

#### Sugar & Gur Domestic & International Fundamentals

#### **Recent Update:**

**Steady tone was witnessed in Sugar physical markets today in India.** Sugar prices were lower in Khatauli and Dhampur by 10-30 at Rs. 3150/q and Rs. 3090/q. Prices were lower in Kolhapur at Rs. 3100/q.

**Antyodaya card holders will receive sugar for 3 months.** The administration has decided to distribute sugar at a rate of Rs 18 per kg to the antyodaya card holders for three months, every family holding the antyodaya card will get one kg of sugar for three months. The distribution of sugar at ration shops will start from March.

#### Weather Forecast:

Thunderstorm with lightening & hail very likely accompanied with lightening & hail very likely in isolated places over Uttarakhand and with lightening at isolated places over Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh. Gilgit-Baltistan & Muzaffarabad and Himachal Pradesh.

#### **Previous Updates:**

**Sugar mills in Maharashtra have cleared 82 per cent of the FRP dues.** Sugar mills have paid farmers FRP Rs 11,630.25 crore which is around 82.09% of the total dues till 15<sup>th</sup> February'21. The millers had cleared FRP dues worth Rs 6,780.59 crore amounting to 88.82% during the same period last season. During last season, around 140 sugar mills participated in the cane crushing season and crushed 332 lakh tonne of sugarcane.

**Sugarcane farmers from Kendrapara are switching to other crops.** The sugarcane cultivators from Kendrapara district are switching from sugarcane cultivation as the sugar mills in the district have been closed. This has led to a decline in cultivation area in the region. The area under cane cultivation has been also been reduced to 5000 hectares. Marsaghai, Pattamundai, Rajkanika, Mahakalapada, Garadapur, Aul and Derabishi are the blocks where cash crop was grown in the region.

Sugarcane SAP remains unchanged in Uttar Pradesh. State Advisory Price for sugarcane has remained the same in Uttar Pradesh again. The farmers were expecting a hike this year in sugarcane prices but the government has made no such changes. The rates of three different varieties of sugarcane have remained unchanged at Rs 315 per quintal for common variety, Rs 325 for early variety and Rs 310 for rejected varieties.

**Sugar Production has decreased in Uttar Pradesh this year.** Sugar mills in Uttar Pradesh have produced 63 lakh tonnes of sugar after crushing 611 lakh tonnes of sugarcane till 15<sup>th</sup> February '21. The mills during the same period last year had produced 64 lakh tonnes of sugar by crushing 584 lakh tonnes of sugarcane. The sugarcane recovery reported this season is 10.29 % as against 10.96% last season.

**Kolhapur region has recorded 12 percent sugar recovery rate.** About 37 sugar mills are operating in the Kolhapur division in the current crushing season. Around 183 sugar mills have participated in the cane crushing operation in Maharashtra and have produced 724 lakh quintal of sugar by crushing 717 lakh tonne sugarcane. Although, Solapur division is leading in the state with a maximum of 41 sugar mills operating in the current season.

*India's sugar exports are likely to decrease* more than 24 percent in the current season till September 2020-21 due to the logistical constraints such as shortage of containers and congestion at the country's ports.

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Also, Brazil is likely to export 4.3 million tonnes during 2020-21 season against 5.7 million tonnes shipped in previous year.

**Sugarcane farmer's demands hike in sugar prices.** Sugarcane farmers from Bijnor are demanding increase in sugarcane prices to Rs. 450 per quintal. Government had not increased the prices till date and farmers are continuously demanding the price hike in sugarcane. Government should consider the farmer's demand keeping in view the increase in the input cost for sugarcane cultivation and hike the cane purchase price.

**Around 31 mills in Uttar Pradesh are yet to clear the cane dues.** The sugarcane crushing season is half-way down but still around 31 sugar mills in Uttar Pradesh have failed to clear the sugarcane dues. Total 120 sugar mills have been participated in the cane crushing activity for this season, till 2<sup>nd</sup> February the pending arrears are around Rs. 7,979. The cane dues during the same period last season were around Rs 5,948 crore.

**Brahmavar sugar factory has started producing organic jaggery.** The factory has prepared jaggery without using chemicals and has also received good response from the consumers; the jaggery is directly sold to the consumers without any intermediary. The factory with the capacity to grinding 15 tonnes of sugarcane per day has produced around 450 kg of jaggery.

Commodity	USD (\$/Tonne)	Change	
Thai Sugar FOB 45 Icumsa	463.50	7.10	

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Daily Futures Price Listing Friday February 19th, 2021 **Most Recent Information Previous Day** Mth Close Volume Date High Low Change **Open Int** Open Change Sugar #11(ICE) <u>Mar-21</u> 210219 17.66 17.96 17.60 17.79 +0.28 54,607 134,290 -14,965 210219 17.04 16.89 54,485 May-21 16.66 16.89 +0.30 411,278 +2,752 Jul-21 210219 15.98 16.30 16.23 16.23 +0.31 21,418 184,112 +1,676 Oct-21 210219 15.65 15.94 15.91 15.91 +0.28 15,250 136,129 +1,776 Mar-22 210219 15.76 15.99 15.98 15.98 +0.22 7,829 92,258 +534 May-22 210219 14.89 15.06 15.05 15.05 +0.18 2,094 50,666 +17 <u>Jul-22</u> 210219 14.45 14.45 14.36 14.36 +0.08 2,645 43,916 +1,280 Oct-22 210219 14.15 14.15 14.00 14.00 1,273 34,776 -159 +0.01 Total Volume and Open Interest 160,818 1,118,136 -6,538

International Sugar Futures ICE(US Cent/lb)

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#### International Sugar Futures LIFFE(US \$/MT)

Daily Futures Price Listing Friday February 19th, 2021									
Wednes					Previous Day				
Mth	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
				London S	ugar(LCE)				
<u>Mar-21</u>	210219	475.00	484.80	475.00	481.40	+8.20	5,830	47,909	-935
<u>May-21</u>	210219	455.80	464.20	455.80	461.60	+7.90	1,970	26,115	-12
<u>Aug-21</u>	210219	441.70	447.80	441.70	445.90	+6.70	1,645	8,020	+846
<u>Oct-21</u>	210219	435.20	438.90	438.90	437.40	+5.30	135	3,831	+52
<u>Dec-21</u>	210219	430.40	434.30	430.10	431.90	+4.30	32	2,251	+0
Total Volum	Total Volume and Open Interest					9,618	89,206	-48	

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#### **DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVAL**

Commodity			Prices		
Sugar	Centre	Variety	22-Feb- 21	Feb- 20-Feb- Cha	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3150	3150	Unch
	Delhi	S-Grade	3130	3130	Unch
	Khatauli	M-Grade	3150	3200	-50
	Ramala	M-Grade	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	3090	3120	-30
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	3070	3100	-30
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	3140	3170	-30
	Mumbai	M-Grade	3342	3342	Unch
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3202	3220	-18
	Nagpur	M-Grade	3225	3225	Unch
Maharashtra	Nagpur	S-Grade	3125	3125	Unch
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3100	3100	Unch
	Kolhapur	S-Grade	3000	3000	Unch
Assam	Guhawati	S-Grade	3309	3309	Unch
Meghalaya	Shillong	S-Grade	3320	3320	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	M-Grade (With Duty)	3700	3700	Unch
	Vijayawada	S-Grade (With Duty)	3660	3660	Unch
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	3600	3600	Unch
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade (With GST)	3480	3480	Unch
	Dindigul	M-Grade (DCA)	3680	3680	Unch
	Coimbatore	M-Grade (DCA)	3540	3540	Unch
Chattisgarh	Ambikapur	M-Grade (Without Duty)	3600	3600	Unch

\*DCA: Department of consumer affairs

Jaggery (Gur) Prices at Key Spot Markets:							
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)				
Jaggery(Gur)			22-Feb- 21	20-Feb- 21	Change		
Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Fresh	2725	2788	-63		

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	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	12000	12000	Unch
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	2525	2588	-63
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	2800	2788	13
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	2450	2425	25
	Hapur	Chaursa	Closed	2600	-
	Hapur	Balti	Closed	2575	-
		Gold	NR	NR	-
Andhra Pradesh	Chittur	White	NR	NR	-
		Black	NR	NR	-
Maharashtra	Latur	Lal Variety	NR	NR	-
	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	NA	4400	-
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belthangadi	Yellow (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Bijapur/Vijayapura	Achhu	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Gulbarga/Kalaburgi	Other (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	3000	3300	-300
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	3050	3050	Unch
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	3050	2950	100
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	3300	3150	150
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	NA	NA	-

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