

OILMEAL

16th March, 2006

MAJOR ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Steady sentiments for soymeal at ports.
- Rapeseed meal reflects marginal improvement in rates.

DOMESTIC MARKET

Soy meal

Soymeal rates at ports and in domestic market stood steady at previous levels and didn't register any significant change. The underlying reason for the steady sentiments were weak soymeal futures at CBOT at the back of slight support from domestic market (Feed industry). **Soybean arrival pressure for soybean in South America amidst slight weakness in corn and energy market added to bearish tinge.** 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)		
	15.03.07	14..03.07	Parity To
Indore (MP)	10,450	10,500	Guj, MP
Shivpuri (MP)	-	-	UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Kota	10,400	10,200-10,300	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Nanded/Latur	10,500	10,600	Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Dhulia/Jalna	-	10,500-10,550	Mumbai Maharashtra
Nagpur (41/45)	10,350-10,400	10,300-10,350	CG, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Sangli	10,800-10,900	10,800	Local and South
Solapur	-		Local and South
Dharwar	-		Karnataka, Tamil Nadu

DOC Port rate at different centers

Centers	FOR Price (Buy price)	
	15.03. 07	14.03. 07

Kandla	11,200-11,250	11,200-11,300
Jamnagar	-	-
Mumbai	10,800	10,900

Current vessel positions in different ports: -

Kandla port: -

Vessel M.V.Dauntless is expected to arrive on .01.03.2007. It would load 15,000 MT of SBM. Pearl SHG would handle 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	M.V. Dauntless	15,000	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: -

No significant change was reported on Thursday. RAP DOC local was quoted at 5200-5300 per MT. The DOC prices at Kandla were quoted at Rs 5200-5300 in [Jute bags] Rs 5500 [PP Bags] and in Mundra it is offered in a range of Rs.4600-4700 per ton. The rates offered at Kota stood at Rs 4200-4300 per 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 and Rs 8500 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 14

Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
Mar 07	214.3	214.3	212.5	212.5	-3.9
May 07	218.5	219.3	216.7	218.3	-2.5

Monsoon Outlook (14.03.07)

Chief Features:

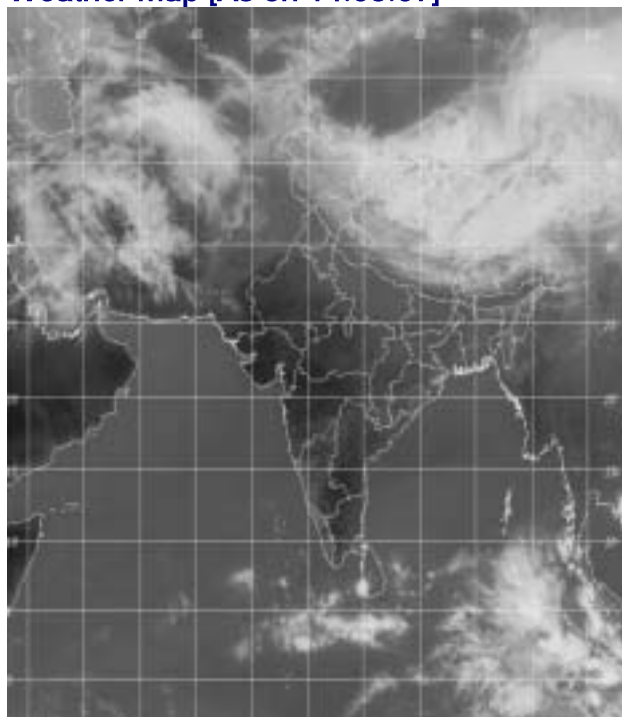
- The current meteorological analysis suggests that largely dry weather conditions are likely to prevail over most parts of the country during next 2-3 days.
- The night temperatures are 3-5 °C below normal over many parts of northwest India. The day temperatures are also below normal by 4-6 °C over this region. However, they are likely to register increasing trend from tomorrow onwards for the next 4-5 days.
- A fresh western Disturbance is likely to cause scattered light to moderate precipitation over Western Himalayan region from 17th night onwards for next 2-3 days.

Outlook for subsequent two days from 0830 hours IST of 17th March, 2007 (Based on numerical weather products):

- Scattered precipitation likely over Western Himalayan region

Source: GOI (IMD)

Weather Map [As on 14.03.07]



Source-IMD

FOREX RATE AS ON 15.03.07

Country/ Continent	Currency	Value in Rupees
USA	Dollar	44.20
European Union	Euro	58.47
Japan	100 Yen	37.72
United Kingdom	GBP	85.51

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