

OILMEAL

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MAJOR ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Firm sentiments for soymeal in domestic market.
- Rapeseed meal reflects marginal improvement in rates.

DOMESTIC MARKET

Soy meal

Port delivery rates for soymeal stood steady, however domestic rates for soymeal stood firm at the back of good demand for meal by feed industry. Rates for meal are expected to stay firm as exports of meals are estimated to taper March onwards despite good crushing of beans. As per official release from Solvent Extractors Association of India, 3.51 lakh tonnes and 1.13 lakh tonnes of oilmeals were exported from Kandla and Mumbai port respectively during February 2007. Soymeal exported during Feb 2007 and Feb 2006 stood at 4.49 lakh tonnes and 5.87 lakh tonnes respectively. South Korea, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Japan were the importing countries in Asian continent whereas UAE, Jordan, Kuwait and Baharain were other countries in Middle East.

Soybean DOC: - rates at different centers

Places	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)		
	19.03.07	17..03.07	Parity To
Indore (MP)	10,500-10,600	10,600-10,700	Guj, MP
Shivpuri (MP)	-		UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Kota	10,600	10,600-10,650	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Nanded/Latur	10,600	10,600	Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Dhulia/Jalna	-	-	Mumbai Maharashtra
Nagpur (41/45)	10,600	10,400-10,450	CG, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Sangli	10,900	10,900	Local and South
Solapur			Local and South
Dharwar			Karnataka, Tamil Nadu

DOC Port rate at different centers

Centers	FOR Price (Buy price)	
	19.03. 07	17.03. 07

Kandla	11,400	11,400-11,500
Jamnagar	-	-
Mumbai	11,100-11,200	11,200

Current vessel positions in different ports: -

Kandla port: -

Hazel Ace is expected to load 9000 MT of SBM on 18.03.07. Taurus agent is handling the vessel.

Bedi port: -

M.V. Golden Win is loading 17,200 of SBM.

M.V. Royal Success is loading 2,40,000 MT of SBM.

M.V. Musashi is expected to load 10,500 MT of SBM. It is expected to arrive on 01.03.07.

M.V. Asian Rose is loading 8000 MT of SBM.

Mumbai port: -

Patton-1-VI was expected to arrive on 15.03.07. It would load 1800 MT of bagged SBM. Preetika agent is handling the vessel.

Badulu Valley VI is expected to arrive on 19.03.07. It would load 3,500 MT of SBM. Sai Freight Services is handling the vessel.

Vizag port: -

Areilla is expected to arrive on 27.02.07 to load 21,500 MT SBM. Duraflex services are handling the vessel.

Current Vessel Position

Ports	Vessels	Vol. (MT)	Status	Desti- Natio n
Kandla	Hazel Ace	9000	Expected	
Bedi	Royal Success	2,40,000	Working	
Bedi	M.V. Asian Rosalie	7.700	Loading	
Bedi	M.V. Musashi	10,500	Loading	
Bedi	M.V. Golden Win	17,200	Loading	
Mumbai	Badulu Valley-VI	3,500	Expected	
Mumbai	Patton-1-VI	1800	Expected	
Vizag	Areilla	21,500	Expected	

Rape/ Mustard Meal: -

RAP oil cake local was quoted at Rs 6300 per MT. RAP DOC local was quoted at 5200 per MT. The DOC prices at Kandla were quoted at Rs 5200 in [Jute bags] Rs5500 [PP Bags] and in Mundra it is offered in a range of Rs.5650. At Jaipur market the rate quoted stood at Rs.4600-4700 per ton. The rates offered at Kota stood at Rs 4200 4300per ton. As per official release from Solvent Extractors Association of India, exports of rapeseed extract for month of

January registered at 7.48 lakh tonnes was over and above the sales for Dec 2006 by 44.33%. Out of total meal exported during February, 3.51 lakh tonnes and 1.13 lakh tonnes of oilmeals were exported from Kandla and Mumbai port respectively. Export of rapeseed meal during Feb 2007 and Feb 2006 stood at 97,650 and 28,750 MT respectively. Rapeseed meal was exported to China, South Korea, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Japan.

Groundnut DOC: -

No significant change was observed on Thursday, prices stood at initial levels. Amidst scarcity of ready availability of groundnuts and decline in crushing of nuts rates for DOC has firmed up. Groundnut meal at 40% and 45% [Excluding VAT] were quoted at Rs 7800-7900 and Rs 8500-8600 per MT respectively in Rajkot. As per advance estimate released by COOIT, acreage and production of groundnut for 2006-07 would decline marginally. It further states that acreage for nuts would register an increase in Tamil Nadu and Orissa whereas production of nuts is

estimated to hike in Tamil Nadu and Gujarat. As per traders, the very observation is unlikely to affect routine trading for groundnut DOC in near term. As per official release from Solvent Extractors Association of India, exports of groundnut extract for month of January registered at 5000 MT declined sharply against the sales of 14, 250 MT during Dec 2006. Maximum export for the meal was reported from Bedi port, which handled around 65,650 MT of groundnut extract for the month of January 2007. Thailand stood as a sole importer for the very extract.

CBOT Soy Meal Futures as on March 16

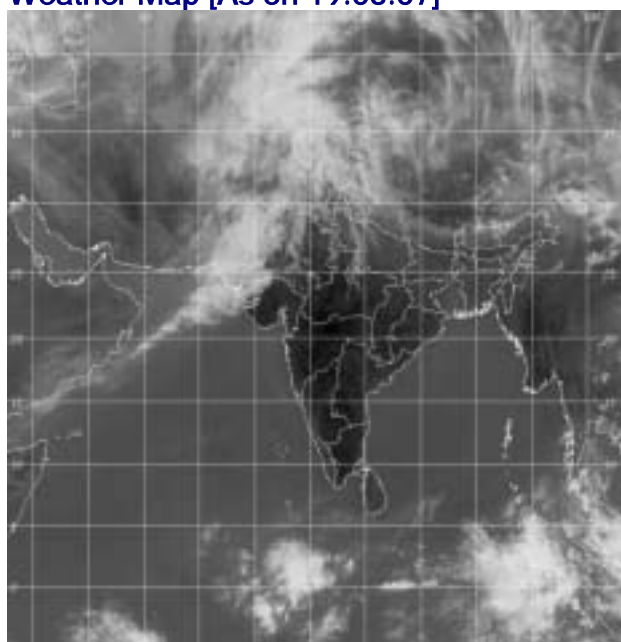
Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
Mar 07	216.5	219.5	215.5	218.0	+0.6
May 07	221.0	224.4	220.8	223.1	+0.6

Monsoon Outlook (19.03.07)

Chief Features:

- Currently, a western disturbance lies over north Pakistan and adjoining Jammu & Kashmir with its induced system over south Pakistan and adjoining West Rajasthan. The numerical weather prediction models suggest slow movement of the system. Under this scenario, precipitation is likely at many places over Western Himalayan region during next 3 days. Isolated to scattered rain/thundershowers accompanied with hail/squall is also likely over the plains of the northwest India and Rajasthan
- Both night and day temperatures are near normal over northwest India and appreciably above normal over Rajasthan and adjoining central India.
- The day temperatures are likely to fall on 20th & 21st, while the increasing trend in the night temperature is likely to continue for next 2-3 days over northwest India.

Weather Map [As on 19.03.07]



Source-IMD

Warning: -

- Isolated heavy precipitation is likely over Jammu & Kashmir during next 48 hours.
- Isolated hailstorm/squall is likely over northwest India and Rajasthan during the same period.

Outlook for subsequent two days from 0830 hours IST of 22nd March, 2007 (Based on numerical weather products):

- Decrease in precipitation activity over northwest India.
- Scattered light to moderate precipitation likely to continue over North Eastern States.

FOREX RATE AS ON 19.03.07

Country/ Continent	Currency	Value in Rupees
USA	Dollar	44.17
European Union	Euro	58.67
Japan	100 Yen	37.71
United Kingdom	GBP	85.58

Source: GOI (IMD)

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