Paddy Outlook – January 2024

Paddy is cultivated globally being one of the most important cereal crops worldwide. USDA's Global rice production in 2023/24 is projected at a record 518.1 million tons (milled basis), up 271,000 tons from last month's forecast and 5.1 million tons larger than a year earlier. This month, upward production revisions for Argentina, Paraguay, South Korea, and Thailand slightly offset downward revisions for Colombia, Haiti, Mozambique, and Uganda. Global domestic and residual use in 2023/24 is projected at a record 525.0 million tons, down 114,000 tons from the previous forecast but up almost 4.1 million tons from a year earlier. Global ending stocks in 2023/24 are projected at 167.8 million tons, 342,000 tons above the previous forecast, but 7.0 million tons smaller than a year earlier and the smallest in 6 years.

Table 1: Major Rice Producing Countries in the World (Milled production in million tonnes)

Country	2022-23	2023-24	Change over 2022-23
China	145.95	149.00	3.05
India	135.76	132.00	-3.76
Indonesia	34.00	33.50	-0.50
Vietnam	26.94	27.00	0.06
Thailand	20.91	20.00	-0.91
Burma	11.80	11.95	0.15
Philippines	12.63	12.60	-0.03
Japan	7.48	7.30	-0.18
Pakistan	5.50	9.00	3.50
Brazil	7.00	7.48	0.48
USA	5.09	6.98	1.89
Nigeria	5.36	5.23	-0.13
Egypt	3.60	3.78	0.18
South Korea	3.76	3.70	-0.06
European Union	1.34	1.43	0.09

Source: www.usda.gov* Estimated

Table 2: International Grain Council's World Rice Projections (in million metric tonnes)

	2021/22 (Estimated)	2022-23 (Forecast)	2023-24 (Projected)
Opening Stocks	181.5	175.7	170.9
Production	515.3	515.3	520.9
Imports	55.1	52.4	50.1
Total Availability	696.8	691	691.8
Total Consumption	521.1	520.1	520.4
Exports	55.1	52.4	50.1
Ending Stocks	175.7	170.9	171.4

Source: International Grains Council

Table 3: Domestic Balance Sheet (in MMT)

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23*
Carry in	30.48	35.4	42.11
Production	124.37	130.29	135.75
Imports	0	0	0
Total Availability	154.85	165.69	177.86
Consumption	105	101	101
Exports	14.45	17.38	14.91
Total Usage	119.45	123.58	115.91
Carry out	35.4	42.11	61.95

Source: www.agriwatch.com

Table 4: Average Price of Paddy Common at Major States in India December, 2023

State	Prices December, 2023	Prices November, 2023	Prices December, 2022	% Change (Over Previous Month)	% Change (Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	2206	2261	2040	-2.43	8.14
Chhattisgarh	2185	2168	1981	0.78	10.3
Gujarat	2572	2087	1673	23.24	53.74
Haryana	4378	2946	4359	48.61	0.44
Karnataka	2713	2340	2245	15.94	20.85
Kerala	2236	2185	2051	2.33	9.02
Madhya Pradesh	3651	3630	3218	0.58	13.46
Maharashtra	2820	2664	2242	5.86	25.78
Manipur	2883	2567	1624	12.31	77.52
NCT of Delhi	3563	3587	3221	-0.67	10.62
Odisha	2183	2183	2040	0	7.01
Pondicherry	2139	2285	1757	-6.39	21.74
Punjab	2315	2204	3924	5.04	-41
Rajasthan	3661	3463	3360	5.72	8.96
Tamil Nadu	2470	2289	1986	7.91	24.37
Telangana	2328	1709	2057	36.22	13.17
Tripura	1981	2043	1972	-3.03	0.46
Uttar Pradesh	2178	2243	2071	-2.9	5.17
Uttrakhand	2154	2122	2009	1.51	7.22
West Bengal	2204	2171	2001	1.52	10.14
Average	2641	2457.35	2360.19		

Source: www.agmarknet.gov.in

As per the Ministry of Agriculture, Yasangi (Rabi) paddy acreage as on 5th January 2024 has decreased by 10.14% to 17.98 lakh hectares (44.43 lakh acres) as compared to 20.01 lakh hectares (49.46 lakh acres) during the same period of last year. Higher acreage was covered in Tamil Nadu 11.12 lakh ha (27.48 lakh acres), Telangana 3.08 lakh ha (7.63 lakh acres), Andhra Pradesh 1.66 lakh ha (4.10 lakh acres), Assam 0.76 lakh ha (1.88 lakh acres) and Kerala 0.75 lakh ha (1.85 lakh ha). According to the first advance estimates 2023-24, Government of India Rice

crop is estimated at 1063.13 lakh tonnes as compared to 1105.12 lakh tonnes in 2022-23. Among the states, Uttar Pradesh is leading in production with 151.98 lakh tonnes followed by Punjab 137.51 lakh tonnes, West Bengal 115.62 lakh tonnes, Telangana 82.80 lakh tonnes, Chhattisgarh 74.86 lakh tonnes and Odisha 73.02 lakh tonnes as per the first advance estimates of 2023-24 by the GoI.

Table 5: State wise Area under Paddy in India

	2022-23			2023-24		
STATE	Lakh ha	Lakh acres	% to total area	Lakh ha	Lakh acres	% to total area
Tamil Nadu	11.496	28.41	57.43	11.12	27.48	61.85
Telangana	3.121	7.71	15.59	3.088	7.63	17.17
Andhra Pradesh	2.78	6.87	13.89	1.66	4.10	9.23
Assam	0.675	1.67	3.37	0.762	1.88	4.24
Kerala	0.83	2.05	4.15	0.75	1.85	4.17
Other	1.11	2.75	5.57	0.60	1.48	3.34
Total	20.016	49.46	100.00	17.98	44.43	100.00

Source: www.agricoop.gov.in

Table 6: District wise Area under Paddy in Telangana State

	2022-23			2023-24		
District	На	Acres	% to total area	На	Acres	% to total area
Nizamabad	8	20	0.00	81936	2,02,468	26.54
Nalgonda	1609	3,977	0.52	50095	1,23,788	16.22
Suryapet	1885	4,657	0.60	45220	1,11,742	14.65
Yadadri	5901	14,582	1.89	27409	67,729	8.88
Rajanna Siricilla	1913	4,728	0.61	22363	55,260	7.24
Kamareddy	81851	2,02,259	26.23	14815	36,609	4.80
Karimnagar	1148	2,837	0.37	14059	34,741	4.55
Jangoan	2068	5,110	0.66	8250	20,386	2.67
Warangal(Urban)	0	0	0.00	6396	15,805	2.07
Mancherial	35026	86,550	11.22	6230	15,395	2.02
Jagtiyal	28	69	0.01	4643	11,472	1.50
Others	180664	446431	57.89	27355	67596	8.86
Total	312102	7,71,220	100.00	308772	7,62,991	100.00

Source: www.agri.telangana.gov.in

During Yasangi (Rabi) in Telangana, it has been sown in 3.08 lakh hectares (7.62 lakh acres) as on 03rd December 2023 which is lower than 3.12 lakh hectares (7.71 lakh acres) covered during corresponding period of last year. Major paddy growing districts in Telangana are Nizamabad 0.81 lakh ha (2.02 lakh acres), Nalgonda 0.50 lakh ha (1.23 lakh acres), Suryapet 0.45 ha (1.11 lakh acres) and Yadadri 0.27 lakh ha (0.67 lakh acres). According to 1st Advance Estimates of Production of Food grains for 2023-24, rice production estimate was 82.80 lakh tonnes in Telangana State.

Table 7: Arrivals and Prices of Paddy-Grade-A for the Month of December in Suryapet Market

Date	Arrival	Minimum price	Maximum price	Modal price
	(Quintals)	(Rs/quintal)	(Rs/quintal)	(Rs/quintal)
5	4,849	1,589	2,509	2,366
7	5,317	1,600	2,563	2,402
8	6,494	1,659	2,639	2,451
9	6,646	1,629	2,719	2,589
11	11,066	1,469	2,789	2,583
13	11,904	1,709	2,853	2,759
15	10,782	1,609	2,894	2,769
19	11,188	1,659	2,973	2,769
20	9,809	1,593	3,029	2,759
21	9,784	1,589	3,031	2,776
22	9,217	1,574	2,993	2,639
23	6,615	1,569	3,041	2,629
27	6,899	1,409	2,959	2,509
28	5,825	1,509	2,929	2,509
29	5,318	1,469	2,939	2,619
30	4,388	1,575	2,969	2,659

Source: http://tsmarketing.in/

Table 8: Arrivals and Prices of Paddy (Common) for the Month of December 2023 in Suryapet Market

Date	Arrival	Minimum price	Maximum price	Modal price
	(Quintals)	(Rs/quintal)	(Rs/quintal)	(Rs/quintal)
5	1,269	1,539	2,109	1,909
7	1,100	1,546	2,136	1,922
8	911	1,593	2,174	1,971
9	810	1,769	2,170	2,145
11	1,677	1,416	2,175	2,003
13	1,397	1,429	2,185	2,181
15	638	1,586	2,199	2,109
19	772	1,535	2,256	2,253
20	710	1,611	2,253	2,244
21	585	1,669	2,264	1,879
22	500	1,726	2,174	1,971
23	217	1,576	2,209	1,869
27	447	1,769	2,221	2,211
28	291	1,413	2,254	2,244
29	185	1,734	2,249	2,219
30	179	1,512	2,291	2,273

Source: http://tsmarketing.in/

Paddy Price Outlook

Government has procured around 435 Lakh MT paddy till 30th Dec from various states for 2023-24 KMS. State-wise procurement figures are as 185 Lakh MT from Punjab, 58.92 Lakh MT

from Haryana, 61.24 MT from Chhattisgarh, 40.46 Lakh MT from Telangana, 34.37 Lakh MT from Uttar Pradesh, 9.29 Lakh MT from Andhra Pradesh, 8.33 Lakh MT from Madhya Pradesh, 7.20 Lakh MT from Bihar and 5.45 Lakh MT from Tamil Nadu.

To encourage wider participation from rice traders in the Open Market Sales Scheme, the Food Corporation of India (FCI) has raised the bid quantity allowed per bidder to 2,000 MT, up from the previous limit of 1,000 MT. Additionally; the minimum bid quantity has been decreased at 1 MT instead of 10 MT.

The prices of Basmati rice in the domestic market decreased in the last fortnight of December due to the expectation of slightly decline in exports following militant assaults on merchant vessels in the Red Sea. Owing to increased freight charges, purchasers are currently refraining from booking shipments. Consequently, the prices of Basmati rice have decreased within the domestic market. Recently, the Indian government has decided to continue the ban on exporting de-oiled rice bran (DORB), a key component used in making feed for cattle and poultry, until 31st March, 2024.

The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) has revised Notification No. 09/2023 from May 29, 2023, with Notification No. 52/2023 on December 12, 2023. The amendments specify that exporting Rice (both Basmati and Non-Basmati) to EU member states along with the United Kingdom, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, and Switzerland now necessitates a Certificate of Inspection from Export Inspection Agencies / Export Inspection Councils (EIA/EIC). However, export to the remaining European countries will not require a Certificate of Inspection from the EIA/EIC from the date of this notification for a period of six months.

Despite the ban on rice exports, India continues to supply food to various needy countries, particularly its strategic neighbors like Nepal, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Maldives, Malaysia, Indonesia, Vietnam and Iran, along with the broader Asian region. These exports are done through government-to-government level and facilitated by the National Cooperative Exports Ltd. The price of India's 5% broken parboiled rice remained between \$508 to \$515 per MT showing a slight increase from the previous month's range of \$498 to \$503 per MT.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expects that Paddy-Grade-A and Paddy-Common could trade in price ranges of Rs. 2280–2780 and Rs. 2203–2410 per quintal respectively during the month of January, 2024.