

despite low arrivals. Due to current market fundamentals, market prices are anticipated to decrease over the upcoming weeks.

- As per sources, in order to make ethanol, over 1 million metric tonnes of consumable rice from the Food Corporation of India's reserves were sold at discounted prices in 2022. In the open markets for rice, maize, and sugarcane in the nation, where food and feed processors (and food customers) compete with oil production corporations for grains, similar crop diversions to create ethanol have been taking place. This can raise concerns regarding India's food security.
- As per sources, with only a week left until the completion of Chhattisgarh's paddy procurement, farmer purchases of the crop surpassed 100 lakh tonnes on Tuesday. This kharif, the government intends to purchase 110 lakh tonnes of paddy by January 31.
- According to sources, farmers in Telangana cultivated in abundance during the Yasangi (rabi) season, placing the state to establish new records this year. As of now, the state's total sown area was 28.56 lakh acres, compared to the normal cultivated area for the season of 47.85 lakh acres. However, this is nearly twice as much as the 14.81 lakh acres that were sown during the Yasangi season last year. Due to unseasonal rainfall and a delay in harvesting operations, early sowing during the Yasangi season was delayed. 17.98 lakh acres, i.e., 60% of the total area sown, are used for paddy cultivation.
- According to sources, an order has been placed to import 100,000 tonnes of rice from Iran shortly after the country recently eased its import restrictions due to shortage of basmati rice in the domestic market. Since the beginning of November, imports of all types of rice have been prohibited. Almost 1.27 million tonnes of rice have been imported so far this year. Around 1.5 million tonnes are imported annually. Iran must therefore acquire almost 250,000 tonnes of the grain by the end of March. Iran imports a substantial amount of rice from India. This will increase Indian Basmati domestic market prices as well.
- As of January 15, 2023, FCI had procured 595.43 lakh tonnes (LMT) of paddy for the central pool during the current 2022–2023 kharif marketing season. Govt. is very actively buying paddy which might help in replenishing the stocks which have been exhausted by PMGKAY.
- As per sources, rumours are circulating regarding the upliftment of the export ban on 100% broken rice which was imposed by govt. in September, 2022. However, according to agriwatch's estimates, it is not likely to lift the export ban any time before the rabi paddy harvesting as right now there is tight supply due to which the current prevailing market prices

are moving upwards. After rabi paddy harvesting, govt. might uplift the export ban which will further ease the tension regarding food supply following Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

- According to sources, over 9.1 million individuals who are BPL would receive 5 kg of rice free of charge from the Telangana government starting this month for the duration of the following year.
- As per sources, in Punjab, a record 22 lakh tonnes (LT) of basmati, or the aromatic rice type, have been purchased so far in the harvest cycle of 2022–23, and farmers anticipate selling the grain for an additional 3–4 months.
- As per reports, paddy is typically grown on about 20,000 hectares in Dharmapuri district of Tamil Nadu. The area under cultivation now totals 60,000 hectares as a result of this year's abundant rains. A further aim set by the agriculture department for 2022–2023 is 1,67,000 hectares. The district got more than 1,200 mm of rain this year. Through DPCs, the government purchases paddy for Rs 19 per kg. However, private parties offer Rs. 9 to 12 per kilogramme. Farmers who sell in the private market cannot make money after accounting for labour and input costs.

Domestic Market Outlook (Non-Basmati):

- As per prevailing market fundamentals, arrivals of non-basmati have almost come to an end so, it is expected that domestic prices would improve in near term.

International Market Highlights

- Thailand's 5% broken rice prices eased marginally at \$495 per tonne from \$500 per tonne due to moderate demand. Prices will show correction once new supply begins in March.
- Vietnam's 5% broken rice quoted at \$445–\$450 per tonne, which is the same price as two weeks ago. Following the lunar new year holiday, traders are continuing their purchases of rice from farmers in order to get ready for new contracts.
- In January, Vietnam exported 400,000 tonnes of rice, a 20.9% decrease from the same month last year.
- As of USDA's recent report, the rice production in Bangladesh for the marketing year ending in April has been increased to 35.8 million tonnes.

- As per sources, there is good demand for all varieties of Basmati from Iraq and Yemen. Dubai festival is also scheduled to start in February, 2023, it would push prices further up. Apart from this, Iran normally starts buying from March every year and is expected to be the same for this year too. Right now, packing/shipping for basmati continues for Yemen, UAE, Saudi Arabia and Russia in south India. Exporters for aromatic rice are active right now.

TODAY

State/Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
		09-Feb-23	08-Feb-23	
Delhi (Naya Bazar)	1121 Paddy	4500	4500	Unch
	1509 Paddy	4050	4100	-50
	DB Paddy	4700	4700	Unch
	Traditional Basmati Paddy	6100	6300	-200
	Basmati Rice Common (Raw Wand)	11000	11200	-200
	1121 Raw Wand	9600	9500	100
	1121 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8300	8300	Unch
	1121 Steam Wand	9400	9500	-100
	1121 Golden Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8800	8800	Unch
	1509 Steam Wand	9100	9000	100
	1509 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	7900	7900	Unch
	Sugandha Steam	7800	7800	Unch
	Sarbati Raw Wand	6700	6800	-100
	Sarbati White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	6100	6100	Unch
	Parmal Raw	4500	4500	Unch
	Parmal Steam Wand	4300	4300	Unch
	Parmal White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	4450	4500	-50
	DB(Duplicate Basmati) (Pusa) Raw Wand	8900	8900	Unch
Punjab (Amritsar)	1121 Paddy	4800	4815	-15
	1509 Paddy	4500	4700	-200
	Traditional Basmati Paddy	6000	6200	-200
	Basmati Rice Common (Raw Wand)	10900	11100	-200
	1121 Steam Wand	9500	9425	75
	1121 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8400	8425	-25
	1509 Steam Wand	9300	9200	100
	1509 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8100	7900	200
	Sarbati Raw Wand	6950	6800	150
	Sarbati Steam Wand	6750	6600	150
	Sarbati White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	6350	6300	50
	Parmal Steam Wand	4350	4300	50

	PR-47 Govt. Quality	3575	3300	275
Haryana (Karnal)	1121 Paddy	4700	4700	Unch
	1509 Paddy	4500	4500	Unch
	Basmati Paddy 31no.	6000	6200	-200
	Basmati Rice Common (Raw Wand)	10900	11100	-200
	1121 Steam	9500	9500	Unch
	1121 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8400	8400	Unch
	1509 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8100	7900	200
	Sarbati Steam	6750	6800	-50
	Sarbati White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	6350	6300	50
	DB(Duplicate Basmati) Steam	9200	9200	Unch
	DB(Duplicate Basmati) White Parboiled	8500	8500	Unch
	Parmal Raw	4550	4600	-50
	Parmal Steam Wand	4350	4400	-50
	Parmal White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	4400	4500	-100
	IR-08	3000	3000	Unch
West Bengal (Kolkata)	Swarna White Parboiled 5% Silky Sortex	2750	2760	-10
	Swarna White Parboiled 100% Silky Sortex	2780	2770	10
	IR-36 White Parboiled 5% Silky Sortex	3050	3150	-100
	IR-64 White Parboiled 25% Silky Sortex	3600	3600	Unch
	Miniket 5% Broken	4500	4500	Unch
	Gobind Bhog	6400	6500	-100
Andhra Pradesh (Kurnool)	Sona Fine	4600	4600	Unch
Andhra Pradesh (Machilipatnam)	BPT Steam	4800	4800	Unch
Chhattisgarh (Bhatapara)	HMT	4900	4900	Unch
	JSR (Jai Shri Ram)	5400	5400	Unch
	Vishnu Bhog	8000	8000	Unch
	Dugraj	4500	4500	Unch
	Swarna	2600	2600	Unch
Chhattisgarh (Rajim)	Swarna 5% Broken	2500	2500	Unch
	BPT Steam	3900	3900	Unch
	BPT White Parboiled	2900	2900	Unch
Maharashtra (Nagpur)	HMT Raw	4500	4500	Unch
	JSR (Jai Shri Ram) Best	4900	5100	-200
	Chinnor Best	4900	5200	-300
	BPT	3800	3800	Unch
	Rupali	4000	4000	Unch
Maharashtra (Gondia)	IR-36 White Parboiled (Sella)	2800	2850	-50
	HMT RAW	4500	4600	-100
	BPT White Parboiled (Sella)	3200	3400	-200

Karnatka (Raichur)	Sona Steam	4400	4200	200
	Sona Raw	5200	5200	Unch
	Ganga Kaveri	5200	5200	Unch
	HMT	5200	5200	Unch
Telangna (Nizamabad)	BPT Steam	4300	4300	Unch
	BPT raw	4500	4500	Unch
	kolam Steam Sortex	4500	4500	Unch
	JSR (Jai Shree Ram) kolam	4800	4800	Unch
	IR-64	2500	2500	Unch
	Kinki	2200	2200	Unch
Telangana (Hyderabad)	IR-64-Bold Sortex	2800	2800	Unch
	Sona Masuti Steam	4600	4600	Unch
	IR-Silki Sortex	2400	2400	Unch
Uttrakhand (Uddhamsingh Nagar)	Organic Basmati	13000	13000	Unch
	Dehraduni Basmati	12000	12000	Unch
	1121 Steam	9300	9400	-100
	1509 Steam	9000	8900	100
	Sugandha White Parboiled (Sella)	6900	6900	Unch
	Parmal White Parboiled (Sella)	4350	4400	-50
	Sharbati Steam	6400	6500	-100
Gujarat (Ahmedabad)	IR-08 Jaya Sortex	2900	2950	-50
	Parmal Sortex	2600	2650	-50
	Kolam Sortex	3600	3600	Unch

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