

Sugar & Gur Domestic & International Fundamentals**Recent updates.**

- Sugar wholesale market prices were witnessed steady to weak across all the markets in the country today.
- Global sugar prices have tumbled about 28 percent in the past year on a global surplus as production is set to increase in Europe and India.

Previous updates.

- Sugar production of 29.5 million tons in the current season will be 4.5 million tonnes higher than the 25 million tonnes of estimated domestic consumption.
- Larger sugar production in the current sugar season as also expected in the next season (2018-19), there is a need to be export at least 1.5 million tonne in the current season itself over the next 6-7 months. This will give extra cash flows to the sugar mills, which in turn, will improve cane price payments to the sugarcane farmers and will reduce the cane price arrears, which is accumulating very fast to uncomfortable levels, said Indian Sugar Mills' Association (ISMA) in a release on last week. And Sources said that Sugar mills owed nearly Rs 14,000 crore to sugarcane farmers at the end of January in the ongoing marketing season.
- Brazilian sugar mills looking to grow the world's first variety of genetically modified (GM) sugarcane have planted an initial area of 400 hectares (988 acres), according to the research firm behind the project. Developed by Centro de Tecnologia Canavieira (CTC) with Bt (*Bacillus thuringiensis*) genes that make it resistant to the cane borer, around 100 mills are working with the GM cane, company Chief Executive Gustavo Leite told Reuters.
- 522 sugar mills across the country were crushing sugarcane in the current season. As on 28th February 2018, 479 sugar mills were still working i.e., 43 sugar mills have shut crushing operations in the current season.
- Production among major sates, Uttar Pradesh has produced 73.95 lac tons whereas Maharashtra has produced 84.24 lac tons and Karnataka has produced 33.44 lac tons till 28th February 2018. Sugar mills have still not started closing in Uttar Pradesh, but have started shutting their operations in Maharashtra and Karnataka.
- The Indian Sugar Mills Association (ISMA) said that the sugar industry in the country had produced 230.5 lakh tonnes of sugar between October 1, 2017, and February 28, 2018, as against 162.45 lakh tonnes during the same period last year, up by 42 percent.
- The International Sugar Organization on last week raised its forecast for a projected global sugar surplus in 2017-18 (October/September) to 5.15 million tonnes, up from a previous forecast of 5.03 million. The upward revision was driven by lower than previously anticipated consumption of 173.55 million tonnes for 2017-18, down from a prior forecast of 174.41 million and global sugar production was seen at 178.70 million tonnes, slightly down from a previous forecast of 179.45 million, the ISO said in a quarterly report. 3800.
- Based on current trends, domestic sugar production for sugar year 2017-18 is anticipated to increase by at least 33 per cent to around 27 million tonnes (mt) (as against its earlier estimate of 26 mt), although an even higher production cannot be ruled out at this stage. The consumption is expected to increase to around 25 mt in SY2018 from 24.5 mt in SY2017," said Sabyasachi Majumdar of ICRA.

NCDEX Sugar (M grade) Future Quotes (At 05:00 p.m. as on 09-03-2018)

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	O.I
Cont. (C1)	-	3070	3070	3070	3070	-	-
Spread	Cont Mar (C1)						
Spot	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	-	

NCDEX Stock & Fed Position

Stocks	Grade	Demat	In-Process	Total	FED
		8-Mar-18	8-Mar-18	8-Mar-18	5-Mar-18
Delhi	M	-	-	-	-
Sangli	M	-	-	-	-
Sholapur	M	-	-	-	-
Kolhapur	M	-	-	-	-
Belgaum	M	-	-	-	-
Delhi	S	-	-	-	-
Sangli	S	-	-	-	-
Sholapur	S	-	-	-	-
Kolhapur	S	50	0	50	50
Belgaum	S	-	-	-	-

Sugar Futures ICE& LIFFE as on 8th March,2018

ICE Sugar Futures (In Cents/Pound)

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	+/-
May-18	12.90	13.11	12.81	12.89	0.10
July-18	13.10	13.29	13.01	13.10	0.11
Oct-18	13.45	13.67	13.42	13.48	0.11

LCE Sugar Futures (In US\$/MT)

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	+/-
May-18	357.30	361.60	355.60	356.70	2.60
Aug-18	353.40	356.70	350.80	352.30	2.20
Oct-18	354.00	358.10	352.60	354.10	2.10

Commodity	Price (\$/Ton)	Change
Thai Sugar FOB 45 Icumsa	356.70	2.60

Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Sugar			9-Mar-18	8-Mar-18	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3305	3325	-20
	Delhi	S-Grade	3285	3305	-20
Uttar Pradesh	Khatauli	M-Grade	3270	3315	-45
	Ramala	M-Grade	NA	NA	-
	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	3250	3250	Unch
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	3230	3230	Unch
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	3300	3300	Unch
Maharashtra	Mumbai	M-Grade	3410	3420	-10
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3190	3192	-2
	Nagpur	M-Grade	3350	3350	Unch
	Nagpur	S-Grade	3175	3175	Unch
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3225	3225	Unch
	Kolhapur	S-Grade	3050	3050	Unch
Assam	Guhawati	S-Grade	3360	3360	Unch
Meghalaya	Shillong	S-Grade	3370	3370	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	M-Grade	3640	3640	Unch
	Vijayawada	S-Grade	3580	3580	Unch
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	NA	NA	-
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade	3500	3500	Unch
Chattisgarh	Ambikapur	M-Grade (Without Duty)	NR	NR	-
	Ambikapur	S-Grade (Without Duty)	NR	NR	-

Sugar Prices are in INR/Quintal. (1 Quintal=100 kg)

Jaggery (Gur) Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Jaggery(Gur)			9-Mar-18	8-Mar-18	
Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Sukha(Cold)	2553	2565	-13
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	4000	5000	-1000
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	2050	2225	-175
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	2425	2475	-50
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	2113	2113	Unch

	Hapur	Chaurasa	2188	2175	13
	Hapur	Balti	2175	2150	25
Maharashtra	Latur	Lal Variety	NR	NR	-
Karnataka	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	4400	4400	Unch
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belthangadi	Yellow (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Bijapur/Vijayapura	Achhu	NA	NA	-
	Gulbarga/Kalaburgi	Other (Average)	3350	3300	50
	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	3212	NA	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	NA	3600	-
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	NA	3400	-
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	NA	3350	-
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	NA	3550	-
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	NA	NA	-

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