

# SPICES MARKET ODERDIEW

January 2024



A monthly summary of the spice crops and market conditions from growing regions.

# **WEATHER FORECAST:**

Key states Rainfall from 1st October to 27th December 2023.

States	Actual mm	Normal mm	% Departure	Category
Andhra Pradesh	219	285.6	-23%	Deficient
Telangana	52.8	123.4	-57%	Deficient
Maharashtra Maharashtra	59.3	95.9	-38%	Deficient
Karnataka	113.6	176.3	-36%	Deficient
Kerala	625.4	488.6	28%	Excess
Tamil Nadu	454.4	436	4%	Normal

- Dense to very dense fog likely to continue over Northwest India during the next 3-4 days.
- Light isolated rainfall likely over Northwest & Central India from 31st December 2023 to 02<sup>nd</sup> January 2024.
- A fresh spell of light to moderate rainfall likely over South Tamil Nadu from 30<sup>th</sup> December 2023 to 02<sup>nd</sup> January 2024.
- Isolated heavy rainfall also likely over South Tamil Nadu on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023.

\*IMD - India Meteorological Department.

# **BLACK PEPPER**

#### Global Market Scenario

- Black pepper markets across the globe reported a stable trend in December for most origins. Only Vietnam origin reported an increasing trend.
- The Indian pepper price reported a stable trend in December due to lower export demand.
- Domestic and international price for Indonesian pepper reported a stable trend in December.
- Sri Lankan pepper was reported with stable trend for December.
  - Domestic and international price for Vietnamese pepper reported an increasing trend in December.

# INDIA

#### Season

BLACK PEPPER INDIA JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV	BLACK PEPPER	INDIA	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC
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- Black pepper prices have indicated a stable trend in December.
- International and domestic demand has indicated a stable demand in the market.
   Harvesting of the crop is ongoing and arrivals are expected to
- Harvesting of the crop is ongoing and arrivals are expected to continue in January 2024 also.
- Ungarbled pepper was traded at INR. 593/kg whereas garbled pepper was traded at INR. 613/kg levels at domestic markets.





# **INDONESIA**

#### Season

BLACK PEPPER INDONESIA JAN FEB MAR	APR MAY JUN JUL AUG S	P OCT NOV DEC
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- Prices had indicated a stable trend for December due to lower international and domestic demand.
- Some farmers in Lampung region had not started replanting the pepper plantation because of the erratic rainfall in the recent years.
- · Currently, light berry black pepper offers are very limited.
- Muntok White pepper prices have seen a stable trend in December.
- Muntok White pepper crop availability is limited.

# VIETNAM

#### Season

BLACK PEPPER VIETNAM JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC

- The Vietnamese pepper market indicated a firm trend in December.
- The price has gradually increased by nearly 15% in December itself.
- The demand is mostly seen from exporters who are covering for their short position.
- The Brazil drought has also prompted the local prices to firm up.
- · New crop arrivals are slow, which is creating shortage of material in the market.

# SRI LANKA

#### Season

BLACK PEPPER SRI LANKA JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC

- · Sri Lankan pepper prices indicated a stable trend in December.
- The upcoming crop is reported to be good and weather conditions in the next couple of months will be critical for the crop.
- Early arrivals are expected from few growing belts.





## **CHILLI**

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- Guntur, Khammam, Krishna, Warangal, Mahabubabad and Prakasam areas received heavy rains due to cyclone Michaung in December.
- Rainfall started on December 5<sup>th</sup> and continued till 6<sup>th</sup> in the major chilli growing belts.
- Due to the cyclone, some of the early transplanted chilli fields were affected by water logging,
- The damage is expected to be around 10 to 15 percentage.
- Extraction, exporters and masala companies have been active in the market doing selective buying.



- · In Telangana, harvesting has started and new crop arrivals are expected in the first week of January.
- Arrival of 8000 to 10000 bags have been reported from Bediya market in Madhya Pradesh (MP).
- MP Mahi Red is currently offered at 215 -220 INR/Kgs.
- MP Mahi White is currently offered at 145-148 INR/Kgs.

 Prices of Teja chilli, mainly medium and best grades, indicated an easing trend in domestic markets during December 2023.

· The current market price of other major varieties is:

341/334 Chilli : Not available.

5531 Red : INR 170-180/Kg (New crop).
Teja Red : INR 230-237/Kg (CS material).



## **Price Trend:**



# PAPRIKA INDIA

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- · Crop arrival has steadily increased in Byadgi market.
- Arrival of 30000 to 50000 bags has been reported from Byadgi market in Karnataka.
- Major new crop arrivals are of 5531 variety. Moisture level in the current arrivals is at 15-18%.
- High colour variety arrivals are yet to begin. The arrivals are expected to increase by mid-January.
- · Demand has been stable for the high and medium colour varieties, mainly from powdering and masala companies.
- Prices of high and medium colour varieties indicated an easing trend in December.



# TURMERIC

#### Season

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- Regular finger turmeric prices have indicated a stable trend in December.
- · The overall crop is expected to be short by 20-30%.
- · Harvesting of the new crop has started in most of the growing locations.
- Prices are expected to be firm in the medium and long-term and material will be available only in the season.
- Salem Finger is currently traded at INR 125 -130/Kg levels.
- · Kocha and Panangali arrivals are very limited.



# **INDONESIA**

- · Turmeric prices have indicated a firm trend in December.
- · International and domestic demand continues to be firm.
- · Current offers are for inferior quality material. Offers are limited.



# DRY GINGER

#### Season

GINGER INDIA JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC

- Prices for premium quality dry ginger have indicated a firm trend in domestic markets in December.
- New crop arrival of dry ginger is very low. Farmers are not interested to dry the ginger due to the low price.
- Traders are accepting only spot orders as the market is highly unstable.
   Available volumes are very limited.
- High demand and low availability is sustaining the price.
- · Extraction grade dry ginger offers are very limited.



# **NIGERIA**

- The price of Nigerian ginger has indicated a firm trend in December.
- Crop damages have been reported from the growing belts due to pest attacks.
- · New crop offers are limited as of now.
- The material currently available in the market is from last year and of inferior quality.
- Extraction grade Nigerian sliced ginger offers are very limited.



# **CELERY**

#### Season

CELERY	INDIA	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC

- · Celery seed prices have indicated a stable trend in December.
- · New crop sowing has begun.
- The current price is steady due to demand from local buyers.



# **NUTMEG & MACE**

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- Indian nutmeg and mace prices have been firm in December.
- Nutmeg and mace crop arrivals have slowed down as the season has ended.
- Indonesian BWP grade nutmeg prices have indicated a stable trend in December. International and domestic demand has been slow.





# **CASSIA**

#### Season

CASSIA	VIETNAM	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC
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- Indonesian Cassia prices indicated a stable trend in December.
- · Vietnamese Cassia prices also indicated a stable trend in December.
- Domestic and international demands were reported to be stable as per trade sources.



## Price Forecast for Short and Medium Term:

Spices RM	Va <mark>r</mark> iety	Short term	Medium term
9	Sri Lankan	Stable	Stable
Black Pepper	Indonesian	Stable	Stable
Віаск і сррсі	Vietnamese	Firm	Firm
Chilli	Teja Red	Stable	Stable
Turmeric	Erode Panangali	Firm	Firm
Ginger	Shimoga	Firm	Firm

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