

# INDIAN SUGAR OND 24 OUTLOOK





# Introduction

At GreenLeaf we are dedicated to pioneering research in Indian Agricultural Commodities.

Our brand stands for innovation, integrity and insightful analysis, aimed at providing actionable intelligence to stakeholders across the agricultural value chain.









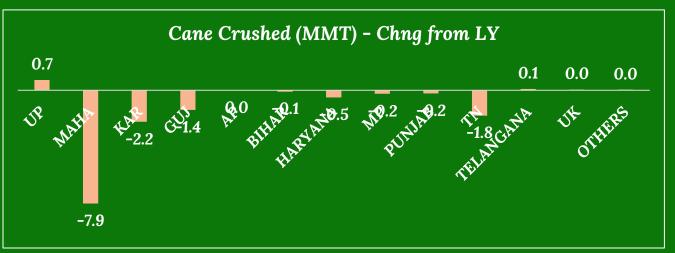


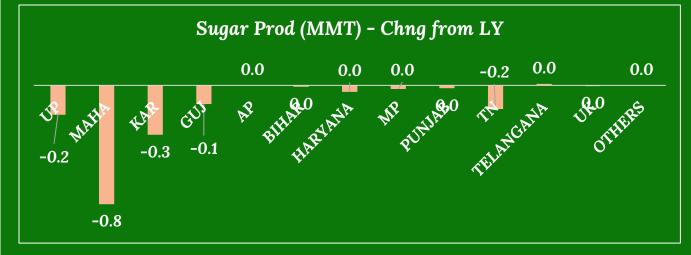
# INDIAN SUGAR PRODUCTION AS OF 31<sup>ST</sup> DEC 24

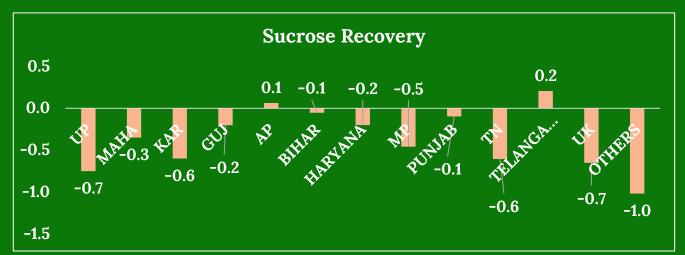
	No of mills	Cane Crushed	Sugar prod	Sucrose Recovery
UP	121	36.6	3.3	8.9
MAHA	190	34.8	3.0	8.6
KAR	77	24.2	2.1	8.5
GUJ	15	3.0	0.3	8.8
AP	2	0.4	0.0	8.0
BIHAR	10	2.7	0.2	9.0
HARYANA	14	1.6	0.1	8.2
MP	18	0.9	0.1	8.0
PUNJAB	15	1.6	0.1	8.3
TN	9	1.1	0.1	8.3
TELANGANA	7	0.9	0.1	9.6
UK	8	1.5	0.1	8.5
OTHERS	7	0.4	0.0	8.5
ALL INDIA	493	109.6	9.5	8.7
Last Year	518	122.9	11.28	9.17
Chng from LY	(25)	(13.4)	(1.8)	(0.5)













### SUCROSE & SUGAR PRODUCTION OUTLOOK SEASON 2024/25

# BEARISH FLAGS MATERIALISED RESULTING IN LOWER SUGAR PRODUCTION IN 24/25 SEASON

Fig in MMT	Sugar Prod Prev Est	Sugar Prod Rev Est	Diff	
Karnataka	4.05	3.95	-0.10	
Maharashtra	8.60	8.20	-0.40	
UP	9.64	9.44	-0.20	
Others	5.45	5.45	0.00	
All India	27.75	27.05	-0.70	
Ethanol	4.3	4.3	0.00	
Sucrose Prod	32.05	31.35	-0.70	



BASIS CROP TOUR CONDUCTED BY GREENLEAF, UP PRODUCTION HAS BEEN REVISED DOWN BY 200 KMT DUE TO RED ROT, TOP BORER AND LOWER RECOVERIES.



MAHARASHTRA CROP HAS BEEN
REDUCED FURTHER BY 400 KMT ON
ACCOUNT OF LOWER YIELDS
LEADING TO LESS CANE
AVAILABILITY



KARNATAKA CROP HAS BEEN
REVISED LOWER BY 100 KMT ON
ACCOUNT OF LOWER CANE
PRODUCTION





# SUGAR BALANCE SHEET OUTLOOK -Season 2024/25

Fig in MMT	22/23	23/24	24/25 (Prev)	24/25 (Prev)
Op Stock	6.1	4.8	7.6	7.6
Sucrose Prod	36.6	34.3	32.1	31.4
Ethanol	3.8	2.4	4.3	4.3
Sugar Crystal	32.8	31.9	27.8	27.1
Exports	6.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Dom Demand	27.7	29.1	29.2	29.2
End Stocks	4.8	7.6	6.2	5.5
Stock Use (Months)	2.1	3.1	2.5	2.3



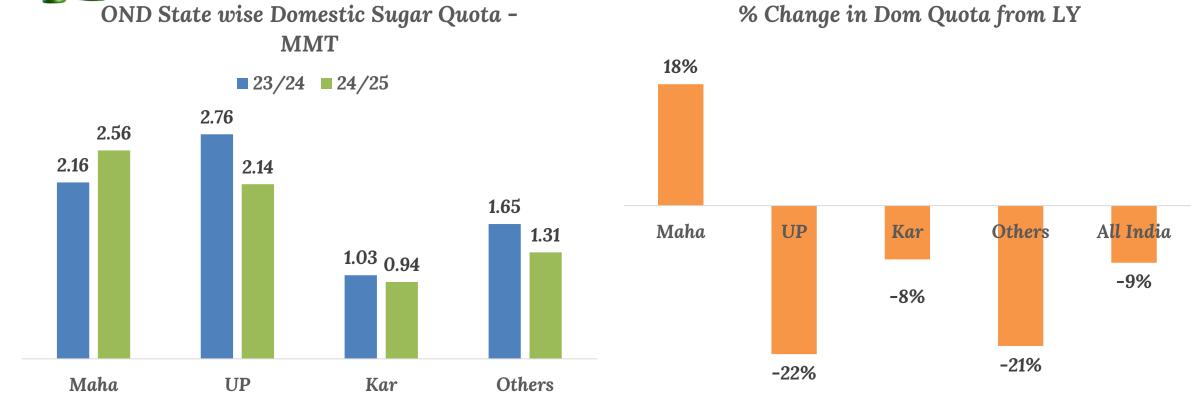
#### **INDIAN SUGAR END STOCKS - MMT**



POSSIBILITY OF EXPORTS IN 24/25 - EXTREMELY BLEAK TILL MARCH 2025

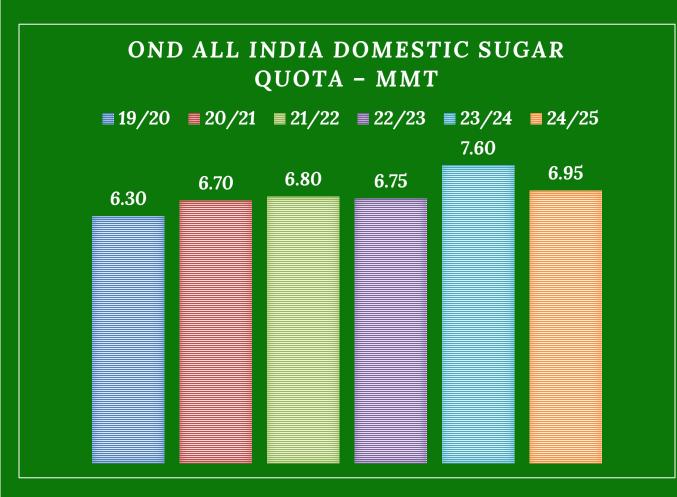


## SUGAR DEMAND OUTLOOK Domestic Sugar Quota



- Domestic quota announced for the current year 24/25 during OND quarter has been 6.95 MMT against 7.6 MMT last year.
- Reduction in quota allocation by 9% from Last year. Does it mean demand destruction?
- There have been mills who sell their sugar over and above quota for cash flow requirements which was finding its way to neighboring country by war of cross border but this time all sugar is getting consumed locally, thus putting pressure on the market
- GreenLeaf is still expecting demand of 29.2 MMT for the season 24/25 and will keep a close watch on the further quota releases and sugar price movement before making any changes to the demand number

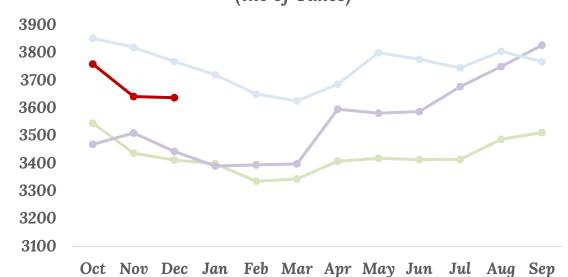




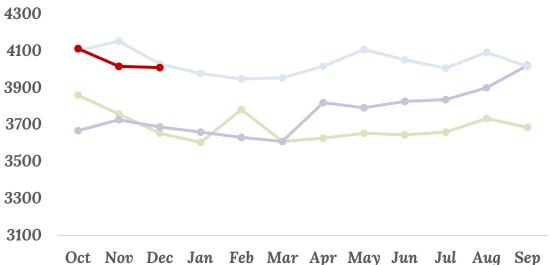


### SUGAR MARKET PERFORMANCE

Avg Monthly Prices - Maharashtra (Inr/Qtl)
(inc of Taxes)



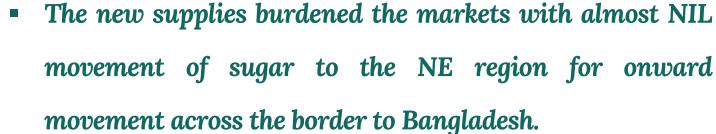
Avg Monthly Prices - Uttar Pradesh (Inr/Qtl) (inc of Taxes)

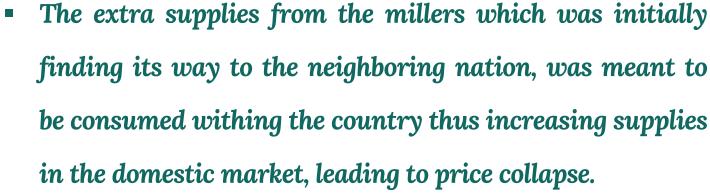


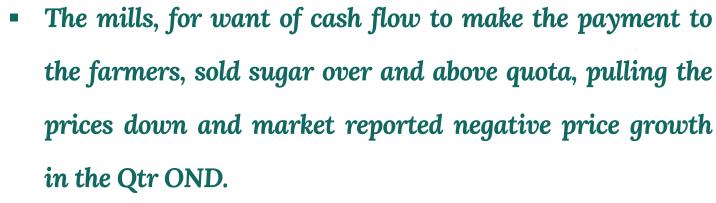
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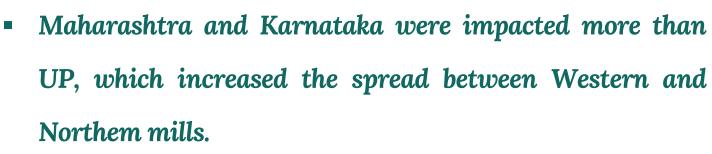
Uttar Pradeh - % Price Change Year on Year

Indian Sugar prices recorded a very poor quarter of OND in terms of prices



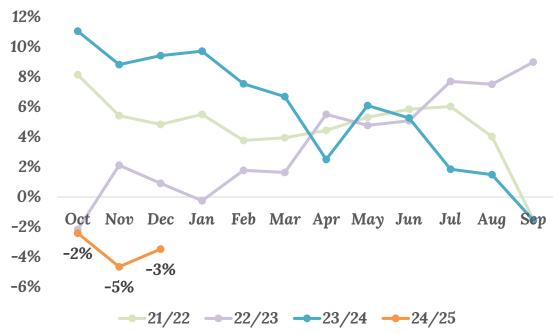


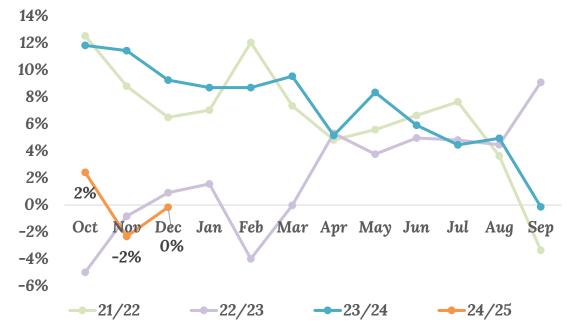




Maharashtra % Price Change Year on Year

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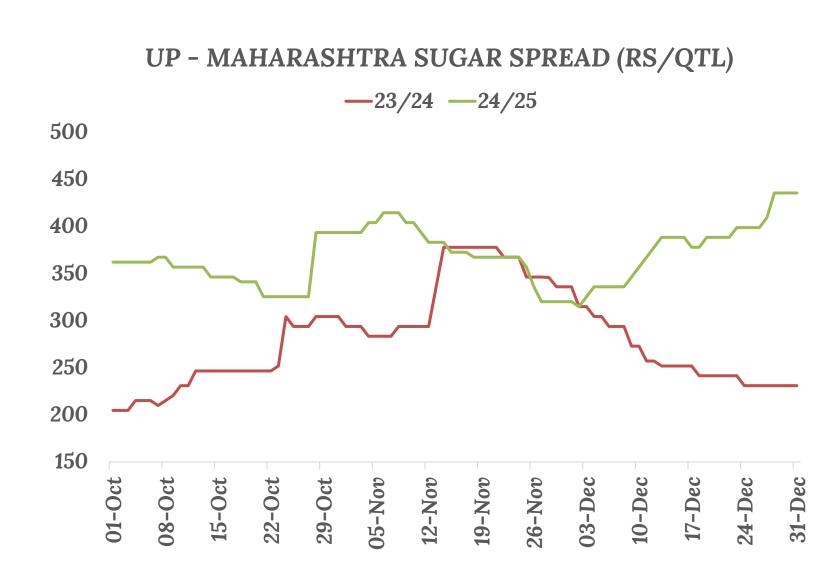






# GAME OF SPREADS: UP & MAHARASHTRA SUGAR PRICES

- UP sugar prices did not report the same kind of fall as Maharashtra and Karnataka
- This increased the spread between Northern and Western sugar mills
- The price spread as can be seen has made a new high if compared with last year.
- How long will this spread sustain? Not for long as the Maharashtra and Karnataka mills will start to find demand in North and East India basis these prices.
- Thus, the spread should come down in coming months to bring equilibrium in the market,
- This spread can sustain in case, there is acute shortage of sugar in western region, pushing demand to Northern Millers or opening of Exports which allows sugar from Western region to move out, taking out surplus sugar from domestic market. Latter looks to be a distant







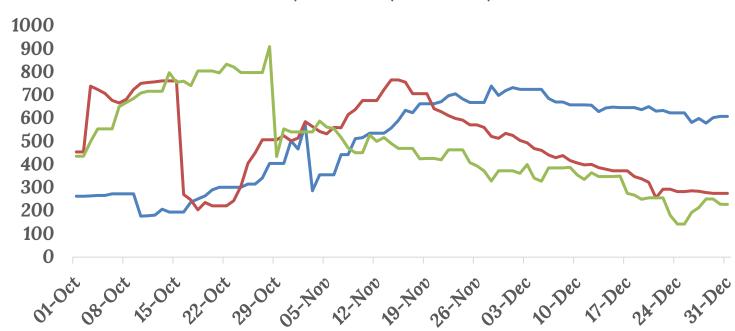
#### **ALTERNATE SWEETNER**

UP: GUR PRICES (RS/QTL)

- UP Gur prices posted a strong performance in the Quarter of OND just as it did last year.
- The Gur prices have moved in the same trajectory as last year with little change from last year prices.
- Due to the subdued Sugar prices in the OND quarter and strong Gur prices, the spread between the two commodities has narrowed and is trading at lowest levels during the quarter.
- Gur production will face challenge as the Sugarcane production is down and gur producers will have to bid away cane from the Millers to produce gur.
- The cost of production of Gur will be more this season, thus expecting a strong price performance from Gur during the ongoing 24/25 season as low cane production and high costs shall push gur for storage and will be released when prices are lucrative.



UP: SUGAR & GUR PRICE SPREAD

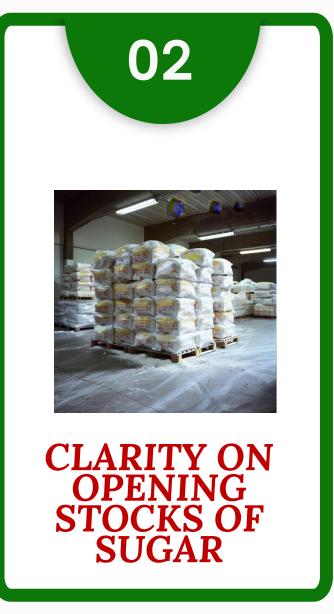


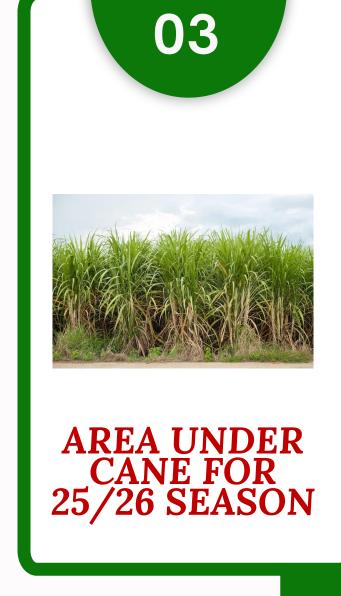




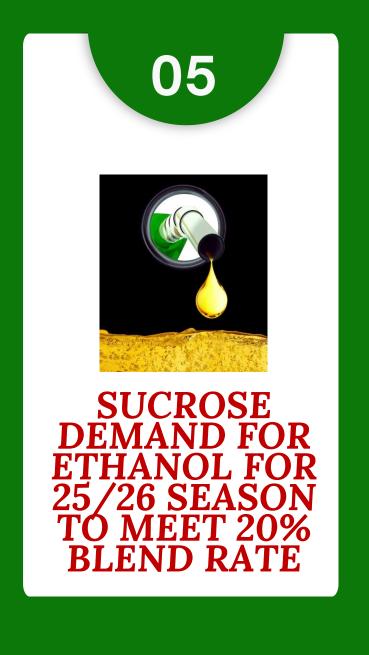
# FACTORS TO WATCH BEFORE ALLOWING EXPORT OF SUGAR FROM INDIA 24/25 AND 25/26 SEASON











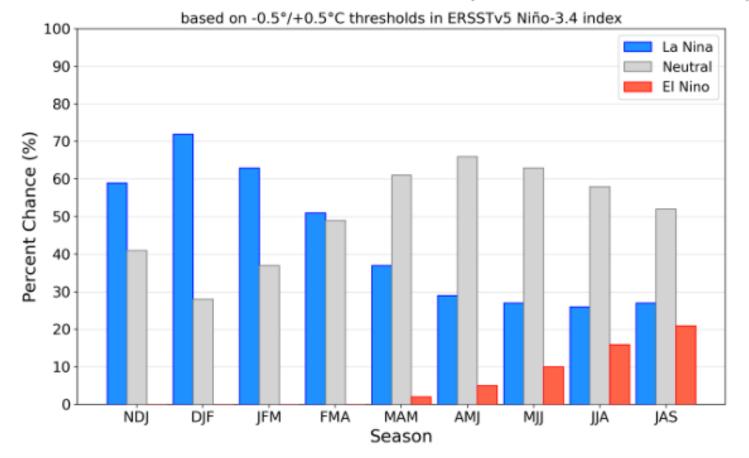




# WEATHER SHALL BE CRUCIAL FOR 25/26 & 26/27 SUGARCANE PRODUCTION IN INDIA

- ENSO Status LA NINA WATCH
- La Nina conditions most likely between Nov 24-Jan 25 (59% Chance), with a transition to ENSO neutral mostly likely by
   March May 2025
- ENSO probability showing the emergence of El NINO MAM Qtr
   onwards which shall be before the Indian monsoon sets in
- Probability of El Nino rising to 20% by JAS qtr which shall be peak of Indian monsoon.
- Will have to keep a close watch on transition of La Nina to El
   Nino, crucial for Indian production
- Not only for 25/25 but for 26/27 too

#### Official NOAA CPC ENSO Probabilities (issued December 2024)



Aus Govt : Bureau o	of Meteorology
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Niño3.4 probabilities						
Month	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	Jun 2025
Niño3.4	-0.7 °C	<b>-0.4</b> °C	-0.2 °C	-0.1 °C	0 ℃	0.3 ℃
below −0.8 °C	13.1%	6.1%	8.1%	2.0%	2.0%	0%
neutral	86.9%	93.9%	91.9%	98.0%	96.0%	91.9%
above 0.8 °C	0%	0%	0%	0%	2.0%	8.1%





# ETHANOL DEMAND TO DECIDE IF THERE WILL BE ANY SUCROSE SURPLUS FOR EXPORTS TO WORLD MARKET FROM INDIA

#### GRAIN BASED FEEDSTOCK

#### **CANE BASED FEEDSTOCK**



Qtr	Sugarcane Juice	ВНМ	СНМ	Damaged Food Grains	Maize	TOTAL
Q1	1110	140	30	220	960	2460
Q2	740	300	30	210	920	2200
Q3	20	510	20	240	1300	2090
Q4	80	370	20	400	1680	2550
TOTAL	1950	1320	100	1070	4860	9300
Feedstock Requirement	2.8	1.2	0	2.7	12.8	19.4

- BASIS OMC TENDER 4 MMT OF SUCROSE FOR ETHANOL
- ADD DEMAND OF PVT PLAYER, TOTAL SHOULD REACH APPROX 4.3 MMT AD PROJECTED BY GREENLEAF
- NEED TO WATCH THE GRAINS ETHANOL PERFORMAN CE FOR ITS INCAPACITY TO MEET THE PROJECTED DEMAND, MIGHT PUT MORE PRESSURE ON SUGAR FEEDSTOCK TO MEET DEMAND FOR 20% BLEND IN 2025-26





# PENDING GOVT POLICIES



# ETHANOL PRICE REVISION

Again, pending since long & industry expecting announcement soon. Hike may be moderate in range of INR 1.50 – 3 per ltr for Juice and BHM.





### MSP OF SUGAR

Long awaited, likelihood of it coming soon. Tentatively between INR 35-35.50 per kg from current INR 31 per kg.



### **SUGAR EXPORTS**

Demand from Industry body continues, least possible unless Govt thinks otherwise. Potentially to be discussed during Q2/3 of 2024.

# THANK YOU & WISHING ALL A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR



