

Recent Update:

A steady tone witnessed in Sugar physical markets today in India. Sugar prices were lower in Delhi at Rs. 3415/qtl and in Kolhapur market prices were stable at Rs. 3250/qtl.

Uttar Pradesh is likely to witness low sugar production in the current 2021-22 season as compared to the previous season. The diversion of sugar to ethanol production and the rising disease and pest infestation are the major reasons for the declined sugar output. Indian Sugar Mills Association has earlier estimated sugar production in UP to be 102 lakh tonnes as against 110.59 lakh tonnes in last year. Sugar mills have produced 82.28 lakh tonnes of sugar by crushing 817.01 lakh tonnes of sugarcane till 23rd March 22.

Weather Forecast:

Thunderstorm accompanied with lightening at isolated pockets over Uttarakhand, and with lightening at isolated places over Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura, and Kerala & Mahe is expected. Heat wave conditions in isolated pockets over Saurashtra & Kutch.

Previous Updates:

The Russian government has informed that it has sufficient sugar to meet the domestic demand and warned consumers against panic-buying after the country was hit with sanctions from the West due to its military invasion in Ukraine. According to the Russian government, the country has enough sugar to cater to the domestic demand and there is no need for panic-buying the commodity as this would destabilize the production network in the country. Some regions in the country had reported a shortage of sugar due to panic-buying and the government has already banned the export of sugar until 31st August 2022 and set a duty-free quota for imports of 300,000 tonne of sugar and raw sugar, hoping to ease domestic food inflation.

Sugar season in Maharashtra has entered the last phase with mills closing their operations after completing crushing of the cane available in their region. According to the Indian Sugar Mills Association (ISMA), the sugar estimate for Maharashtra has been increased to 126 lakh tonne as against the earlier estimate of 117 lakh tonne for the 2021-22 season (after considering diversion for ethanol production). Total 197 sugar mills are currently operating in the state. Sugar mills have produced 1111.64 lakh quintal sugar by crushing 1072.58 lakh tonne sugarcane with a recovery of 10.36 percent till 20th March, 2022.

According to the Indian Sugar Mills Association, around 64-65 lakh tonne of sugar export have been contracted as of 15th March'22. Out of which, about 47 lakh tonne of sugar have been physically exported up to 28th February, 2022, as compared to about 17.75 lakh tonne exported last year during the corresponding period. Further, considering the pipeline, it is expected that physical exports by the end of this month may be around 55 – 56 lakh tonne. Accordingly, it is estimated that in the current season, Indian sugar industry should be able to export 75 lakh tonne sugar.

International Sugar Futures ICE (US Cent/lb)

Source: MRCI

Daily Futures Price Listing Wednesday, Mar 23rd, 2022									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Sugar #11(ICE)									
May-22	220323	19.15	19.37	19.03	19.24	+0.09	36,339	296,640	+612
Jul-22	220323	19.12	19.27	18.97	19.18	+0.08	18,445	175,742	+1,600
Oct-22	220323	19.18	19.31	19.06	19.24	+0.07	13,061	127,134	+731
Mar-23	220323	19.32	19.43	19.26	19.41	+0.05	10,003	93,385	+1,818
May-23	220323	18.51	18.57	18.43	18.56	+0.05	3,968	42,662	+481
Jul-23	220323	17.89	17.95	17.86	17.94	+0.02	812	33,131	+118
Oct-23	220323	17.55	17.57	17.51	17.56	+0.03	414	25,961	+199
Mar-24	220323	17.44	17.56	17.44	17.54	unch	178	10,641	+128
Total Volume and Open Interest							83,288	816,060	+5,691

International Sugar Futures LIFFE (US \$/MT)

Source: MRCI

Daily Futures Price Listing Wednesday, Mar 23rd, 2022									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
London Sugar (LCE)									
May-22	220323	546.50	549.50	545.10	548.40	+1.60	5,486	29,770	+254
Aug-22	220323	529.00	534.00	529.00	533.00	+2.00	2,851	15,088	+162
Oct-22	220323	518.80	523.20	517.60	522.20	+2.90	2,701	12,960	+102
Dec-22	220323	514.00	518.00	513.30	517.30	+2.90	868	5,663	+205
Mar-23	220323	508.20	511.90	508.20	511.30	+2.30	74	3,513	+13
Total Volume and Open Interest							12,015	69,948	+767

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVAL

Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Sugar			24-Mar-22	23-Mar-22	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3415	3425	-10
	Delhi	S-Grade	3395	3405	-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	3450	3506	-56
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3366	3366	Unch
	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)	3640	3640	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)			24-Mar-22	23-Mar-22	

Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Fresh	3100	2975	125
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	12000	8000	4000
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	2675	2625	50
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	3013	3000	13
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	2588	2575	13
	Hapur	Chaurasa	2675	2675	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)	3000	NA	-
	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	3500	3450	50
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	3170	3200	-30
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	3150	3100	50
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	3180	3300	-120
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	3700	3700	Unch

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