

PULSES

June 12 - June 17, 2006

Highlights

Spot Markets

- IMD forecast for revival of monsoon
- Pakistan Seeking Indian Chana
- Trading Slows in Pulses Markets

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Futures Market

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Fundamentals

URAD:

Sentiments started firming up again in Urad markets. Weather has been fussy in south. Mild ease came from latest forecast by Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) calling for revival of monsoon. Suspicious about weather forecasts, stockists decline to ease their quotes, while millers opted to stay away awaiting some ease from weather. Burmese are taking advantage of frills here on weather factor. However, no big deals have been yet reported with Burmese under such uncertainty. Stock of urad is reported well in Myanmar. Traders said that in areas where dry spell extended for long in south, farmers might switch some areas from urad, moong to tur crop, as tur could be sown late. Prices of urad in south have risen due to good demand for seeding. In Gulbarga, prices of urad for seed have appreciated as high as 40% of normal cost.

Urad Prices in Delhi and Mumbai (Rs/qtt.)

Date	Burma FAQ 2005 (Delhi)	Loyal Grade-UP/Bihar (Delhi)	Burma spot FAQ 2005 (Mumbai)
12.06.06	3250	NA	3200
13.06.06	3250	NA	3211
14.06.06	3250	NA	3200-3211
15.06.06	3250	NA	3191-3200

16.06.06	3300	NA	3250
17.06.06	3250-3275	NA	3200

Urad Prices in secondary markets

QUALITY	10.06.06	17.06.06
Akola	3200-3300	3500
Indore	2900-3200	2900-3200
Vijaywada	3600	3550

International Price Offer For Urad, FAQ, SQ New: \$/MT CNF (Mumbai/ Chennai) 90 Days

Date	F A Q	S Q
10.06.06	620	675-700
17.06.06	600-610	675-690

TUR:

Tur markets featured dull trend through the week. Demand remained poor, which traders blame to seasonality. Weather is little problematic in southern state, but had not much impact on tur markets. Sowing of the same could be done even in July. Conventional varieties of pigeon pea mostly sown in India are long duration varieties. Some short-duration varieties have also been introduced, which are not yet popular. Stock of the same is good, but stockists still carry optimistic outlook. Interest of importers has faded

as are finding hard to sell the imported tur in domestic markets on quality concern and increased volatility in domestic markets.

Tur Prices at Delhi / Mumbai (Rs/qrt.):

Date	Burma Spot Delhi	Maharashtra Line (Delhi)	Burma Spot Mumbai
12.06.06	NA	2000	1725-1750
13.06.06	NA	2000	1750
14.06.06	NA	1980	1725
15.06.06	NA	1980	1725-1750
16.06.06	NA	1980	1700
17.06.06	NA	1975-1980	1680

Tur Prices in secondary markets

QUALITY AND CENTRE NAME	10.06.06	17.06.06
Gulbarga - Red Tur	1800	1825-1850
Latur Red tur (Mh Line)	1900-1925	1900-1925
Latur White tur (Mh Line)	1850-1900	1850-1915
Jalna Red	1800-1850	1825
Jalna White	1900	1850
Jalna BDM	1925	1900
Akola Red Marathwada Line (motor cut)	1890	1900
Akola Red Vidharbha Line (motor cut)	1860-1865	1880
Vijaywada Local	1800	1775

International Price for Tur USD/MT CNF (Mumbai) 90 Days

DATE	Burmese (FAQ/lemon/ Shwebo)
10.06.06	350
17.06.06	350

MUNG:

Mung markets featured lackluster trading. Demand for the same has dropped in physical markets in order to accommodate the high price factor. Also, increased availability of summer crop in different states weighed on values. Import of the same has slowed due to disparity. Prices for the same are still high in international markets.

Latest prices in Delhi (Rs/qrt.)

Date	Kekdi/ Kishangarh (Delhi)	Shekhawati (Delhi)
10.06.06	3400	3350
17.06.06	3375	3250

International Price Offer for Moong USD/MT CNF (Mumbai) 90 Days

Date	Burmese Pokako	Burmese Annashewa	Burmese Pedishewa
10.06.06	650	NA	NA
17.06.06	650	NA	NA

CHICKPEAS:

Reports of Pakistani seeking Chana kept chana markets in bullish mood. Also, weather woe in South was taken as another supportive item. Pakistan government has approved import of 1.50-lakh chana dall. Of the total only 50,000 ton would be channelized through Trading Corporation of Pakistan (TCP), while rest one lakh ton is allowed to be imported through private importers. Many Indian exporters are keener in exporting the same to the private importers, where deals will be settled on negotiations, rather than competing with blind bidding for TCP tender. Traders are expecting most of their requirement obviously will be fulfilled from India due to proximity and availability factor.

Desi Chickpea Price Change in Delhi and Indore (Rs/qrt.)

Date	Rajasthan (Delhi)	M.P. (Delhi)	Indore (Kantewala)
12.06.06	2425-2430	2425	2360-2365
13.06.06	2450-2465	2430-2435	2340
14.06.06	2400-2430	2400-2425	2330-2335
15.06.06	2425	2425	2330-2335
16.06.06	2425	2400-2410	2350-2365
17.06.06	2425	2400	2335

Prices in Mandies of Maharashtra/ UP/ Karnataka

Centres	10.06.06	17.06.06
Gulbarga New	2200	2225
Latur (Gauran)	2150	2200
Latur (Annagiri)	2250	2300-2325
Jalna (Gauran)	2200	2200
Jalna (Pila)	2250	2225
Akola (Mixed) motor cut	2300	2335
Akola new (Chapa) motor cut	2375	2375
Kanpur (mandi rates)	2425	2385-2390

LENTILS:

Masoor markets continued to feature lack luster trading.

According to traders, export this year has remained subdued due to reduced availability and less competitive prices in the global market. Conventionally, we export of mostly chotti grade masoor, of which acreage is reported to have reduced on year basis, as farmers in Tarai area switched to other lucrative crops like dhan etc. Productivity further was affected by less friendly weather through the season. Contrarily, both production and productivity was satisfactory in other major exporters in west, which compete with us for export in Middle Eastern countries.

Prices in Delhi/ UP/ Indore (Rs/ctl.)

Date	MP/Kota Line (Delhi)	UP/Sikari (Delhi)
12.06.06	1975-2000	2450
13.06.06	1975	2450
14.06.06	1975	2450
15.06.06	1975	2450
16.06.06	1975	2450
17.06.06	1975	2450

Prices at Secondary Centres (Rs/qt)

Date	Indore Masra	Indore Masoor	Indore Medium	Kanpur	Bareilly
12.06.06	1960	1850	1750	1940	2015
13.06.06	1860	1850	1750	1940	2015
14.06.06	1850	1840	1750	1920	2000
15.06.06	1850	1840	1750	1910	2000
16.06.06	1860	1850	1750	1910	2000
17.06.06	1850	1840	1750	1920	2000

FIELD PEAS:

Pea markets observed weak trend. As expected, frequency of import has increased this year due to lucrative prices in domestic markets and increased availability in the exporting nations. According to traders, chana has been highly volatile, so many industries, which use pea as an alternative, have increased their proportion of pea usage.

Peas Price Movement (Rs/qt)

Offers	Kanpur New	Mumbai Peas
10.06.06	1290-1300	1251
17.06.06	1270	1190

NEWS

Pakistan government is highly cautious against rising prices of pulses. Recently, the Economic Coordination Committee (ECC) has approved import of 1.50 lakh ton of gram dal. In

a meeting with honorable prime minister of Pakistan, ECC also had granted subsidy of Rs 8000 per MT to private importers. Out of this only 50,000 MT of chana will be channelized through TCP, while rest one lakh ton will be imported through private importers

Early this month on June 5, Pakistan State Minister of Finance Omar Ayub Khan during presentation of national budget 2006-07 in the national assembly had announced subsidy of Rs 2.5 billion for reducing prices of pulses in domestic markets. He further announced that Chana dall in Utility stores of Pakistan would be sold at Rs 30 per kg.

Government has further taken initiatives at district level. In Lahore district, government had set wholesale and retail prices of different pulses. Government set wholesale prices of gram pulses in the range of Rs 31 and Rs 35 per kg, while retail prices for the same were set between Rs 34-38 per kg. **Prices for masoor dal in wholesale were set at Rs 37 (unhusked) and Rs 41 per kg (washed) and retail price Rs 41 (unhusked) and Rs 45 (washed).** Wholesale price of dal mash was fixed at Rs 70 for unhusked and Rs 72 for washed, while in retail at Rs 74 and Rs 78. Prices for dall moong in whole sale were fixed between Rs 52-55, while in retail ranged Rs 57-60 per kg. Now, pulses are brought under consideration to have rotation with Saathi.

Glimpses - Future Markets (NCDEX)

Urad

Volumes also are low in Urad contracts, but futures remained highly volatile through the week. Traders blame high margin for low volume in urad contracts. Though NCDEX has made lot of amendments in specifications for urad, but kept the margin high for urad. Forecast for likely revival of monsoon pulled the futures off highs set on very first day.

Chana















Chana July Futures got caught in tight range after big initial fall. Both bullish and bearish factors are equally weighing. Traders also appeared worried about good stock of chana at accredited warehouses of NCDEX. As on June 15, 2006, stock of chana in accredited warehouses of NCDEX was at 10,038 MT. In Indore alone, stock of chana totals at 8621 MT. Reports that Pakistan is seeking more than one lakh ton of chana helped underpinning values. July was the most active contract for chana at NCDEX. Open Interest as

on June 16, 2006 against July contract at NCDEX was 174,980 MT.

Tur

After timid gains in the very first session, Lemon tur July futures kept falling all through the week. Forecast for revival of monsoon was blamed for weakness in the market. Overall trading remained low in both the available contract of Lemon tur. People in fact are not satisfied with the quality specifications approved for deliveries.

Crop -Weather Impact

Commodity	States	Weather	Impact
Urad	Andhra Pradesh	Clear 	Normal
	Karnataka	Isolated Shower 	Good
Tur	Maharashtra	Isolated Shower 	Good
	Maharashtra	Isolated Shower 	Good
	Karnataka	Isolated Shower 	Good
	MP	Clear 	Normal
Chana	Rajasthan	Clear 	Normal
	MP	Clear 	Normal
	Haryana	Clear 	Normal
	Punjab	Clear 	Normal
Lentil	UP	Clear 	Normal
	MP	Clear 	Normal
Field Pea	UP	Clear 	Normal
	MP	Clear 	Normal

*Valid till 20th June Source-IMD

Latest Vessel Position

- 'Thor Tribute' has berthed at Kolkata Port and continues to discharge 18,620 MT of peas. Multimode agents is handling the vessel. Kolkata Port is receiving 12,000 MT of peas from the vessel 'Falcon Traveller'. B Ghose agents is handling the vessel.
- Delivery of 6,800 MT of peas is continuing at New Mangalore Port from the vessel 'Blest Marine'. Sahi Oretrans agents is handling the vessel.
- Delivery of 5,658 MT of peas is continuing at Mumbai Port from the vessel 'Aston Prelude'. Sahi Oretrans agents is handling the vessel. Mumbai Port is receiving 8,500 MT of pulses from the

vessels 'Bounty 7'. The cargo was loaded from Yangon. Able Marine agents is handling the vessel. 'Dragonis' from Yangon has berthed at Mumbai Port and continues to deliver 14,800 MT of pulses. Able Marine agents is handling the vessel. The port is expecting 'Blest Marine' to deliver 39,700 MT of peas. These vessels will be handled by Sahi Oretrans agents.

International Highlight

India's Import Matrix for Burmese Pulses (Tonnes)

Pulses	Nov, 05	Dec, 05	Jan, 06	Feb, 06	March, 06
Black Matpea	12,628	9,979	24,427	14,973	31,539
Mung beans	5,998	8,774	13,472	12,608	27,084
Black Eye Beans	-	-	1,947	3,223	1,928
Chickpeas	407	-	-	-	358
Tur whole	11,127	10,135	12,067	5,951	12,039
Kidney Beans	1,883	138	161	1,103	2,057
Total	32,043	29,026	52,074	37,858	75,005

USDA

Monthly Total Exports of Burma (qty. in tonnes)

Months	2003	2004	2005
January	43,885	59,450	37,528
February	65,471	85,062	51,171
March	70,011	131,179	71,433
April	88,772	129,001	56,153
May	51,591	139,895	62,878
June	100,893	98,906	92,430
July	107,520	68,992	64,063
August	87,198	47,786	75,578
September	100,575	30,748	44,082
October	99,008	34,080	46,235
November	36,638	45,107	35,959
December	38,493	35,584	32,159
Total	8,90,055	9,05,790	667,869

(Source: Commerce Ministry, Myanmar)

Forex- 1USD= INR 45.920

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