

OILMEAL

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MAJOR ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Slight improved sentiments for soymeal.
- Rapeseed meal reflects bearish sentiments.

DOMESTIC MARKET

Soy meal

Rates for oilmeal were reported to have improved at domestic front [MP] due to firm edible oil sentiments and good offtake of beans. Whereas at other states rates remained range bound. However active trading could not be witnessed at ports as CBOT was reported to be closed. However loading and unloading of SBM continued. The Solvent Extractors' Association of India has just compiled the data for export of oilmeals for the month of November 2006 and reported at 583,250 tons compared to 321,692 tons in November last year i.e. up by 81%. The total export of oil meals during April to November 2006 is reported at 2,549,350 tons compared to 1,822,425 tons of last year i.e. up by 40%. The Soybean meal export jumped from 1,148,825 tons to 1,652,925 tons. Export of oilmeals to China during April to November 2006 sharply increased to 342,725 tons from 210,725 tons during the same period of last year. China mainly imported soybean meal to the tune of 85,850 tons. Vietnam has become largest importers of Soybean meal and imported over 462,000 tons.

DOC of Soybean rates at different centers

Places	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)		
	26.12.06	23.12.06	Parity To
Indore (MP)	9000-9100	9000-9100	Guj, MP
Datia (MP)	8600-8700	8600-8650	UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Shivpuri (MP)	-	-	UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Kota	8800-8900	8700-8800	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Nanded/Latur	8250-8450	8300-8500	Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Dhulia/Jalna	8600-8800	8600-8800	Mumbai Maharashtra
Nagpur (41/45)	8400-8500	8200-8350	CG, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Sangli	-	-	Local and South
Solapur	8700-8800	8600-8700	Local and South
Dharwar	9000-9200	9000-9300	Karnataka, Tamil Nadu

DOC Port rate at different centers (rates valid till 15th of Dec)

Centers	FOR Price (Buy price)	
	26.12.06	22.12.063
Kandla	9650	9550-9600
Jamnagar	9550	9400-9500
Mumbai	9650	9550-9600

Current vessel positions in different ports: -

Mumbai port: -

Vessel **Blue star-VI** is handled by Shaan Marine Services; it would load 6000 MT of SBM from Mumbai port.

Vessel **Qui Lin Men** is expected at Mumbai port on 26.12.06. Chowgule brothers would handle the vessel. It would load 6200 MT of SBM.

Kandla port: -

Vessel **M.V.IBI** has arrived at Kandla port. Sea World agent is handling the vessel. It would load 12,500 MT of SBM.

Vessel **M.V.Notto III**, handled by Taurus agents has berthed at Kandla port. It would load 10,000 MT of SBM.

M.V.Leonis was expected to arrive on 23.12.06. It would load 9000 MT of SBM from Kandla port. Taurus agent is handling the vessel.

Vizag port: -

Vessel **Ambassador** would load 4900 MT of SBM from Vizag port. Inter-ocean shipping agent is handling the vessel.

Vessel **Vietfracht** would load 7000 MT of SBM. Lotus Marine Service is handling the vessel.

Current Vessel Position

Ports	Vessels	Vol. (MT)	Status	Desti-Nation
Mumbai	Blue Star-VI	6000	Arrived	-
Mumbai	Qui Lin Men	6200	Berthed	-
Kandla	M.V.IBI	12,500	Expected	
Kandla	M.V.Notto III	10,000	Berthed	
Vizag	Ambassad or	4900	Berthed	
Vizag	Vietfracht	7000	Berthed	

Rape/ Mustard Meal

Rates for rapeseed meal remained range bound on account of normal demand from animal feed industry in Rajasthan and nearby states. The DOC prices at Kandla were quoted at Rs.5000-5100 in [PP bags] and in Mundra it is offered in a range of Rs. 5000-5100. At Jamnagar it is offered at Rs 4900. At Jaipur market the rate quoted stood at Rs.4200-4300 per ton. The Solvent Extractors' Association of India has just compiled the data for export of oilmeals for the month of November 2006 and reported at 583,250 tons compared to 321,692 tons in November last year i.e. up by 81%. The total export of oil meals during April to November 2006 is reported at 2,549,350 tons compared to 1,822,425 tons of last year i.e. up by 40%. Rapeseed meal export increased from 394,100 tons to 593,325 tons. China mainly imported Rapeseed meal to a tune of 210,475 tons. South Korea a traditional importer of rapeseed meal bought nearly 236,000 tons.

Sunflower Meal Rates at Different Centres [Not Available - NA]

Places	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)	
	26.12.06	23.12.06
Parli -Latur	NR	NR
Dharwar	NR	NR

Jalna	NR	NR
Solapur	NR	-
khamgaon	NR	-

Groundnut DOC

Rates for DOC improved on account of firm demand from dairy farms and animal feed industry in Gujarat amidst good rates offered for the nuts in different spot markets. Growers in AP and Karnataka have resorted to buy seeds from Gujarat due to limited carry forward stocks of nuts for sowing on account of reduced acreage and lesser production of groundnut in the previous season. Groundnut meal at 40% and 45% were quoted at Rs 7100 -7200 and Rs 7700 -7800 per MT respectively in Rajkot. As per SOPA, export of oil meals for the month of October 2006 was reported at 332,625 tons compared to 209,425 tons in October last year i.e. up by 59%. The total export of oil meals during April to October 2006 is reported at 1,966,100 tons compared to 1,500,733 tons of last year i.e. up by 31%. China was the main importer of groundnut meal for this year; the imports were to a tune of 43,200 tonnes till October 2006.

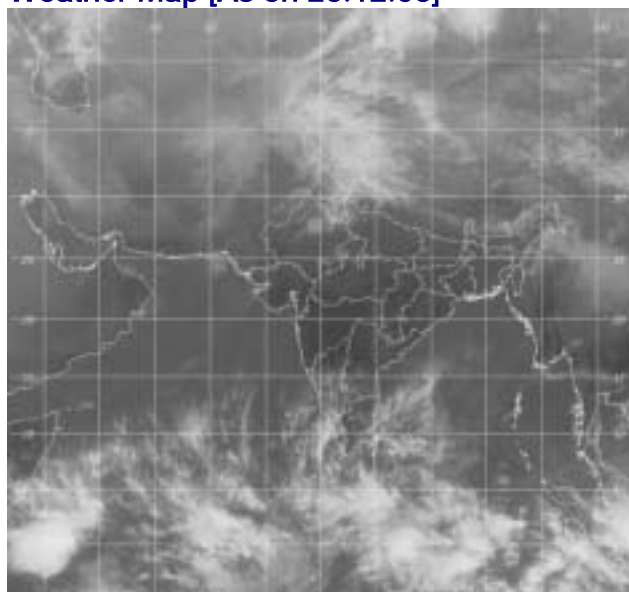
CBOT Soy Meal Futures as on December 22. [Market remained closed]

Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
Jan 07	185.0	187.5	185.0	187.2	+1.7
Mar 07	189.3	191.7	188.5	190.9	+1.5

Monsoon Outlook (26.12.06)

- Jammu & Kashmir has experienced light snowfall activity at a few places during past 24 hours. Light isolated rainfall has also occurred over West Rajasthan and Punjab. The ongoing precipitation activity may continue for another 24 hours and may also extend into Haryana, Chandigarh and Delhi, Himachal Pradesh and Uttaranchal.
- The night temperatures are above normal by 4-6°C over Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab, West Rajasthan and Gujarat under the influence of the western disturbance.
- The current meteorological analysis suggests that the western disturbance is likely to move eastwards tomorrow. Consequently, northwesterly winds are likely to prevail over the northwest India leading to fall in night temperature by 3-4°C from 28th onwards and also occurrence of fog at some places in the morning hours.
- Lowest night temperature in the plains of the country was 5.5°C recorded at Sultanpur in Uttar Pradesh.

Weather Map [As on 26.12.06]



Outlook for subsequent two days from 0830 hours IST of 29th December 2006 (Based on numerical weather products):

- Mainly dry weather over northwest India, Gangetic plains and adjoining areas of west and central India.

Source: GOI (IMD)

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FOREX RATE AS ON 26.12.06

Country/ Continent	Currency	Value in Rupees
USA	Dollar	44.54
European Union	Euro	58.45
Japan	100 Yen	37.45
United Kingdom	GBP	87.25

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