

OILMEAL

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MAJOR ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Firm sentiments for soymeal at ports.
- Rapeseed meal reflects steady sentiments.

DOMESTIC MARKET

Soy meal

Rates for soymeal scaled up against firm soymeal futures in overseas. Local processing mills and solvent extraction units were reported to have sold off meals in bulk, as open market prices are attractive. Persistent demand from poultry and livestock industry kept the rates steady at these levels. As per traders, SBM shipped from Kandla port has good export parity and thus sold off in bulk across southeast and Arab nations. As per official release from SOPA, exports of soymeal from Kandla port declined during Dec 2006 as compared to other ports namely Mumbai and Bedi ports. Exports of soymeal during Dec 2006 surpassed export figures of soymeal during same month for previous year by 2.70%. However, out of total oilmeal exported in Dec 2006, soymeal contributed a satisfactory share of around 81%. New vessels are waiting for vacant berths in order to load consignments for exports. No new vessel position is available as on date except for the ones cited in table. Congestion at ports is easing down and would normalize soon, as stated by market observers.

DOC of Soybean rates at different centers

Places	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)		
	18.01.07	17.01.2007	Parity To
Indore (MP)	9900-10,000	9600	Guj, MP
Datia (MP)	9700-9800	9400	UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Shivpuri (MP)	-	-	UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Kota	9600-9650	9400	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Nanded/Latur	9900	9400	Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Dhulia/Jalna	9900	9600	Mumbai Maharashtra
Nagpur (41/45)	9800-9850	9300-9400	CG, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Sangli	10,100-10,200	9800-9900	Local and South
Solapur		-	Local and South
Dharwar		-	Karnataka, Tamil Nadu

DOC Port rate at different centers

Centers	FOR Price (Buy price)	
	18.01.2007	17.01.2007
Kandla	10,800-10,900	10,600-10,700
Jamnagar	10,700	10,650
Mumbai	10,600	10,500

Current vessel positions in different ports: -

Kandla port: -

M.V.Leonis has arrived. It would load 9000 MT of SBM from Kandla port. Taurus agent is handling the vessel.

M.V. Pan Leader is waiting for berth and was expected to load 20370 MT of SBM on 16.01.07. Interoccean agent is handling the vessel.

Mumbai port: -

Vessel Victoria VI is expected to arrive on 19.01.07. Shaan marine services would load 3200 MT of SBM.

Vizag port: -

Vessel M.V Jinda has arrived at port and would load 6500 MT of SBM from Vizag port. Bothra shipping services is handling the vessel.

Vessel Chopol -II is arrived on 12.01.07 and would load 12,000 MT of SBM.

Current Vessel Position

Ports	Vessels	Vol. (MT)	Status	Desti-Nation
Mumbai	Victoria VI	3,200	Expected	
Kandla	M.V.Leonis	9,000	Waiting for berth	
Kandla	M.V. Pan Leader	20,370	Waiting for berth	
Vizag	Buyon -II	8,000	Expected	Korea
Vizag	Chopul	12,000	Expected	-

Rape/ Mustard Meal: -

Industry sources state that, animal feed industry has opted locally available rapeseed meal instead of DOC due to its easy availability and thus has become dearer at Rs 6200 per tons in comparison to locally available DOC available at Rs 5100 per ton. The FAS rates for rapeseed DOC was quoted in range of 118 to 122 USD. The DOC prices at Kandla were quoted at Rs 5100-5200 in [PP bags) and in Mundra it is offered in a range of Rs.5200-5500. At Jamnagar it is offered at Rs4800 - 4900. At Jaipur market

the rate quoted stood at Rs.4300- 4400 per ton. The rates offered at Kota stood at Rs 4300 per ton. As per official release of oilmeal export data from Solvent Extractors Association of India, the export of rapeseed meal for month of December declined by 7% in comparison to exports during November 2006. Except for locally available meal obtained from mills across mustard growing regions, sentiments for DOC remained steady and rates range bound.

Groundnut DOC: -

Rates for groundnut meal has improved considerably in comparison to previous levels on account of steady to firm sentiments for groundnut and groundnut oil in domestic market. As per official release of oilmeal export data from Solvent Extractors Association of India, the export of groundnut meal increased more than 300% over exports

during the month of November 2006. Groundnut meal at 40% and 45% were quoted at Rs 7600 and Rs 8100-8200 per MT respectively in Rajkot. Good prospects for Rabi groundnut production in Gujarat gave additional support to existing firmness to groundnut by-products too.

CBOT Soy Meal Futures as on January 17

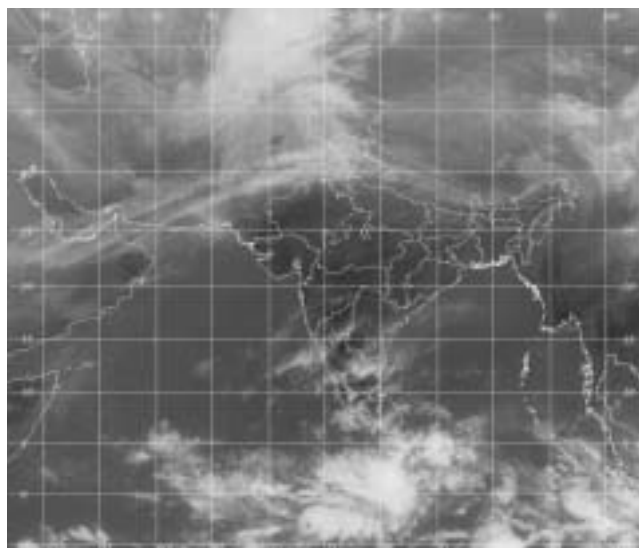
Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
Mar 07	211.5	214.2	209.5	213.8	+5.7
May 07	215.5	218.5	214.3	218.2	+5.8

Monsoon Outlook (18.01.07)

Chief Features:

- Under the influence of a western disturbance as an upper air system over Pakistan and adjoining Jammu & Kashmir, western Himalayan region is likely to experience scattered snowfall activity during next 48 hours. Isolated light rain/thundershowers are also likely over Punjab & north Haryana.
- Night temperatures have increased by 2-4 °C over plains of northwest India and Rajasthan and by 1-2 °C over Gangetic plains. Cold wave conditions prevailing over parts of Punjab have abated, however, they still continue to prevail over some parts of East Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Jharkhand. The current meteorological analysis suggests further increase in night temperatures by 2-3 °C over Indo- Gangetic plains during next 1-2 days and fall thereafter along with occurrence of fog in some areas.
- Lowest night temperature in the plains of the country was 1.3°C recorded at Amritsar in Punjab.

Weather Map [As on 18.01.07]



Source-IMD

Outlook for subsequent two days from 0930 hours IST of 21st January 2007 (Based on numerical weather products):

- Further fall in night temperatures likely over Indo-Gangetic plains and occurrence of fog also likely in

some areas.

Source: GOI (IMD)

FOREX RATE AS ON 18.01.07

Country/ Continent	Currency	Value in Rupees
USA	Dollar	44.25
European Union	Euro	57.36
Japan	100 Yen	36.58
United Kingdom	GBP	87.30

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