

Domestic Market Highlights:

- Markets remained steady to bearish throughout the day in most of the markets due to normal supply and poor demand amid poor quality of rice/paddy.
- During the week under review, prices were rangebound. In Karnataka, arrivals are expected to come from the first week of April onwards. And in Maharashtra, arrivals of some varieties of non-Basmati paddy/rice from Andhra Pradesh is expected to begin after 8-10 days. However, the arrival of fine varieties of rice/paddy is expected to commence from mid-April onwards.
- As per trade sources, India's 5% broken parboiled rice experienced a decline in its price range from last week's \$382-\$387 per metric tonne to a range of \$380-\$385 per metric tonne, which represents the lowest value since mid-January. Over the course of the last month, prices have undergone a correction of approximately \$20 per metric tonne. Market participants are currently adopting a wait-and-see approach, monitoring whether rice prices will undergo further reductions.
- As per trade sources, there is a strong export demand for RNR paddy/rice in Andhra Pradesh however supply is limited as high moisture content is there in the fresh arrivals. Consequently, a price hike of approximately 200 INR per quintal.
- During the week under review, market remained rangebound. All types of Basmati rice have remained sluggish for the past two months after prices rose by Rs. 400 per quintal during the GULFOOD Dubai. However, selling pressure has emerged in the market over the last few days, leading to a decline of Rs. 200 per quintal. The 1718 Sela rice, which was previously sold for Rs. 8150/8200, is now priced at Rs. 7900/7950, with big and small stockists beginning to sell their goods. As a result, all types of fine rice are expected to see a decline of Rs. 200/300 per quintal.
- As of 15th March, 2023, the GOI has granted approval for the provision of fortified rice via the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) under the National Food Security Act (NFSA), as well as in other government welfare schemes in all states and union territories (UTs) by 2024, in a phased approach. During Phase I, states/UTs have procured roughly 17.51 LMT of fortified rice for distribution under ICDS and PM POSHAN. The implementation of Phase II is ongoing, and as of February 2023, 92.77 LMT of fortified rice has been procured for distribution under TPDS in Aspirational and High Burden Districts. Additionally, states/UTs have procured about 27.46 LMT of fortified rice for ICDS and PM-POSHAN.
- According to trade sources, the forthcoming rabi crop of the current KMS 2022-23 is expected to yield 106 LMT rice, which will be procured from 11 states that produce rabi crop rice. The states have been

advised to increase their milling capacity to ensure that the milling of one season is completed before the start of the next season, thus preventing the recycling of rice.

- As per trade sources, a Saudi Arabian importer company has given HAFED export orders for 85,000 metric tonnes (MT) of basmati rice, valued at Rs 850 crore. A 33,000 MT order has been completed, and the other orders are being carried out. HAFED is now taking part in a GULFOOD 2023, the largest food and beverage expo in the world, by setting up its display stall there for the first time.
- According to trade sources, as the largest exporter of white rice in the world attempts to control local prices, India has no plans to lift restriction on broken rice exports or reduce a 20% levy on such shipments. The export restrictions imposed by India will make consumers pay more for rice, which has recently become more expensive, particularly in Asia and Africa. Another reason behind this decision is that the El Nino weather phenomena may affect this year's monsoon rains so it would be risky not to keep rice stock in hand amid limited wheat stocks.
- As per the 2nd advance estimates of production of major agricultural crops released by the Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare on 14th February, 2023, the production of rice in India has revised to 130.83 MMT up from the target of 130.5 MMT. Rabi production estimate is revised upward to 22.76 MMT from the target of 18.5 MMT due to increased acreage in key rabi paddy growing states whereas Kharif rice production went down from the target of 112 MMT to 108.07 MMT due to unfavourable weather condition in Kharif season 2022-23.
- 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 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.

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

- As per trade sources, the Indian Government has granted special consideration for the export of 3.5 lakh tonnes (lt) of broken rice to Gambia and Senegal. The Commerce Ministry has authorized the export of 1 lakh tonnes of broken rice to Gambia and 2.5 lakh tonnes to Senegal. Furthermore, the Ministry has permitted the shipment of 9,990 tonnes of broken rice to Djibouti and Ethiopia.
- According to trade sources, prices of Vietnam's 5% broken rice remained stable at \$450 per metric tonne throughout the week. In the near future, trading activities are expected to increase due to the rise in supplies from the current harvest season and the demand from traditional buyers, such as China and the Philippines. Despite this, the rates for Vietnamese rice continue to be lower than that of Thai grain, prompting some overseas traders to turn towards Vietnam as a means of maximizing their profits.
- As per sources, prices of Thailand's 5% broken rice experienced a slight increase from \$455 per metric tonne to \$465 per metric tonne, which can be attributed to the appreciation of the baht. Despite this change, prices are expected to remain range-bound as demand is currently subdued and supplies are gradually increasing. A stronger domestic currency can make exports from the country more expensive in dollar terms. If the supply of rice continues to increase, there may be a possibility of price correction in the future.
- According to WASDE Report of March, 2023, the global outlook for 2022/23 indicates a significant increase in supplies, consumption, trade, and ending stocks. The projected supplies have been raised by 7.0 million tons to a total of 693.3 million, with India's production alone accounting for the entire increase. The country's production has been raised to a record 132.0 million tons, based on the Second Advanced Estimate by the Government of India and the expectation of further increase in the final estimate, given the recent trend. The global consumption for 2022/23 is expected to reach a record high of 520.0 million tons, with an increase of 2.8 million tons, primarily due to India. The global trade for rice is projected to increase by 0.9 million tons to reach 54.9 million, with India's exports surpassing reductions in Uruguay and the United States. The estimated global ending stocks have been raised by 4.2 million tons to 173.3 million, with China and India contributing to 81 percent of the total rice stocks worldwide.

TODAY

State/Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
		29-Mar-23	28-Mar-23	
Delhi (Naya Bazar)	1121 Paddy	4530	4530	Unch

	1509 Paddy	4250	4250	Unch
	DB Paddy	4400	4400	Unch
	Traditional Basmati Paddy	5600	5600	Unch
	Basmati Rice Common (Raw Wand)	10100	9900	200
	1121 Raw Wand	9500	9500	Unch
	1121 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8400	8200	200
	1121 Steam Wand	9400	9400	Unch
	1121 Golden Parboiled (Sella) Wand	9000	8700	300
	1509 Steam Wand	9100	9100	Unch
	1509 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	7900	7900	Unch
	Sugandha Steam	7900	7800	100
	Sarbati Raw Wand	6500	6500	Unch
	Sarbati White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	5800	5800	Unch
	Parmal Raw	4600	4500	100
	Parmal Steam Wand	4400	4300	100
	Parmal White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	4200	4200	Unch
	DB(Duplicate Basmati) (Pusa) Raw Wand	8600	9100	-500
Punjab (Amritsar)	1121 Paddy	4850	4850	Unch
	1509 Paddy	4300	4300	Unch
	Traditional Basmati Paddy	5500	5500	Unch
	Basmati Rice Common (Raw Wand)	10100	9900	200
	1121 Steam Wand	9600	9600	Unch
	1121 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8400	8400	Unch
	1509 Steam Wand	9400	9300	100
	1509 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8000	8000	Unch
	Sarbati Raw Wand	6850	6850	Unch
	Sarbati Steam Wand	6650	6650	Unch
	Sarbati White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	6050	6050	Unch
	Parmal Steam Wand	4400	4375	25
	PR-47 Govt. Quality	3200	3200	Unch
Haryana (Karnal)	1121 Paddy	4800	4800	Unch
	1509 Paddy	4400	4400	Unch
	Basmati Paddy 31no.	6000	6000	Unch
	Basmati Rice Common (Raw Wand)	10100	9900	200
	1121 Steam	9600	9600	Unch
	1121 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8400	8400	Unch
	1509 White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	8000	8000	Unch
	Sarbati Steam	6650	6650	Unch
	Sarbati White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	6050	6050	Unch
	DB(Duplicate Basmati) Steam	8600	9050	-450

	DB(Duplicate Basmati) White Parboiled	8000	8450	-450
	Parmal Raw	4600	4575	25
	Parmal Steam Wand	4400	4375	25
	Parmal White Parboiled (Sella) Wand	4350	4350	Unch
	IR-08	3100	3100	Unch
West Bengal (Kolkata)	Swarna White Parboiled 5% Silky Sortex	2825	2825	Unch
	Swarna White Parboiled 100% Silky Sortex	2850	2850	Unch
	IR-36 White Parboiled 5% Silky Sortex	3200	3200	Unch
	IR-64 White Parboiled 25% Silky Sortex	3500	3500	Unch
	Miniket 5% Broken	4600	4600	Unch
	Gobind Bhog	6600	6600	Unch
Andhra Pradesh (Kurnool)	Sona Fine	4600	4600	Unch
Andhra Pradesh (Machilipatnam)	BPT Steam	4700	4700	Unch
Chhattisgarh (Bhatapara)	HMT	4700	4700	Unch
	JSR (Jai Shri Ram)	5000	5000	Unch
	Vishnu Bhog	7200	7200	Unch
	Dugraj	NA	0	-
	Swarna	2600	2600	Unch
Chhattisgarh (Rajim)	Swarna 5% Broken	2600	2600	Unch
	BPT Steam	4000	4000	Unch
	BPT White Parboiled	3200	3200	Unch
Maharashtra (Nagpur)	HMT Raw	4700	4700	Unch
	JSR (Jai Shri Ram) Best	5200	5200	Unch
	Chinnor Best	4850	4850	Unch
	BPT	3500	3500	Unch
	Rupali	3700	3700	Unch
Maharashtra (Gondia)	IR-36 White Parboiled (Sella)	2700	2700	Unch
	HMT RAW	4550	4550	Unch
	BPT White Parboiled (Sella)	3350	3350	Unch
Karnatka (Raichur)	Sona Steam	4100	4100	Unch
	Sona Raw	5100	5100	Unch
	Ganga Kaveri	5100	5100	Unch
	HMT	5000	5000	Unch
Telangna (Nizamabad)	BPT Steam	4200	4200	Unch
	BPT raw	4600	4600	Unch
	kolam Steam Sortex	5500	5500	Unch
	JSR (Jai Shree Ram) kolam	4600	4600	Unch
	IR-64	2300	2300	Unch
	Kinki	2200	2200	Unch
Telangana (Hyderabad)	IR-64-Bold Sortex	2600	2600	Unch

	Sona Masuti Steam	4800	4800	Unch
	IR-Silki Sortex	2500	2500	Unch
Uttrakhand (Uddhamsingh Nagar)	Organic Basmati	11000	11000	Unch
	Dehraduni Basmati	10200	10000	200
	1121 Steam	9500	9500	Unch
	1509 Steam	9200	9200	Unch
	Sugandha White Parboiled (Sella)	7100	7100	Unch
	Parmal White Parboiled (Sella)	4300	4300	Unch
	Sharbati Steam	6400	6400	Unch
Gujarat (Ahmedabad)	IR-08 Jaya Sortex	3100	3100	Unch
	Parmal Sortex	2900	2900	Unch
	Kolam Sortex	3700	3700	Unch

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