

Wheat Domestic Fundamentals:

Wheat WPI has increased from 152.8 in December-2018 to 154.8 in January-2019. Monthly wheat inflation has increased by 1.31 percent in January-2019 compared to previous month. As compared to January-2018 wheat WPI has increased by around 9.94 percent. Wheat WPI is expected to stay steady to weak in coming months.

As per APEDA, India has exported 1.35 lakh tonnes of wheat during the period April-December'18 compared to 2.49 lakh tonnes during last year for the same time period. Exports are expected to stay on lower side as other countries are able to provide wheat at lower prices compared to India with assured quality.

Authorities in Haryana have advised farmers watch their crop closely for yellow rust. Higher day temperatures and lower night temperatures are conducive for yellow rust. Panchkula, Ambala, Yamunanagar, some parts of Kurukshetra and Karnal are the most-prone areas where yellow rust strikes. As of now, Overall crop condition in the state is good.

All India weekly average prices decreased by 0.93 percent to Rs. 2116.44 per quintal during the week ended 08th February 2019. Wheat average price were ruling at Rs 2136.21 per quintal during 24-31 January 2019. As compared to prices in the week 01-08 February 2018, the prices are firm by 16.24 percent. Prices are expected to remain weak in coming days due to abundant availability in domestic market.

Rains, hail and high speed wind in past week hit Punjab, Haryana, Northern Rajasthan and Western Uttar Pradesh. In case of Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh, wheat has escaped any major damages as it has not yet reached flowering stage. Whereas in Punjab - Haryana, reports of damage to wheat crop was received and both governments have ordered their revenue departments to conduct assessment of crop damage.

As per latest update, FSSAI has directed packaged-food companies to label 'atta' as whole wheat flour and 'maida' as refined wheat flour. This will help consumers in making informed choices as using wheat flour for 'maida' does not convey the exact nature of ingredients used in manufacturing of various products. Companies are required to comply with requirements by 30th April'19.

India mainly imports from Australia and Russia. As of now, Russian wheat with 12.5 percent protein content and Australian premium wheat (APW) is being quoted at \$357.50 (Rs 25620) per tonne and \$372.50 (Rs 25350) per tonne respectively, after including freight and import duty @30%. Local expenses will further add to cost. Therefore, there is no import parity as of now from black sea region and Australia.

As per trade sources, after increase in import duty to 30 percent imports have decreased substantially. India has imported no wheat in the month of December-2018. Imports are expected to be low this year due to good domestic availability and increase in import duty. India has imported around 1000 tonnes in the month of September-2018.

Previous Updates:

As per fourth advance estimate, wheat production has been pegged at 99.70 MMT compared to 98.61 MMT in its third advance estimate issued in the month of May-2018. Total food grain output is expected to be around 284.43 MMT compared to 279.51 MMT in earlier estimate.

International Market Update:

As per latest update, Japan's ministry of agriculture bought 131165 MMT of food quality wheat from United States, Australia and Canada. Around 59492 MMT has been bought from United States with minimum protein content of 14.0 percent, 36728 MMT has been bought from Canada with minimum protein content of 13.5 percent and 34945 MMT from Australia to be loaded between March 21-April 30,2019.

Egypt has purchased 300000 tonnes of United States, Ukraine and France wheat through tender. Glencore offered 120000 tonnes of French wheat at FOB \$224.50/tonne, Cargill offered 120000 tonnes of U.S. soft red wheat at FOB \$234.47/tonne and Louis Dreyfus offered 60000 tonnes of Ukrainian wheat at FOB \$247.90/tonne.

Russian milling wheat prices became firm by \$1-4 per tonne at Novorossiysk and \$0-2 per tonne at Odessa compared to last week. Wheat prices were firm due restrained supplies and high domestic prices. As per IGC, Russia is expected to produce 69.50 MMT in 2018 compared to 84.90 MMT in 2017. As of now Russian milling wheat with 12.5% protein content at Novorossiysk port is being quoted at FoB \$244.00-247.00/tonne and milling wheat with 12.5% protein content at Odessa is being quoted at FoB \$242.00-246.00/tonne.

Outlook: Cash market is likely to trade steady to weak in the near term.

Wheat Futures Contact: NCDEX Price							Date:15.02.2019 at 5:00 PM		
Contract Month	Ch. from previous day	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Ch. From previous day	OI	Ch. From previous day
19-Feb	0					-		-	
19-Mar	-5	1945	1950	1945	1950	30	0	110	10
19-Apr	0	1850	1850	1850	1850	0	0	20	0

Spread	Feb-19	Mar-19	Apr-19
Spot Narella			
19-Feb	25		
19-Mar		-160	
19-Apr			-105

Stocks	Demat	In-Process	Total	EDD
	13.Feb.19	13.Feb.19	13.Feb.19	11.Feb.19
Delhi	-	-	-	-
Itarsi	-	-	-	-
Kanpur	-	-	-	-
Kota	354	0	354	354
Baran	-	-	-	-

Wheat Daily Prices and Arrivals on 15.02.2019

Centre	Market	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
			15-Feb-19	14-Feb-19	
Delhi	Lawrence Road	Mill Delivery	2110	2110	Unch
	Narella	Mill Quality Loose	2090	2090	Unch
	Nazafgarh	Mill Quality Loose	2030	2030	Unch
Gujarat	Rajkot	Mill Delivery	2040	2030	10
	Ahmedabad	Mill Delivery	2150	2120	30
	Surat	Mill Delivery	2200	2170	30
	Dhrol	Mill Quality Loose	1975	2210	-235
M.P.	Indore	Mill Delivery	1950	1950	Unch
	Bhopal	Mill Quality Loose	1950	1930	20
Rajasthan	Kota	Mill Quality Loose	1950	2000	-50
		Mill Delivery	2050	2075	-25
U.P.	Kanpur	Mill Delivery	2050	2050	Unch
	Mathura	Mill Quality Loose	2080	2075	5
	Kosi	Mill Quality Loose	2020	2020	Unch
	Hathras	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-
	Aligarh	Mill Quality Loose	1950	1950	Unch

Punjab	Khanna	Mill Quality Loose	1930	1930	Unch
	Ludhiana (Jagraon)	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	Mill Delivery loose	1920	1920	Unch
	Hodal	Mill Delivery	2080	2080	Unch
	Bhiwani	Mill Quality Loose	2010	2025	-15
	Karnal	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	-
	Panipat	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	Mill Quality	2410	2410	Unch
	Madurai	Mill Quality	2467	2467	Unch
	Coimbatore	Mill Quality	2467	2467	Unch
Bihar	Khagariya	Mill Delivery	2150	2150	Unch
	Muzaffarpur	Mill Delivery	2100	2100	Unch
FOR	Kandla (Rajasthan-Rajkot)	Mill Quality	NA	NA	-
	Gandhidham (Rajasthan-Rajkot)	Mill Quality	NA	NA	-

Centre	Market	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
			15-Feb-19	14-Feb-19	
Gujarat	Rajkot	Lokwan	2150	2150	Unch
M.P.	Indore	Lokwan	2250	2250	Unch
	Bhopal	Lokwan	2200	2200	Unch
	Bina	Sarbati 306	2825	NA	-
Rajasthan	Kota	Lokwan Bilty	2150	2150	Unch
	Baran	Lokwan	NA	NA	-

Wheat Arrivals in Key Centers:

Centre	Market	Variety	Arrivals (Bags/Qtl)		Change
			15-Feb-19	14-Feb-19	
Delhi	Lawrence Road	Mill Delivery	5000	5000	Unch
	Narella	Mill Quality Loose	300	200	100
	Nazafgarh	Mill Quality Loose	60	100	-40
Gujarat	Rajkot	Mill Quality Loose	300	300	Unch
	Dhrol	Mill Quality Loose	6	2	4
M.P.	Indore	Mill Quality Loose	2500	2000	500
Rajasthan	Kota	Mill Quality	4000	2000	2000
U.P.	Kanpur	Mill Quality Loose	500	500	Unch
	Mathura	Mill Quality Loose	100	100	Unch

	Kosi	Mill Quality Loose	200	150	50
	Hathras	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-
	Aligarh	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-
Punjab	Khanna	Mill Quality Loose	500	500	Unch
	(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	300	200	100
	Karnal	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	-
	Panipat	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-

Wheat Products Delhi	15-Feb-19	14-Feb-19	Change
Atta (50kg) Ordinary	1220	1220	Unch
Maida Grade 1 (50KG)	1190	1190	Unch
Suji (50kg)	1270	1270	Unch
Chokar (50 kg)	850	850	Unch
Chokar (34 kg)	575	575	Unch
Chakki Atta (50kg)	1340	1340	Unch
Chakki Atta (50kg) Special	1360	1360	Unch
Chakki Atta (90kg) Superfine	2450	2450	Unch
Chakki Atta (50kg) Superfine	1380	1380	Unch

Wheat (CBOT) Future Price:14.02.2019					
Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
19-Mar	521.50	522.50	506.00	507.00	-15.25
19-May	525.00	525.75	510.00	510.50	-15.50
19-Jul	525.25	525.75	512.50	513.25	-13.25
19-Sep	533.50	533.50	521.25	522.00	-12.50
19-Dec	547.50	547.50	535.00	535.75	-11.75
20-Mar	554.75	555.00	545.50	546.00	-10.75

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