

Daily Sugar & Gur Fundamental Report

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Sugar & Gur Domestic & International Fundamentals

Recent Update:

Steady to weak tone are seen in Sugar & gur physical markets today in India. Sugar prices in Delhi stood lower by 20 at Rs. 3300/q against Rs. 3320/q and prices in Vijayawada stood lower by 40 to Rs. 3600 against Rs. 3640 while Kolhapur prices stood steady at Rs. 3280 respectively.

The delay in clarity over next season's sugar export scheme has made the industry worried as it is impossible for Indian sugar to sell in the global markets without government support due to the gap between domestic and international prices. Sugar costs about Rs.33 per kg in India, while globally it is priced at Rs.22-23 per kg. The Centre has been able to pay only 10% of the subsidy given on sugar exports for this season which is about to end in the next week. Also, some export subsidy dues from 2018-19 have also not been paid.

Total sugarcane production in 2020-21 is expected to rise to 399.8 million tonnes against 355.7 million tonnes produced in 2019-20 kharif season. Maharashtra is likely to see a major surge in cane production this kharif season to around 900 lakh tonnes against 655 lakh tonnes last year, up by around 37% from 2019. While the top sugarcane producing state; Uttar Pradesh is likely to yield higher in 2020 compared to last year by 5-8 tonnes/ha.

According to UNICA, 306.34 million liters of ethanol is exported in August was up 6.28 percent when compared to the same period of 2019. So far this season, mills in the south-central region have sold 1.1 billion liters of ethanol into the export market, up 25.17 percent. While, According to UNICA, mills in the region have sold 11.74 billion liters of ethanol so far this season, down 17.85 percent when compared to the sale period of last year.

As the government has extended the time for MAEQ sugar exports till December, the mills will get better opportunity to clear off the stocks and help achieving the target to reach 60LT sugar exports. This could support the sugar prices when the production in the coming is expected higher. The government has to continue giving export subsidy and fix at least a target of exporting more than 60LT in 2020-21 to avoid surplus sugar in the country. The sugar industry is eagerly waiting for the government to release official notification regarding hike in MSP.

Indian sugarcane harvesting might get affected amid the pandemic situation prevailing in the country and thus resulting in delay in the production of sugar especially in Maharashtra. Mostly manual labour is employed in the cane harvesting and about only 5% is dependent on mechanized farming in India. But, most of sugar mills in Maharashtra have been continuously buying mechanized harvesting equipment that can compensate a work of around 100 migrant labours.



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Weather Forecast:

Heavy rainfall at isolated places over Bihar, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya and Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura. Thunderstorm with lightning at isolated places very likely over Odisha and Rayalseema.

Previous Updates:

The government offers total subsidy of Rs.10.45 per kg of sugar exported. The government has extend the time for exports under MAEQ of 60 LT till December'20 from September'20. The time has been extended for those sugar mills which have partially exported their MAEQ quota of sugar season 2019-20 till Sep'20 will be allowed to export the balance quantity of their quota by Dec'20. The sugar industry is expecting some changes in the sugar export subsidy scheme for the coming season for smoother exports as India would have to increase the exports more than 60 LT to clear the sugar glut.

Bhartiya Kisan Union (BKU) in Uttar Pradesh have been demanding for a hike in sugarcane price up to Rs.450/q. BKU urged the sugar mills to start crushing from 15th October'20 in the new season and Dhampur sugar mills assured that the operations would start from 21st Oct'20. Also, Sugarcane minister warned the mills to pay the cane arrears as soon as possible. The state government has claimed to have paid Rs. 6000 crore arrears during the 45-day lockdown period.

According to the sources, India has contracted around 5.7 MMT of sugar till August and is expected to have exported around 5.5 MMT. While the sugar industry is hoping to get 0.5-0.6 MMT more contracts by the end of this month. The subsidy of Rs.6268 crore for the export of 6 MMT sugar by the government has proven beneficial for the country encouraging the sugar traders to export the surplus stocks. This year, Indonesia and Malaysia have opted to import from India as their traditional importer Thailand was facing with lower crop amid drought conditions in the country.

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	0.1
Cont. (DEC)	•	2989	2989	2989	2989	-	-
Spread	nt 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.



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Commodity	USD (\$/Tonne)	Change		
Thai Sugar FOB 45 Icumsa	374.20	3.00		

International Sugar Futures ICE (US Cent/lb)

	Daily Futures Price Listing Thu 24, 2020								
	Most Recent Information						Previous Day		
Mth	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
<u>20-Oct</u>	200924	12.82	12.93	12.71	12.84	0.02	45,643	92,997	-8,233
<u>21-Mar</u>	200924	13.3	13.48	13.24	13.37	0.04	75,743	398,933	5,223
<u>21-May</u>	200924	13.1	13.24	13.05	13.15	0.04	21,391	153,195	2,786
<u>21-Jul</u>	200924	12.82	12.96	12.79	12.85	0.03	10,506	107,698	1,398
<u>21-Oct</u>	200924	12.72	12.85	12.69	12.75	0.03	6,058	94,824	224
<u>22-Mar</u>	200924	12.93	13.05	12.92	12.96	0.03	2,023	46,610	-23
<u>22-May</u>	200924	12.49	12.55	12.42	12.48	0.02	941	33,854	381
<u>22-Jul</u>	200924	12.13	12.18	12.01	12.11	0.01	432	22,902	-124
	Total Volume and Open Interest						196,513	980,246	1,506

Source: MRCI

International Sugar Futures LIFFE (US \$/MT)

	Daily Future Price Listing Thu 24, 2020									
	Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Mth	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change	
	London Sugar(LCE)									
<u>20-Oct</u>	200924	372	375.7	368.4	374.2	3	2,909	38,438	-182	
<u>20-Dec</u>	200924	372.1	375.8	369	374	2	1,742	22,347	44	
21-Mar	200924	374.5	377.3	371.4	375.7	1.3	551	12,940	158	
<u>21-May</u>	200924	369.7	373.3	368.9	371.9	1.3	235	5,105	74	
<u>21-Aug</u>	200924	367.1	368.5	366.3	367.6	1	126	3,845	27	
	Total Volume and Open Interest						5,696	84,712	204	

Source: MRCI



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DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVAL

Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets:								
Commodity			Prices (
Sugar	Centre	Variety	25-Sep-20	24-Sep- 20	Change			
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3300	3320	-20			
Dellii	Delhi	S-Grade	3280	3300	-20			
	Khatauli	M-Grade	3250	3260	-10			
	Ramala	M-Grade	NA	NA	-			
Uttar Pradesh	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	3225	3230	-5			
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	3205	3210	-5			
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	3275	3280	-5			
	Mumbai	M-Grade	3496	3496	Unch			
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3346	3346	Unch			
Maharashtra	Nagpur	M-Grade	3405	3405	Unch			
Wallalasilla	Nagpur	S-Grade	3305	3305	Unch			
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3280	3280	Unch			
	Kolhapur	S-Grade	3180	3180	Unch			
Assam	Guhawati	S-Grade	3492	3492	Unch			
Meghalaya	Shillong	S-Grade	3500	3500	Unch			
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	M-Grade	3600	3640	-40			
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	S-Grade	3660	3700	-40			
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	3730	3730	Unch			
	Chennai	S-Grade (With GST)	3650	3650	Unch			
Tamil Nadu	Dindigul	M-Grade (DCA)	3760	3760	Unch			
	Coimbatore	M-Grade (DCA)	3620	3620	Unch			
Chattisgarh	Ambikapur	M-Grade (Without Duty)	3600	3600	Unch			



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Jaggery (Gur) Price	es at Key Spot Markets:				
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/QtI)		
Jaggery(Gur)			25-Sep- 20	24- Sep-20	Change
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Fresh	NA	NA	-
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	NA	NA	-
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	NA	NA	-
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	NA	NA	-
	Hapur	Chaursa	NA	NA	-
	Hapur	Balti	NA	NA	-
		Gold	NR	NR	-
Andhra Pradesh	Chittur	White	NR	NR	-
		Black	NR	NR	-
Maharashtra	Latur	Lal Variety	NR	NR	-
	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belthangadi	Yellow (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Bijapur/Vijayapura	Achhu	NA	NA	-
	Gulbarga/Kalaburgi	Other (Average)	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	3150	3130	20
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	3150	3150	Unch
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	3000	2950	50
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	3200	3190	10
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	3600	3600	Unch

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