

Wheat Domestic Fundamentals:

FCI has made the following changes in wheat procurement policy. The moisture content decreased from 14% to 12%, foreign matter content has decreased from 0.75% to 0.50% and damage wheat content decreased from 4% to 2%. So that wheat can be exported.

All India's weekly average prices decreased by 3.37 percent to Rs. 1965.97 per quintal during the week ended 15th Mar 2021. Wheat average prices were ruling at Rs 2065.6 per quintal during 09th–15th Mar 2020. Due to upcoming demands from Multinational companies, Wedding season It is unlikely that any slowdown in the wheat market and prices will increase for a longer period.

Haryana state government will start the procurement of wheat from April 1. If a transporter does not lift the crop from the market in 48 hours, then a fine will be imposed on him.

As per sources, the Agriculture Department Rain, coupled with hailstorms and strong winds that lashed the Haryana, Punjab, and Rajasthan on Tuesday night, caused damage to Wheat's standing crop. It will also disturb the harvesting in Madhya Pradesh and will lower the quality of Wheat. Due to which price may see slight increase from the current level.

Once again, Madhya Pradesh has obtained permission to procure 135 lakh tonnes of wheat, leaving behind Punjab in wheat procurement. The central government has allowed Madhya Pradesh to purchase 135 lakh metric tonnes of wheat at the support price for 2021. The state government had proposed to purchase more than 140 lakh metric tons with the centre. At the same time, Punjab has got approval to buy 115 lakh tonnes, Haryana to buy 99 lakh tonnes, and Uttar Pradesh 55 lakh tonnes of wheat.

The Uttar Pradesh will purchase wheat directly from farmers from April 1 to June 15 under the Minimum Support Price Scheme. The move is aimed at placating farmers who are agitating against farm laws and also to ensure that they get MSP for their produce. UP Food Commissioner Manish Chauhan said in an official statement that the wheat purchase will start from April 1 on the fixed MSP of Rs 1,975 per quintal this year.

As per trade sources, India has exported around 4 lakh tonnes Wheat in the month of January-2021 at an average FOB of \$263 per tonnes, higher this year and the major destinations were Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Qatar and Nepal. Exports are likely to be at higher side as other countries are providing wheat at higher prices. High export will be going to support the domestic market in near term.

According to the Union Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution, A total quantity of 427.363 lakh tonnes wheat has been estimated for procurement during the forthcoming RMS 2021-22 which is 9.56 per cent more than the 389.93 lakh tonnes procured during RMS 2020-21. Wheat is a major rabi (winter-sown) crop. Harvesting starts from end of this month but picks up pace from April.

India is likely to harvest a record 109.24 million tonnes of wheat this year, the agriculture ministry said, further boosting stocks at government granaries that are fast running out of storage space due to more than a decade of bumper production. Wheat output in India, the world's second-biggest producer, is expected to go up by 1.3% in the crop year to June 2021, the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare said in its second crop forecast for 2020-21. Whereas Agriwatch estimates its wheat production estimate for MY 2020-21 will be 104 MMT.

International Market Update:

Ukrainian wheat export prices have lost around \$10 a tonne this week due to restrained demand from importers and an increase in European grain's attractiveness, APK-Inform agriculture consultancy said on Thursday. The expected improvement in the state of winter crops in the United States and the Black Sea region due to heavy rainfall forecast was an additional factor. The government has said that favourable weather could increase farmers' grain crop to 75 million tonnes this year from 65.5 million tonnes in 2020. It told the exports could reach 53 million tonnes in the 2021/21 season.

Russian wheat export prices fell last week after two weeks of growth due to lower prices in Chicago and Paris, analysts said on Tuesday. Russian wheat with 12.5% protein loading from Black Sea ports for supply in March was at \$285 a tonne free on board (FOB) at the end of last week, down \$2 from the previous week, agriculture consultancy IKAR said. Refinitiv said wheat prices fell by \$3.5 to \$283.5 per tonne.

Argentine wheat sowing is likely falling this year as farmers calculate the risk of state intervention in the market while new Chinese demand for South American feed barley is expected to induce some growers to switch crops. China's usual

Wheat Futures Contract: NCDEX Price							Date: 18.03.2021 at 5:00 PM		
Contract Month	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Ch. From previous day	Open Int.	Ch. From previous day
21-Mar	-	-	-	-	1813				
21-Apr	-	-	-	-	1860				
21-May	-	-	-	-	1826				

Wheat Daily Prices and Arrivals on 18.03.2021

Centre	Market	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
			18-Mar-21	17-Mar-21	
Delhi	Lawrence Road	Mill Delivery	1930	1920	10
	Narella	Mill Quality Loose	1800	Closed	-
	Nazafgarh	Mill Quality Loose	1800	Closed	-
Gujarat	Rajkot	Mill Delivery	1780	1780	Unch
	Ahmedabad	Mill Delivery	1880	1880	Unch
	Surat	Mill Delivery	1950	1950	Unch
	Dhrol	Mill Quality Loose	1720	1685	35
M.P.	Indore	Mill Delivery	1870	1880	-10
	Bhopal	Mill Quality Loose	1800	1800	Unch
Rajasthan	Kota	Mill Quality Loose	1700	1675	25
		Mill Delivery	1850	1825	25
U.P.	Kanpur	Mill Delivery	1730	1750	-20
	Mathura	Mill Quality Loose	1725	1725	Unch
	Kosi	Mill Quality Loose	1680	1700	-20
	Hathras	Mill Quality Loose	1715	1700	15
	Aligarh	Mill Quality Loose	1725	Closed	-
Punjab	Khanna	Mill Quality Loose	1800	1800	Unch
	Ludhiana (Jagraon)	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	Mill Delivery loose	1815	1815	Unch
	Hodal	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	-
	Bhiwani	Mill Quality Loose	1800	1800	Unch
	Karnal	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	-
	Panipat	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	Mill Quality	2100	2100	Unch
	Madurai	Mill Quality	2157	2157	Unch
	Coimbatore	Mill Quality	2157	2157	Unch
Bihar	Khagariya	Mill Delivery	1800	1800	Unch
	Muzaffarpur	Mill Delivery	1800	1800	Unch
FOR	Kandla (Rajasthan-Rajkot)	Mill Quality	NA	NA	-
	Gandhidham (Rajasthan-Rajkot)	Mill Quality	NA	NA	-

Centre	Market	Variety	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
			18-Mar-21	17-Mar-21	
Gujarat	Rajkot	Lokwan	1850	1850	Unch
M.P.	Indore	Lokwan	2000	2000	Unch
	Bhopal	Lokwan	1900	1900	Unch
	Bina	Sarbati 306	2500	Closed	-
Rajasthan	Kota	Lokwan Bilty	1825	1800	25
	Baran	Lokwan	1750	1750	Unch

Wheat Arrivals in Key Centers:

Centre	Market	Variety	Arrivals (Bags/Qtl)		Change
			18-Mar-21	17-Mar-21	
Delhi	Lawrence Road	Mill Delivery	6000	5000	1000
	Narella	Mill Quality Loose	300	Closed	-
	Nazafgarh	Mill Quality Loose	100	Closed	-
Gujarat	Rajkot	Mill Quality Loose	20000	22000	-2000
	Dhrol	Mill Quality Loose	141	154	-13
M.P.	Indore	Mill Quality Loose	4000	3000	1000
Rajasthan	Kota	Mill Quality	6000	7000	-1000
U.P.	Kanpur	Mill Quality Loose	1000	1200	-200
	Mathura	Mill Quality Loose	400	600	-200
	Kosi	Mill Quality Loose	1000	1000	Unch
	Hathras	Mill Quality Loose	100	150	-50
	Aligarh	Mill Quality Loose	500	Closed	-
Punjab	Khanna	Mill Quality Loose	200	100	100
	(Ludhiana)Jagraon	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	Mill Quality Loose	500	500	Unch
	Hodal	Mill Quality Loose	70	125	-55
	Bhiwani	Mill Quality Loose	600	500	100
	Karnal	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	-
	Panipat	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	-

Wheat (CBOT) Future Price: 17.03.2021

Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Mar-21	646.25	649.50	639.25	640.00	-7.00↓
May-21	636.50	639.50	629.75	630.50	-6.50↓
Jul-21	636.25	638.50	629.50	630.25	-6.00↓
Sep-21	642.00	644.00	636.00	637.00	-5.00↓
Dec-21	648.25	648.75	641.00	642.25	-4.75↓
Mar-22	641.00	644.50	640.75	642.25	-4.75↓

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