

MAJOR ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Soymeal Markets Witnessed Firm Tone
- Rains Eased Trading in Rape DOC Market

DOMESTIC MARKET

Soy meal

A bullish sentiment is witnessed in majority of markets. The lower production in mills was reported. The domestic demand reportedly improved. The activity at port improved somewhat. The area under soybean cultivation has gone up from 76.10 LH to all time high of 79.53 LH. There is a report of some damage of soybean crop in Maharashtra as well as in Madhya Pradesh, but yet to assess the extent of damage. Higher soybean cultivation is reported in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra. It is expected to improve as cultivation is still continuing in Madhya Pradesh. The rainy season pressurised the market activities. The export demand reportedly improved somewhat. Recent outbreaks of bird flu in Thailand and Laos also lowered the export demand. A lower soybean production is estimated in the global level. The global oilseeds production estimates are also likely to down at 383.2 million tons, which are about 6.5 million less from the last year. Traders perceived that the market sentiments likely to steady or improve somewhat in the coming days.

Current vessel positions in different ports

Kandla Port is loading 10,300 MT of SBM to Vietnam on the vessel 'Young Xiang 9'. The vessel is being handled by Seaworld agents. 'Marine Blue' has berthed at Kandla Port and continues to load 16,000 MT of SBM to Vietnam. Shantilal agents is handling the vessel. Loading of 13,500 MT of SBM is expected at the port on the vessel 'IBI' to Japan. GAC agents will be handling the vessel. 'Naniwa' is expected at the port to load 9,000 MT of SBM. The vessel will be handled by Taurus agents. **Current Vessel Position**

Ports	Vessels	Vol. (MT)	Status	Desti-Nation
Kandla	Marine Blue	16,000	Expected	Vietnam
Kandla	Young Xiang 9	10,300	Expected	Vietnam

DOC of Soybean rates at different centers

Places	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)		
	29.08.06	28.08.06	Parity To
Indore (MP)	8000-8200	8000-8200	Guj, MP
Datia (MP)	8400	8400	Up, Bihar, Bengal, Nepal
Shivpuri (MP)	8300	8300	Up, Bihar, Bengal, Nepal
Nanded/Latur	9100	8800	Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Dhulia/Jalna	8700	8600	Mumbai

			Maharashtra
Nagpur (42/46)	8400-8700	8200-8500	Chattisgarh, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Sangli	9400	9400	Local and South
Solapur	9300	9300	Local and South
Kota	8400	8400	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana

DOC Port rate at different centers

Centers	FOR Price	
	29.08.06	28.08.06
Kandla	8850	8850
Mumbai	9000	9100

Rape/ Mustard Meal

Prices improved somewhat. Export demand has witnessed steady. Exporters are reportedly covered for their immediate demand and this led to decrease in export demand. Also, regular selling by Nafed has also regulating the market sentiments. Nafed is selling mustard in Rajasthan at Rs 1585 per qtl. Crushing is continuing as demand for Kachi ghani is good from eastern states. The DOC prices at Kandla and Mundra were quoted at Rs. 4725 and 4825 (in PP bags) respectively. Prices for the same at Jamnagar were quoted higher also at Rs 4725 per ton. Jaipur market was offered the same at slightly higher of Rs.3900 per ton. Indore offered lower at Rs.4150 per ton and Kota quoted the same at Rs. 3800 per ton. Steady to weak tone likely to prevailed in the market.

Sunflower Meal Rates at Different Centres

Places	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)	
	29.08.06	28.08.06
Chalisingaon	-	-
Khamgaon	5400	-
Rudrapur	4200	4150
Parli/Latur/Nanded	5400-5500	5400

Groundnut DOC

The groundnut market still remained weak on lower demand amidst good stock. groundnut whose coverage has plunged down from 53.54 to 43.23 lakh hectares (LH) mainly on account of drought condition in Andhra Pradesh, particularly Rayalaseema belt experiencing dry spell virtually through out July. In Andhra Pradesh, the acreage under Groundnut is down from 14.58 LH to 8.49 LH, while Gujarat has seen fall in area from 18.08 to 16.55 LH, as

farmers shifted from groundnut to cotton. Rainy season also weaken the market tone. The export demand is also reportedly steady at some lower side. The prices of groundnut meal (40%) were quoted steady at Rs. 6400 while **CBOT Soy Meal Futures as on Aug 28th.**

45% was offered also steady at 7000 per MT in Rajkot during Tuesday.

Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
Sep 06	162.0	162.0	158.8	158.9	-0.6
Oct 06	160.3	160.7	159.5	159.6	-0.5

Monsoon Outlook (28.08.06)

- ✍ Yesterday's low pressure area over north Bay of Bengal off north Orissa & West Bengal coast persists and is well marked. The system may concentrate into a depression. Under its influence, widespread rainfall with scattered heavy to very heavy falls are likely over Orissa during next 48 hours. Isolated heavy to very heavy falls are also likely over West Bengal & Sikkim, Jharkhand, Bihar, East Uttar Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and north Coastal Andhra Pradesh during the same period.
- ✍ The axis of the monsoon trough at sea level passes through Ferozepur, Roorkee, Gonda, Gaya, Midnapore and centre of well marked low pressure area northwest Bay of Bengal in a day or two which may subsequently increase rainfall activity over Orissa and Gangetic West Bengal.

Heavy Rainfall Warning:

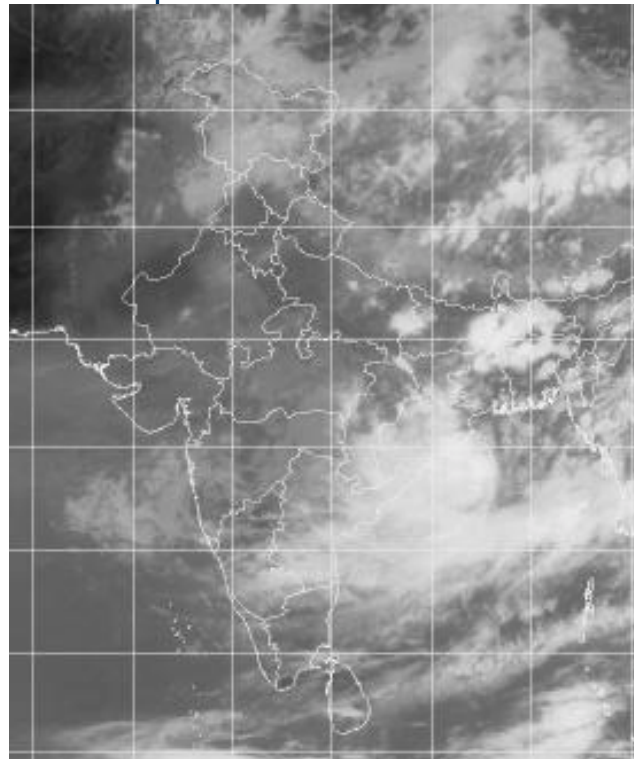
- ✍ Heavy to very heavy falls are likely at a few places over Orissa during next 48 hours. Isolated heavy to very heavy falls are also likely over West Bengal & Sikkim, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Bihar, East Uttar Pradesh and north Coastal Andhra Pradesh during the same period

Outlook for subsequent two days (Based on numerical weather products):

- ✍ Decrease in rainfall activity over Orissa and Gangetic West Bengal.
- ✍ Increase in rainfall activity over West Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat Region

Source: **GOI (IMD)**

Weather Map



Source-IMD

Forex

Forex rate as on 29.08.06

Country/ Continent	Currency	Value in Rupees
USA	Dollar	46.52
European Union	Euro	59.66
Japan	100 Yen	39.81
United Kingdom	GBP	88.31

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