

Recent Update:

Sugar physical market continued to showed a bullish trend today in India. Sugar prices reported higher in the Delhi market at Rs. 3420/qtl and in Kolhapur prices remained higher at Rs. 3275 per quintal.

As per the market sources, the government may take a decision in the coming February month for increasing the sugar export quota from the current 60 lakh tonne. In the current marketing year so far, the mills have dispatched 30 lakh tonnes of sugar for exports and out of that 18 lakh tonnes have already been shipped. As per the food ministry, the entire 60 lakh tonnes will get exported by May. The government is currently assessing the supply and demand estimate in the domestic market along with the actual sugar production.

The National Federation of Cooperative Sugar Factories (NFCSE) has estimated that around 515 sugar mills across the country have produced 160 lakh tonnes sugar till 15th January 23 which is about 10 lakh tonne higher than the corresponding date of last year. However, the average sugar recovery is decreased by 0.14% as compared to the last year's average recovery of 9.64%.

As per the NFCSE's estimate, the 2022-23 sugar season will be over by the end of April and the sugar production is estimated at 343 lakh tonnes which is expected to be lower by 16 lakh tonnes compared to last year's 359 lakh tonne. Apart from this, around 45 lakh tonnes of sugar will be diverted to ethanol production. Thus this year, the gross total sugar production will be around 390 lakh tonne.

As per Indian Sugar Mills Association, about 55 lakh tonne of export contracts have already been signed. Out of that, over 18 lakh tonne of sugar have been physically exported out of the country upto 31st December'22, which is almost similar to the sugar exported during the previous season by the end of December'21.

State	Sugar Production		Mills in Operation	
	(as of 15 th Jan'23)		(as of 15 th Jan'22)	
	No. of Operating Mills	Sugar Production	No. of Operating Mills	Sugar Production
Uttar Pradesh	117	40.7	120	40.2
Maharashtra	198	60.3	192	58.8
Karnataka	73	33.6	72	32.7
Gujarat	16	4.8	15	4.6
Tamil Nadu	26	3.6	23	2.1
Others	85	13.8	85	12.4
All India	515	156.8	507	150.8

Source: ISMA, Unit: Lakh Tonne

Weather Forecast

Thunderstorm accompanied with lightning at isolated places over Himachal Pradesh and with lightening at isolated places over Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh, Delhi and Uttar Pradesh.

International Market Updates:

The red rot disease was detected in the Sugarcane crop of Parsa and Bara region of Nepal. Farmers are planning for a early harvest of the crop to prevent infection from the crop. Also, the farmers are selling crops on the prices which mills are offering as the government has not yet announced the minimum support price for sugarcane.

The Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) Pakistan, has granted permission to export an additional 150,000 tonnes of sugar. The decision was taken based on the recommendations of the Sugar Advisory Board (SAB). The ECC has allowed the export of a total of 250,000 tonnes of sugar out of which it had already approved the export of 100,000 tonnes of sugar on 15th Dec. 2022. The export would be allowed to sugar mills on a first-come-first-served basis.

Jaggery:

As per AgriWatch sources, Jaggery-making units in Uttar Pradesh are working on a lower scale as winter season will end in coming 1-2 months, along with it there is enough stock available in the market.

The Karnataka government is planning to provide an industry tag on jaggery. Consumption of jaggery is likely to increase as the focus on sustainable lifestyle increased. India is the biggest exporter of jaggery and Karnataka is the third largest cane producer which can give an advantage to the state to increase jaggery production.

Jaggery Price at Kolhapur Benchmark Market (Rs./Quintal)		
Forecast Date	Past Week	Week under review
17-Jan-23	3125	2800-3250

Ethanol:

Chhattisgarh's first ethanol plant is likely to start its operations in April this year. The plant is located at Kawardha, near Bharamdev Sugar mill. As per the market sources, the capacity of the plant will be around 80 kilolitres per day at the initial level. The plant will produce ethanol from sugarcane juice during the season and molasses during the off-season. An agreement has been signed between Bharamdev Cooperative Sugar Mill and NKJ Biofuel after the global tender. Earlier, The Chhattisgarh government had signed two MoU (Memorandum of Understandings) at the Chhattisgarh Business Summit 2022. The MoU were signed for setting up an ethanol production plant and drone and UAV manufacturing unit.

International Sugar Futures ICE (US Cent/lb)

Daily Futures Price Listing Friday, Jan 20th, 2023									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Sugar #11(ICE)									
22-Mar	230120	19.76	19.82	19.5	19.72	0.04	65,415	335,017	-2,063
23-May	230120	18.44	18.51	18.29	18.41	unch	25,954	217,615	3,230
23-Jul	230120	17.79	17.86	17.69	17.77	unch	13,923	147,061	489
23-Oct	230120	17.7	17.76	17.59	17.67	0.02	6,007	79,739	-543
24-Mar	230120	17.83	17.96	17.8	17.86	0.03	2,140	54,008	106
24-May	230120	17.03	17.24	17.03	17.12	0.05	593	16,667	23
24-Jul	230120	16.57	16.82	16.57	16.67	0.08	316	15,963	170
24-Oct	230120	16.35	16.62	16.35	16.46	0.08	78	14,788	-7
Total Volume and Open Interest							114,648	900,070	1,544

Source: MRCI

International Sugar Futures LIFFE (US \$/MT)

Daily Futures Price Listing Friday, Jan 20th 2023									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
London Sugar (LCE)									
23-Mar	230120	546	548	541.3	546.4	-0.1	5,456	37,989	-437
23-May	230120	531.8	533.8	527.4	531.5	1.2	3,980	24,134	486
23-Aug	230120	512.9	515.4	509.7	513.5	1.3	1290	12,738	307
23-Oct	230120	497.1	501.4	496.3	499.9	1.6	792	8,513	118
23-Dec	230120	490.7	495.7	490.7	493.7	1.2	388	3,677	98
Total Volume and Open Interest							12,223	90,143	723

Source: MRCI

DOMESTIC (SUGAR/ JAGGERY) PRICES AND ARRIVAL

Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Sugar			21-Jan-23	20-Jan-23	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3420	3420	Unch
	Delhi	S-Grade	3400	3400	Unch
Uttar Pradesh	Khatauli	M-Grade	3530	3530	Unch
	Ramala	M-Grade	3415	3415	Unch
	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	3590	3590	Unch
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	3570	3570	Unch
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	3640	3640	Unch
Maharashtra	Mumbai	M-Grade	3556	3552	4
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3392	3392	Unch
	Nagpur	M-Grade	3400	3375	25
	Nagpur	S-Grade	3300	3275	25
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3275	3250	25
	Kolhapur	S-Grade	3175	3150	25
Assam	Guhawati	S-Grade	3487	3461	25

Meghalaya	Shillong	S-Grade	3495	3470	25
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	M-Grade (With Duty)	3760	3800	-40
	Vijayawada	S-Grade (With Duty)	3720	3780	-60
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	3750	3750	Unch
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade (With GST)	3400	3400	Unch
	Dindigul	M-Grade (DCA)	3700	3700	Unch
	Coimbatore	M-Grade (DCA)	3840	3840	Unch
Chattisgarh	Ambikapur	M-Grade (Without Duty)	3850	3850	Unch
Sugar Prices are in INR/Quintal. (1 Quintal=100 kg)					

Jaggery (Gur) Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
			21-Jan-23	20-Jan-23	
Jaggery(Gur)					
Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Fresh	3125	3125	Unch
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	5000	10000	-5000
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	2875	2863	13
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	3175	3150	25
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	2438	2425	13
	Hapur	Chaurasa	NA	NA	-
	Hapur	Balti	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	4750	4450	300
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	3400	-
	Gulbarga/Kalaburgi	Other (Average)	NA	2850	-
	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	NA	3250	-
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	NA	3250	-
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	NA	3100	-
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	NA	3200	-
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	3700	3650	50

INTERNATIONAL SUGAR PRICES

International Sugar Futures ICE					(Rs/Qtl)	
Futures month	% Change over previous year	Today	Week ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	RBI Dollar
		18-Jan-23	11-Jan-23	19-Dec-22	18-Jan-22	18-Jan-23
Oct-22	7.49	3244	3203	3317	3018	81.64
Mar-23	16.55	3625	3596	3728	3110	
May-23	10.45	3390	3356	3504	3070	

International Sugar Futures LIFFE					(Rs/Qtl)	
Futures month	% Change over previous year	Today	Week ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	RBI Dollar
		18-Jan-23	11-Jan-23	19-Dec-22	18-Jan-22	18-Jan-23
Oct-22	15.41	4212	4144	4272	3649	81.64
Dec-22	12.73	4047	3977	4067	3590	
Mar-23	17.58	4366	4294	4427	3713	

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