

Sugar &Gur Domestic & International Fundamentals

Recent Update:

Steady tone was witnessed in Sugar physical markets today in India. Sugar prices closed lower in Delhi by 10-20 at Rs. 3220/q. Prices were steady at Rs. 3070/q in Kolhapur and other markets.

Odisha cane farmers are demanding early cane crushing. Sugarcane farmers in Berhampur, odisha are demanding the government to start cane crushing operations by the first week of January, farmers are also demanding to raise sugarcane price to Rs. 3,500 per tonne. About 8,000 acres of land is under sugarcane crop this year. Farmers are expecting bumper yield but they will only be benefited if the prices are increased.

Weather Forecast:

Heavy rainfall very likely at isolated places over Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit-Balistan & Muzaffrabad. Thunderstorm with lightning very likely at isolated places over over Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit-Balistan & Muzaffrabad , Himachal Pradesh, Punjab and Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and thunderstorm accompanied with lightning at isolated places over Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi and west Madhya Pradesh.

Previous Updates:

Sulfur less sugar plant have been established for the first time in Uttar Pradesh. Sulfur less plant in Pipraich and Munderwa sugar mills have been established by the government, for the production of good quality sugar and sale of this sugar will facilitate the cane price payment of farmers. The production of sulfur less sugar in these sugar mills started since beginning of the crushing season 2020-21. The pipraich and munderwa sugar mills produced around 4.43 and 4.02 quintals of sugar respectively, by the crushing of 45.33 and 44.18 lakh quintals of sugarcane during the last crushing season.

Sugar mills in Shamli are asked to clear cane dues. The sugar mills in the district have paid Rs. 922.53 crore against due of Rs. 1216.58 crore. The mills are asked to clear cane dues to the farmer at their earliest. Where else, the sugar mills are claiming that they are suffering from crisis and are unable to pay cane dues.

Sugar recovery percentage reaches 10 percent in Kolhapur. About 161 sugar mills are currently operating in Maharashtra, and by crushing 205.17 lakh tonnes of sugarcane, mills have produced about 179.82 lakh quintals of sugar. The higher production is because of the earlier start of crushing operations and higher availability of sugarcane in this season. Average sugar recovery percentage of the state is 8.76 percent; Kolhapur has recorded 10.13 percent average sugar recovery for the crushing season 2020-21.

Sugarcane crop gets completely damaged in Tamilnadu. Cyclone Burevi has caused damage to sugarcane crop in Tiruvarur district of Tamilnadu, the crop was ready to be harvested in next 2-3 weeks but now has damaged completely due to cyclone. The cyclone has brought incessant rainfall to the delta district. According to IMD, the deep depression weakened into a depression over the Gulf of Mannar and is likely to remain practically stationary over the same region and weaken into a well-marked low- pressure area.

Department of cane development has started encouraging 'young sugarcane farmers' through state level cane competitions. The Department of cane development, Lucknow is working to motivate the young sugarcane farmers of the state for sugarcane cultivation and to infuse competitive spirit in them for increasing per hectare yield of sugarcane. A new category of 'young sugarcane farmers' has been included in the cane competition awards for the year 2021-22.

Egypt has extended import ban for 3 months. The Egypt's trade and industry ministry has extended the ban on white and raw sugar for three more months. The decision was taken to have a control over imported products and to control spread of corona virus.

Congress demands hike in sugar prices. The Uttar Pradesh congress committee has demanded immediate payment of cane arrears of around Rs 14,000 crore. They also urged to hike sugarcane price up to Rs 450 per quintal. The farmers are reeling under a financial crisis due to non- payment of the bill. Although some sugar mills have started clearing cane dues of farmers in the state.

Sugar prices slip in Indian market. According to Indian Sugar Mills Association, the average ex-mill sugar prices in most of the major sates are reported to be declining. In Maharashtra and Karnataka , the ex mill prices were around Rs 3200- 3250 per quintal for last couple of months but has declined to Rs 50-100 per quintal now. Similarly, in northern states the prices were more or less steady. This indicates pressure in the domestic market due to high opening balance, expected increase in production for the current season, delayed export policy announcement by government and no decision yet on increasing the minimum support price of sugar.

Sugar prices fixed at Rs 83 per kg in Pakistan. The district administration in Faisalabad has fixed the prices of sugar at Rs 84 per kg. Due to shortage of the commodity, the government was forced to import sugar earlier to meet the domestic supply. The prices of the sugar are being regulated by the government to ensure that the consumers get sugar at affordable rates.

Crushing season is at its peak in Maharashtra. About 157 sugar mills have started cane crushing and by crushing 175.18 lakh tonnes of sugarcane have produced around 150.92 lakh quintals sugar with a recovery rate of 8.62 percent.

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)	+0.03	14.97	15.07	14.87	14.97	7098	402809
Spread							
Spot							

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

Commodity	USD (\$/Tonne)	Change
Thai Sugar FOB 45 Icmsa	409.20	12.50

International Sugar Futures ICE(US Cent/lb)

Daily Futures Price Listing Wednesday December 09 th , 2020									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Mth	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Sugar #11(ICE)									
21-Mar	201209	14.45	14.99	14.41	14.97	+0.58	35,682	404,994	-1,919
21-May	201209	13.83	14.27	13.82	14.25	+0.46	15,315	222,494	+128
21-Jul	201209	13.44	13.78	13.43	13.75	+0.36	8,217	133,515	-103
21-Oct	201209	13.43	13.69	13.40	13.66	+0.29	4,785	105,633	+57
22-Mar	201209	13.76	13.97	13.73	13.95	+0.22	1,712	65,806	-93
22-May	201209	13.37	13.53	13.35	13.53	+0.18	449	42,708	+72
22-Jul	201209	13.16	13.29	13.14	13.29	+0.15	215	35,855	-47
22-Oct	201209	13.14	13.23	13.08	13.23	+0.11	113	32,507	+44
Total Volume and Open Interest							66,518	1,067,533	-1,861

Source: MRCI

International Sugar Futures LIFFE(US \$/MT)

Daily Futures Price Listing Wednesday December 09 th , 2020									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Mth	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
London Sugar(LCE)									
20-Dec	201209	398.60	409.60	397.50	409.20	+12.50	3,080	40,708	-78
21-Mar	201209	393.60	402.50	393.00	402.30	+10.10	1,324	25,610	+194
21-May	201209	387.60	396.00	387.40	395.80	+9.40	665	13,025	+26
21-Aug	201209	382.00	389.20	382.00	389.10	+7.90	96	4,354	-23
21-Oct	201209	383.40	388.30	382.90	388.30	+7.40	37	3,051	+11
Total Volume and Open Interest							5,398	89,182	+280

Source: MRCI

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVAL

Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Sugar			10-Dec-20	09-Dec-20	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3240	3280	-40
	Delhi	S-Grade	3220	3260	-40
Uttar Pradesh	Khatauli	M-Grade	3180	3180	Unch
	Ramala	M-Grade	NA	NA	-
	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	3135	3135	Unch
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	3115	3115	Unch
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	3185	3185	Unch
Maharashtra	Mumbai	M-Grade	3410	3410	Unch
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3232	3236	-4
	Nagpur	M-Grade	3225	3195	30
	Nagpur	S-Grade	3205	3125	80
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3100	3070	30
	Kolhapur	S-Grade	3080	3000	80
Assam	Guhawati	S-Grade	3390	3309	81
Meghalaya	Shillong	S-Grade	3400	3320	80
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	M-Grade (With Duty)	3560	3560	Unch
	Vijayawada	S-Grade (With Duty)	3620	3620	Unch
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	3650	3650	Unch
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade (With GST)	3560	3560	Unch
	Dindigul	M-Grade (DCA)	3600	3600	Unch
	Coimbatore	M-Grade (DCA)	3570	3570	Unch
Chattisgarh	Ambikapur	M-Grade (Without Duty)	3600	3600	Unch

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

*DCA: Department of consumer affairs

Jaggery (Gur) Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Jaggery(Gur)			10-Dec-20	09-Dec-20	
Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Fresh	2700	2700	Unch
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	8000	5000	3000

	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	2453	2450	3
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	2763	2775	-13
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	2238	2250	-13
	Hapur	Chaurasa	2500	2500	Unch
	Hapur	Balti	2543	2543	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Chittur	Gold	NR	NR	-
		White	NR	NR	-
		Black	NR	NR	-
Maharashtra	Latur	Lal Variety	NR	NR	-
Karnataka	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	4400	NA	-
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belthangadi	Yellow (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Bijapur/Vijayapura	Achhu	NA	NA	-
	Gulbarga/Kalaburgi	Other (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	NA	3173	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	3050	2980	70
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	2930	2900	30
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	2900	2870	30
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	3000	3010	-10
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	3600	3600	Unch

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