

Recent Update:

Sugar physical market showed a stable trend today in India. Sugar prices in the Delhi market traded higher at Rs. 3415/qtl as compared to yesterday evening, Kolhapur market remained lower at Rs. 3250 per quintal.

The untimely rains have affected the sugarcane crop in Medak district. Overall crops like Sugarcane, Jowar, paddy, mango, tomato, papaya are grown in 1500 acres and had got damaged due to the heavy rainfalls during past few days.

Around 207 sugar mills have operated in the 2022-23 crushing season in Maharashtra, and about 73 sugar mills have paid full FRP to the sugarcane farmers. The mills owned FRP of Rs. 2,658 crore till February 2023. Out of that about 67 mills have cleared 80-90% of the cane dues, 39 mills have paid cleared dues up to 60-70% and 28 mills have paid 59% of the FRP to cane farmers. Sugar mills in the state have crushed 876 lakh tonnes of sugarcane till February end and procured cane worth 27,443 crores. The mills have so far cleared RS 25,399 crores.

Indian Sugar Mills Association estimates sugar production in India at 281.8 lakh tonne till 15th March 2023 against 284.5 lakh tonne during the corresponding date last year. About 194 sugar mills have closed their crushing operations while 336 sugar mills are still operating in the country.

Sugar Production as on 15th March 2023

S.No.	State	No. of Working Factories		Net estimated Sugar Production (without Diversion)		Estimated Sugar Diversion into ethanol		Actual Sugar Production (after Diversion)	
		2022-23	2021-22	2022-23	2021-22	2022-23	2021-22	2022-23	2021-22
1	Uttar Pradesh	108	104	90.7	87.4	11.1	9.1	79.6	78.3
2	Maharashtra	113	184	111.6	117.6	9.7	8.6	101.9	109.0
3	Karnataka	20	49	62.7	62.3	9.2	6.9	53.5	55.4
4	Others*	95	101	47.9	42.6	1.1	0.8	46.8	41.8
Total		336	438	312.9	309.9	31.1	25.4	281.8	284.5

*Others include -Tamil Nādu, Gujarat, A.P., Telangana, Bihar, Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, M.P., Chhattisgarh, Uttarakhand & Odisha

Source- ISMA: unit-Lakh tonne

International Market

Sugar prices in Bangladesh have maintained an upward trend at both wholesale and retail level despite a reduction in import duty. After the reduction, the overall import cost of raw and refined sugar is expected to decline by Tk 6,500 and Tk 9,000 per tonne at the import stage, respectively. But despite that, the price of sugar remained higher by Tk 130 in the wholesale market. The price increase came amid continued supply shortage and a spike in demand for Ramdan.

Weather Forecast

As per IMD latest press release, a thunderstorm with hailstorm is expected over northwest, Central and eastern India between 21st March – 25th March 2023.

Thunderstorm/lightning/gusty winds & Hailstorm is expected as on:

21st March: Uttarakhand, East Uttar Pradesh, Gangetic West Bengal, Jharkhand, Odisha

23rd March: Uttarakhand and West Rajasthan

24th March: Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Punjab and Haryana

Heavy rainfall at isolated places over Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Punjab. Thunderstorms accompanied with lightning at isolated places over Punjab, Haryana, West Uttar Pradesh and north Rajasthan, and with lightening at isolated places over Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit-Baltistan, Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Madhya Pradesh, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal, Sikkim, Madhya Maharashtra, Marathwada, Gujarat State, Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry, Karaikal, Kerala, Mahi, Coastal Andhra Pradesh and Yanam.

Jaggery:

Jaggery arrivals in Muzaffarnagar market have been affected due to heavy rainfalls since last 2 days. Whereas, Chaku prices remained higher at 3250 per quintal.

Muzaffarnagar Stock Update Jaggery	Weekly Stock (Quintal)	
	20-Mar-23	20-Mar-22
Chaku	586386	642574
Rascut	39251	23220
Papdi	142149	89294
Khurpa	26554	21914
Total	1089893	1096663
Surplus	6770	

Ethanol:

As per ISMA, the sugar diverted for ethanol production between October to February was highest at 28.5 lakh tonne as compared with 21.9 lakh tonnes during the same period in the preceding year.

World ethanol production in 2022 is estimated to have reached 109.4 billion liters, up from 104.6 billion liters in 2021. For 2023, ethanol output is expected to recover further, reaching 111.8 billion liters. Meanwhile ethanol consumption is expected to be at 104.2 billion liters in 2022, revised lower from 104.5 billion liters. Consumption in 2023 is expected to rise to 106.9 billion liters, driven by increases in India.

International Sugar Futures ICE (US Cent/lb)

Daily Futures Price Listing Wednesday, Mar 22nd, 2023									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Sugar #11(ICE)									
23-May	230322	20.85	21.38	20.78	21.14	0.34	38,677	357,472	-4,333
23-Jul	230322	20.32	20.79	20.25	20.56	0.28	17,778	242,144	1,390
23-Oct	230322	20.06	20.45	19.98	20.25	0.23	9,754	128,942	1037
24-Mar	230322	20.04	20.35	19.98	20.19	0.18	6,716	101,716	775
24-May	230322	19.05	19.28	19	19.13	0.12	1,716	28,466	184
24-Jul	230322	18.55	18.55	18.27	18.36	0.07	1197	24,741	127
24-Oct	230322	17.88	18.04	17.78	17.89	0.04	729	18,889	198
25-Mar	230322	17.76	17.94	17.69	17.79	0.03	346	13,736	-103
Total Volume and Open Interest							77,361	926,618	-602

Source: MRCI

International Sugar Futures LIFFE (US \$/MT)

Daily Futures Price Listing Wednesday, Mar 22nd 2023									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
London Sugar (LCE)									
23-May	230322	590.5	605.6	590.3	603.9	14.1	2,953	44,210	-24
23-Aug	230322	574.7	589.5	574.7	588.2	13.5	1,413	21,949	28
23-Oct	230322	560.2	571.8	559.8	570.6	10.8	566	12,056	63
23-Dec	230322	549.3	559.8	549.3	556.8	8	234	7,310	-3

24-Mar	230322	541.1	549.8	541.1	546.7	6.2	89	3,939	19
Total Volume and Open Interest							5,262	90,874	89

Source: MRCI

DOMESTIC (SUGAR/ JAGGERY) PRICES AND ARRIVAL

Sugar Prices at Key Spot Markets:					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Sugar			23-Mar-23	21-Mar-23	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3415	3400	15
	Delhi	S-Grade	3395	3380	15
Uttar Pradesh	Khatauli	M-Grade	3520	3520	Unch
	Ramala	M-Grade	3440	3440	Unch
	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	3465	3465	Unch
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	3460	3460	Unch
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	3515	3515	Unch
Maharashtra	Mumbai	M-Grade	Closed	3600	-
	Mumbai	S-Grade	Closed	3386	-
	Nagpur	M-Grade	closed	3375	-
	Nagpur	S-Grade	Closed	3275	-
	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)	3900	3900	Unch
	Vijayawada	S-Grade (With Duty)	3880	3880	Unch
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	3850	3850	Unch
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade (With GST)	3400	3400	Unch
	Dindigul	M-Grade (DCA)	3730	3730	Unch
	Coimbatore	M-Grade (DCA)	3840	3840	Unch
Chattisgarh	Ambikapur	M-Grade (Without Duty)	NA	0	-
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)			23-Mar-23	21-Mar-23	
Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Fresh	3375	NA	-
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	2000	NA	-
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	2963	2888	75
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	3313	NA	-
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	2700	NA	-
	Hapur	Chaurasa	NA	NA	-
	Hapur	Balti	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belthangadi	Yellow (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	3800	3850	-50
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	3600	3650	-50
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	3400	3560	-160
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	3750	3720	30
	Shimoga/Shivamogga	Achhu (Average)	3600	3800	-200

INTERNATIONAL MARKET

International Sugar Futures ICE					(Rs/Qtl)	
Futures month	% Change over previous year	Today	Week ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	RBI Dollar
		22-Mar-23	15-Mar-23	20-Feb-23	22-Mar-22	22-Mar-23
Mar-23	18.03	3914	3788	3966	3316	82.65
May-23	16.05	3806	3696	3667	3280	
Jul-23	14.60	3749	3653	3579	3271	

International Sugar Futures LIFFE					(Rs/Qtl)	
Futures month	% Change	Today	Week ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	RBI Dollar



	over previous year	22-Mar-23	15-Mar-23	20-Feb-23	22-Mar-22	22-Mar-23
Mar-23	28.25	4991	4788	4713	3892	82.65
May-23	16.28	4861	4672	4559	4181	
Aug-23	16.16	4716	4554	4435	4060	

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