# **Urea Offtake Surged by 5.6% YoY in Jan-23**

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UREA Price Per Bag (Rs.)			Rs.)	DAP Price Per Bag (Rs.)			NP Price Per Bag (Rs.)				CAN Price Per Bag (Rs.)					
Jan/23	Dec/22	Change	% Change	Jan/23	Dec/22	Change	% Change		Jan/23	Dec/22	Change	% Change	Jan/23	Dec/22	Change	% Change
2,691	2,512	<b>▲</b> 179	▲ 7%	9,724	9,571	<b>▲</b> 153	▲ 2%		5,577	5,295	▲ 282	▲ 5%	2,390	2,325	<b>▲</b> 65	▲ 3%

Urea offtake has increased by 5.6% YoY in Jan-23 and clocked at 631K tons as compared to 598K tons SPLY. Cumulatively, Urea offtake witnessed a growth of 4.3% YoY in CY22. Furthermore, DAP offtake has decreased by 15% YoY during Jan-23 and clocked at 96K tons as compared to 113K tons in SPLY. Meanwhile, cumulative DAP offtake has decreased by 36% in CY22.

Company-wise, FFC, FFBL, and FATIMA witnessed a decline of 4.1%, 83.4%, and 49.9% respectively in Urea offtake in Jan-23 as compared to SPLY, whereas EFERT observed an improvement of 3.2% YoY. Cumulatively, FFBL and FATIMA showed a growth of 8.2% and 25.2% while FFC and EFERT witnessed a decline of 1.4% and 15.7% respectively in Urea offtake in CY22. Furthermore, cumulative DAP offtake for FFC, FFBL, and EFERT decreased by 63.3%, 17.7%, and 11.2% respectively in CY22.

Though post floods, the agricultural activity has started to resume, going forward, we expect the demand of the sector to remain dicey in coming months owing to post-floods liquidity challenges suffered by the farmers in addition to higher prices of fertilizers. With the discontinuation of subsidized RLNG and the imposition of GIDC and super tax in addition to devaluation of rupee and surge in finance cost, the margins of the fertilizer companies are expected to remain tight. Moreover, to reduce fiscal deficit, the government may consider reducing or rationalizing subsidies on the agriculture.

Industry (000' Tons)	Jan/23	Jan/22	YoY	Dec/22	MoM	CY22	CY21	YoY
Urea	631	598	5.6% ▲	833	24.2% ▼	6,616	6,343	4.3% ▲
DAP	96	113	15.0% ▼	158	39.2% ▼	1,204	1,881	36.0% ▼
NP	64	48	32.4% ▲	145	55.7% ▼	741	845	12.3% ▼
CAN	67	76	12.4% ▼	143	53.5% ▼	868	908	4.4% ▼
Urea (000' Tons)								
FFC	216	225	4.1% ▼	223	3.0% ▼	2,461	2,495	1.4% ▼
FFBL	6	33	83.4% ▼	55	90.0% ▼	523	483	8.2% ▲
EFERT	215	209	3.2% ▲	221	2.3% ▼	1,935	2,296	15.7% ▼
FATIMA Group	45	90	49.9% ▼	147	69.4% ▼	984	786	25.2% ▲
DAP (000' Tons)								
FFC	9	6	45.5% ▲	2	487.2% ▲	70	192	63.3% ▼
FFBL	54	62	13.2% ▼	112	51.9% ▼	661	804	17.7% ▼
EFERT	22	23	5.7% ▼	31	30.6% ▼	264	297	11.2% ▼

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PE	Price to Earnings Ratio	PB	Price to Book Ratio	BVPS	Book Value Per Share
EPS	Earnings Per Share	DPS	Dividend Per Share	ROE	Return of Equity
ROA	Return on Assets	SOTP	Sum of the Parts	JPB	Justified Price to Book

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