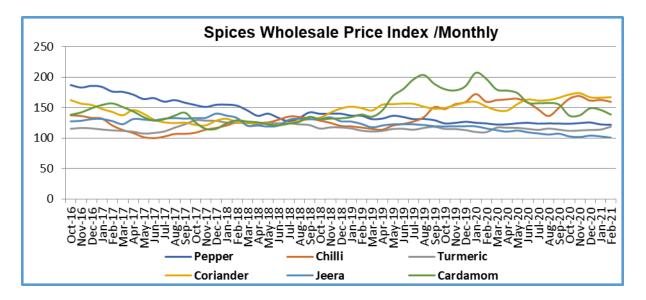


# Spices Monthly Research Report

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Pepper price index in Feb 121.5 compared to 122.2 in Jan, Red Chilli 159.2 in Feb up from 162.4 in Jan, Turmeric in Feb 118.6 compared to 113.7 in Jan, Coriander 167.6 in Feb from 166.7 in Jan, Jeera 101.2 in Feb compared to 103.1 in Jan and Cardamom in Feb 138.4 down from 146.2 in Jan.



# **RED CHILLI**

#### **Spot Market Recap**

- Firm sentiment witnessed in the Red Chilli spot market during March.
- Chilli quality slightly deteriorated the current year in AP and Telangana due to unseasonal rainfall during September and October (as we mentioned earlier) supported the prices despite higher production current year.
- At Guntur market new arrivals from Kurnool, Prakasham, Badrachalam and Yemmiganur reported around 90,000 – 96,000 bags. As per trade information, 90% deluxe and 10% rain touch quality reported.
- As per trade sources, as of now around 43 45 lakh bags (1 bag = 40 kgs) new chilli stored at Guntur cold storage of total capacity 70 lakh bags. AP total around 56 – 58 lakh bags stored as of now.
- In the Warangal market, new arrivals reported around 55,000 60,000 bags, buyers reported inactive due to moisture quality.
- In the Khammam market, new arrivals reported around 50,000 bags, buyers reported inactive due to moisture quality.
- Continued normal export demand reported from Vietnam, Malaysia and Indonesia at Guntur market, though the arrivals are lower of the Teja Deluxe variety.
- In Madhya Pradesh, the new chilli crop continued at Bedia mandi. As per trade sources, MP crop almost over, weekly 1,500 2,000 bags arrivals reported. Current year production likely to be around 65,245 MT compared to last year 52,500 MT.
- Expected higher production in the current marketing year is the main reason for lower demand at higher levels. Chilli prices are likely to correct in the coming days.

## Monthly Red Chilli (Dry) Arrival Scenario

	Red Chilli Arrival Scenario: (in Bags)							
State	Market	% Change Over Previous	Current Month	Last Month	Previous Year			
		Month	Mar.21	Feb.21	Mar.20			
Andhra Pradesh	Guntur	37.99	19,25,000	13,95,000	12,70,000			
Telangana	Warangal	93.43	10,60,000	5,48,000	5,92,000			
Total		53.63	29,85,000	19,43,000	18,62,000			

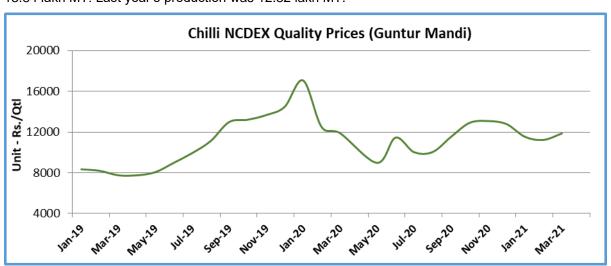
Units - Bags (1 bag = 45 kgs),

#### **Red Chilli Arrivals Scenario**

From 1st January to 31st March, Red Chilli supply in Guntur market is reported 193,500 MT as compared to the same period last year 165,375 MT, up by 17.01% as farmers and stockists were releasing their produce at current prices.

#### **Agriwatch Red Chilli Production Estimate 2021-22**

Agriwatch estimates, final Red Chilli all India production for 2021-22 (marketing year) is estimated at 13.84 lakh MT. Last year's production was 12.32 lakh MT.





During March, Red chilli monthly average prices was Rs.11,885/-qtl, which was reported up from February Rs.11,250/-qtl. Last year March it was Rs.11,908/-qtl.

## **Red Chilli Price Outlook**

Chilli (NCDEX quality) in Guntur was traded at Rs.11,800 - 12,200 per quintal. Buyers reported active at this price currently due to lower quality supply in some premium variety. We expect prices to move in a range between Rs.8,000 - 11,000/-qtl in the coming days.

## Red Chilli Spot Price Outlook (Guntur, 334 variety)

Candlestick chart formation indicates prices may correct in the market. Red Chilli 334 variety prices are moving at Rs.12,500 - 13,000/-qtl. We expect prices to move in a range between Rs.10,000 - 12,500/-. in coming days.

	Spot Prices Monthly Change								
		Red Chilli (Dry) Spo	t Market Prices: (R	(s/Qtl)					
State	Centre	Grade	% Change Over Previous Month	Today 30-Mar-21	Month Ago 25-Feb-21	Year Ago 20-Mar-20			
		NCDEX Quality	10.91	12200	11000	11000			
		LCA 334	12.07	13000	11600	11500			
		Teja	9.29	15300	14000	13500			
		No. 273	9.63	14800	13500	13500			
Andhra	Guntur	No. 5	Unch	14000	14000	15000			
Pradesh	Benchmark	Fatki	11.11	10000	9000	8000			
	market	Byadgi	6.67	16000	15000	15500			
		US 341	3.33	15500	15000	15000			
		Denvor Delux	6.90	15500	14500	14500			
		Indam 5	Unch	14000	14000	15000			
		Teja	8.15	14600	13500	12300			
		Wonder Hot	-4.68	16300	17100	14500			
	Women	341	7.04	15200	14200	14000			
<b>-</b> .	Warangal	Denvor Delux	4.73	15500	14800	15100			
Telangana		Paprika		NA	NA	21000			
		Fatki	19.05	10000	8400	8000			
	Khammam	Teja (Cold storage)	9.29	15300	14000	NA			
	Knammam	Teja (Non cold storage)		NA	NA	13500			
		No. 12		NA	NA	NA			
Madhya		Indu 2070		NA	NA	NA			
Pradesh	Bedia	Fatki		NA	NA	7000			
Traucsii		Jhankar		NA	NA	13000			
		Ganesh		NA	NA	NA			
		Teja(Khamam)	5.00	16800	16000	17800			
		M.P. MacoTeja		NA	NA	17500			
Delhi	New Delhi	Pala 12		NA	NA	NA			
Dellii	New Deini	LCA 334		NA	NA	NA			
		Fatki		NA	NA	NA			
		Guntur (Full Cut)		NA	NA	NA			
		Dabbi		NA	NA	NA			
Karnataka	Byadgi	Guntur		NA	NA	NA			
		Kaddi		NA	NA	NA			



## **TURMERIC**

#### **Spot Market Recap**

- Continued firm sentiment witnessed in Turmeric spot market during last month.
- Continued good domestic demand along with upcountry demand supported the prices.
- As we expected earlier, buyers reported active from lower prices level.
- Due to unseasonal rainfall during September and October, some yield loss news came out from AP, Telangana and Maharashtra also added the bullish sentiment.
- New Turmeric crop supply reported at Nizamabad spot market with higher moisture content around 5 – 8%.
- For the 2021-22 marketing period, Agriwatch expected 0.62 lakh MT ending stocks (with increasing exports and domestic consumption), which is lower than 0.98 lakh MT from last year, likely to support prices from the current level.
- Current year, lower production expectations likely to support turmeric prices further in the coming days.

## **Monthly Turmeric (Dry) Arrival Scenario**

	Turmeric Arrival Scenario: (in Bags)								
State	Market	% Change Over Previous Month	Current Month	Last Month	Previous Year				
		Previous Month	Mar.21	Feb.21	Mar.20				
Telangana	Nizamabad	35.36	3,79,000	2,80,000	2,70,000				
reiangana	Warangal #		NA	NA	400				
Tamil Nadu	Salem *	981.82	23.8	2.2	256				
i aiiiii Nauu	Erode #	129.62	1,15,500	50,300	51,900				
Andhra Pradesh	Duggirala *	Unch	5000	5000	53000				
Maharashtra	Sangli	196.05	419800	141800	194500				
Tota	Total		9,19,324	4,77,102	5,70,056				
		Arrival * Qtl, #	65 kgs						

Units - Bags (1 bag = 75 kgs), \* qtl.

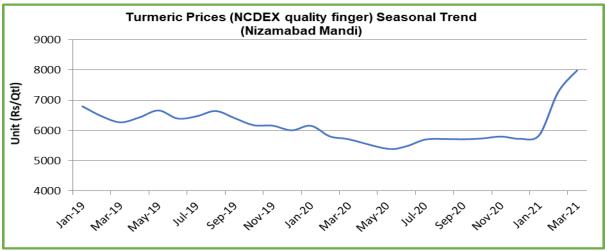
In the Nizamabad market during the current year (2021), Turmeric arrivals were around 47,985 MT from 1st January 2021 till 26th March 2021 compared to 41,328 MT of the previous year, same period (16.11% up), as stockists were releasing their old stocks at higher prices also new crop supply continued.

In Erode spot market, turmeric supply is arriving at an average of 2,800 bags daily. New crop supply reported around 1,500 – 2,000 bags on an average daily basis.

#### **Agriwatch Turmeric Production Estimate 2021-22**

Agriwatch estimates, Turmeric all India production for 2021-22 (marketing year) is estimated at 4.46 lakh MT. Last year's production was 4.53 lakh MT.

For 2021-22, Agriwatch estimate of Turmeric (Dry) production in Andhra Pradesh is around 43,523 MT (the previous year it was 45,534 MT) and in Maharashtra, Turmeric production would be around 62,809 MT(the previous year it was 52,341MT). In Karnataka, production likely to be around 38,010 MT (the previous year it was 32,098 MT).



Turmeric benchmark market during March average prices was Rs.7,982/-qtl up from previous month Rs.7,263/- qtl, last year March it was Rs.5,709/-qtl, up by 39.81%. We expect buyers likely to active in the spot market from the prevailing prices level in the coming days.

## **Turmeric Price Outlook**

Turmeric (finger, NCDEX quality) in Nizamabad is trading at Rs.7,900/ quintal. We expect that prices may not fall much further from current levels. We expect next month prices to move in a range between Rs.7,500 – 9,000/-qtl.

		Turmeric (Dry) Spot Mar	ket Prices (Loose)	: (Rs/Qtl		
		` '	% Change Over	Today	Month Ago	Year Ago
State	Centre	Grade	Previous Month	30-Mar-21	25-Feb-21	20-Mar-20
	Nizamabad	Nizam quality	2.60	7900	7700	5600
	Benchmark	Double polish finger	3.61	8600	8300	6500
Telangana	market	Gattah (unpolished)	Unch	7500	7500	5200
Telaligalia	market	Gattah (double polished)	-1.20	8200	8300	6200
	Warangal	Finger	-1.32	7500	7600	6000
	warangar	Round	-1.45	6800	6900	5800
		Finger	-3.49	8300	8600	6500
	Erode	Gattah	1.28	7900	7800	6000
		Sellem	Unch	9300	9300	7400
Tamil Nadu	Coimbotoro	Bulb	20.67	8700	7210	5500
	Coimbatore	Finger	13.40	9300	8201	6500
	Salem	Bulb		NA	NA	NA
		Finger	6.72	6910	6475	NA
		Bulb		Closed	6900	5300
Andhra	Duggirala	Bilty		Closed	7521	5777
Pradesh	Duggirala	Finger		Closed	6900	5300
		Bilty		Closed	7521	5777
		Rajpuri/Salem Finger		NA	14600	5500
	Sangli	Rajpuri Medium		NA	10500	7100
		Desi Kadappa		NA	8700	5300
		Salem Powder		NA	NA	Closed
		Mini Salem		NA	NA	Closed
Maharashtra	Basmat	Super Salem		NA	NA	Closed
		Gattah Powder		NA	NA	Closed
		Gattah Premium		NA	NA	Closed
		Turmeric Finger Polished		Closed	8600	6700
	Nanded	Turmeric Bulb Polished		Closed	7800	5800
		Turmeric Mix		Closed	7500	5500
		Gattah	6.17	8600	8100	6800
Doll:	Dolls!	Mini Salem	4.40	9500	9100	7500
Delhi	Delhi	Finger Single Polished	9.76	9000	8200	8200
		Finger Double Polished	5.56	9500	9000	9000



## **Turmeric Price Outlook (weekly Chart, May Contract)**



Candlestick chart pattern reveals prices may correct from higher levels in the market. RSI moving down in the neutral zone in the market. Volumes are supporting the prices.

Strategy: Sell		S2	<b>S</b> 1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX	May	7800	7900	8558	8900	9000
<b>Monthly Trad</b>	e Call	Call	Entry	T1	T2	SL
	May	Sell	Below 8600	8100	8000	8800

## **CORIANDER SEED**

## **Spot Market Recap**

- Mostly firm sentiment witnessed in the Coriander spot market during March.
- Continued buyers reported active in the spot market due to good quality supply.
- New crop arrivals continued in MP, Gujarat and Rajasthan major mandi, on an average daily basis 12,000 – 25,000 bags. Buyers reported active in the spot market due to good quality supply.
- As per Agriwatch production estimate, Coriander production for 2021-22 (marketing year) is estimated at 342,435 MT (85 lakh bags) compared to last year's 352,316 MT (88 lakh bags, 1 bag = 40 kg).
- Agriwatch estimates lower ending stocks for 2021-22 (marketing year) likely to support Coriander prices in the coming days.
- We expect the 2021-22 marketing year likely to be good for Coriander, buyers likely to act in the spot market from prevailing prices level.

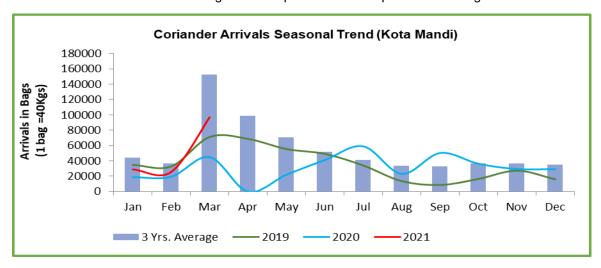


#### **Monthly Coriander Arrival Scenario**

	Coriander Arrival Scenario: (in Bags)							
State	Market	% Change Over Previous	Current Month	Last Month	Previous Year			
		Month	Mar.21	Feb.21	Mar.20			
	Kota	275.49	96,500	25,700	44,900			
Rajasthan	Ramganj	315.91	5,02,000	1,20,700	2,15,000			
Kajasiliali	Baran	215.76	98,200	31,100	27,100			
	Bhawani	67.12	43,200	25,850	57,800			
Madhya	Guna	446.15	2,13,000	39,000	32,450			
Pradesh	Neemuch	-9.64	26,700	29,550	57,000			
Gujarat	Gondal	388.29	292000	59800	1040000			
Tot	al	283.36	12,71,600	3,31,700	14,74,250			

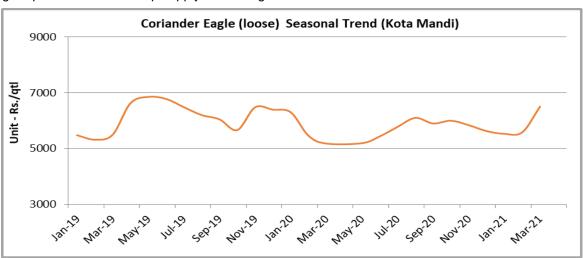
Units - Bags (1 bag = 40 kgs)

Coriander total arrivals current year reported up by 13.75% from the corresponding period last year as farmers and stockists were releasing their new products in the spot market along with old stocks.



During March, at the Kota spot market, higher arrivals reported from last month as farmers were releasing their produce as prices higher from the previous month.

At Kota mandi, Coriander total supply from 1st March 2021 to 02nd Apr 2021, reported 3,980 MT as compared to last year 1,796 MT, up by 121.60%, as farmers and stockists were releasing their stocks at higher prices amid new crop supply continuing.



During March, the monthly average price reported Rs.6,500/-qtl, the previous month it was Rs.5,587/-qtl, last year March it was Rs.5,188/-qtl, up by 25.29%.

## **Agriwatch Coriander Price Outlook**

Coriander Badami prices are expected to trade in a range of Rs.6,000 - Rs.7,500/- and Eagle variety is expected to increase to Rs.6,400 - Rs.7,800/-qtl.



## **Spot Prices Monthly Change**

		Coriander Spot I	Market Prices (Loc	ose): (Rs/Qtl)		
			% Change	Today	Week Ago	Month Ago
State	Centre	Grade	Over Previous Month	30-Mar-21	25-Feb-21	20-Mar-20
	Voto	Eagle	19.64	6700	5600	5300
	Kota Benchmark	Eagle(Split)	16.67	7000	6000	5300
	market	Badami	18.52	6400	5400	4800
	market	Badami(Split)	15.52	6700	5800	4800
		Eagle	13.33	6800	6000	5100
		Eagle(Split)	13.33	6800	6000	5100
	Ramganj	Badami	8.62	6300	5800	4700
Rajasthan		Badami(Split)	8.62	6300	5800	4700
		Scooter	2.70	7600	7400	5500
	Doron	Eagle	16.67	6300	5400	4800
	Baran	Badami	17.31	6100	5200	4700
	Bhawani	Eagle		6000	Closed	5000
		Badami		5800	Closed	4700
		Scooter		6200	Closed	5200
		Double Paroot	-	NA	Closed	NR
		Badami	Unch	6000	6000	4200
	Guna	Eagle	-3.08	6300	6500	4800
Madhya		Scooter	1.43	7100	7000	5500
Pradesh		Badami	1	6400	NR	4700
	Neemuch	Eagle		6700	NR	5100
		Scooter		7700	NR	5400
Gujarat	Gondal	Badami		6500	NR	5000
Gujarat	Goriuai	Eagle		6750	NR	5500
	Khari Baoli	Eagle (Dal)		8500	NR	6000
Delhi	(Delhi)	Eagle		10100	NR	6500
	(Deini)	Scooter		12500	NR	7500

## **Coriander Price Outlook (weekly Chart, May Contract)**



Candlesticks chart pattern reveals prices may correct from higher levels in the market. RSI moving down in the neutral zone in the market. Volumes are supporting the prices.

Strategy: Sell		S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX	May	6800	6900	7176	7600	7700
Monthly Tra	ade Call	Call	Entry	T1	T2	SL
	May	Sell	Below 7300	7100	7000	7500



# **JEERA (CUMIN SEED)**

#### **Spot Market Recap**

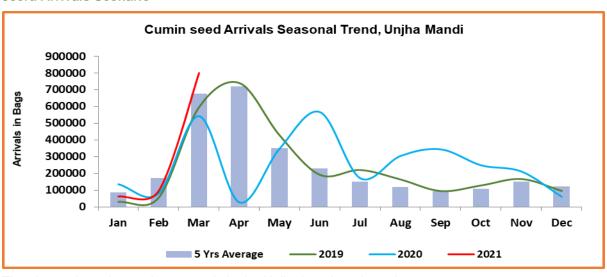
- Mostly firm sentiment witnessed in Jeera spot market during March.
- Increasing good quality supply reported as new crop supply entering to the market.
- Higher temperature during February and March in Rajasthan growing regions like Jodhpur impacted Jeera standing crop quality and supported the prices.
- In Unjha benchmark market new crop supply reported at around 38,000 to 39,000 bags on an average daily basis.
- As per the Agriwatch production estimate, Jeera production for 2021-22 (marketing period) is estimated at 391,801 MT (around 71 lakh bags each of 55 kg) compared to last year's 451,451 MT (82 lakh bags).
- We expect Jeera NCDEX quality prices to trade in a range between Rs.13,800 14,600/-qtl in the coming days.

## **Monthly Jeera Arrival Scenario:**

	Jeera Arrival Scenario: (in Bags)								
State	Market	% Change Over Previous Month	Current Month	Last Month	Previous Year				
		Previous Month	Mar.21	Feb.21	Mar.20 5,43,000 79,650 16,519 5,063 58,200 11,706				
	Unjha	747.13	7,98,000	94,200	5,43,000				
	Rajkot *	203.79	81,660	26,880	79,650				
Gujarat	Patan*	2061.21	20,337	941	16,519				
	Dhrol *	3934.17	9,682	240	5,063				
	Gondal	383.41	102,000	21,100	58,200				
	Jodhpur	326.18	43,470	10,200	11,706				
Deicethen	Merta City	286.39	130,600	33,800	7,475				
Rajasthan	Nagaur	143.32	22,750	9,350	8,550				
	Anandpur Kalu	839.17	11,270	1200	180				
	Total	516.32	12,19,769	1,97,911	7,30,343				
_		Arrival <sup>3</sup>	* Qtl	_	<u> </u>				

Units - Bags (1 bag = 55 kgs)

#### Jeera Arrivals Scenario

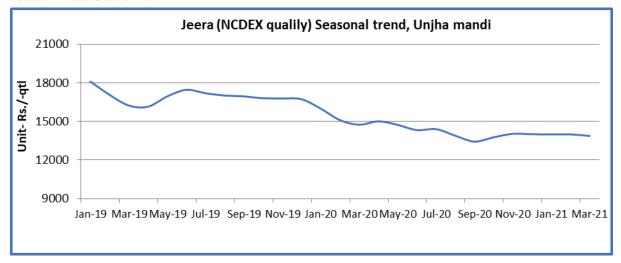


The above chart shows, Jeera supply in the Unjha benchmark market.

Current year from 1st Jan 2021 to 02nd Apr 2021, jeera arrivals reported 54,600 MT compared to last year same period 41,821 MT, up by 30.56% as farmers and stockists were releasing their produce and stocks as prices were up from last month.



## Jeera Price Scenario



In March 2020, Jeera monthly average prices reported at Rs.13,865/-qtl reported slightly down from February, Rs.13,987/-qtl, as buyers reported inactive. Last year during March prices reported Rs.14,735/-qtl despite higher production Jeera prices moving at higher levels due to good export demand.

We expect Jeera NCDEX quality prices (monthly average) likely to trade rangebound in the coming days.

	Jeera(Cumin Seed) Spot Market Prices (Loose): (Rs/QtI)									
_			% Change	Today	Week Ago	Month Ago				
State	Centre	Grade	Over Previous Month	30-Mar-21	25-Feb-21	20-Mar-20				
	Unjha	Local	0.81	12500	12400	13300				
	Benchmark	NCDEX Quality	0.72	13900	13800	14600				
	market	Poojari type /Machine Cut	0.68	14800	14700	15300				
		1% Singapore	11.70	14800	13250	13350				
	Mundra Port (FOR)	2% Singapore	11.92	14550	13000	13100				
Gujarat		1 % European	11.27	15300	13750	13850				
		2% European	11.48	15050	13500	13600				
	Rajkot	Local	-1.93	12675	12925	13075				
	Patan	Local	13.80	13605	11955	12655				
	Dhrol	Local	-	NA	NA	NA				
	Gondal	Local	-	13000	NA	13000				
	Jodhpur	Local	19.05	15000	12600	14000				
Daioethan	Merta City	Local	25.98	16000	12700	14500				
Rajasthan	Nagaur	Local	14.17	14500	12700	13700				
	Anandpur Kalu	Local	16.00	14500	12500	15000				
Delhi	New Delhi	Ganesh	8.57	15200	14000	14500				
Delili	ivew Deiiii	Poojari type / Machine Cut	5.19	16200	15400	16000				

## Jeera (Cumin Seed) Technical Analysis (weekly Chart, May Contract)



Candlesticks chart pattern indicates bearish sentiment in the market. RSI moving down in the neutral zone in the market. Volumes are supporting the prices.

Strategy: Sell		S2	<b>S</b> 1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX	May	13900	14000	14590	14900	15000
<b>Monthly Trad</b>	e Call	Call	Entry	T1	T2	SL
	May	Sell	Below 14600	14100	14000	14800

## **BLACK PEPPER**

## **Spot Market Recap**

- Continued firm sentiment witnessed in the pepper spot market during March.
- Increasing domestic demand reported as people were more concerned about health and immunity stronger.
- As of 07th April, new pepper 500 G/L traded at Rs.37,500/-qtl, Rs.100/-qtl down from the previous day.
- Agriwatch estimate, final pepper production in 2019-20 60,000 tons which will be higher than 45,000 tons during 2018-19.
- For 2020-21 Agriwatch expected production would be around 65,000 tons.

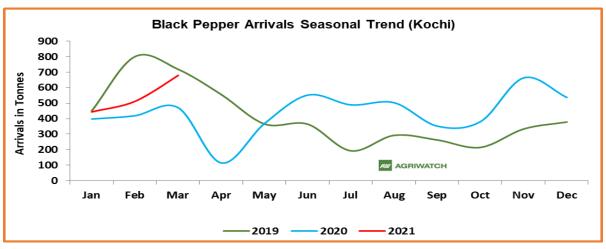
## **Monthly Black Pepper Arrival Scenario**

Black Pepper Arrival Scenario: (in Tons)							
State	Market	% Change Over	<b>Current Month</b>	Last Month	Previous Year		
State	War Ket	Previous Month	Mar.21	Feb.21	Mar.20		
Kerala	Kochi	32.62	679	512	472		
<b>Total 32.62</b> 679 512 472							

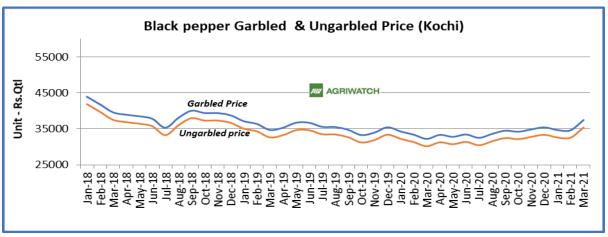
Unit - Ton

Current year, from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 to 31st March 2021, Black pepper supply reported 1,635 tons compared to last year it was 1,291 tons, up by 26.65%, as new crop supply continued to the market also planters and stockists were releasing their old stocks at higher prices.

Last year total Black pepper supply from 1st January 2020 to 31st December reported 5,261 mt as compared to last year same period of 4,935 mt, up by 6.61%.



Pepper supply reported up in Kochi spot market in March compared to the previous month as planters were releasing their new crop as prices continuous up in the spot market.



During March 2021, at Kochi, spot market pepper monthly average prices Rs.37,424/-qtl (Garbled) and Rs.35,424/-qtl (Ungarbled) reported, up by Garbled 8.25% and Ungarbled 8.76% from the previous month.

#### **International Scenario**

Vietnam pepper prices in the domestic market were traded at VND 71,000 - 74,000 / kg in localities. Specifically, today's pepper price in Gia Lai was the lowest in the market at VND71,000 / kg. In Dong Nai provinces (72,000 VND / kg); Dak Nong, Dak Lak (72,500 VND / kg); Binh Phuoc (73,000 VND / kg) and Ba Ria - Vung Tau were at the highest threshold of 74,000 VND / kg.

According to the General Department of Vietnam Customs, pepper export in the first 2 months of 2021 nationwide reached 30,291 tons. Compared to the same period in 2020, the number of exports will decrease by 25.3%. Accordingly, in recent days, in raw material areas, domestic pepper prices have continuously increased from VND 56,000 / kg on March 3 to VND 70,000 / kg on March 11.

The pepper harvest season in 2021 is later than the previous year due to the impact of climate change. Up to now, the whole country has harvested about 30-40% on average. By the end of April 2021, the harvest has basically been completed, so there are not many products out there.

Black Pepper Spot Market Prices: (Rs/Qtl)							
State	Centre	Grade	% Change	Today	Week Ago	Month Ago	
			Over Previous Month	30-Mar-21	25-Feb-21	20-Mar-20	
Kerala	Kochi Benchmark market	Ungarbled	10.84	36800	33200	30000	
Neraia		Garbled	10.23	38800	35200	32000	
Karnataka	Chikkamagaluru	Ungarbled	15.15	38000	33000	29500	
Delhi	New Delhi	Unpolished	10.81	41000	37000	35000	
		550 GL	10.81	41000	37000	40000	



Black Pepper FOB Prices (USD/MT)								
Date (W-o-W)	Brazil ASTA 570	Kochi (India) ASTA	Lampung (Indonesia) ASTA 570	Kuching (Sarawak, Malaysia) ASTA	Ho Chi Minh (Vietnam) 500g/I	Ho Chi Minh 550g/l		
26/02/21	2800	4847	2934	3850	3155	3236		
05/03/21	3100	4989	2825	3850	3155	3236		
12/03/21	3400	5049	2865	3950	3595	3635		
19/03/21	3400	5309	3002	3950	3595	3635		
30/03/21	4000	5284	3592	4225	3595	3635		





Candlestick chart formation indicates prices downward correction from higher levels in the market. Currently, black pepper (Garbled) prices are moving at Rs.38,800/-qtl. We expect prices to move in a range between Rs.38,200 – 41,500/-qtl. for next month.

## **CARDAMOM**

#### **Spot Market Recap**

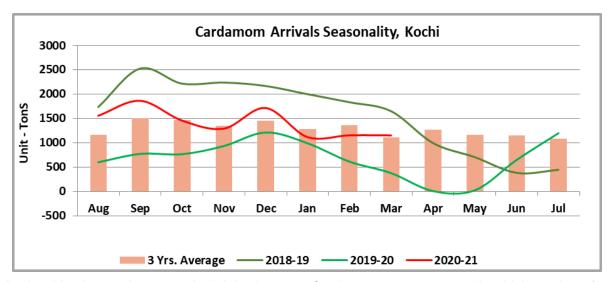
- Continued weak sentiment witnessed in the small Cardamom spot market during March.
- Increasing arrivals in the spot market compared to last year put a cap on prices.
- Agriwatch estimates for 2020-21, India's Cardamom production would be around 22,000 -23,000 MT, due to favourable weather conditions. Last year it was 19,000 – 20,000 MT.
- Indian domestic prices may come down further during March, but buyers reported active in the spot market from lower levels due to increasing international demand.
- Cardamom crop reported damaged in Guatemala so international demand shifted to India supported the prices.
- If Cardamom farmers start selling more aggressively, the prices may temporarily decline below our forecast range.



#### **Monthly Cardamom Arrival Scenario:**

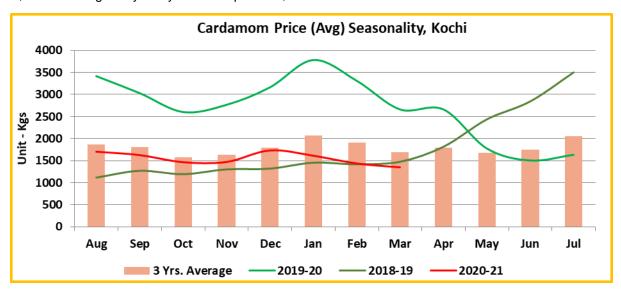
Cardamom Arrival Scenario: (in Kgs)							
State	Market	% Change Over Previous	Current Month	Last Month	Previous Year		
		Month	Mar.21	Feb.21	Mar.20		
Kerala	Vandanmedu, Thekkady, Kochi, Kumily, Nedumkandam, Santhanpara & Bodinayakanur (Kerala)	-0.13	11,47,999	11,49,462	3,69,972		
Total		-0.13	11,47,999	11,49,462	3,69,972		

Unit - Kgs



During March, supply reported slightly down as Cardamom growers expecting higher prices for releasing their stocks.

During the current marketing year (2020-21) Cardamom supply reported up due to increasing production. Cardamom supply during the current season from August 2020 to March 2021 reported 11,291 tones higher by last year same period 6,226 tones.



Current marketing year starts from 1st August and March monthly average prices reported Rs.1,349/kgs as compared to same period last year Rs.2,658/-kgs, down by 49.25% as buyers reported inactive due to higher production.

All India Cardamom monthly average prices for next month likely to move in a range between Rs.1,280 – 1,400/-kgs.



## **Prices Monthly Change**

Cardamom Spot Market Prices: (Rs/Kg)							
State	Centre	Grade	% Change Over	Today	Week Ago	Month Ago	
			Previous Month	30-Mar-21	25-Feb-21	20-Mar-20	
Kerala	Vandanmedu, Thekkady, Kochi, Nedumkandam , Kumily, Santhanpara & Bodinayakanur	Max price	-0.42	1894	1902	3198	
		Avg. Price	-9.85	1288	1429	2360	
	New Delhi	Medium	-1.75	1400	1425	2700	
		6.5 (Bold)	-1.64	1500	1525	2800	
Delhi		7 (Bold)	-4.48	1600	1675	3000	
		7.5 (Bold)	-1.37	1800	1825	3200	
		8 (Bold)	-2.33	2100	2150	3750	
Large Cardamom Spot Market Prices: (Rs/Kg)							
Sikkim	Singtam	Badadana	5.54	438	415	438	
	Singtam	Chotadana	5.82	400	378	400	
	Gangtok	Badadana	5.88	450	425	450	
	Gangtok	Chotadana	6.67	400	375	400	
West Bengal	Siliguri	Badadana	5.00	525	500	513	
	Siliguri	Chotadana	7.06	455	425	425	

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