

Recent Update:

Sugar physical market showed a stable trend today in India. Sugar prices in the Delhi market traded lower at Rs. 3400/qtl as compared to yesterday evening whereas Kolhapur market remained stable at Rs. 3275 per quintal.

According to the UP Sugar Mills Association, the sugar mills across the state have cleared around 45% of the cane dues for the ongoing 2022-23 crushing season. Out of the Rs. 1740.28 lakh of cane dues the sugar mills have cleared about Rs. 789.39 lakh of cane dues.

However, the government has not increased the Sate Advised Price for the 2022-23 season as the mills are already burdened with the pressure of less revenue recovery due to the low cost of sugar in the open market. The government is currently focusing on timely cane payments to farmers rather than hiking SAP.

Maharashtra sugar production is expected to decline in the 2022-23 season. The adverse climatic conditions have impacted sugarcane production in Maharashtra during the ongoing season. The early flowering during the season has largely impacted the sugar yield which may result in decline in production. Sugar production is estimated at 124 lakh tonnes in the 2022-23 season for Maharashtra lower from the previous estimate of 137.28 lakh tonne during the 2021-22 season.

Also, as per the state sugar commissioner, the crushing season is expected to get over by March end in Sangli, Satara and Kolhapur districts whereas in Marathwada by April end.

In the current season, 522 mills started their operations so far against 516 mills which operated last season, as on 15th February'2023. About 17 sugar mills have closed their crushing operations for the 2022-23 season.

Sugar Production as on 15th February 2023

S.No.	State	No. of Working Factories		Net estimated Sugar Production (without Diversion)		Estimated Sugar Diversion into ethanol upto 15 th February		Actual Sugar Production (after Diversion)	
		2022-23	2021-22	2022-23	2021-22	2022-23	2021-22	2022-23	2021-22
1	Uttar Pradesh	116	117	69.8	66.4	8.6	6.5	61.2	59.9
2	Maharashtra	198	197	94.1	92.3	8.2	6.1	85.9	86.2
3	Karnataka	66	71	54.1	50.8	8.0	5.4	46.1	45.4
4	Others*	125	119	36.2	31.4	1.0	0.7	35.2	30.7

Total	505	504	254.2	240.9	25.8	18.7	228.4	222.2
Difference	1		13.3		7.1		6.2	

SOURCE- ISMA

As per govt. 2nd Adv. estimates, the total sugarcane production in the country for the 2022-23 year will reach a record high of 4687.89 lakh tonne, representing an increase of 293.64 lakh tonne from previous year production of 4394.25 lakh tonne.

International Market

Sugar production in Philippines is likely to be lower for 2023 as per the Sugar Regulatory Administration (SRA). As per the board, the raw sugar production is likely to be 1.831 million metric tons (MT) in the crop year 2022-23.

Earlier the estimates of sugar production were 1.834 million MT. The total raw sugar withdrawal would be 2.03 million MT this year.

The price of refined sugar in the retail market is expected to go down to P85 per kilo. As per the Department of Agriculture (DA), the retail price of refined sugar was P110 per kilo.

Weather Forecast

Light Heavy rainfall at isolated places over Arunachal Pradesh and northeast Assam. Thunderstorm accompanied with lightening at isolated places over Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, northeast assam.

Jaggery:

GST Council has reduced tax on liquid jaggery, GST rate has been reduced to Rab, the kind of liquid jaggery between nil to 5 per cent. If it's sold loose, it will be nil and if it's pre-packaged and labelled, it will be 5 percent.

As per AgriWatch sources, Jaggery-making units in Uttar Pradesh are working on a lower scale as winter season will end in coming 1 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.

Ethanol:

Ethanol production in Uttar Pradesh is likely to cross the 135 crore liters mark during the ongoing fiscal as more distilleries are engaged in producing ethanol in the last year. The distilleries in the state have produced 97 crore liters of ethanol during the 2021-22 fiscal.

Since last year the number of distilleries producing ethanol has increased. The distillers have till November 30 produced 88 crore liter of ethanol and we are expecting the overall production to go up by 40% during the ongoing fiscal.

International Sugar Futures ICE (US Cent/lb)

Daily Futures Price Listing Tuesday, Feb 21st, 2023									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Sugar #11(ICE)									
22-Mar	230221	21.5	21.71	21.31	21.33	-0.08	38,359	92,124	-14,209
23-May	230221	19.9	20.16	19.82	19.93	0.13	55,132	382,950	2,059
23-Jul	230221	19.37	19.63	19.32	19.42	0.1	20,115	186,270	4562
23-Oct	230221	19.25	19.49	19.21	19.3	0.09	8,484	107,258	1046
24-Mar	230221	19.34	19.6	19.33	19.43	0.09	5,849	87,190	1690
24-May	230221	18.35	18.53	18.33	18.42	0.09	1762	24,299	121
24-Jul	230221	17.64	17.78	17.59	17.71	0.08	1130	18,860	164
24-Oct	230221	17.28	17.44	17.28	17.35	0.07	421	16,494	154
Total Volume and Open Interest							131,551	935,948	-4,374

Source: MRCI

International Sugar Futures LIFFE (US \$/MT)

Daily Futures Price Listing Monday, Feb 21st 2023									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
London Sugar (LCE)									
23-Mar	230221	572.2	575	567.3	568.9	-1	5,876	48,838	376
23-May	230221	553.1	557.5	550.4	552.1	0.8	2,319	16,237	121
23-Aug	230221	538.3	542	536.1	538.6	2.3	815	11,292	145
23-Oct	230221	525.4	529.9	525.4	528.4	3.5	309	5,938	536
23-Dec	230221	518.8	524	518.8	522.7	4.9	235	3,855	48
Total Volume and Open Interest							9,657	87,308	1226

Source: MRCI

DOMESTIC (SUGAR/ JAGGERY) PRICES AND ARRIVAL

Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Sugar			22-Feb-23	21-Feb-23	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3400	3420	-20
	Delhi	S-Grade	3380	3400	-20
Uttar Pradesh	Khatauli	M-Grade	3510	3510	Unch
	Ramala	M-Grade	3430	3430	Unch
	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	3460	3460	Unch
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	3460	3460	Unch
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	3510	3510	Unch
Maharashtra	Mumbai	M-Grade	3610	3610	Unch
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3396	3396	Unch
	Nagpur	M-Grade	3400	3400	Unch
	Nagpur	S-Grade	3325	3325	Unch
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3275	3275	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)	3760	3760	Unch
	Vijayawada	S-Grade (With Duty)	3720	3720	Unch
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	3750	3750	Unch
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade (With GST)	3400	3400	Unch
	Dindigul	M-Grade (DCA)	3840	3840	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
			22-Feb-23	21-Feb-23	
Jaggery(Gur)					
Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Fresh	3163	3153	10
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	12000	8000	4000
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	2800	2713	88
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	2875	2975	-100
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	2450	2500	-50
	Hapur	Chaurasa	2900	2900	Unch
	Hapur	Balti	3050	3050	Unch
Karnataka	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	4750	4750	Unch
	Gulbarga/Kalaburgi	Other (Average)	2600	2650	-50
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	3550	NA	-
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	3400	NA	-
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	3220	NA	-
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	3300	NA	-
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	3600	3600	Unch

INTERNATIONAL SUGAR PRICES

International Sugar Futures ICE					(Rs/Qtl)	
	% Change over previous year	Today	Week ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	RBI Dollar
Futures month		21-Feb-23	14-Feb-23	19-Jan-23	22-Feb-22	21-Feb-23
Oct-22	19.63	3577	3568	3217	2990	82.75
Mar-23	27.64	3954	3996	3587	3098	
May-23	23.19	3694	3705	3355	2999	

International Sugar Futures LIFFE					(Rs/Qtl)	
	% Change over previous year	Today	Week ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	RBI Dollar
Futures month		21-Feb-23	14-Feb-23	19-Jan-23	22-Feb-22	21-Feb-23
Oct-22	22.96	4457	4456	4167	3625	82.75
Dec-22	20.32	4325	4333	4007	3595	
Mar-23	23.51	4569	4568	4315	3699	

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