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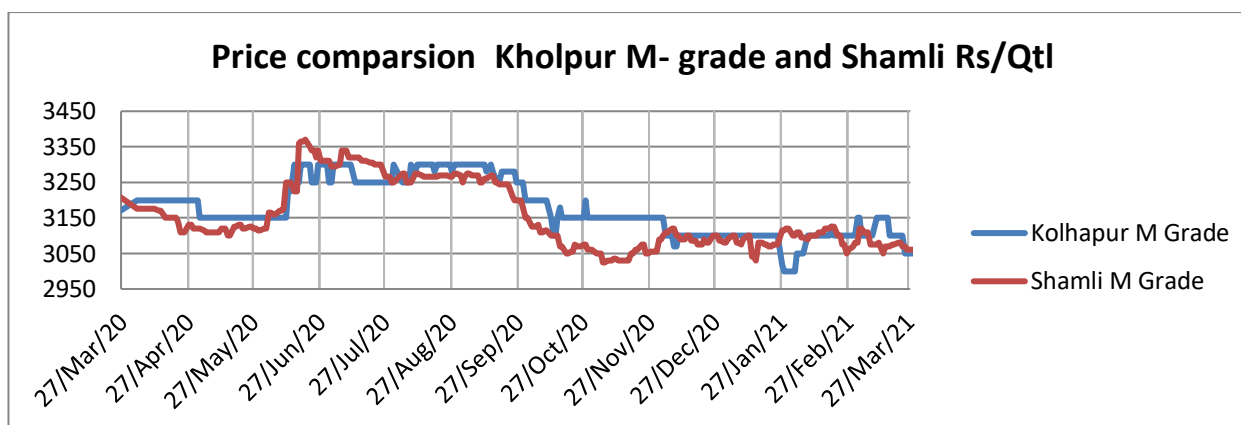
The Food ministry has allocated 22 LMT monthly sugar quota for April 2021 which is 1 LMT higher than the quota released in March 2021. Till 31st March'21 about 282 sugar mills had stopped cane crushing operation, where else 221 sugar mills are currently operating. The average sugar prices decreased in Khatauli market at Rs.3056/q from Rs.3085/q previous week. The prices in Maharashtra also stood slightly firm at Rs.3300/q.

Price Projection for the Next week

As per the Agriwatch estimates, spot sugar prices (M grade) in benchmark Kolhapur market are likely to remain steady and in range next week between Rs.3100 -3150 per quintal for next week.

Domestic Sugar Market Summary

Average prices for sugar 'M' grade in key Kolhapur market were range bound at Rs.3100per quintal, while spot sugar prices for the same grade in Shamli district stood at Rs.3064 per quintal during the week.

**Domestic Market Highlights****Recent Updates:**

- **Sugarcane arrears have risen in the current season as compared to previous season.** About Rs. 22,900 Crore of pending cane dues are in the current season. It is higher as compared to arrears one year back when it was around Rs. 19,200 Crore. The prevailing low ex- mill sugar prices for last several months, has adversely affected the liquidity of mills and their ability to pay the FRP to cane farmers. The mills are expecting that the government would increase the minimum selling price (MSP) to help mills increase revenue and clear the cane dues to the farmers. The current sugar prices are around Rs. 3100/q.

Previous Updates

- **Government has fixed 22 LMT Monthly Sugar Quota for sale in April 2021.** The Food ministry has allocated 22 LMT monthly sugar quota for April 2021 which is 4 LMT higher than the quota released in April 2020. In the previous month (March) government has released 21 LMT of monthly sugar sales quota to 552 mills in the country.

- **Bilai sugar mill has recorded the highest recovery rate of more than 13 percent.** Bilaisuagr mills from Madhya Pradesh have recorded the highest recovery rate of 13.25. In the current season, the sugar mills in the district have started cane crushing operations on time and that has helped in increasing the sugar recovery in the district.
- **Sugar mills in Maharashtra had produced around 997.12 lakh quintals of sugar till 28th March'21.** About 187 sugar mills have participated in the crushing season and have crushed around 954.91 lakh tonnes sugarcane with a recovery rate of 10.44 percent.
- **Sugar mills clears cane dues of worth Rs 1.98 crore.** Uttar Pradesh sugar mill has cleared cane dues worth Rs 1.98 crore of the 680 sugarcane farmers associated with the mill. However, the sugar mill is yet to clear arrears worth Rs 31.95 crore to the cane farmers.
- **Sugarcane crushing season is likely to end in March'21.** Sugarcane crushing operations in Thailand are likely to end by March-end with the country expecting to complete crushing of around 66.5 million MT of sugarcane. The mills in the country had crushed 66.48 million MT sugarcane till March 22 this year which was down by 13% from the same period during the last year. Usually the cane crushing activities continues till April-May but due to the shortage of cane, the crushing is expected to end by March 31.
- **Sugar mills from Maharashtra have cleared 87 percent of the Fair and Remunerative price (FRP) to the cane farmers.** Sugar mills have cleared Rs. 15,836 crore which is around 86.91 percent of the total FRP for this season, the mills are expected to clear the remaining Rs. 2,385 crore dues in the coming weeks. Around 187 sugar mills have participated in the crushing operations this season and out of that 86 mills have cleared 100 percent of the FRP while 65 cleared 60-69 percent of FRP. Sugar mills in India have signed contracts to export 43 lakh tonnes of sugar which include contract of 20 lakh tonne from Maharashtra sugar mills.

Technical Analysis - Sugar (M grade) Spot Market at Kolhapur market

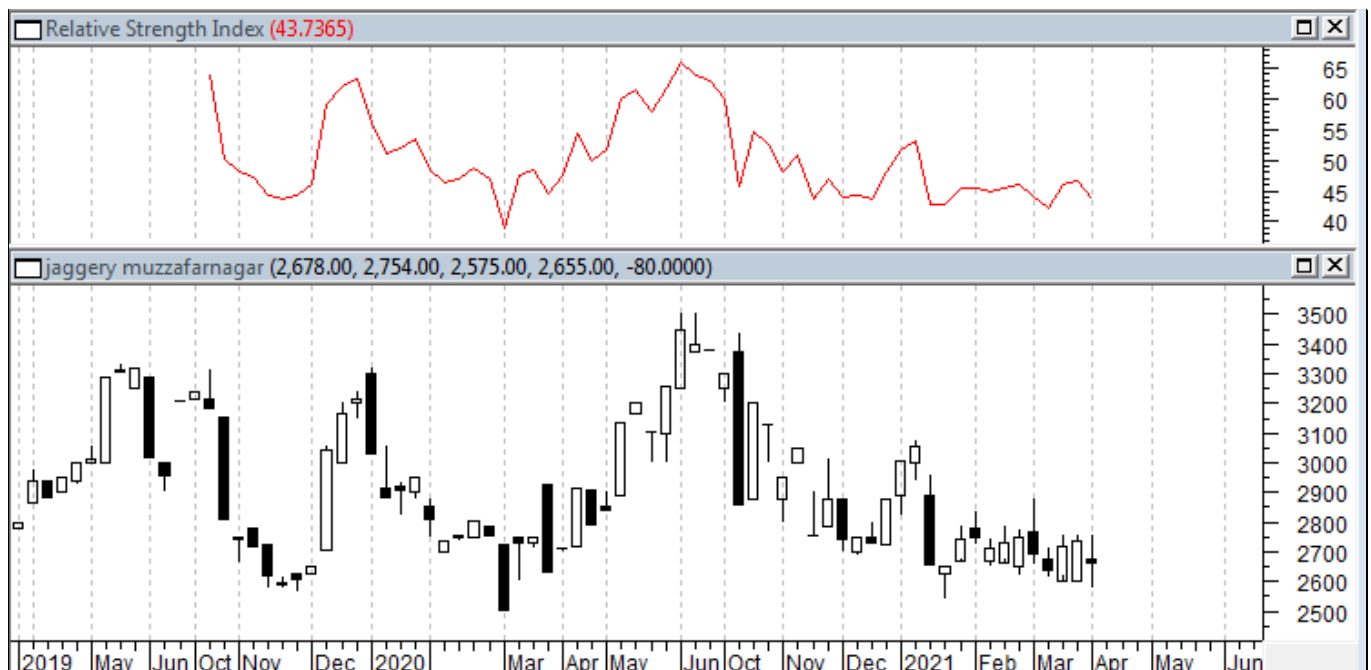
- The sugar spot prices at benchmark Kolhapur market remained high duringlast week and ended at Rs.3100/q.
- Next resistance and support level for the next week is expected at Rs.3200 and Rs.3100 per quintal respectively.
- RSI is in the neutral region.



Technical Analysis - ChakuSukha-gur(fresh) at Spot (Muzaffarnagar)market.

Gur Market Scenario

- There was a decrease in arrivals and it stood around 15000 last week of Chaku variety of gur in key Muzaffarnagar market.
- The average price during the week was at Rs. 2783/q and the prices in the last year during the same time no arrivals were there.
- RSI stood in the neutral region.



International Market Highlights

Recent Updates:

Russia tries to reduce retail price of sugar. Russian government is taking necessary steps to ensure that the domestic prices of sugar are not increased and are within the reach of the consumer, the government has extended the agreement with the local sugar producers to reduce their prices with the retail chains, the agreement was valid till March but has now extended for three months till June'21.

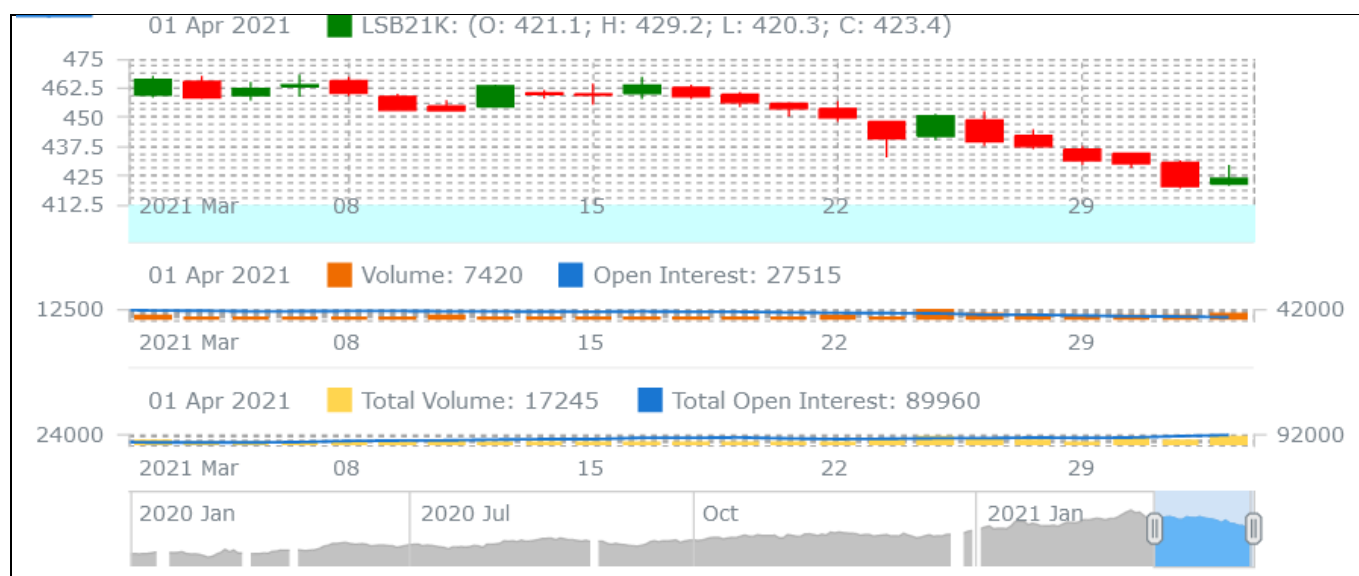
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- **Kyrgyzstan has banned sugar exports.** The rising prices of sugar in the domestic market have led the Kyrgyzstan government to impose a ban on the exportation of sugar. The government is trying all the possible ways to come over the shortage of sugar in the country and the lower prices.
- **According to the Pakistan Sugar Mills Association (PSMA), the prices of sugar are likely to increase above Rs 89 per kg.** The country may face shortage of sugar with the coming Ramzan, as a result Pakistan may import 50,000 metric tonnes of sugar in the current season.
- **Brazil sugar output is likely to fall at 36.7 million tonnes in the new crop season that begins in April as compared to 38.5 million tonnes in the previous season.** The unfavourable weather has affected the sugar output in the region. The sugarcane production is likely to fall from 607 million tonnes in 2020-21 to 586 million tonnes in 2021-22. The ethanol production may also fall to 30.6 billion litres from the previous year of 29.4 billion litres. Brazil ethanol exports have increased around 4.1 percent in February'21. Brazil has exported 156.66 million litres of ethanol in February'21, the exports have reached 343.31 million litres in the first two months of 2021. The country has exported maximum ethanol to South Korea (81.83 million), Netherland (23.83 million) and china (16.22 million litres) and U.S. around 1.85 million litres.

International Sugar Futures Price Projection**LIFFE (White Sugar Exchange) Future Market Sugar Scenario (May'21 Contract)****Technical Commentary**

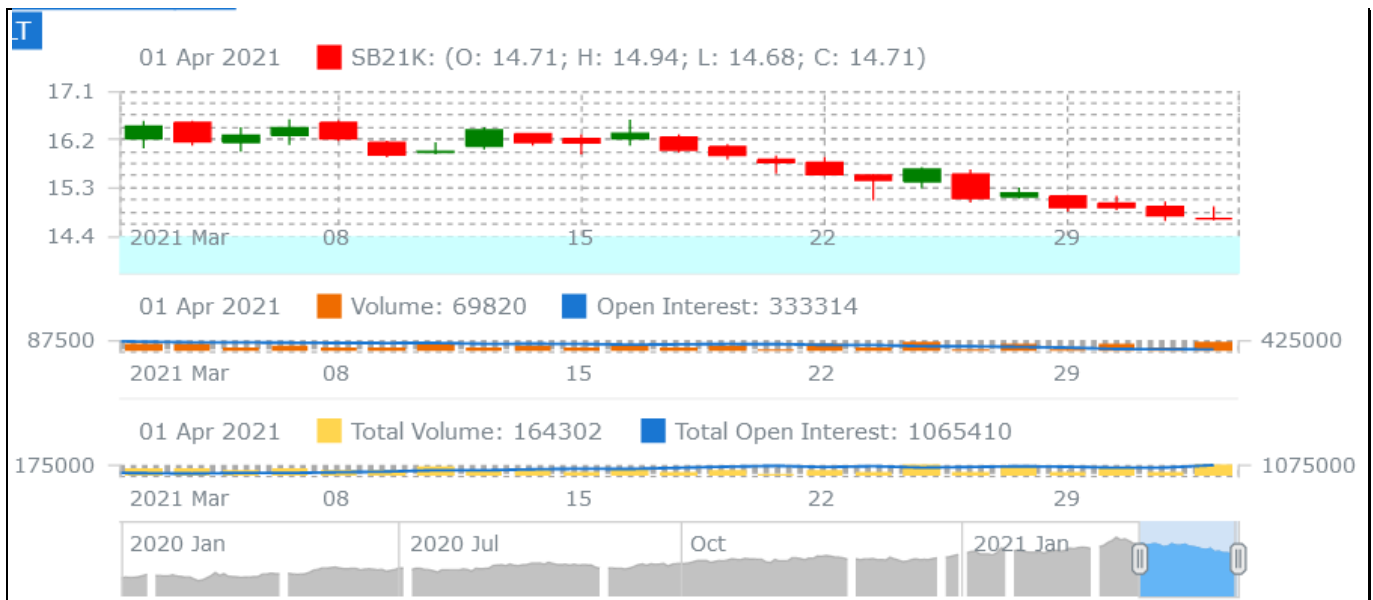
- LIFFE future market remained steady to weak during the week.
- Total volume increased & open interest increased over a week.
- Strategy: Buy at level 429, T1 420.2

International Sugar Futures Price Projection			
	Contract Month	Present Quote	Expected Price level for next week
LIFFE Sugar (US \$/MT)	May'21	429	420-450

**ICE (Raw Sugar Exchange) Future Market Scenario (May'21 Contract)****Technical Commentary:**

- ICE raw sugar futures remained steady to weak during the week.
- Both total volume increased & open interest decreased in a week.
- Strategy: Buy at rate 14.93 Targeting 14.91.

International Sugar Futures Price Projection			
	Contract Month	Present Quote	Expected Price level for next week
ICE Sugar #11 (US Cent/lb)	May'21	14.94	14.92 – 15.3



Spot Sugar Prices Scenario (Weekly) (Average)

Commodity	Centre	Variety	Average Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
			25th Mar'21 to 31st Mar'21	18th Mar'21 to 24th Mar'21	
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3149	3157	-8
	Delhi	S-Grade	3129	3137	-8
Uttar Pradesh	Khatauli	M-Grade	3056	3085	-29
	Ramala	M-Grade	NA	NA	-
	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	3064	3118	-54
	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	3044	3098	-54
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	3114	3168	-54
Maharashtra	Mumbai	M-Grade	3309	3360	-51
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3204	3202	2
	Nagpur	M-Grade	3175	3225	-50
	Nagpur	S-Grade	3125	3125	Unch
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3050	3100	-50
	Kolhapur	S-Grade	3000	3000	Unch
Assam	Guhawati	S-Grade	3260	3260	Unch
Meghalaya	Shillong	S-Grade	3320	3320	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	M-Grade (With Duty)	3592	3630	-38
	Vijayawada	S-Grade (With Duty)	3592	3600	-8
West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	3520	3520	Unch
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade (With GST)	3450	3470	-20
	Dindigul	M-Grade (DCA)	3540	3540	Unch
	Coimbatore	M-Grade (DCA)	3540	3540	Unch

Chattisgarh	Ambikapur	M-Grade (Without Duty)	NA	NA	-
Sugar Prices are in INR/Quintal. (1 Quintal=100 kg)					
*DCA: Department of consumer affairs					

Spot Jaggery(Gur) Prices Scenario (Weekly) (Average)					
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
Jaggery(Gur)			25th Mar'21 to 31st Mar'21	18th Mar'21 to 24th Mar'21	
Uttar Pradesh	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku Fresh	2784	2744	40
	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	15000	32000	-17000
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa (Fresh)	2541	2542	-1
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo (Fresh)	2793	2790	3
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut (Fresh)	2259	2267	-8
	Hapur	Chaurasa	2512	2511	1
	Hapur	Balti	2455	2418	37
Andhra Pradesh	Chittur	Gold	NA	NA	-
		White	NA	NA	-
		Black	NA	NA	-
Maharashtra	Latur	Lal Variety	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	4350	4217	133
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Belthangadi	Yellow (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Bijapur	Achhu	NA	NA	-
	Gulbarga	Other (Average)	NA	NA	-
	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	NA	3204	-
	Mandya	Achhu (Medium)	3780	3805	-25
	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	3484	3448	36
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	3462	3473	-11
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	3570	3635	-65
	Shimoga	Achhu (Average)	3450	3450	Unch

Spot Sugar Prices Scenario (Weekly)						
Commodity	Centre	Variety	Today	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago
Sugar			03-Apr-21	27-Mar-21	04-Mar-21	03-Apr-20
Delhi	Delhi	M-Grade	3250	3130	3160	3200
	Delhi	S-Grade	3230	3110	3140	3180
Uttar Pradesh	Khatauli	M-Grade	3325	3055	3170	3245
	Ramala	M-Grade	3150	0	0	3160
	Dhampur	M-Grade Ex-Mill	NA	3050	3100	3190

	Dhampur	S-Grade Ex-Mill	NA	3030	3080	3170
	Dhampur	L-Grade Ex-Mill	NA	3100	3150	3240
Maharashtra	Mumbai	M-Grade	3320	3306	3326	Closed
	Mumbai	S-Grade	3210	3202	3202	Closed
	Nagpur	M-Grade	3175	3175	3275	3325
	Nagpur	S-Grade	3125	3125	3175	3225
	Kolhapur	M-Grade	3050	3050	3150	3200
	Kolhapur	S-Grade	3000	3000	3050	3100
Assam	Guhawati	S-Grade	3309	3309	3360	3410
Meghalaya	Shillong	S-Grade	3320	3320	3370	3420
Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	M-Grade (With Duty)	3580	3600	3660	Closed
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West Bengal	Kolkata	M-Grade	3520	3520	3520	3620
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	S-Grade	3450	3450	3450	Closed
	Dindigul	M-Grade (DCA)	3540	3540	3540	3960
	Coimbatore	M-Grade (DCA)	3540	3540	3540	3700
Chattisgarh	Ambikapur	M-Grade (Without Duty)	NA	0	0	3600

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	Muzaffarnagar	Chaku(Arrival)(40kg Bag)	3000	3000	8000	Closed
	Muzaffarnagar	Khurpa	2425	2563	2638	Closed
	Muzaffarnagar	Laddoo	2788	2850	2875	Closed
	Muzaffarnagar	Rascut	2225	2313	2450	Closed
	Hapur	Chaurasa	2588	2525	2500	Closed
	Hapur	Balti	2550	2450	2450	Closed
Andhra Pradesh	Chittur	Gold	NR	0	0	Closed
		White	NR	0	0	Closed
		Black	NR	0	0	Closed
Maharashtra	Latur	Lal Variety	NR	0	0	0
Karnataka	Bangalore	Mudde (Average)	4350	NA	4150	0
	Belgaum	Mudde (Average)	NA	0	0	3150
	Belthangadi	Yellow (Average)	NA	0	0	0
	Bijapur	Achhu	NA	0	0	0
	Gulbarga	Other (Average)	NA	0	0	0
	Mahalingapura	Penti (Average)	NA	0	0	0

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	Mandya	Kurikatu (Medium)	3410	3480	3500	0
	Mandya	Other (Medium)	3480	3500	3550	3550
	Mandya	Yellow (Medium)	3800	3510	3530	0
	Shimoga	Achhu (Average)	NA	NA	3450	3600

International Sugar Prices (Weekly Average)				
	Contract Month	25th Mar'21 to 31st Mar'21	18th Mar'21 to 24th Mar'21	Change
ICE Sugar #11 (US Cent/lb)	21-Mar	15.08	15.34	-0.26
	21-May	14.85	15.65	-0.80
	21-Jul	14.70	15.38	-0.68
LIFFE Sugar (US \$/MT)	20-Dec	415.92	424.58	-8.66
	21-Mar	417.68	424.24	-6.56
	21-May	431.26	449.92	-18.66

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