

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

- Sugar wholesale market prices were noticed firm across the country on Thursday.
- The government today allowed export of two million tonnes of sugar until the end of the 2017-18 marketing year, in order to clear surplus stocks and improve cash flow to millers for making payment to sugarcane farmers.
- The government has also allowed export of white sugar till September 2018 under the Duty Free Import Authorisation (DFIA) scheme, under which exporters are allowed to import sugar at zero duty within three years.
- Under the MIEQ, it is mandatory to export the fixed quota, failing which the mills shall be deemed to be violating the directives of the government, it said. The export quota has been fixed taking into account average production of mills achieved in the last two years and up to February of this marketing year..

**Previous updates.**

- Sugar mills owe Rs 13,899 crore to sugarcane growers as of March 21 of the current marketing year ending September. Mills in Uttar Pradesh have maximum cane price arrear at Rs 5,136 crore, followed by Karnataka - Rs 2,539 crore and Maharashtra - Rs 2,348 crore. The government said today.
- Global white sugar prices fell to 2-1/2 year lows this month on concerns about a surplus as the EU, Thailand and India all sharply boosted production this season, but those concerns are now offset by a lack of tenderable sugar available from Central American producers such as Guatemala.
- Uttar Pradesh has clocked record sugar production of almost 9 million tonnes (mt) in the ongoing crushing season even as sugarcane arrears have piled up to Rs 96 billion. So far, the collective payment liabilities of all the 119 sugar mills in UP have added up to a little over Rs 267 billion, against which mills had paid nearly Rs 171 billion, thus leaving a massive Rs 96 billion as dues.
- Brazil's center-south sugarcane crush for the 2017-18 harvest was 1.79% down from April 2017 to March 16, 2018, compared to the same period a year ago, totaling 588.470 million tons, said the Union of Sugarcane Industry (Unica).
- Crushers in Brazil's Centre South, responsible for some 90% of domestic cane output, processed 3.28m tonnes of the crop
- According to the representatives of the industry, sugar production of Maharashtra has already recorded 46% rise as compared to last year. Furthermore, 147 mills are still crushing cane to produce more sugar.
- According to trade sources, the abolition of sugar export tax would help push out just 100,000-150,000 tonnes of sugar mostly to neighbouring Bangladesh and Nepal as everywhere else global prices are weak.
- Domestically, ex-mill prices in most places have dropped to around Rs 2,900-3,000 per quintal, while the total cost of production is somewhere around Rs 3,000-3,500 per quintal. This means that for every quintal of sugarcane crushed, the mills are losing around Rs 400-500.
- The government on Tuesday scrapped the 20% export duty on sugar in a bid to boost overseas sales of the commodity and lift its domestic price.

## NCDEX Sugar (M grade) Future Quotes (At 05:00 p.m. as on 29-03-2018)

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	O.I
Cont. (C1)	+30	3041	3071	3071	3071	-	-
Spread	Cont Mar (C1)						
Spot	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## NCDEX Stock & Fed Position

Stocks	Grade	Demat	In-Process	Total	FED
		27-Mar-18	27-Mar-18	27-Mar-18	26-Mar-18
Delhi	M	-	-	-	-
Sangli	M	-	-	-	-
Sholapur	M	-	-	-	-
Kolhapur	M	-	-	-	-
Belgaum	M	-	-	-	-
Delhi	S	-	-	-	-
Sangli	S	-	-	-	-
Sholapur	S	-	-	-	-
Kolhapur	S	-	-	-	-
Belgaum	S	-	-	-	-

## Sugar Futures ICE& LIFFE as on 28th March,2018

### ICE Sugar Futures (In Cents/Pound)

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	+/-
May-18	12.48	12.48	12.18	12.21	-0.33
July-18	12.58	12.61	12.32	12.34	-0.32
Oct-18	13.02	13.02	12.76	12.78	-0.28

### LCE Sugar Futures (In US\$/MT)

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	+/-
May-18	354.80	355.40	347.30	347.80	-8.10
Aug-18	345.30	346.20	337.90	339.60	-7.30
Oct-18	343.20	344.10	337.40	339.10	-5.60

Commodity	Price (\$/Ton)	Change
Thai Sugar FOB 45 Icumsa	355.90	0.70

Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Sugar			29-Mar-18	28-Mar-18	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3107	3087	20
	Delhi	S-Grade	3087	3067	20
Uttar Pradesh	Khatauli	M-Grade	3130	3120	10
	Ramala	M-Grade	NA	NA	-
	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	2950	2975	-25
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	2930	2955	-25
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	3000	3025	-25
Maharashtra	Mumbai	M-Grade	3290	3290	Unch
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3100	3100	Unch
	Nagpur	M-Grade	3125	3050	75
	Nagpur	S-Grade	3025	2950	75
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3000	2925	75
	Kolhapur	S-Grade	2900	2825	75
Assam	Guhawati	S-Grade	3207	3131	76
Meghalaya	Shillong	S-Grade	3220	3145	75
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	M-Grade	3500	3500	Unch
	Vijayawada	S-Grade	3440	3440	Unch
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	NA	3300	-
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade	3200	3200	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)			29-Mar-18	28-Mar-18	
Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	ChakuSukha(Cold)	2438	2438	Unch
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	6000	6000	Unch
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	2188	2175	13
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	2375	2338	38

	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	1950	1938	13
	Hapur	Chaurasa	2125	2100	25
	Hapur	Balti	2150	2125	25
<b>Maharashtra</b>	Latur	Lal Variety	NR	NR	-
<b>Karnataka</b>	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	NA	4400	-
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belthangadi	Yellow (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Bijapur/Vijayapura	Achhu	NA	NA	-
	Gulbarga/Kalaburgi	Other (Average)	NA	3860	-
	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	NA	3700	-
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	NA	3400	-
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	NA	3400	-
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	NA	NA	-
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	NA	NA	-

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