# Wheat Weekly Research Report



#### **Domestic Market Updates:**

Rain accompanied by strong wind has lashed several parts of Punjab and adjoining areas causing damage to wheat crops in Hoshiarpur, Kapurthala, Gurdaspur, Tarn Taran and Amritsar districts. It also increases the moisture content of the crop and have adverse affect on the yield of the crop.

The Inflation of wheat has decreased to 5.77% in the month of March as compare to 6.67% in the month of February. WPI has decreased to 218.2 in March as compare to 220.7 in the month of February.

According to IBIS (provisional data), export of wheat in the month of March was 3.44 Lakh tones which is around 56% less than last year at the same month, which was 7.92 Lakh tones in February 2013.

Wheat harvesting gains momentum in major producing states like Rajasthan, M.P. and has just commenced in Punjab and Haryana .Harvesting in U.P. and Bihar is expected in the second fortnight of April.

**At production front trade estimates lower production** against government estimate of 95.60 Million tonne(as per 2nd advance estimate). The main reason for lower production is mainly attributed to crop loss in parts of M.P., Punjab and Haryana due to untimely rains and hailstorm.

Wheat price is hovering in the range of Rs 1450-1475 M.P. & Rs1475-1480 in Rajasthan which is above MSP. Private exports are buying wheat at 275 -276 dollar /tonne, better export opportunity likely to continue till June when Black Sea region crop starts hitting the global market.

**Due to delayed harvesting and higher prevalent prices** in the market restricts procurement activities .As per market feedback government procurement would be lower than set target of 30-31 Million tonne for 2014-15 MY.

**Overall wheat quality is good except some pockets of M.P.**, Punjab and Rajasthan. Quality of wheat in Saurasthra region (Gujarat) is better than last year.

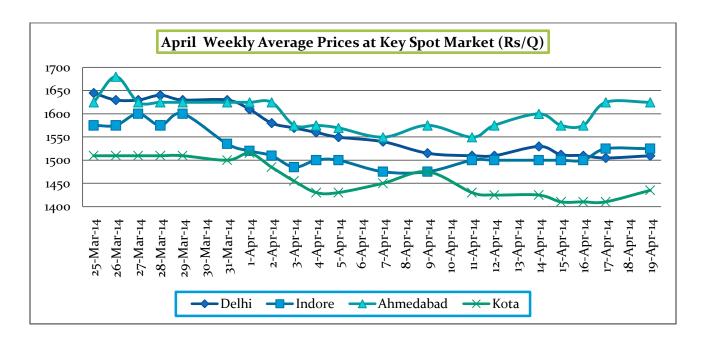
Wheat stock in central pool warehouses was registered at 17.83 million T on 01 April compared to 22.35 million T on 1st March 2014. The highest accumulated stock is in Punjab (7.00 million T) followed by Haryana (2.94 million Tonne) and Madhya Pradesh (2.12 million tonne) as on 01.04.2014.

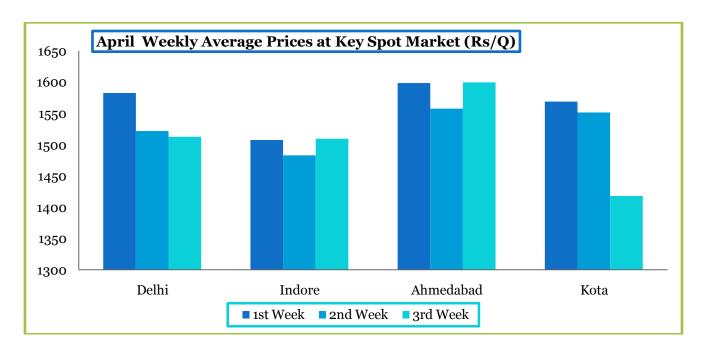
**Unexpected rains, accompanied by strong winds,** in larger parts of Punjab and Haryana in the last week of March and the first day of April may affect quality of wheat. Standing crop has flattened and it may reduce yield.



## Weather Watch: (Source-IMD)

- Rain/thundershowers would occur at a isolated places over Chhattisgarh, Madhya Maharashtra, Odisha and Madhya Pradesh on 23rd and mainly dry weather thereafter.
- Rain/thundershowers would occur at a isolated places over northeastern states and extreme south peninsular India.
- A fresh western disturbance would affect western Himalayan region around 26th.
- Weather would be mainly dry over rest of the country.





Key spot wheat mill delivery prices traded weak due to arrival of the new crop.



STOCKS OF WHEAT IN CENTRAL POOL AS ON 01.04.2014:	STOCK WITH FCI	STOCK WITH STATE AGENCIES	TOTAL IN CENTRAL POOL
EAST ZONE	6.16	0.00	6.16
NORTH EAST ZONE	0.35	0.00	0.35
NORTH ZONE	53.31	74.54	127.85
SOUTH ZONE	6.68	0.00	6.68
WEST ZONE	12.22	20.29	32.51
TOTAL	78.72	94.83	173.55

(Figures in Lakh Tonnes)

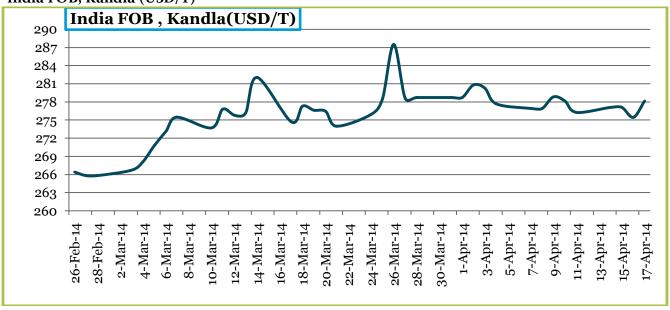
# FOB Value as on 18.04.2014 from various destinations at Kandla:

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Parity Calculation	Rajkot	Kota	Begusarai	Indore	Kosi	MSP	ECO.Cost		
Basic cost of wheat (Rs/ton)	15200	14350	14500	14750	14200	14000	19100		
Port and Handling Charges /Loading /Unloading /Clearing (Rs/ton)	500	500	500	500	500	500	0		
Local transport, port warehousing, labour charges, shortage	700	1150	1900	1450	1550	1200	0		
Indian FOB (Rs/MT)	16400	16000	16900	16700	16250	15700	19100		
Indian FOB (USD/MT)	271.61	264.99	279.89	276.58	269.13	260.02	316.33		
Insurance @ 0.1%	0.27	0.26	0.28	0.28	0.27	0.26	0.32		
Freight Charges (US \$/ton) to Chittagong	18	18	18	18	18	18	18		
CIF (kandla to Chittagong)	290	283	298	295	287	278	334		
INR	60.38	60.38	60.38	60.38	60.38	60.38	60.38		
Russian Wheat FOB (USD/MT)	292	292	292	292	292	292	292		
Parity on FOB Basis (USD/MT)	20	<b>2</b> 7	12	15	23	32	-24		

Spot prices of wheat at NCDEX Delivery centers									
NCDEX SPOT	17 Apr , 2014	7 Apr , 2014 week ago		Year ago 16 Apr 2013	Change over previous Year %				
Indore	1528	1500	1550	1450	5.38				
Bareilly	NA	1513	1770	1500	NA				
Delhi	1508	1518	1670	1430	<b>5.45</b>				
Khanna	NA	NA	NA	1537	NA				
Kanpur	1510	1500	1740	1425	5.96				
Karnal	NA	NA	NA	1545	NA				
Rajkot	1580	1550	1574	1530	3.27				
Kota	NA	1575	1713	1425	NA				







Wheat Export Monthly Data:

	Wheat Export(Lakh T)	Average FOB Quotes(USD/MT)	CBOT Average Quotes (USD/MT)	
Sept 11- Mar 12	7.38	232.12	237.46	
Apr 12 - Mar 13	64.96	298.18	286.71	
Apr-13	8.32	303.06	256.85	
May-13	8.66	309.11	258.13	
Jun-13	8.24	291.51	252.70	
Jul-13	4.46	282.82	243.62	
Aug-13	3.18	265.67	240.16	
Sep-13	1.79	267.21	240.05	
Oct-13*	0.57	271.7	253.25	
Nov-13*	0.65	279.27	242.74	
Dec-13*	3.83	287.89	230.98	
Jan-14*	5.01	281.84	212.17	
Feb-14*	6.75	277.70	218.93	
Mar-14*	3.44	276.01	249.56	
Total 13-14	54.9	282.82	241.60	

Source: DGCIS, \*Provisional Data (As per IBIS)



# **Domestic Key Spot Market Price Comparison:**

Centre	Market	Variety	Prices (	(Rs/Qtl)	Change
			19.04.2014	11.04.2014	
Delhi	Lawrence Road	Mill Delivery	1510	1510	Unch
Denn	Nazafgarh	Mill Delivery Loose	1470	1440	30
	Narella	Mill Delivery Loose	1465	1440	25
Gujarat	Rajkot	Mill Delivery	1625	1550	<b>75</b>
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Mill Delivery	1620	1600	20
M.P.	Bhopal	Mill Quality Loose	1425	1375	50
MI.P.	Indore	Mill Delivery	1525	1500	25
Rajasthan	Kota	Mill Quality	1435	1430	5
U.P.	Mathura`	Mill Quality Loose	1450	1400	50
Punjab	Khanna	Mill Quality Loose	1400	1415	-15
Haryana	Sirsa	Mill Delivery loose	1400	1525*	-125

<sup>\*</sup>Old crop



Commodity: Wheat Exchange: NCDEX
Contract: May Expiry: 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2014



## **Technical Commentary:**

- > Candle stick chart depicts sideways movement in the market.
- Rise in price and fall in O.I. indicates short covering.
- > RSI is in neutral region.

#### **Strategy: Buy**

Intraday Supports & Resistances		<b>S2</b>	S1	PCP	R1	R2	
Wheat NCDEX February		1480	1500	1535	1550	1560	
Intraday Trade Call*		Call	Entry	T1	<b>T2</b>	SL	
Wheat	NCDEX	February	Buy	1537	1543	1546	1535.5

<sup>\*</sup>Do not carry forward the position until the next Week.

<u>Domestic Weekly Outlook:</u> We expect wheat cash market to trade range bound due to arrival pressure in the major markets and price is unlikely to move down further due to recent rain.



### **International Market Updates:**

Jordan's state grain buyer has purchased 150,000 tonnes of optional-origin wheat which is expected to be sourced from the Black Sea region, probably Romania for shipment in the first and second half of August at \$295.00 a tonne c&f, traders said. Another 50,000 tonnes was also purchased at \$295.00 a tonne c&f for shipment in the second half of July from Middle Eastern trader Sarles.

Indonesia wheat imports will rise 6 percent to 7.1 million metric tons this year, an industry group in Asia's second-largest importer said, above a previous forecast of between 6.5 million to 6.7 million tons for 2014.

**IGC has revised down Global Wheat production** estimate from 709 million tonne(2013-14) to 700 million tonne in 2014-15.

USDA has revised production estimate 656.4 (2012-13) to 712.52 Million tonne for 2013-14.It is 0.2 Million tonne lower than previous month estimate.

Global 2013/14 wheat supplies are raised 0.5 million tons with higher projected beginning stocks, mostly because of reductions in European Union and Ukraine consumption for 2012/13.

World wheat imports for 2013/14 are lowered 1.7 million tons mostly reflecting a 1.5-millionton reduction for China. Smaller import reductions are made for Bangladesh, the European Union, Pakistan, and South Africa. However impot valus has been increased for Mexico, Nigeria, and Russia.

Egypt bought 230,000 tonnes of Russian, Romanian and Ukrainian wheat for shipment May 1-10, the average price for the purchase was \$300.35 a tonne, on a cost and freight basis.GASC said it bought 55,000 tonnes of Russian wheat from Bunge for \$298.63, 60,000 tonnes of Romanian wheat from Ameropa for \$300.90, 60,000 tonnes of Romanian wheat from Nidera for \$300.90 and 55,000 tonnes of Ukrainian wheat from Bunge for \$300.97.

Algeria's state grains agency OAIC bought 4, 50,000 tonnes of milling wheat at around \$315-316.50 a tonne C&F for shipment in June. The origin of the wheat bought this week was optional but it was expected to be sourced from France, the traders said.

Syria Is facing accute drought and major wheat growing region (north-west) is badly affected right now. Wheat production is expected to dip from 2 million tonne to 1.7 million tonne. If drought continues more dip in production in the country is a visible possibility. Syrian wheat crop is harvested in the month of MAy. So the time is very crucial for the final size of the crop. The affected region are Aleppo, Idlib, and Hama. Syrian wheat requirement is bound to increase.



#### **IGC Wheat Balance Sheet**

(Quantity in MMT)

	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	Projection	for 2013-14
	2000 07	200,10	2010 11	_011 1_	Est.	27.02.2014	27.03.2014
Production	685	679	653	695	655	708	709
Trade	137	128	126	145	140	146	150
Consumption	645	652	657	698	674	691	692
Carryover stocks	173	199	194	192	173	190	190
Y-O-Y change	41	27	-4	-3	-19	17	17
Major Exporters	69	79	73	68	48	56	54

## **Indicative FOB Quotes:**

	Variety	% Change over Prev. Year	16.04.14	Week Ago 08.04.14	Month Ago (Mar)	3 Months Ago (Jan)	Year Ago (Apr)
USA (Gulf)	SRW 2	3.41	291.30	292.40	295.74	267.97	281.70
France	FCW3	-9.28	294.30	282.61	286.25	264.39	324.40
United Kingdom	Feed wheat	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Australia	CWRS	1.09	294.00	286.00	285.00	247.00	290.82
Russia	SRW	8.70	293.50	296.00	281.00	291.50	270.00
Ukraine	SRW	8.46	295.00	297.50	282.50	294.00	272.00
Argentina	SRW	17.46	370.00	365.00	365.00	322.00	315.00

Global wheat market is expected to trade weak on higher wheat production estimate of 712.5 million tones and IGC latest estimate of 709 million tones may keep market under pressure in medium term.

#### CBOT FUTURES CONTRACT:

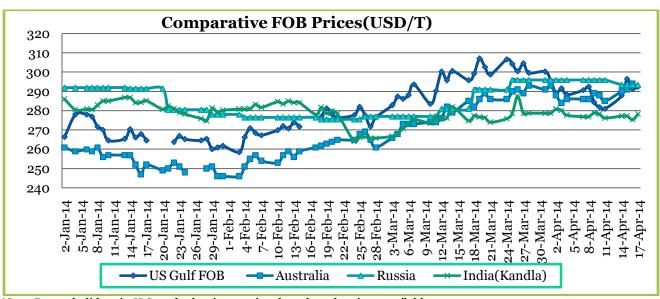
CBUI FUIUR	CBOT Futures Prices: Date: 17.04.14 (USD/T)										
CONTRACT MONTH	17 Apr 14	Week ago (08 Apr 2014)	1 Month ago(17 Mar 14)	3 Month ago(15 Jan 14)	6 Month ago(15 Oct 13)	1 Year ago(15 Apr 13)	% Change over previous year				
14-Mar	253.97	250.20	247.81	211.16	257.00	271.88	-6.59				
14-May	256.81	253.23	249.19	213.55	253.05	273.16	-5.99				
14-Jul	260.21	256.72	252.13	216.95	255.16	275.09	-5.41				
14-Sep	264.90	261.59	255.71	221.63	259.02	278.12	-4.76				
14-Dec	269.49	265.72	257.73	225.03	261.04	280.33	-3.87				
15-Mar	271.23	268.48	258.10	225.86	260.39	280.97	-3.47				



### **CBOT May 14 Future Charts:**



# International FOB prices Weekly price Movement (USD/T):



Note: Due to holidays in U.S. and other international markets data is unavailable.

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### **International Weather update: (Source-USDA)**

**Australia**- In southern Queensland and northern New South Wales, mostly dry weather persisted throughout most of March, favoring maturation and harvesting of drought-stressed summer crops. Heavy rain near month's end halted fieldwork and caused local flooding, but provided a needed boost in topsoil moisture in advance of winter grain planting.

**Argentina** In March, periods of heavy rain maintained locally excessive levels of moisture for filling to maturing summer grains. In central Argentina, the bulk of the rain came during the first half of the month, with favorably drier conditions bringing some relief from the wetness. Rain continued throughout the month across the north. Most major agricultural districts recorded more than 100 mm for the month. The heaviest amounts (greater than 200 mm) were recorded in the northeast. The rain, which was untimely for open bolls, caused localized flooding along the Parana River. March temperatures averaged 1 to 2°C below normal, as cooler-than-normal weather during the early parts of the month were only partially offset by a late-month warming trend. In spite of the general coolness, no freezes were reported in the main agricultural areas.

Russia and Ukraine — In March, unseasonable warmth prevailed, with western dryness contrasting with favorably wet weather farther east. Across southern Russia, mild, showery weather eased winter crops out of dormancy. In contrast, drier-than-normal weather (locally less than 25 percent of normal) further reduced soil moisture for vegetative winter grains and oilseeds in Ukraine, which continued to develop at a much faster-than-normal pace due to unseasonable warmth. Meanwhile, dry weather encouraged small grain planting in Belarus and Moldova, as well as western portions of Russia.

#### **International Weekly Outlook:**

International market is likely to trade steady to slightly firm due to recent loss. However in medium term market is expected to trade slightly down due to expectation of good wheat production.

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