

OILMEAL

6th January, 2006

MAJOR ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Steady to weak sentiments for soymeal.
- Rapeseed meal reflects bearish sentiments.

DOMESTIC MARKET

Soy meal

With slight ease down in rates for soybean in open market prices, crushing margins have improved slightly at processors end, thus firming up demand for meals amidst firm soymeal futures at CBOT. Rates for soymeal improved at few places on account of the very observation cited above. 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)		
	05.01.07	04.01.07	Parity To
Indore (MP)	9000-9050	9000	Guj, MP
Datia (MP)	8800	8800	UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Shivpuri (MP)	8550-8600	8550	UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Kota	8800-8850	8800-8850	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Nanded/Latur	8800-8900	8800-8900	Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Dhulia/Jalna	9000-9100	9100	Mumbai Maharashtra
Nagpur (41/45)	8700-8800	8600-8650	CG, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Sangli	9500-9700	9500-9600	Local and South
Solapur	-		Local and South
Dharwar	-		Karnataka, Tamil Nadu

DOC Port rate at different centers

Centers	FOR Price (Buy price)	
	05.01.07	04.01.07
Kandla	9650-9750	9550-9650
Jamnagar	9550-9650	9500-9550
Mumbai	9650-9750	9550-9650

Current vessel positions in different ports: -

Mumbai port: -

Vessel Al -diyar- VI would load 2200 MT of SBM. It is expected on 03.01.07. Preetika Shipping agent is handling the vessel.

Vessel Zaid has arrived and would be ready by 06.01.07, it would load 8000 MT of SBM. Shaan Marine Services would be handling the vessel.

Badulu Valley was expected to arrive on 27.12.06 to load 3500 MT of SBM. Sai freight agent is handling the vessel.

Vessel Qui Lin Men is berthed at Mumbai port and would sail on 04.01.07. Chowgule brothers would handle the vessel. It would load 6200 MT of SBM.

Vessel Raj Milan would sail off on 04.01.07. It is berthed at Victorias dock. Rizvi Shipping agents is handling the vessel.

Kandla port: -

Vessel M.V. El Tango was expected to arrive on 04.01.07. It would load 28,000 MT of SBM. TSAS is the agent that would handle the vessel.

Vessel M.V.Anyuan is working at port to load 24,500 MT of SBM. Pearl SHG is handling the vessel. Expected time for sail is 30.12.06. Current status not reported.

Vessel M.V.Notto III is waiting for berth and is handled by Taurus agents. It would load 10,000 MT of SBM. Current status not reported.

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. Current status not reported.

Vessel AN Yue Jiang is waiting for berth to load 12,600 MT of SBM. Interocean 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.

Bedi:

Vessel **M.V. Luna Blue** is working at port to load 11,000 MT of SBM.

Vessel **Cresta Blue** is loading 11,000 MT of SBM.

Current Vessel Position

Ports	Vessels	Vol. (MT)	Status	Desti-Nation
Mumbai	Badulu Valley -VI	3500	Expected	-
Mumbai	Al-diyar-VI	2200	Expected	
Mumbai	Zaid	8000	Expected	
Mumbai	Qui Lin Men	6200	Expected	-
Kandla	EL Tango	28,000	Expected	
Kandla	M.V.Anyuan	24,500	Berthed	
Kandla	AN Yue Jiang	12,600	Waiting for berth	
Kandla	M.V.Notto III	10,000	Berthed	
Kandla	M.V.Leonis	9000	Waiting for berth	
Vizag	Ambassador	4900	Berthed	
Vizag	Vietfracht	7000	Berthed	
Bedi	M.V Cresta Blue	11,000	Loading	
Bedi	M.V Luna Blue	11,000	Loading	

Rape/ Mustard Meal

Except for locally available meal obtained from mills across mustard growing regions, sentiments for DOC remained steady and rates range bound. Normal to weak demand from animal feed industry have had its affect felt on domestic demand. Weak demand for edible oils in general prompted for overall weakness in oilmeal sentiments. Industry sources state that, animal feed industry has opted locally available rapeseed meal instead of DOC due to its easy availability and relative cheapness as compared to DOC. The DOC prices at Kandla were quoted at Rs 4900 - 5050 in [PP bags] and in Mundra it is offered in a range of Rs.4900 - 5000. At

Jamnagar it is offered at Rs4800 - 4900. At Jaipur market the rate quoted stood at Rs.4400- per ton. The rates offered at Kota stood at Rs 4200 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)	
	05.01.07	04.01.07
Parli -Latur	5700-5750	5700-5800
Dharwar		-
Jalna	5500-5550	-
khamgaon	5300-5400	5400-5500

[Note: - Data not available for sunflower meal]

Groundnut DOC

Rates for both qualities of meals remained range bound amidst lack of fresh demand and ready availability of other meals. Groundnut meal at 40% and 45% were quoted at Rs 7300 and Rs 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 January 04.

Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
Jan07	187.5	190.1	187.0	188.6	+0.8
Mar07	192.2	195.5	191.7	193.3	+0.9

Monsoon Outlook (04.01.07)

Chief Features:

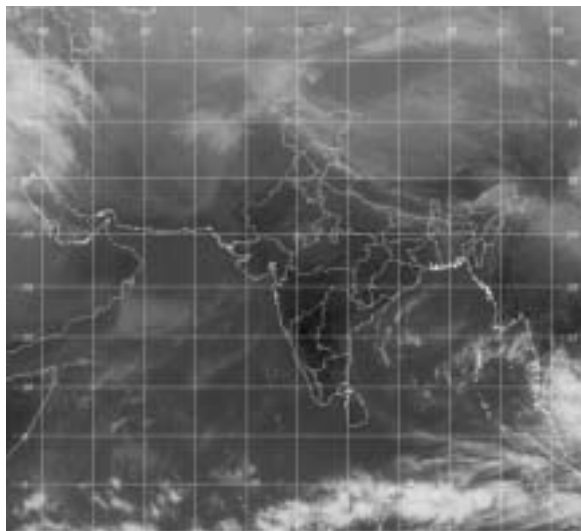
- Cold wave conditions prevailed at some places over Punjab and isolated pockets of Jammu division of Jammu & Kashmir, north Haryana, East Uttar Pradesh and Jharkhand. Night temperatures were 2-3 °C below normal over remaining parts of Gangetic plains. Ground frost was also experienced at some places over Punjab and Haryana. Night temperatures are likely to increase over plains of northwest India during next 24 hours.
- Under the influence of the western disturbance, located over north Pakistan and adjoining Jammu & Kashmir, isolated snowfall activity is likely over Jammu & Kashmir during next 24 hours. The precipitation activity is likely to increase and extend to Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand on 6th. Isolated rain/thundershower is also likely over Punjab, Haryana and northwest Uttar Pradesh on 6th.
- Lowest night temperature in the plains of the country was -2.2°C recorded at Adampur in Punjab.

Outlook for subsequent two days from 0830 hours IST of 8th January 2007 (Based on numerical weather products):

- Fog conditions and fall in night temperatures are likely over plains of northwest India.

Source: GOI (IMD)

Weather Map [As on 04.01.07]



Source-IMD

FOREX RATE AS ON 05.01.07

Country/ Continent	Currency	Value in Rupees
USA	Dollar	44.30
European Union	Euro	57.92
Japan	100 Yen	37.42
United Kingdom	GBP	85.83

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