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BRAZIL RESUMES POSITION OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST SOY PRODUCER

With this year's super harvest, revised upwards by the IBGE, Brazil resumes from the United States the position of the world's largest soy producer. American projections indicate that Brazil will also consolidate its position in the next harvest, reinforcing the good performance of Brazilian agriculture, even in the midst of the covid-19 pandemic. In total, Brazil is expected to harvest a record of 247.4 million tons of grain in the harvest that ends this year, 2.5% above 2019, according to the IBGE. For Conab, whose updated estimates were also released yesterday, the total production of the 2019/2020 crop should reach a record 251.4 million tons. IBGE also expects the greatest harvests in history for coffee and cotton. Soy production will be the main responsible for this year's super harvest. In the IBGE estimates 119.9 million tons in the harvest ended in the first semester, 5.6% above production in 2019. In Conab's calculations, 120.88 million tons were up, 5.1% increase compared to the 2018/2019 harvest. For the next harvest, 2020/2021, Brazil should be ahead again, since the United States should produce 112.3 million tons of soy, while Brazilian producers should harvest 131 million tons, renewing the record.

Source: *The State of São Paulo / Revista Dinheiro Rural*

SUGAR PRODUCTION INCREASED 23.34% IN THE LAST 15 DAYS OF JUNE

With 47.42% of the sugarcane destined for sugar production, compared to 37.06% registered on the same date in 2019, the sweetener production increased 23.34% in the last fifteen days of June this year and reached 2, 73 million tons, against 2.21 million tons verified in the same fortnight of the previous year. The volume of manufactured ethanol reached 1.96 billion liters in the second half of June, 596.30 million liters of anhydrous ethanol and 1.36 billion liters of hydrous ethanol. Of this total amount, 88.63 million liters were manufactured from corn. In the accumulated since the beginning of the 2020/2021 harvest until July 1, sugar production reached 13.30 million tons, against 8.94 million tons verified on the same date of the 2019/2020 cycle. "In addition to market conditions, the better quality of the raw material has favored sugar production. With approximately 40% of the harvest so far, an increase of 4.35 million tons in sugar production has been observed", stated the technical director of UNICA, Antonio de Padua Rodrigues. According to him, of this amount, 657 thousand tons of sugar resulted from the increase in crushing and the remainder, 3.70 million tons are the result of the change in the production mix, which allowed the growth of sugar production. The accumulated production of ethanol, in turn, totaled 10.00 billion liters, being 2.82 billion liters of anhydrous ethanol and 7.18 billion liters of hydrous ethanol. Of the total manufactured, 506.93 million liters of biofuel were produced from corn.

Source: *Jornal Cana*

GRAIN HARVEST 2019/2020 HAS THE POTENTIAL TO REACH A RECORD VOLUME OF 251.4 MILLION TONS

Brazilian grain production is expected to be 251.4 million tons in the 2019/2020 harvest. The record performance in agriculture is mainly due to the soybean and corn harvests, responsible for around 88% of production. The data are contained in the 10th Grain Survey carried out by the National Supply Company (Conab) and released this Wednesday (08). In this harvest, Conab estimates the largest harvest ever recorded for oilseeds, with a production of 120.9 million tons. The good result was obtained, despite the climatic problems registered

mainly in Rio Grande do Sul, with a national average productivity record higher than that of the last harvest. The reflection of good production can be seen in exports of the product. In the first half of this year, the country exported 60.3 million tons of grain, an increase of 38% compared to the same period last year. The increase in the dollar exchange rate against the real contributed to this number, increasing the competitiveness of the Brazilian product in the international market. Soy and other agribusiness products contributed to a balance of approximately US \$ 36 billion in the trade balance, something around R \$ 190 billion. Corn production is also expected to be the highest on record. With the harvest carried out in 25% of the 2nd cereal harvest, the expectation that Brazil will have a production exceeding 100 million tons.

Source: *Universo Agro / DATAGRO*

ANEC RAISES ITS JULY FORECAST FOR EXPORTS OF SOYBEAN, HIPRO AND CORN

On July 7, the National Association of Cereal Exporters (Anec) raised its forecast for Brazilian soybean exports in July to 8 million tons, up from 7.25 million projected in the previous week. With this, shipments of oilseeds are predicted to reach a cumulative total for the first seven months of this year of around 69.57 million tons, based on the schedule of vessels leaving ports. The entity also raised the forecast for corn exports, from 3.9 million tons at the beginning of the month, to 5.16 million tons for July. As a result, the projection for cereal exports in the year up to the end of July is now 7.7 million tons. For hipro, the increase was 200,000 tons, to 1.7 million, causing exports between January-July to reach an estimated 10.1 million tons.

Source: *Reuters*

CNI SURVEY SHOWS 57% OF BRAZIL'S EXPORTERS HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY THE PANDEMIC

The National Industry Confederation (CNI) conducted a survey with exporting and importing companies to measure the impact of the new coronavirus pandemic on Brazilian foreign trade. The data revealed that the majority of companies were negatively affected. Among exporters, 57% registered a drop in the invoiced amount. Among importers and those that invest in foreign countries, the drop was even greater, at 70%. The survey, carried out between June 2-10, evaluated data on 197 companies dealing in foreign trade in April and May and is the second survey done by the entity to assess the impact of the pandemic on Brazil's foreign trade. Despite the study showing a negative picture, in comparison with the first edition, the data indicates that the fall in the value of exports has slowed. In February and March, the drop in invoicing had been 80%, significantly more than that recorded in the months of April and May. The forecast for the next 60 days is that exports of 36% of the companies consulted will be negatively affected, which points to a further slowdown in the fall compared with April and May. Among importers, seven out of ten companies registered a drop in the value of operations and 26% of those affected said that they had retracted more than 50% in the last 30 days. Despite this, the projection for the next 60 days is that this index will fall by almost half (36%).

Source: *Datamar News*

ALMOST 30% OF SOYBEAN EXPORTS IN JUNE WENT OUT OF SANTOS PORT

The port of Santos accounted for 29% of soy exports in Brazil in June 2020, according to data from the Foreign Trade Secretariat (Secex) of the Ministry of Economy. Of the 13.75 million tons shipped in the country, about 3,989 left the Santos terminals. With this, the port of Santos leads in the shipments of oilseeds in the month and also in the

year. There, 19.598 million tons of the 60.35 million tons exported from January to June this year came out. The volumes, both for July and for 2020, are more than double that exported by the second place, the port of Paranaguá (PR), which totaled 1.742 million tons in June and totals 9.116 million in the year. The third largest soybean exporting hub in Brazil in June was the port of São Luis (MA), with 1.634 million tons. In the year, the port of Maranhão exported 5.569 million tons. The port of Rio Grande (RS) accounted for 6.032 million tons in 2020. In June, the port exported 1.529 million tons, ranking fourth among the main points of shipment of the national product. The port of Santos was also the main responsible for hipro exports in June, shipping 749.3 thousand tons of the by-product. Paranaguá was in second place, with 522.8 thousand tons and Rio Grande in third, with 205.4 thousand. Brazil exported 1.66 million tons of bran in the month. In the year, they are 8.51 million tons.

Source: Canal Rural

NEW BATHYMETRY INCREASES CAPACITY AT PECÉM PORT

The document Portaria No. 21 / CPCE, issued by the Brazilian Navy, through the Harbour Master of the Port of Ceará, defined the new maximum drafts for vessels using the access channels and berths of the Port of Pecém. In the document, signed by Captain of Sea and War Ricardo Barillo Cruz, an operational draft of 15.30 m were established for the new berths at the Pecém Multiple Use Terminal (TMUT): berths 7, 8 and 9. The statement came with the approval of the "Analysis of Maximum Recommended Drafts – Porto do Pecém" study, supported by the National Hydrographic Research Institute (INPH) and the Hydrographic Center of the Brazilian Navy (CHM). "We achieved this result in our new berths due to a technique that regulated the marine soil, without any type of dredging, to increase the capacity to serve larger ships, especially large container ships," said the Logistics Development analyst at Complexo do Pecém, Felipe Guimarães. "With the drafts of the new berths defined, the terminal increases its operational capacity by being able to receive ships up to 366 meters in length with the capacity to transport approximately 14,000 TEU – these are cargo vessels that are among the largest in the world. And I add that next month we will receive the largest ship to dock in the history of Pecém Port", concluded Danilo Serpa, president of Complexo do Pecém.

Source: Datamar News

PORTS OF PARANA CLOSE THE FIRST HALF OF 2020 WITH 13% HIGH IN MOVEMENT

The ports of Paraná handled 28.1 million tons of cargo in the first half of 2020. The number confirms a series of records achieved by the Paranaguá and Antonina terminals in the first six months of the year and is 13% higher than that registered in the same 2019 period, when there were 25 million tons. The biggest growth was in exports: 18%. About 18.5 million tons of cargo left Brazil through the ports of Paraná. Last year, that volume was 15.7 million tons. Imports in the ports of Paraná grew 4% in the first half. About 9.6 million tons of cargo entered Brazil through the ports of Paranaguá and Antonina. In 2019, in the same period, the volume of cargo landed was 9.2 million tons. The greatest increases were registered in the movement of general cargo (12%) and fertilizers (8%). General cargo was imported more than 2 million tons this year, against 1.8 million in the first six months of last year. Fertilizers are the main solid bulk of imports. In the semester, the volume handled increased from 4.4 million tons. In 2019, in the same period, 4.1 million tons were landed.

Source: Agência Estadual de Notícias do Estado do Paraná / Global Fert

CARGO HANDLING IN FORTALEZA GROWS 9% IN THE 1ST HALF

The Port of Fortaleza registered a 9% growth in cargo handling in the first half of 2020 compared to the same period last year, despite the economic crisis caused by the new coronavirus. The increase was driven by the products: wheat, slag, clinker, manganese, magnesium, rebar, and steel billet and oil products. Solid bulk grew 19% in June compared to the same month of 2019, from 909,195 tons to 1,080,406 tons. With the second best performance, the overall load appears, registering an increase of 10.5%, (+ 20,459t). Liquid bulk remained practically stable, going from 1,030,956 tons to 1,041,000 tons. From January to June this year, solid bulk accounted for 46% of total movement and liquid bulk for 45%. In the same period last year, they were 43% and 48%, respectively. The general cargo remained stable at 9%.

Source: Diário do Nordeste

PUBLIC SILOS IN THE PORT OF PARANAGUÁ REGISTER RECORD PERFORMANCE

The public silos at the Port of Paranaguá registered the highest volume of shipments in the last ten years. The amount of soybeans, in grain and bran, amounted to almost 1.66 million tons in the first half of this year, an increase of 67.8%, in relation to the volume shipped by the complex in 2019 (about 988.4 thousand tons). The structure is managed by the public company Portos do Paraná and is part of the Export Corridor complex at the Port of Paranaguá. The Port of Paranaguá has two public silos: one vertical, dedicated to soybeans, with a capacity to store up to 100 thousand tons; and four horizontal, with total capacity for 60 thousand tons of soybean meal. Through these structures, companies that do not have their own terminals in Paranaguá operate. For the efficiency of the process, Portos do Paraná uses the Export Corridor Logistics System (Silog), which analyzes a series of variables for scheduling unloading in public silos.

Source: Datamar News

AFTER REGISTERING CASES OF COVID-19, BULK CARRIER IN QUARANTINE AWAITS AUTHORIZATION TO LEAVE SANTOS

The crew of the bulk carrier MV Seajoy awaits authorization to close the quarantine and leave the Port of Santos, on the coast of São Paulo, where the vessel spent 14 days moored, after confirming two positive cases of the new coronavirus among crew members. According to information obtained by G1 on Tuesday (7), the vessel docked at the Santos pier and loaded 63,520 tons of soybeans between June 19 and 21. However, after the positive diagnosis of the crew, the National Health Surveillance Agency (Anvisa) determined the ship's quarantine. From the dock, located in Warehouse 39 of the port, where the soy was loaded, the ship sailed towards Barra de Santos, on June 23, where it remains in quarantine until this Tuesday. According to Anvisa, a new survey to detect possible sources of contamination will be carried out. If the survey does not reveal irregularities or new cases of Covid-19, the vessel will be authorized to operate or leave the Port of Santos. According to Santos Port Authority, Santos port authority, MV Seajoy is currently the only vessel in quarantine in the anchorage area of the complex.

Source: G1 / Portos e Navios

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