

Wheat Weekly Research Report

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Wheat Domestic Market Fundamentals

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All India weekly average prices increased by 0.59 percent to Rs. 2051.50 per quintal during the week ended 15th July 2019. Wheat average price were ruling at Rs 2039.37 per quintal during 01-08 July 2019. As compared to prices in the week 09-15 July 2018, the prices are firm by 7.67 percent. Prices are expected to remain steady to slightly in coming days due to hike in import duty and good demand in domestic market.

Wheat market is likely to trade firm in near future. No imports and good domestic demand will support prices. Furthermore, domestic availability of wheat is enough to meet emerging demand in the domestic market. As of now, prices are under pressure due to huge stock position with private traders/millers and government. Millers/traders have bought as much quantity as they could during arrival season due to higher reserve price.

As per market sources, some farmers in Madhya Pradesh have sold their durum wheat during the procurement drive to the government at MSP. Unfavorable weather conditions damaged durum wheat due to which farmers were not able to realize good returns. Low quality durum wheat is selling in the range of Rs 1950-1960 per quintal in vidisha whereas mill quality wheat is being sold at Rs 1930-1940 per quintal.

Sales of wheat through OMSS is low due to good availability with private traders/millers. Sales is expected to improve from next month due to fall in stock with private traders/millers and beginning of festive demand. Therefore, traders are advised to buy on dip.

India mainly imports from Australia and Russia. Millers prefer Australian wheat over Russian/Ukrainian wheat due to better quality. As of now, Russian wheat with 12.5 percent protein content and Australian premium wheat (APW) is being quoted at \$345.8 (Rs 23746.09) per tonne and \$373.80 (Rs 25670.85) per tonne respectively, after including freight and import duty @40%. Local expenses will further add to cost. Whereas wheat mill quality price in Chennai is ruling around Rs 23000 per tonne. Therefore, as of now, there is no parity for wheat imports.

Indian FoB quote is hovering around \$294.49 per tonne. Against it Russia, Ukraine, France, US and Australia are offering wheat at \$183.60, \$184.70, Euro 173.25, \$224.11 and \$213.50 per tonne respectively. There is little hope for recovery at export front this year. However, India is expected to import around 1-5 thousand tonnes in MY 2018-19. Higher global production and carryover stocks are likely to limit increase of prices beyond a certain level.

Previous Updates

Government has offered 15252981 tonnes of wheat in OMSS until fourth tender in June'19 out of which 91000 tonnes was sold. State government and bulk consumers bought 90500 tonnes and 500 tonnes of wheat respectively. In the month of June'19, government has sold 35900 tonnes of wheat against offered quantity of 9949900 tonnes.

Government agencies have started procurement. Until 24th June'19 government has procured around 341.15 lakh tonnes of wheat.

As per trade sources, after increase in import duty to 40 percent imports have decreased substantially. India has imported no wheat in the month of May-19. Imports are expected to be low this year due to good domestic availability and increase in import duty. India has imported around 498.77 tonnes in the month of April-2019.

As per trade source, India has exported around 9.73 thousand tonnes in the month of May-2019. The quantity in May-2019 was exported at an average FOB of \$ 333.26 per tonne and the major destinations were Nepal, UAE and Somalia. Exports are likely to be at lower side as other countries are able to provide quality wheat at competitive prices.

Outlook & Recommendation: Wheat cash market is expected to trade steady to slightly firm in the coming week.

<u>Trade Call</u>: Stakeholders should trade in August contract taking care of lower and upper price tag of Rs. 1950 & 2060 respectively.



Wheat Weekly Export

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Week On Week Exports	Quantity in MT	Average FoB (\$/T)
01-07 May -2019	2943.81	284.62
08-16 May -2019	2582.98	426.68
17-23 May -2019	938.35	325.86
24-31 May -2019	3266.84	308.66
Total	9731.98	

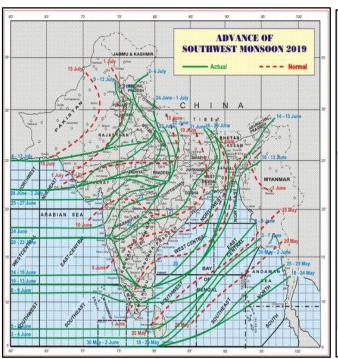
Source: Trade

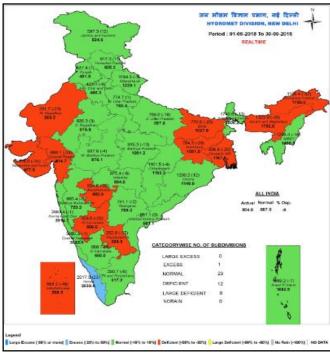
Wheat Import

Date	Foreign Country	Port	Quantity in MT	
April-2019	Australia	Tuticorin	498.77	
	Total			

Source: Trade

<u>Monsoon</u>





Source: IMD

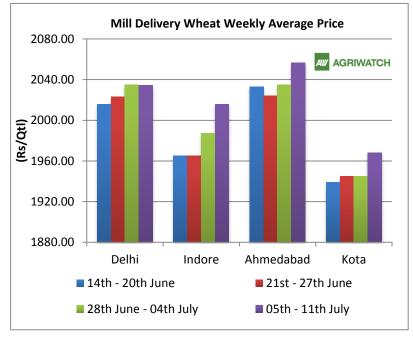


Wheat Weekly Average Price Chart

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Average mill delivery prices of Wheat traded firm in Indore, Kota and Ahmedabad except Delhi during 05th - 11th July 2019.

Prices remained firm in past week. No imports will increase demand for wheat with South Indian millers as the season progresses. Traders are advised to buy on dip. Abundant supplies are available in the market to meet emerging demand. Furthermore, government has ample supplies to tackle any unexpected surge in prices by selling more wheat in the open market through OMSS. Sales through OMSS in MY 2018-19 was around 8.2 MMT. Sales target through OMSS in MY 2019-20 has been kept same at 10 MMT.



Wheat and Rice Stocking Norms

Wheat Stock Norms							
Fig. In Lakh Tonne	Ope	Operational Stock Strategic Reserve					
11g. III Lukii 10iiile	Rice	Wheat	Total	Rice	Wheat	Grand	
As on						Total	
1st April	115.8	44.6	160.4	20	30	210.4	
1st July	115.4	245.8	361.2	20	30	411.2	
1st Oct.	82.5	175.2	257.7	20	30	307.7	
1st Jan	56.1	108	164.1	20	30	214.1	
Buffer Norms w.e.f. 01.07	.2017						

Procurement RMS 2019-20

State/UTs	Procurement as on 24 th June-2019 (Figures in LMT)						
,	FCI (A)	State Agency (B)	Total (A+B)				
Punjab	15.72	113.4	129.12				
Haryana	11.33	81.87	93.20				
Uttar Pradesh	1.09	35.78	36.87				
Madhya Pradesh	0.00	67.25	67.25				
Rajasthan	12.06	2.01	14.07				
Others	0.14 0.50 0.64						
All-India	40.34	300.81	341.15				



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FOB Quote for Wheat at Kandla

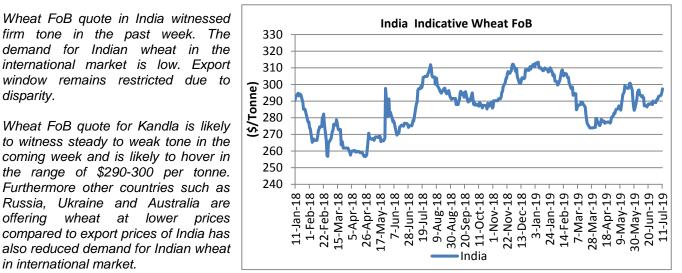
Wheat FoB quote in India witnessed firm tone in the past week. The demand for Indian wheat in the international market is low. Export

disparity.

Wheat FoB quote for Kandla is likely to witness steady to weak tone in the coming week and is likely to hover in the range of \$290-300 per tonne. Furthermore other countries such as Russia, Ukraine and Australia are offering wheat at lower prices compared to export prices of India has also reduced demand for Indian wheat in international market.







Indicative FOB Quotes:								
Wheat FOB	Variety	Today	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	% Change over		
Wheat FOB	variety	11-Jul-19	4-Jul-19	11-Jun-19	11-Jul-18	Prev. Year		
USA (Chicago)	2srw	224.65	227.40	229.48	202.70	10.83		
France	FCW3	194.82	200.06	197.64	214.54	-9.19		
Australia	ASW	213.50	213.50	204.24	219.75	-2.84		
Russia	SRW	184.00	184.00	NA	187.50	-1.87		
India	Fob	297.43	NA	293.35	289.16	2.86		

	11/07/2019	04/07/2019	27/06/2019	20/06/2019
Black Sea Mill Wheat 12.5% FOB Pmax.(\$/T)	194	195	195	189
Black Sea Mill Wheat 11.5% FOB Pmax. (\$/T)	186	187	191	188

NCDEX Wheat Contracts

Wheat Futures Contact: NCDEX Price Date:12.07.201									:12.07.2019
Contract Month	Change from previous day	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change From previous day	Open Interest	Change From previous day
19-Jul	4	1961	1965	1965	1965	400	-1,190	1280	-2,410
19-Aug	14	1990	2000	1984	1997	750	-960	7260	430
19-Sep	24	2005	2029	2029	2029	0	0	30	0



Wheat Technical Analysis:

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Technical Commentary:

- Fall in price and rise in open interest indicates short buildup.
- RSI is moving down in neutral region.
- Traders are advised to go long on wheat for this week.

Strategy: Buy

			S1	S2	PCP	R1	R2
Wheat	NCDEX	August	1960	1950	1997	2050	2060
Weekly Trade Call			Call	Entry	T1	T2	SL
Wheat	NCDEX	August	Buy	Above 1990	2015	2035	1975

Spot Price at NCDEX Delivery Centers:

	Spot prices of wheat at NCDEX Delivery centers									
NCDEX SPOT	Today	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago	% Change over					
NCDEA SPUT	11-Jul-19	3-Jul-19	10-Jun-19	11-Jul-18	prev. Year					
Indore	1970	1937	1925	1862	5.80					
Delhi	2035	2032	2008	1898	7.22					
Kanpur	1930	1906	1900	1780	8.43					
Rajkot	1977	1952	1981	1920	2.97					
Kota	1973	1952	1965	1872	5.40					

Source: NCDEX; NCDEX delivery prices are inclusive of Mandi tax and other applicable state taxes along with handling & packaging costs.



Domestic Market Weekly Outlook:

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Wheat market is expected to trade steady to firm due to hike in import duty and good demand in domestic market. Availability in domestic market is sufficient to meet emerging domestic demand.

	Spot Market Price:									
		•			rices (Rs/Q	tl)				
Centre	Market	Variety	Today	Yesterd ay	Week Ago	Month Ago	Year Ago			
			11-Jul- 19	10-Jul- 19	4-Jul-19	11-Jun- 19	11-Jul- 18			
	Lawrence Road	Mill Delivery	2035	2035	2035	2010	1895			
Delhi	Narella	Mill Quality Loose	1950	Closed	1950	1940	Closed			
	Nazafgarh	Mill Quality Loose	1920	Closed	1930	1900	Closed			
	Rajkot	Mill Delivery	1970	1960	Closed	1970	1925			
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Mill Delivery	2070	2070	Closed	2050	1965			
Gujarat	Surat	Mill Delivery	2110	2100	Closed	2100	2000			
	Dhrol	Mill Delivery	1975	2050	Closed	2000	1960			
M.P.	Indore	Mill Quality Loose	2020	2010	2010	Closed	1920			
	Bhopal	Mill Delivery	1925	1900	1850	1825	1825			
Rajasthan	Kota	Mill Quality Loose	1850	1850	1835	1850	1795			
,		Mill Delivery	1970	1970	1960	1950	1870			
	Kanpur	Mill Delivery	1945	1950	1930	1900	1710			
	Mathura	Mill Quality Loose	1850	NR	1820	1825	1700			
U.P.	Kosi	Mill Quality Loose	1910	1910	1925	1925	1730			
	Hathras	Mill Quality Loose	1840	1840	1850	1870	1710			
	Aligarh	Mill Quality Loose	1870	Closed	1860	1840	Closed			
Punjab	Khanna	Mill Quality Loose	1940	1940	1950	1890	1710			
i unjab	Ludhiana (Jagraon)	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA			
	Sirsa	Mill Delivery loose	1940	1940	1940	1870	1820			
	Hodal	Mill Delivery	NA	NA	NA	NA	1850			
Haryana	Bhiwani	Mill Quality Loose	1950	1940	1925	1880	1785			
	Karnal	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA			
	Panipat	Mill Quality Loose	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA			



	Chennai	Mill Quality	2300	2300	2300	2300	2170
Tamil Nadu	Madurai	Mill Quality	2357	2450	2350	2450	2350
	Coimbatore	Mill Quality	2357	2500	2400	2500	2400
Bihar	Khagariya	Mill Delivery	1900	1900	2000	1850	1650
Dillar	Muzaffarpur	Mill Delivery	1850	1825	1825	1830	1650

Sowing Status:

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	State Wise Wheat	Sowing ir	Lakh Hect	ares	
State	Normal area (2019)	2017	2018	2019	% Change 2019 vs. 2018
Bihar	21.18	22.95	23.27	22.87	-1.72
Chhattisgarh	1.05	1.73	1.85	1.68	-9.19
Gujarat	10.85	9.96	10.76	8.07	-24.97
Haryana	25.46	25.38	25.26	25.16	-0.40
Himachal Pradesh	3.48	3.59	3.6	3.50	-2.78
J&K	2.94	2.31	2.93	2.44	-16.88
Jharkhand	1.76	2.08	2.31	1.64	-29.07
Karnataka	1.95	1.57	2.09	1.50	-28.37
Madhya Pradesh	57.24	64.22	53.16	60.00	12.87
Maharashtra	10.24	10.52	9.4	5.69	-39.44
Punjab	35.06	35	35.1	35.02	-0.23
Rajasthan	30.26	30.67	30.2	28.25	-6.46
Uttar Pradesh	97.44	100.52	98.67	99.13	0.47
Uttarakhand	3.47	3.59	3.58	3.45	-3.63
West Bengal	3.30	3.39	1.36	1.05	-22.79
Others	0.61	0.21	0.75	0.23	-69.33
All-India	306.29	317.81	304.29	299.68	-1.52

Source: Ministry of Agriculture



International Market Update:

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Russian milling wheat prices became weak by \$1-2 per tonne at Novorossiysk compared to last week. Export quotes are being influenced by ample availability in global market. As of now Russian milling wheat with 12.5% protein content at Novorossiysk port is being quoted at FoB \$194/tonne.

As per latest update, Egypt has purchased around 3.26 MMT of local wheat. Local wheat supply season will end on 15th July. Egypt is the largest buyer of wheat in the world. Wheat is procured to ensure food security and minimize imports as much as possible.

As per latest update, hot and dry weather is likely to continue at Australia's east coast and there is only 30 percent chance of rainfall between August 01 and October 30. Furthermore, there is 80 percent probability that entire Australia will experience warmer than average temperatures. Private analyst are expecting wheat production to be around 18.00-18.50 MMT in 2019-20. Australia has already imported 50000-60000 MT of wheat from Canada. In case of third consecutive lower production, Australia may be seen importing more wheat.

GASC has purchased 240000 tonnes of Ukrainian and Romanian wheat through tender. Of the total quantity 60000 tonnes has been sourced from Ukraine and 180000 tonnes has been sourced from Romania. ADM offered 120000 tonnes of Romanian wheat at FoB \$198.00 per tonne, ADM offered 60000 tonnes of Romanian wheat at FoB \$198.00 per tonne and Louis Dreyfus offered 60000 tonnes of Ukrainian wheat at FoB \$198.00 per tonne.

As per SovEcon, Russia is expected to produce 76.6 MMT of wheat compared to their previous forecast of 82.2 MMT. Rains in upcoming weeks will not be able to fix the damage to winter grains caused by hot weather however it would be beneficial for spring grains. Global wheat production as well as stocks will still be on higher side keeping prices under pressure.

As per farm ministry, France is expected to produce 37.00 MMT of wheat in 2019, higher by around 8.5 percent compared to previous year. The average yield was around 7.73 tonnes/hectare compared to 6.98 tonnes per hectare last year. Yield was higher this year despite heat wave in late June.

Algeria state grains agency OAIC has bought around 360000 tonnes of milling wheat in a tender that closed on Thursday. The prices paid were in the range of \$217.00-217.50 per tonne (Cost and Freight). Most of the quantity is expected to be sourced from Canada. Algeria does not disclose the results of its tenders and purchase reports are based on trade assessments. The quantity is to be shipped between in the month of August.

As per latest update, Japan's ministry of agriculture bought 123968 MT of food quality wheat from United States, Canada and Australia. Around 66053 MT has been bought from United States, 33510 tonnes from Canada and 24405 MT of standard white wheat has been bought from west Australia. The said quantity will be loaded between 01st - 30th September.

Bangladesh will buy 100000 MT of wheat from Russia in G2G deal. Bangladesh will pay around \$267.30 per tonne including cost, insurance, freight and port related expenses. The first batch of wheat is expected to arrive during first week of July. Bangladesh has purchased around 1.9 MMT of wheat during July'18-May'19. Demand for wheat in Bangladesh has increased as wheat is being substituted for more expensive rice.



IGC Wheat Balance Sheet:

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IGC Forecast(Fig-In MMT)	2016-17	2017-18 (Estimate)	2018-19	2019-20 (Proj.)	
ige Forecast (Fig-III MMT)			(Forecast)	30.05.2019	27.06.2019
Production	757	762	733	766	769
Trade	177	176	171	174	174
Consumptions	736	739	741	753	756
Carryover stocks	248	270	263	276	275
Y-O-Y change	21	22	-7		12
Major Export	78	82	67	72	70

- IGC has forecasted global wheat production to be 769 MMT for 2019-20. According to forecast by IGC for 2018-19, global wheat production was around 733 MMT against 762 MMT for 2017-18. The projection for global production is higher by 36 MMT compared to forecast for 2018-19. IGC has projected higher production for 2019-20.
- Trade forecast for 2019-20 has been increased to 174 MMT. It is 3 MMT higher compared to forecast for last year and lower by 2 MMT compared to 2017-18.
- Consumption has been increased to 756 MMT for 2019-20. The projection is higher by 15 MMT compared to 2018-19.
- Carryout for 2019-20 is projected at 275 MMT compared to forecast of 263 MMT last year. It is higher by around 5 MMT compared to 2017-18.

CBOT FUTURES CONTRACT:

CBOT Futures Prices:(USD/T)											
CONTRACT MONTH	Today	Week Ago	Month Ago	3 Month Ago	6 Month Ago	Year Ago	% Change				
	11-Jul- 19	4-Jul-19	11-Jun-19	11-Apr-19	11-Jan-19	11-Jul- 18	over prev. year				
Jul-19	197.02	190.31	190.31	171.02	194.54	193.90	1.61				
Sep-19	191.60	188.84	191.51	173.78	197.57	197.48	-2.98				
Dec-19	195.73	192.98	195.46	179.93	202.62	202.80	-3.49				
Mar-20	200.14	197.39	199.13	185.35	206.11	206.39	-3.03				
May-20	202.25	199.41	200.88	188.29	208.04	207.67	-2.61				
Jul-20	202.71	199.87	201.79	188.94	207.21	207.67	-2.39				



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1st Support: 172.00 2nd Support: 170.00 1st Resistant: 219.00 2nd Resistant: 221.00

(\$ per tonne)

Wheat CBOT closed at \$5.36 per bushel. U.S. wheat commercial sales until July 04th were 2.84 LMT compared to last week's 2.77 LMT. As on 08th July, around 64% of the U.S. winter wheat was in good or excellent condition. Winter wheat harvest is only 47% complete. U.S. spring wheat planting is complete and around 56% of the spring wheat has headed. CBOT wheat prices were firm during the past week as USDA reduced global production as well as ending stocks in its latest WASDE report. Production has been reduced due to dry conditions in Australia, Black Sea and EU.



Indian FoB quote is based on local price. There is no export in bulk currently. Indian FoB quote is hovering between \$ 292.91-297.43 per tonne.

US and Russian quotes are hovering in the range of \$224.11 and \$183.60 per tonne respectively. Wheat prices in international markets remained weak in last week.

Wheat is expected to trade steady to firm and hover in the range of \$190 to \$255 per tonne in coming week.

International Weekly Outlook:

Global wheat market is expected to trade steady to firm as USDA in its latest WASDE report has reduced forecast for global production and ending stocks. EU is likely to produce around 149.00 MMT in 2019-20 compared to 137.9 MMT in 2018-19. Russia and Ukraine are likely to harvest 77.1 MMT and 27.50 MMT of wheat in 2019-20 respectively. Production in US is likely to be around 50.70 MMT compared to last year's 51.30 MMT. Australia is likely to produce 22.90 MMT in 2019-20 compared to 17.30 MMT in 2017-18. Argentina is expecting to harvest around 19.10 MMT in 2019-20 compared to 19.5 MMT in 2018-19. Furthermore, Canada is likely to harvest around 32.60 MMT in 2019-20 compared to 31.80 MMT in 2018-19.

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