

Sugar & Gur Domestic & International Fundamentals

Recent Update:

Steady trend is seen in the sugar market across India on Monday. Overall the prices are expected to be steady to low in the coming week in Indian markets. Kolhapur sugar market price stood same at Rs.3300 and in U.P's Khatauli market stood at low Rs. 3460 INR.

In UP, the mills are all set to start crushing after 20thOct'19 whereas some mills are intended to start crushing in 2nd week of Nov'19. Farmer organization have started demanding for hiking (State advised price) SAP from Rs. 325 to 450 per quintal. The 119 sugar mills in the state are ready to begin operations. Last year, these mills across the state collectively owe the cane farmers dues to the tune Rs 4,600 crore. The farmers have two demands: first sugarcane prices be hiked and secondly, payment with interest be made in time.

India is expecting good export trade deals this year. Brazil has estimated to produce around 25 mln tonnes of sugar slightly lower than India's sugar production. Thailand, Australia, EU, Pakistan and India are expected to produce less sugar in 2019-20. Therefore, India with ending stock this year has good opportunity to capture markets for raw sugar in China, Indonesia, Iran, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka. Indonesia has already reduced the import tariffs to 5% from 13% for India recently.

After the Chinese officials visited India for trade deal on 10th Oct'19, China signed an MOU with India to purchase 50,000 tonnes of raw sugar in this marketing year. As China is likely to produce 10 mln tonnes of sugar and their annual consumption is 15 mln tonnes, so the country have a shortfall of 5 mln tonnes. India's trade relation with China is likely to improve with this move. Recently, India has also signed trade deals to export 100,000-150,000 tn sugar to Iran, Sri Lanka and Afghanistan.

With the domestic output and imports under the quota, China's domestic demand can be met. Supply and demand is balanced. China has set the 2020 sugar import quota at 1.945 million tonnes. Among the total import quota for the commodity, 70% would be allocated to state-owned firms. Companies applying for the quota must have processed 600 tonnes and more raw sugar per day in 2018, or sold 450 million yuan (\$63.73 million) and more worth of sugar during the year.

Weather Forecast:

Light to moderate rain with isolated heavy showers will occur in parts of Andhra Pradesh, South Interior Karnataka, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, South Chhattisgarh, and Tripura. Scattered light rain would be seen over Maharashtra and northeastern states. Isolated light rain is likely in higher reaches of Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu, and Kashmir. Dry and warm weather would prevail over rest parts of the country.

Previous Updates:

Brazil's center-south region crushed 35.08 million tonnes, 26% more, while ethanol output increased 32% to 2.18 billion liters in the second half of September. Total cane crush so far reached 472.8 mln tonnes by October 1, according to UNICA. This is 2.71% above the same time last year. Sugar production is down by 2.39% so far (Till 1st Oct'19) compared to 22.33 mln tonnes in 2018-19 in the same period. Mills in the state reported that crushing season could end earlier than usual in the season 2019-20 mainly due to the dry weather that has been favoring a faster pace of the harvest.

AGRIWATCH

Syrian state agency has issued an international tender to purchase and import 80,000 tonnes of white refined sugar. According to the reports, the deadline mentioned in the tender from the General Foreign Trade Organisation is November 11. Out of 80,000 tonnes consignments, shipment is sought in two 40,000 tonne consignments. The first consignment being shipped 60 days after the letter of credit opening on the deal and the other one 180 days after supply of the first shipment. Indian sugar millers would definitely gain some advantage in exporting its refined sugar helping to clear off some stock from India.

Crushing in Maharashtra is delayed and would likely to commence from 2nd week of November as the mills in the state are facing difficulty in getting the crushing licenses this year. As to ensure the early payment for sugarcane farmers, Maharashtra government has decided that sugar mills would be issued crushing licences only if they agree to pay fair and remunerative price (FRP) dues to cane growers within 14 days.

The delegation of China will be coming to New Delhi on October 10. China imports 50 lakh tonne of sugar every year. India is looking forward to every opportunity to clear off the stocks. As the international sugar production is expected to decline in the following countries: Brazil, Thailand India is expected to decline. The central government had announced sugar export quota of 60 LMT, and the policy involves financial aid of Rs 10,448 per metric tonne (mt) to sugar mills.

According to Australian Sugar report released by Australian sugar milling council, the weekly crush in the week ending on 29th Sep'19 fall to 13.83 lakh tonnes and the total crush reached 202.31 lakh tonnes (66%) total crush from the beginning of the season. The weekly crush as on 30th Sep'18, was around 15.33 lakh tonnes and total crush as on date was 236.47 lakh tonnes (71.6%) compared to 2019-20 crushing as this year the country is facing from drought conditions.

Sugar mills in Maharashtra urge to commence 2019-2020 sugar season from November 1. State government has decided to delay the new season considering the recent floods in Kolhapur, Sangli, Pune and Satara. The sugarcane in western Maharashtra should be used quickly as most of them are damaged because of the flood. As farmers from Marathwada have uprooted sugarcane to feed their animals as fodders were not available. So, if the crushing season gets delay, there is a likelihood of more cane being diverted towards fodder. The decision regarding the start of crushing would be taken after the election only as code of conduct is enforced now.

Recently, in August to avoid possible sugar price hike in the Philippines, the SRA had allowed the importation of 250,000 metric tonnes of refined sugar to fulfil the deficit in domestic production to meet the rising demand. 100,000 MT was allocated for industrial users, while the rest 150,000 MT was for consumers, and sugar producers. This imported sugar will be coming in until October 31, and this will be good until next year. According to SRA (Sugar Regulatory Administration), further importation might lower the prices and the imported sugar so far is enough to feed the country's demand.

The Food Ministry has allocated 21LT monthly sales quota for October which is higher than previous month allocation of 19.5 LT to each of 535 mills in India along with added incentivized quota to those mills who have completed their export targets under MIEQ Quota. The allocated quota is 1 LT lower than previous year's allocated quota which stood at 22LT. The prices would remain firm amid upcoming Indian festivals along with export demand this year would supplement the sugar market.



NCDEX Sugar (M grade) Future Quotes (At 05:00 p.m. as on 20-12-2018)

| Contract | +/- | Open | High | Low | Close | Volume | O.I |
|-------------|-----------------|------|------|------|-------|--------|-----|
| Cont. (DEC) | - | 2989 | 2989 | 2989 | 2989 | - | - |
| Spread | Cont Dec(C1) | | | | | | |
| Spot | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

Note: There is no trade volume in near month future contract. Market participants are advised to wait until trade in volume start.

| Commodity | | Change |
|--------------------------|-------|--------|
| Thai Sugar FOB 45 Icumsa | 339.9 | 0.7 |

International Sugar Futures ICE (US Cent/lb)

| Daily Futures Price Listing Fri October 11, 2019 | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------------|--------|
| Most Recent Information | | | | | | | P | revious Da | ıy |
| Mth | Date | Open | High | Low | Close | Change | Volume | Open Int | Change |
| Sugar #11(ICE) | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>20-Mar</u> | 191011 | 12.4 | 12.48 | 12.22 | 12.41 | unch | 36,474 | 506,824 | 1,427 |
| <u>20-May</u> | 191011 | 12.5 | 12.57 | 12.35 | 12.51 | unch | 17,174 | 142,675 | -925 |
| <u>20-Jul</u> | 191011 | 12.63 | 12.7 | 12.5 | 12.65 | 0.01 | 13,695 | 100,071 | 5,566 |
| <u>20-Oct</u> | 191011 | 12.86 | 12.94 | 12.74 | 12.88 | 0.02 | 2,705 | 72,615 | 90 |
| <u>21-Mar</u> | 191011 | 13.42 | 13.48 | 13.32 | 13.45 | 0.03 | 1,298 | 41,618 | 204 |
| <u>21-May</u> | 191011 | 13.49 | 13.51 | 13.37 | 13.49 | 0.04 | 863 | 6,919 | 61 |
| <u>21-Jul</u> | 191011 | 13.51 | 13.52 | 13.39 | 13.5 | 0.05 | 351 | 7,030 | 74 |
| <u>21-Oct</u> | 191011 | 13.61 | 13.62 | 13.59 | 13.59 | 0.05 | 68 | 4,447 | -54 |
| Total Volume and Open Interest | | | | | | | 72,632 | 884,785 | 6,442 |



International Sugar Futures LIFFE (US \$/MT)

| Daily Futures Price Listing Fri October 11, 2019 | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------------|-------------|--------|
| Most Recent Information | | | | | | | Previous Day | | |
| Mth | Date | Open | High | Low | Close | Change | Volume | Open Int | Change |
| London Sugar(LCE) | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>19-Dec</u> | 191011 | 340.2 | 341.9 | 336.7 | 339.9 | 0.7 | 10,083 | 41,706 | -1,981 |
| <u>20-Mar</u> | 191011 | 337.9 | 338.9 | 334.7 | 337.8 | 0.6 | 9,228 | 37,788 | 807 |
| <u>20-May</u> | 191011 | 342.1 | 343 | 339.3 | 342.3 | 0.4 | 1,735 | 10,857 | 485 |
| <u>20-Aug</u> | 191011 | 345.1 | 346 | 343 | 345.7 | 0.3 | 287 | 4,974 | 65 |
| <u>20-Oct</u> | 191011 | 346.8 | 348.9 | 346.3 | 348.9 | unch | 49 | 2,203 | 8 |
| Total Volume and Open Interest | | | | | | | 21,536 | 99,516 | -478 |

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVAL

| Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets: | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Commodity | | | Prices (| Rs/Qtl) | Change | | | |
| Sugar | Centre | Variety | 14- Oct-19 | 12- Oct- 19 | | | | |
| Delhi | Delhi | M-Grade | 3350 | 3330 | 20 | | | |
| Denn | Delhi | S-Grade | 3330 | 3310 | 20 | | | |
| | Khatauli | M-Grade | 3460 | 3470 | -10 | | | |
| | Ramala | M-Grade | NA | NA | - | | | |
| Uttar Pradesh | Dhampur | M-Grade Ex-Mill | 3325 | 3380 | -55 | | | |
| | Dhampur | S-Grade Ex-Mill | 3305 | 3360 | -55 | | | |
| | Dhampur | L-Grade Ex-Mill | 3375 | 3430 | -55 | | | |
| | Mumbai | M-Grade | 3546 | 3546 | Unch | | | |
| | Mumbai | S-Grade | 3336 | 3340 | -4 | | | |
| Maharashtra | Nagpur | M-Grade | 3425 | 3425 | Unch | | | |
| Manarashtra | Nagpur | S-Grade | 3275 | 3250 | 25 | | | |
| | Kolhapur | M-Grade | 3300 | 3300 | Unch | | | |
| | Kolhapur | S-Grade | 3150 | 3125 | 25 | | | |
| Assam | Guhawati | S-Grade | 3461 | 3436 | 25 | | | |
| Meghalaya | Shillong | S-Grade | 3470 | 3445 | 25 | | | |
| Andhra Pradesh | Vijayawada | M-Grade | 3740 | 3760 | -20 | | | |
| Anunra Pradesn | Vijayawada | S-Grade | 3680 | 3700 | -20 | | | |
| West Bengal | Kolkata | M-Grade | 3730 | 3730 | Unch | | | |

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| | Chennai | S-Grade | 3760 | 3760 | Unch | |
|---|------------|------------------------|------|------|------|--|
| Tamil Nadu | Dindigul | M-Grade | 3680 | 3680 | Unch | |
| | Coimbatore | M-Grade | 3700 | 3700 | Unch | |
| Chattisgarh | Ambikapur | M-Grade (Without Duty) | 3600 | 3600 | Unch | |
| Sugar Prices are in INR/Quintal. (1 Quintal=100 kg) | | | | | | |

| Jaggery (Gur) Prices at Key Spot Markets: | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Commodity | Centre | Variety | Prices (Rs/Qtl) | | | | | |
| Jaggery(Gur) | | | 14- Oct-19 | 12- Oct- 19 | Change | | | |
| | Muzaffarnagar | Chaku Fresh | 3213 | 3238 | -25 | | | |
| | Muzaffarnagar | Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag) | 8000 | 11000 | -3000 | | | |
| | Muzaffarnagar | Khurpa (Fresh) | 2828 | 2900 | -73 | | | |
| Uttar Pradesh | Muzaffarnagar | Laddoo (Fresh) | 3128 | 3125 | 3 | | | |
| | Muzaffarnagar | Rascut (Fresh) | NA | NA | - | | | |
| | Hapur | Chaursa | Closed | 2625 | - | | | |
| | Hapur | Balti | Closed | 2625 | - | | | |
| | | Gold | 5200 | 5300 | -100 | | | |
| Andhra Pradesh | Chittur | White | 4300 | 4300 | Unch | | | |
| | | Black | 3900 | NA | - | | | |
| Maharashtra | Latur | Lal Variety | NR | NR | - | | | |
| | Bangalore | Mudde (Average) | 4600 | NA | - | | | |
| | Belgaum | Mudde (Average) | NA | NA | - | | | |
| | Belthangadi | Yellow (Average) | NA | NA | - | | | |
| | Bijapur/Vijayapura | Achhu | NA | NA | - | | | |
| | Gulbarga/Kalaburgi | Other (Average) | NA | 3200 | - | | | |
| Karnataka | Mahalingapura | Penti (Average) | NA | NA | - | | | |
| | Mandya | Achhu (Medium) | 3100 | 3100 | Unch | | | |
| | Mandya | Kurikatu (Medium) | 2900 | 2850 | 50 | | | |
| | Mandya | Other (Medium) | 2900 | 2850 | 50 | | | |
| | Mandya | Yellow (Medium) | 3200 | 3150 | 50 | | | |
| | Shimoga/Shivamogga | Achhu (Average) | 3750 | NA | - | | | |

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