

**Wheat Domestic Fundamentals:**

**Government may impose import duty on wheat** in order to restrict the flow of imported wheat and provide favorable grounds for the upcoming wheat crop. In the current MY 2016-17, more than 3 MMT of wheat has already been imported. Government has already made it compulsory for wheat shipments to be fumigated in the exporter's country. India is expecting a good crop this year and government has set a procurement target of 33 MMT higher by 10% compared to last year.

**As per latest update, wheat stock in central pool as on 1st Feb'17 stood at 11.52 MMT** down by 16.16% compared to last month. This is the lowest quantity recorded in the last ten years. For the year 2016-17, FCI has sold around 43.31 lakh tonnes of wheat until third week of February. Of this total quantity around 36.80 lakh tonnes has been purchased by private trade and the remaining quantity by state governments. As per second advance estimate for 2016-17 wheat production is likely to be around 96.6 MMT and the procurement target has been fixed at 33 MMT higher by ten percent compared to last year.

**Government has fixed wheat procurement target at 33MMT for 2017-18.** Of the total target around 11.5 MMT will be procured from Punjab, 8.5 MMT from Madhya Pradesh, 7.5 MMT from Haryana, 3MMT from Uttar Pradesh and 1.7 MMT from Rajasthan. Government target procurement for MY 2016-17 was 30.5 MMT against which it procured only 22.96 MMT. Wheat production target is kept at 96.5 MMT for 2016-17.

**All India weekly average prices increased by 0.65 percent to Rs. 1974.19 per quintal** during the week ended 15th February 2017. Wheat average price were ruling at Rs 1961.4 per quintal during 01-08th February 2017. As compared to prices in the week 09-15 February 2016, the prices are firm by 13.44 percent. Prices are expected to remain range bound to slightly weak in coming days.

**As per second advance estimate for 2016-17 wheat production is likely to be around 96.6 MMT** which is higher compared to fourth advance estimate of 93.5 MMT issued in 2015-16. This year overall acreage is higher by around 4.5% over normal acreage of 304.05 lakh hectares.

**Wheat WPI has decreased slightly from 251.7 in December'16 to 250.3 in January-2017.** Monthly wheat inflation has decreased by 0.55 percent in January-17 compared to December-16. As compared to January-16, wheat WPI has increased by around 9.49% and by 5.54% compared to January-2015.

**As per latest update, FCI has sold around 85 Thousand tonnes of wheat in the second week of February** compared to 88 thousand tonnes in the first week. In January FCI has sold around 3.41 lakh tonnes and 4.25 lakh tonnes in December. For the year 2016-17, FCI has sold around 42.49 lakh tonnes of wheat until second week of February. Of this total quantity around 36.05 lakh tonnes has been purchased by private trade and the remaining quantity by state governments.

**According to latest update, area sown until 03 February'17 is 317.81 lakh hectares** compared to 297.25 lakh hectares in the previous Rabi season. Among various states the area is down in Jammu & Kashmir and Karnataka, whereas Punjab, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh have seen an increase in area compared to last year for the same date. The normal area is 304.05 lakh hectares. Area is expected to be higher this year as government has increased MSP of wheat which has motivated farmers to sow more area.

**International Market Update:**

**As per latest update, Taiwan flour mill association has bought around 102850 tonnes of U.S. origin wheat.** The said quantity is to be delivered in two consignments. The first consignment of 50350 tonnes is to be shipped between April 19 and May 3 whereas the second consignment of 52500 tonnes is to be shipped between May 6 and May 20.

**GASC has purchased 360000 tonnes of Russian, Ukrainian and Romanian wheat** through tender after abolishing its zero-tolerance policy towards ergot. AOS offered 60000 tonnes Russian wheat at FOB \$195.0/tonne, Daewoo offered 60000 tonnes Russian wheat at FOB of \$196.0/tonne, Grainbow offered 60000 tonnes Russian wheat at FOB \$196.0/tonne, Louis Dreyfus offered 60000 tonnes Ukrainian wheat at FOB \$195.5/tonne, Nidera offered 60000 tonnes Romanian wheat at FOB \$197.5/tonne and Aston offered 60000 tonnes Russian wheat at FOB \$197/tonne.

**As per latest update, Ethiopia has bought 400000 tonnes of wheat** in three consignments of 133333 tonnes each. The first consignment was purchased by promising international at \$227.85 C&F scheduled for delivery in March, second consignment was purchased by ADM at \$227.5 C&F scheduled for delivery in April and third consignment was purchased by Phoenix at \$225.10 C&F scheduled for delivery in May.

**Outlook:** Cash market is expected to trade steady to slightly weak in the near term.

Wheat Futures Contract: NCDEX Price								Date:22.02.2017	
Contract Month	Ch. from previous day	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Ch. From previous day	OI	Ch. From previous day
17-Mar	-1	1701	1707	1687	1700	1870	-470	4490	+250
17-Apr	0	1638	1650	1638	1640	630	-330	2620	+120
17-May	5	1658	1658	1653	1653	20	-50	110	0

Spread	Mar-17	Apr-17	May-17	
Spot Narela				
17-Mar	-160			
17-Apr		-60		
17-May			13	

Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total	FED
	21.Feb.17	21.Feb.17	21.Feb.17	20.Feb.17
Delhi	-	-	-	-
Itarsi	-	-	-	-
Kanpur	-	-	-	-
Kota	3024	0	3024	3024
Rajkot	-	-	-	-

## Wheat Daily Prices and Arrivals on 22.02.2017

Centre	Market	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
			22-Feb-17	21-Feb-17	
Delhi	Lawrence Road	Mill Delivery	1925	1920	5
	Narela	Mill Quality Loose	Closed	NR	-
	Nazafgarh	Mill Quality Loose	Closed	1840	-
Gujarat	Rajkot	Mill Delivery	1660	1700	-40
	Ahmedabad	Mill Delivery	1790	1800	-10
	Surat	Mill Delivery	1810	1825	-15
	Dhrol	Mill Quality Loose	2075	2155	-80
M.P.	Indore	Mill Delivery	1700	1700	Unch
	Bhopal	Mill Quality Loose	1750	1800	-50
Rajasthan	Kota	Mill Quality Loose	1700	1700	Unch
		Mill Delivery	1800	1775	25
U.P.	Kanpur	Mill Delivery	1950	NR	-
	Mathura	Mill Quality Loose	1800	1800	Unch
	Kosi	Mill Quality Loose	NR	1800	-
	Hathras	Mill Quality Loose	1825	1825	Unch
	Aligarh	Mill Quality Loose	Closed	1750	-
Punjab	Khanna	Mill Quality Loose	1850	1850	Unch
	Ludhiana (Jagraon)	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	Mill Delivery loose	1750	1760	-10

	Hodal	Mill Delivery	2000	2000	Unch
	Bhiwani	Mill Quality Loose	1870	1870	Unch
	Karnal	Mill Delivery	NR	NR	-
	Panipat	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	Mill Quality	2200	2200	Unch
	Madurai	Mill Quality	2257	2257	Unch
	Coimbatore	Mill Quality	2257	2257	Unch
Bihar	Khagariya	Mill Delivery	1850	1800	50
	Muzaffarpur	Mill Delivery	1800	1800	Unch
FOR	Kandla (Rajasthan-Rajkot)	Mill Quality	NR	NR	-
	Gandhidham (Rajasthan-Rajkot)	Mill Quality	NR	NR	-

Centre	Market	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
			22-Feb-17	21-Feb-17	
Gujarat	Rajkot	Lokwan	1850	1850	Unch
M.P.	Indore	Lokwan	2000	2000	Unch
	Bhopal	Lokwan	1850	1900	-50
	Bina	Sarbati 306	Closed	2200	-
Rajasthan	Kota	LokwanBilty	1950	1950	Unch
	Baran	Lokwan	1850	1850	Unch

**Wheat Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Centre	Market	Variety	Arrivals (Bags/Qtl)		Change
			22-Feb-17	21-Feb-17	
Delhi	Lawrence Road	Mill Delivery	1500	1500	Unch
	Narella	Mill Quality Loose	Closed	NR	-
	Nazafgarh	Mill Quality Loose	Closed	100	-
Gujarat	Rajkot	Mill Quality Loose	1600	1600	Unch
	Dhrol	Mill Quality Loose	30	7	23
M.P.	Indore	Mill Quality Loose	1500	1500	Unch
Rajasthan	Kota	Mill Quality	3000	2500	500
U.P.	Kanpur	Mill Quality Loose	6500	NR	-
	Mathura	Mill Quality Loose	60	200	-140
	Kosi	Mill Quality Loose	NR	200	-
	Hathras	Mill Quality Loose	150	150	Unch
	Aligarh	Mill Quality Loose	Closed	50	-
Punjab	Khanna	Mill Quality Loose	300	500	-200
	(Ludhiana)Jagraon	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	Mill Quality Loose	100	100	Unch
	Hodal	Mill Quality Loose	50	50	Unch

	Bhiwani	Mill Quality Loose	200	400	<b>-200</b>
	Karnal	Mill Delivery	NR	NR	-
	Panipat	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-

Wheat Products Delhi	22-Feb-17	21-Feb-17	Change
Atta (50kg) Ordinary	1085	1085	Unch
Maida Grade 1 (50KG)	1440	1440	Unch
Suji (50kg)	1515	1515	Unch
Chokar (50 kg)	894	894	Unch
Chokar (34 kg)	594	594	Unch
Chakki Atta (50kg)	1210	1210	Unch
Chakki Atta (50kg) Special	1210	1210	Unch
Chakki Atta (90kg) Superfine	1968	1968	Unch
Chakki Atta (50kg) Superfine	1070	1070	Unch

Wheat (CBOT) Future Price:21.02.2017					
Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
<b>17-Mar</b>	439.75	440.75	435.00	436.00	<b>-5.00</b>
<b>17-May</b>	454.00	455.00	449.25	449.75	<b>-5.75</b>
<b>17-Jul</b>	467.50	468.50	463.25	464.25	<b>-4.25</b>
<b>17-Sep</b>	482.25	484.00	478.75	479.75	<b>-4.25</b>
<b>17-Dec</b>	500.00	501.25	496.25	497.25	<b>-4.75</b>
<b>18-Mar</b>	512.75	514.00	509.25	509.75	<b>-4.50</b>

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