

**Wheat Domestic Fundamentals:**

**All India weekly average prices increased by 1.48 percent to Rs. 1979.74 per quintal** during the week ended 08th March 2017. Wheat average price were ruling at Rs 1950.91 per quintal during 24-28 February 2017. As compared to prices in the week 01-08 March 2016, the prices are firm by 17.80 percent. Prices are expected to remain range bound to slightly weak in coming days.

**Government agencies have started procurement in Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Gujarat since 15th March'17.** On first day of procurement, government agencies procured around 6570 tonnes of wheat at MSP. Of this quantity 6435 tonnes was procured from Madhya Pradesh and 135 tonnes from Gujarat. No quantity was procured from Rajasthan as arrivals are very low. Procurement in other states like Punjab, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh will start from 01st April'17. In Rabi marketing season 2017-18 government has set procurement target of 33 MMT.

**As per latest update, wheat stock in central pool as on 1st March'17 stood at 9.429 MMT** down by 18.19% compared to last month. This is the lowest quantity recorded in the last ten years. In the month of February around 3.40 lakh tonnes of wheat was sold. For the year 2016-17, government has sold around 44.91 lakh tonnes of wheat until first week of March. 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.

**Wheat WPI has decreased from 250.3 in January to 247.7 in February-2017.** Monthly wheat inflation has decreased by 1.04 percent in February-17 compared to January-17. As compared to February-16, wheat WPI has increased by around 8.36% and by 14.36% compared to February -2015.

**As per market sources, Government has sold around 75800 tonnes of wheat** in the second week of March compared to 74000 tonnes in the first week of March. In the month of February around 3.40 lakh tonnes of wheat was sold. For the year 2016-17, government has sold around 44.91 lakh tonnes of wheat until first week of March.

**Recent light rains and cooling temperature in day in major wheat growing belts** are considered to be beneficial to the standing wheat crop, especially for Eastern UP and Bihar where wheat crop is passing through grain filling stages. If light rains occur in mid March once again, it would keep day temperature down and it would boost normal yield. However, if rains occur with hailstorm, it may affect crop at harvesting stages and at grain filling stages. It would be a price driving factor in coming weeks. As of now everything seems normal.

**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:**

**Ukrainian farmers have sown spring grains on 359100 hectares** of land compared to 671000 hectares last year. Of the total grains, spring wheat is 7600 hectares. Furthermore of the total winter wheat planted in Ukraine around 5981500 or 97.8% has emerged and about 83 percent of winter wheat is in good or satisfactory condition.

**As per latest update, china has sold 474320 tonnes of wheat** for average price of 2507 yuan (\$363.08) per tonne at an auction of state reserves on Tuesday. The quantity sold represents around 18.07 percent of 2625031 tonnes of wheat available at auction.

**GASC has purchased 420000 tonnes of wheat** through tender after abolishing its zero-tolerance policy towards ergot. Of the total quantity 300000 tonnes is of Russian origin, 60000 tonnes is of Ukrainian origin and 60000 tonnes is of French origin. Louis Dreyfus offered 60000 tonnes Ukrainian wheat at FOB \$195/tonne, Olam offered 60000 tonnes Russian wheat at FOB of \$195.9/tonne, Louis Dreyfus offered 60000 tonnes Russian wheat at FOB \$197/tonne, AOS offered 60000 tonnes Russian wheat at FOB \$197.65/tonne, Aston offered 60000 tonnes Russian wheat at FOB \$197.65/tonne, Daewoo offered 60000 tonnes Russian wheat at FOB \$197.7/tonne and Casillo offered 60000 tonnes French wheat at FOB \$195.84/tonne.

**As per latest update, Japan's ministry of agriculture bought 146455 MMT of food quality wheat** from United States and Canada. Around 83898 MMT has been bought from United States with protein content of 14 percent to be loaded between April 21-May 20 and 62557 MMT of western red spring wheat has been bought from Canada with minimum protein content of 13.5 percent to be loaded between May 21- June 20.

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

Wheat Futures Contract: NCDEX Price								Date:21.03.2017	
Contract Month	Ch. from previous day	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Ch. From previous day	OI	Ch. From previous day
17-Apr	+4	1640	1648	1633	1648	460	-190	4200	-90
17-May	+8	1662	1670	1660	1669	450	+340	3060	+240
17-June	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Spread	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	
Spot Narela				
17-Apr	-187			
17-May		21		
17-Jun			-	

Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total	FED
	20.Mar.17	20.Mar.17	20.Mar.17	20.Mar.17
Delhi	-	-	-	-
Itarsi	-	-	-	-
Kanpur	-	-	-	-
Kota	1519	0	1519	1519
Rajkot	-	-	-	-

## Wheat Daily Prices and Arrivals on 21.03.2017

Centre	Market	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
			21-Mar-17	20-Mar-17	
Delhi	Lawrence Road	Mill Delivery	1920	1900	20
	Narella	Mill Quality Loose	1835	NR	-
	Nazafgarh	Mill Quality Loose	1775	1800	-25
Gujarat	Rajkot	Mill Delivery	1540	1545	-5
	Ahmedabad	Mill Delivery	1710	1700	10
	Surat	Mill Delivery	1725	1730	-5
	Dhrol	Mill Quality Loose	1840	1875	-35
M.P.	Indore	Mill Delivery	1600	1550	50
	Bhopal	Mill Quality Loose	1610	1625	-15
Rajasthan	Kota	Mill Quality Loose	1560	1560	Unch
		Mill Delivery	1640	1640	Unch
U.P.	Kanpur	Mill Delivery	1800	NR	-
	Mathura	Mill Quality Loose	1750	1775	-25
	Kosi	Mill Quality Loose	1725	1775	-50
	Hathras	Mill Quality Loose	1725	1750	-25
	Aligarh	Mill Quality Loose	1710	1700	10
Punjab	Khanna	Mill Quality Loose	1640	1630	10
	Ludhiana (Jagraon)	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	Mill Delivery loose	1750	1745	5

	Hodal	Mill Delivery	1845	1845	Unch
	Bhiwani	Mill Quality Loose	1780	1800	-20
	Karnal	Mill Delivery	NR	NR	-
	Panipat	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	Mill Quality	2000	2000	Unch
	Madurai	Mill Quality	2057	2057	Unch
	Coimbatore	Mill Quality	2057	2057	Unch
Bihar	Khagariya	Mill Delivery	1700	1700	Unch
	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
			21-Mar-17	20-Mar-17	
Gujarat	Rajkot	Lokwan	1750	1750	Unch
M.P.	Indore	Lokwan	1900	1900	Unch
	Bhopal	Lokwan	1750	1700	50
	Bina	Sarbati 306	2200	2200	Unch
Rajasthan	Kota	Lokwan Bilty	1700	1700	Unch
	Baran	Lokwan	1750	1775	-25

### Wheat Arrivals in Key Centers:

Centre	Market	Variety	Arrivals (Bags/Qtl)		Change
			21-Mar-17	20-Mar-17	
Delhi	Lawrence Road	Mill Delivery	2000	1900	100
	Narella	Mill Quality Loose	100	NR	-
	Nazafgarh	Mill Quality Loose	50	100	-50
Gujarat	Rajkot	Mill Quality Loose	9000	14000	-5000
	Dhrol	Mill Quality Loose	54	131	-77
M.P.	Indore	Mill Quality Loose	2500	1000	1500
Rajasthan	Kota	Mill Quality	10000	10000	Unch
U.P.	Kanpur	Mill Quality Loose	2200	NR	-
	Mathura	Mill Quality Loose	50	60	-10
	Kosi	Mill Quality Loose	300	350	-50
	Hathras	Mill Quality Loose	50	150	-100
	Aligarh	Mill Quality Loose	200	250	-50
Punjab	Khanna	Mill Quality Loose	800	500	300
	(Ludhiana)Jagraon	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	Mill Quality Loose	100	100	Unch
	Hodal	Mill Quality Loose	300	150	150

	Bhiwani	Mill Quality Loose	200	150	50
	Karnal	Mill Delivery	NR	NR	-
	Panipat	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-

Wheat Products Delhi	21-Mar-17	20-Mar-17	Change
Atta (50kg) Ordinary	1035	1035	Unch
Maida Grade 1 (50KG)	1415	1415	Unch
Suji (50kg)	1515	1515	Unch
Chokar (50 kg)	779	779	Unch
Chokar (34 kg)	531	531	Unch
Chakki Atta (50kg)	1185	1185	Unch
Chakki Atta (50kg) Special	1185	1185	Unch
Chakki Atta (90kg) Superfine	1943	1943	Unch
Chakki Atta (50kg) Superfine	1045	1045	Unch

Wheat (CBOT) Future Price: 20.03.2017					
Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
17-May	439.25	442.75	429.00	430.25	-6.00
17-Jul	454.00	457.25	444.00	445.50	-6.00
17-Sep	470.25	471.75	459.25	460.75	-6.00
17-Dec	488.25	490.50	477.75	479.50	-6.00
18-Mar	501.75	503.75	492.00	493.75	-6.00
18-May	499.50	500.50	499.50	500.50	-5.50

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