

Recent Update:

Sugar physical market continued to mostly steady to firm trend today in India. Sugar prices reported higher by Rs. 5/qrtl in the Delhi market at Rs. 3425/qrtl and in Kolhapur prices remained stable at Rs. 3300 per quintal.

As per sources, Maharashtra are set to stop cane crushing 45 to 60 days earlier than last year as heavy rain has curtailed sugarcane availability. Maharashtra could produce 12.8 MT of sugar in the current season 2022-23.

India has allowed sugar mills to export only 6.1 MT of the sweetener in the current season and out of that mills have already contracted to export 5.7 MT.

As is the practice, ISMA procured satellite images of cane area in the 2nd week of Jan' 2023. The satellite pictures have given a good idea of the area already harvested and remaining unharvested area in the fields across the country.

S.No	States	Sugarcane Acreage		% Change over last year
		Lakh Hectares		
		2021-22	2022-23	
1	Uttar Pradesh	23.1	23.8	3%
2	Maharashtra	13.5	14.5	7%
3	Karnataka	5.9	6.5	11%
4	Tamil Nadu	2.6	2.9	11%
5	Gujarat	2.1	2.2	6%
6	Others	8.7	9.1	5%
7	Total	55.9	59	6%

SOURCE- ISMA ISMA estimates sugar production in 2022-23 at around 340 lakh tons of sugar.

S.No	States	2021-22		2022-23			
		Estimate d sugar productio n	Estimated sugar diversion	Actual sugar production	Estimated sugar production	Estimated sugar diversion	Actual sugar production
		BEFORE DIVERSIO N		AFTER DIVERSION	BEFORE DIVERSION		AFTER DIVERSION
		Lac tons	Lac tons	Lac tons	Lac tons	Lac tons	Lac tons
1	Uttar Pradesh	114	12	102	117	16	101

2	Maharashtra	148	11	137	136	15	121
3	Karnataka	68	7.5	60	67	11	56
4	Tamil Nadu	13	1.5	13	16	3	16
5	Gujarat	12		12	12		12
6	Others	35		34	37		34
7	Total	390	32	358	385	45	340

Post diversion of 45 lac tons to ethanol due to diversion of cane juice / syrup and B-molasses to ethanol, ISMA estimates sugar production in 2022-23 at around 340 lakh tons of sugar.

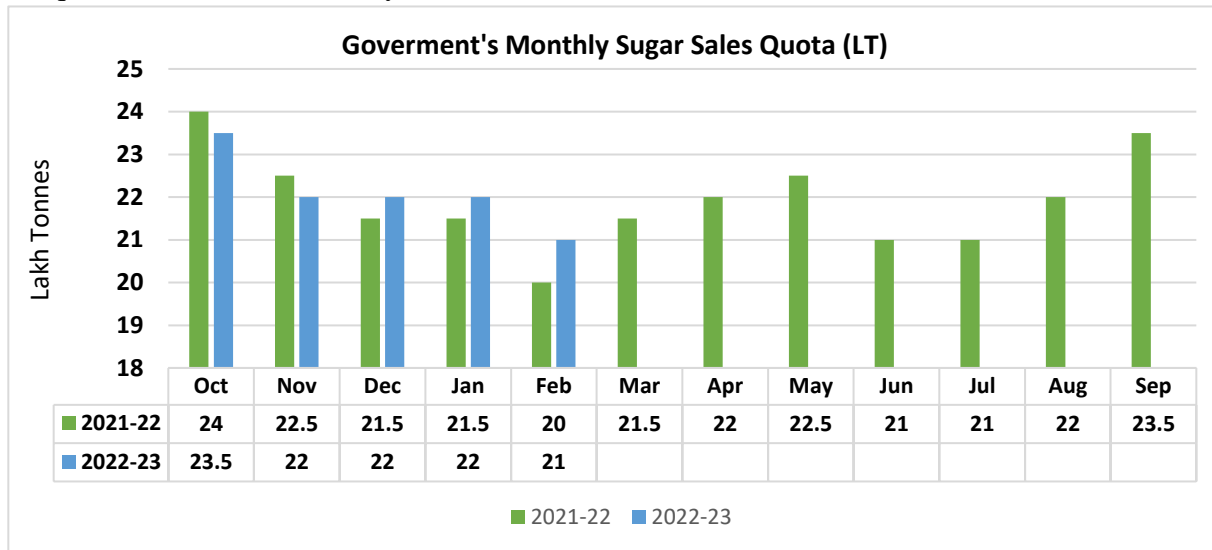
In the current season, 520 mills started their operations so far against 510 mills which operated last season, as on 31st January'2023. On the corresponding date, 4 mills have closed their crushing operations in the current season, while 516 sugar mills were still operating in the country. However, in the last season 2021-22, 1 mill had closed its crushing operations and 509 mills were operating on the corresponding date.

S.No.	State	No. of Working Factories		Net estimated Sugar Production (without Diversion)		Estimated Sugar Diversion into ethanol upto 31 st January		Actual Sugar Production (after Diversion)	
		2022-23	2021-22	2022-23	2021-22	2022-23	2021-22	2022-23	2021-22
1	Uttar Pradesh	117	120	58.3	55.9	7.3	5.6	51.0	50.3
2	Maharashtra	199	194	81.1	78.1	7.3	5.2	73.8	72.9
3	Karnataka	73	72	46.5	43.6	7.1	4.8	39.4	38.8
4	Others*	127	123	30.2	25.8	0.9	0.7	29.3	25.1
Total		516	509	216.1	203.4	22.6	16.3	193.5	187.1
Difference		7		12.7		6.3		6.4	

SOURCE- ISMA

Domestic Sales Quota:

In a notification issued on 31st day of January 2023, the food ministry has allocated 21 LMT monthly sugar quota for February 2023 to 554 sugar mills which is higher than 1 LMT in comparison to the quota allocated in February 2022.

**Weather Forecast**

Rise in min. temp. by 2-3 degree Celsius very likely over many parts of Northwest India during next three days and no significant change thereafter.

International Market Updates:

The Nepal government has fixed the minimum support price of sugarcane at Rs.610 per quintal for the 2022-23 season. During the previous season government has increased the MSP for sugarcane by 8.39 % to 590 per quintal.

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.

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:

Sutlej Organics and Chemicals is planning to set up an ethanol plant having a capacity of 120 klpd at Jehan Kela and Bassi Mustafa in the Hoshiarpur district of Punjab. The proposed project spread over 21.62 acres of land will also include a 2.5 MW co-generation plant.

International Sugar Futures ICE (US Cent/lb)

Daily Futures Price Listing Friday, Feb 3rd, 2023									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Sugar #11(ICE)									
23-Mar	230203	21.69	21.71	21.18	21.24	-0.42	87,076	3,28,649	-11,404
23-May	230203	20.4	20.41	19.95	19.99	-0.4	67,283	2,76,214	9,683
23-Jul	230203	19.6	19.61	19.24	19.28	-0.32	26,266	1,69,160	-954
23-Oct	230203	19.42	19.42	19.12	19.16	-0.25	17,512	81,852	-1545
24-Mar	230203	19.42	19.42	19.18	19.21	-0.23	12,660	69,746	4895
24-May	230203	18.37	18.39	18.21	18.22	-0.2	4182	21,022	2157
24-Jul	230203	17.67	17.68	17.53	17.54	-0.16	1163	16,911	336
24-Oct	230203	17.29	17.3	17.17	17.19	-0.11	294	15,584	37
Total Volume and Open Interest							2,16,583	9,98,629	3,238

Source: MRCI

International Sugar Futures LIFFE (US \$/MT)

Daily Futures Price Listing Friday, Feb 3rd 2023									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
London Sugar (LCE)									
23-Mar	230203	565	566.6	549	551.3	-15.5	13,773	23,532	-5267
23-May	230203	566	567.5	553.1	555.3	-11.2	14,464	41,478	3037
23-Aug	230203	552.7	553.6	540.6	542.8	-9.7	3661	15,898	1041
23-Oct	230203	540.3	540.9	530	532.1	-7.2	926	10,260	211
23-Dec	230203	531.5	531.5	523.5	525.5	-4.8	311	4,699	75
Total Volume and Open Interest							33,535	99,840	-716

Source: MRCI

DOMESTIC (SUGAR/ JAGGERY) PRICES AND ARRIVAL

Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Sugar			04-Feb-23	03-Feb-23	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3425	3420	5
	Delhi	S-Grade	3405	3400	5
Uttar Pradesh	Khatauli	M-Grade	3550	3550	Unch
	Ramala	M-Grade	3425	3425	Unch
	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	3543	3543	Unch
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	3523	3523	Unch
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	3593	3593	Unch
Maharashtra	Mumbai	M-Grade	3616	3630	-14
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3430	3430	Unch
	Nagpur	M-Grade	3425	3425	Unch
	Nagpur	S-Grade	3325	3325	Unch
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3300	3300	Unch
	Kolhapur	S-Grade	3200	3200	Unch
Assam	Guhawati	S-Grade	3512	3512	Unch
Meghalaya	Shillong	S-Grade	3520	3520	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	M-Grade (With Duty)	3780	3780	Unch
	Vijayawada	S-Grade (With Duty)	3740	3740	Unch
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	3750	3750	Unch

Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade (With GST)	3400	3400	Unch
	Dindigul	M-Grade (DCA)	3750	3750	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
Jaggery(Gur)			04-Feb-23	03-Feb-23	
Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Fresh	NA	3088	-
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	NA	3000	-
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	NA	2750	-
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	NA	2975	-
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	NA	2425	-
	Hapur	Chaurasa	NA	NA	-
	Hapur	Balti	NA	NA	-
Andhra Pradesh	Chittur	Gold	NA	NR	-
		White	NA	NR	-
		Black	NA	NR	-
Maharashtra	Latur	Lal Variety	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	NA	4750	-
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belthangadi	Yellow (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Bijapur/Vijayapura	Achhu	NA	NA	-
	Gulbarga/Kalaburgi	Other (Average)	2850	3000	-150
	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	NA	3300	-
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	NA	3200	-
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	NA	3300	-
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	NA	3250	-
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	3600	3600	Unch

INTERNATIONAL SUGAR PRICES

International Sugar Futures ICE					(Rs/Qtl)	
Futures month	% Change over previous year	Today	Week ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	RBI Dollar
		3-Feb-23	27-Jan-23	3-Jan-23	3-Feb-22	3-Feb-23
Oct-22	19.26	3529	3388	3273	2959	82.22
Mar-23	29.64	3912	3828	3653	3017	
May-23	24.01	3682	3582	3419	2969	

International Sugar Futures LIFFE					(Rs/Qtl)	
Futures month	% Change over previous year	Today	Week ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	RBI Dollar
		3-Feb-23	27-Jan-23	3-Jan-23	3-Feb-22	3-Feb-23
Oct-22	25.00	4463	4376	4218	3570	82.22
Dec-22	21.89	4321	4181	4042	3545	
Mar-23	26.24	4566	4513	4365	3617	

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