

Recent Update:

A steady tone witnessed in Sugar physical markets today in India. Sugar prices were lower in Delhi at Rs. 3360/qtl and in Kolhapur market prices were steady at Rs. 3250/qtl.

Indian Sugar Mills Association has estimated India's sugar production at around 283.26 lakh tonne of sugar till 15th Marh'2022 as against 259.37 lakh tonne produced same period last year. As on 15th March 2022, 81 sugar mills have stopped crushing and 435 sugar mills are currently in crushing. As compared to that, 172 mills had stopped operations last year as on 15th March 2021 and 331 mills were operating then.

Weather Forecast:

Heat wave conditions very likely in isolated places over West Rajasthan, interior Odissa and Telangana. Thunderstorm accompanied with lightening at isolated pockets over Andman & Nicobar Islands is expected.

Previous Updates:

The Russian government has announced extending the ban on the export of sugar to fellow members of a trading block till the August end. As a result, Central Asian countries may face a sugar shortage. The ban on sugar export would affect Kazakhstan the most as the country's sugar output has been affected due to drought. The sugar output in the country has been lowered this season and the country imports 2/3 of the sugar to meet the domestic need. Half of the imported sugar comes from Russia. It also procures sugar from Belarus which is also facing sanctions due to the Russia-Ukraine war. The officials have stated that the country has sugar stocks that can last for only three months.

Algeria government has banned the export of sugar as well as some other items like vegoil, pasta, semolina, and wheat derivatives. The government has taken steps following the crisis looming due to Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Apart from Algeria, few more countries have taken steps to stock food items.

Sugar mills in Maharashtra have started closing their cane crushing operations as the season nearing to an end. According to the Maharashtra Sugar Commissioner, 12 sugar mills have closed their operations so far. Private sugar mills in the state have urged the state government to provide financial aid as crushing excess sugarcane is adding financial burden on them. Meanwhile, the state governments have once again warned sugar mills to crush all sugarcane in the fields. Sugar mills in Maharashtra have produced 1074.35 lakh quintals of sugar till 14th March 2022 by crushing 1039.47 lakh tonne of sugarcane. Maharashtra sugar recovery rate has reached 10.34 percent.

Indian Sugar Mills Association has estimated sugar production in Maharashtra to 126 lakh tonne (apart from diversion to ethanol production) as against earlier 117 lakh tonne for the ongoing crushing season. The sugar estimate from Karnataka has been increased to 55 lakh tonnes while the sugar output in UP is likely to remain the same. Total sugar output in the country is expected to be 333 lakh tonne for the ongoing season and the 34 lakh tonne sugar is likely to be diverted for ethanol production.

International Sugar Futures ICE (US Cent/lb)

Source: MRCI

Daily Futures Price Listing Wednesday, Mar 16th, 2022									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Sugar #11(ICE)									
May-22	220316	18.80	18.85	18.51	18.56	-0.17	36,322	313,633	+1,246
Jul-22	220316	18.72	18.78	18.44	18.47	-0.21	17,910	179,739	+136
Oct-22	220316	18.88	18.88	18.54	18.55	-0.26	10,292	125,264	-24
Mar-23	220316	19.08	19.13	18.80	18.80	-0.27	5,674	91,664	-163
May-23	220316	18.34	18.37	18.05	18.05	-0.22	2,356	41,266	+532
Jul-23	220316	17.72	17.84	17.50	17.51	-0.19	916	33,693	-193
Oct-23	220316	17.38	17.50	17.14	17.15	-0.18	488	26,078	+84
Mar-24	220316	17.48	17.50	17.15	17.18	-0.15	358	10,405	+239
Total Volume and Open Interest							74,544	832,058	+1,957

International Sugar Futures LIFFE (US \$/MT)

Source: MRCI

Daily Futures Price Listing Wednesday, Mar 16th, 2022									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
London Sugar(LCE)									
May-22	220316	522.10	527.60	519.80	522.60	-0.10	48	1,099	-12
Aug-22	220316	513.10	515.30	508.10	508.90	-4.00	6,238	43,908	+101
Oct-22	220316	504.80	506.80	500.50	501.30	-3.80	2,234	29,348	-224
Dec-22	220316	504.10	505.00	499.00	499.80	-3.90	1,359	12,028	-4
Mar-23	220316	500.70	501.00	495.10	496.00	-4.60	234	5,282	-6
Total Volume and Open Interest							10,175	93,099	-138

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVAL

Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Sugar			17-Mar-22	16-Mar-22	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3380	3390	-10
	Delhi	S-Grade	3360	3370	-10
Uttar Pradesh	Khatauli	M-Grade	NR	NR	-
	Ramala	M-Grade	NR	NR	-
	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	NR	NR	-
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	NR	NR	-
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	NR	NR	-
Maharashtra	Mumbai	M-Grade	3506	3510	-4
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3366	3370	-4
	Nagpur	M-Grade	3375	3375	Unch
	Nagpur	S-Grade	3275	3275	Unch
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3250	3250	Unch
	Kolhapur	S-Grade	3150	3150	Unch
Assam	Guhawati	S-Grade	3461	3461	Unch
Meghalaya	Shillong	S-Grade	3470	3470	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	M-Grade (With Duty)	3800	3800	Unch
	Vijayawada	S-Grade (With Duty)	3760	3760	Unch
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	3690	3690	Unch
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade (With GST)	3600	3600	Unch
	Dindigul	M-Grade (DCA)	3890	3890	Unch
	Coimbatore	M-Grade (DCA)	3600	3600	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)			17-Mar-22	16-Mar-22	

Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Fresh	3000	2975	25
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	10000	8000	2000
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	2625	2563	63
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	2900	2900	Unch
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	2575	2600	-25
	Hapur	Chaurasa	2688	2688	Unch
	Hapur	Balti	2625	2625	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Chittur	Gold	NR	NR	-
		White	NR	NR	-
		Black	NR	NR	-
Maharashtra	Latur	Lal Variety	NR	NR	-
Karnataka	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	4500	4500	Unch
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belthangadi	Yellow (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Bijapur/Vijayapura	Achhu	NA	NA	-
	Gulbarga/Kalaburgi	Other (Average)	NA	3300	-
	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	3480	3500	-20
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	3100	3180	-80
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	3150	3200	-50
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	3250	3230	20
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	NA	3700	-

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