

SPOT MARKETS

Domestic red chillies markets in Guntur remained lacklustre during Monday's trade. It was quoted in a stable price range amidst higher arrivals. Prices have eased recently owing to weak demand. The bearish impact of 20 percent higher production estimates for the season is clearly visible in the markets at present. With supply offsetting demand, chilli prices are likely to continue the bearish trend in the coming days.

FUTURES MARKETS

Chilli futures at NCDEX opened higher than previous settlement and the most active June contract traded downwards to test an intraday low of Rs. 5030 at the early hours of trade. The futures recovered back to test an intraday high of Rs. 5178 during late hours of trading. The futures finished with some gains in final action. Most active June contract traded in the range of Rs. 5030-5178 during Monday's trade.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Moderate buying support at lower price levels
2. Diversion of crop arrivals towards cold storage

Bearish:

1. Domestic production is estimated higher due to increased acreage
2. Supply continue to offset physical market demand

WEATHER

Isolated rain/thundershower is likely over the region. Weather is not a crucial factor at present.

TECHNICALS

Candlesticks pattern indicates steady to firm opening and initial uptrend. 14-day RSI is moving flat in neutral region, leaving scope for both way movements. MACD has made a bullish crossover in negative territory. Prices closed below 9-day as well as 18-day EMA, hinting that short-term trend remains bearish. Volume as well as open interest has increased as compared to previous settlement. Red chillies futures are likely to trade upwards following a steady to firm opening with possibility some downward movements later in the session.

CHLL334GTR 0706(NCGTRM7)2007/04/30 - Daily B:5116.00 A:5118.00
O 5097.00 H 5175.00 L 5030.00 C 5125.00 V 22,050 I 10,580 +32
EMA(9) 5138.8 (18) 5297.2



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX June	4804	4959	5125	5306	5449

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Buy NCDEX June Chilli near Rs. 5050-5075 with a target of Rs. 5175 and then Rs. 5200 with a strict stop loss of Rs. 4875. Trade cautiously with intra day outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 40 to 45 Kgs
Guntur	LCA 334	3500-4200	50000

■ BLACK PEPPER

■ May 01, 2007

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Domestic pepper markets remained firm at the start of the week. It was quoted higher by Rs. 100 per quintal in Kochi markets amidst arrivals as well as offtake of 11 MT. Demand continues to remain weak from domestic as well as overseas buyers. However, the international price trend has supported the domestic markets. Prices in Vietnam as well as other sources are reported higher recently. Vietnam farmers are reported to have holding back their produce, while most of the other sources are out of stock at present. The long-term fundamentals continue to remain supportive for the markets.

FUTURES MARKETS

Black pepper futures at NCDEX opened lower than previous settlement and most active June contract traded upwards to test an intraday high of Rs. 15692 at the early hours of trade. The futures traded downwards thereafter to test an intraday low of Rs. 15300. The futures finished in negative territory after paring some of the losses in final action. Most active June contract traded in the range of Rs. 15300-15692 during Monday's trade.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Global supplies continues to remain tight
2. Vietnam crop size projected lower by 10-20 percent
3. Vietnam farmers holding back stocks

Bearish:

1. Profit taking at higher price levels
2. Weak demand in the physical markets

WEATHER

Isolated rain/thundershower is likely over the region. Dry weather conditions are favourable for the crop.

TECHNICALS

Candlesticks pattern indicates steady to weak opening and indecision in the market. 14-day RSI is moving flat in neutral region, leaving scope for both way movements. MACD is moving downwards, supporting the weakness in the market. Prices closed below the 9-day as well as 18-day EMA, hinting that short-term as well as intermediate trend remain bearish. Volume as well as open interest has increased as compared to previous settlement. Black pepper futures are likely to trade downwards following a steady to weak opening initially with possibility of upwards movement later in the session.

Pepper 0706(NCPEPM7)2007/04/30 - Daily B:15450.00 A:15465.00
O 15500.00 H 15692.00 L 15310.00 C 15460.00 V 19,496 I 13,307 -65
EMA(9) 15930 (18) 15934



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX June	14775	15066	15460	15937	16228

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Buy NCDEX June Pepper near Rs. 15300-15350 with a target at Rs. 15500 and then Rs. 15550 with a strict stop loss at Rs. 15175. Trade cautiously with intra day outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Tonnes)
Kochi	Garbled	14000	11
	Ungarbled	14600	

CUMIN

May 01, 2007

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Domestic jeera markets witnessed lacklustre trading activities on Monday in Unjha markets. Trading volume was thin in the markets with both arrivals as well as offtake levels remaining well below year ago levels. Lack of buying support has resulted in dampening the market trend. Concerns of crop output in this year continue to remain as a supportive feature for the markets. Production is projected lower this year owing to lower acreage in Gujarat and adverse weather conditions in Rajasthan. Prices are likely to remain weak in the coming days amidst weak buying support, though the long-term fundamental remains supportive.

FUTURES MARKETS

Jeera futures at the NCDEX opened higher than previous settlement and most active June contract tested an intraday high of Rs. 13579 at the early hours of trade. The futures traded downwards thereafter to test an intraday low of Rs. 13260. The futures finished with significant losses in late action. Most active June contract traded in the range of Rs. 13260-13579 during Monday's trade.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Estimations of lower acreage, lower production

Bearish:

1. Lacklustre trading activities in the market
2. Lack of buying support at physical markets

WEATHER

Isolated duststorm/thunderstorm is likely over Rajasthan. Mainly dry weather is likely over the rest region. Dry weather is favourable at this stage of the crop.

TECHNICALS

Candlestick pattern is indicating weak opening and initial downtrend. 14-day RSI is moving downwards in neutral region, leaving scope for further downtrend. MACD is indicating further weakness. Prices closed below the 9-day as well as 18-day EMA, indicating bearish trend in the market. Volume as well as open interest has increased as compared to previous settlement. Jeera futures are likely to trade downwards following a weak opening with possibility of some upward movements later in the session.

JEERA 0706(NCJEE7)2007/04/30 - Daily B:13328.00 A:13337.00
O 13515.00 H 13579.00 L 13260.00 C 13335.00 V 20,280 I 15,723 -175
EMA(9) 13680 (18) 13853



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX June	12869	13088	13335	13625	13845

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX June Jeera near Rs. 13350-13375 with a target of Rs. 13300 and then Rs. 13275 with a strict stop loss of Rs. 13425. Trade cautiously with intra day outlook.

Centers	Variety	Prices/20 Kg	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 55 to 60 Kgs
Unjha	F.A.Q	2250-2300	3000
	Ganesh	2450-2500	
	Machine Cleaned	2550-2600	

TURMERIC

May 01, 2007

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The week opened with a dull note. Sangli market remained closed due to political issues in the district. The arrivals at Duggirala were 2600 bags and traded between Rs.1700-1900/quintal down by Rs.50 against previous settlement. Currently there is no export demand and no fresh orders are placed as per traders and exporters however, inquiries are going on. Lack of export demand is due to the strengthening of the rupee against the dollar. We anticipate stockists to enter at the market at the lower level of prices.

FUTURES MARKETS

All the NCDEX futures contracts for Turmeric settled marginally on a lower side. In the May futures contract, the change in the close price and the open interest is suggesting accumulation of short positions however, the change in the close price is not significant to prove our assumptions right. The contract opened marginally low at Rs.2215/quintal as compared to previous settlement. The contract traded between Rs.2234 and Rs.2209 to close at Rs.2215/quintal slightly low by Rs.2 against previous close price. The volumes gained marginally as compared to Saturday's settlement. For June contract, we witnessed accumulation of short position amidst good volumes as compared to Saturday's trading session.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bearish:

1. Higher production estimates.
2. No fresh export orders
3. Low demand in the physical market.

WEATHER

Isolated rains and thunder showers is likely at the Tamil Nadu and Karnataka region, this will not affect the crop as most of the harvest and post harvest activity have already been carried out in these areas.

TECHNICALS

The candlestick formed a doji giving a indecisive signal to the bearish trend in the market amidst slight gain in volumes. Stochastic oscillator is steady in neutral zone. MACD is in positive territory heading downwards. The contract settled below the short term that is the 6-day EMA. EMA's are indicating a short-term bearish trend in the market. RSI is neither overbought nor over sold and heading towards the oversold region. We expect the contract to trade weak at lower levels.



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX May	2194	2204	2215	2229	2244

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX May contract at 2215-2220 with a target of Rs.2205 and Rs.2195 then Rs.2187 with a stop loss of Rs.2245.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 90 Kgs
Nizamabad	Finger	Closed	-
	Gattah		
Erode	Finger	1950-2050	9700
	Gattah	1950-2050	



■ CARDAMOM

■ May 01, 2007

SPOT MARKETS

As per the local auction traders currently, the climatic is cloudy and normal at the Idukki districts as well as IMD stated that thundershowers are expected at Kerala. The spot arrivals at the Bodinayakanur auctions were very low at around 3000-4000 kg Prices were traded at similar range at Rs.430-435 levels as compared to last week's prices. Very low demand in the domestic market failed to support the prices along with no export orders.

FUTURES MARKETS

The MCX benchmark cardamom May futures failed to sustain early gains and closed at lower levels. The volumes gained against previous trade and supported the price movements. We witnessed creation of fresh short position for the May contract as the market closed down by 1.12% at Rs.467.8/kg as compared to previous settlement price along with the marginal gain in open interest however the change in the open interest was not significant to prove our assumptions right. For the June contract, we witnessed liquidation of long position amidst gain in volumes supporting the price movement.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bearish:

1. Expected rains in Kerala.
2. Low demand in the market.

Bullish:

1. Low Production in India

WEATHER

Isolated rains and thundershower is likely over Kerala region. This will benefit the crop at the growing areas.

TECHNICALS

Cardamom candlestick close has indicated a bear dominated market. The gain in the volumes supported the prices. The contract closed below short term EMAs, indicating bearish trend in the market. MACD is in trading in the negative zone, which is suggesting bearish trend and indicates a sell signal. RSI is neutral n heading towards oversold region. We can expect the contract to trade test lower levels.



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
MCX May	459.2	463.5	467.8	475.5	483.2

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

We recommend intraday sell for the MCX cardamom May contract at Rs.468-474 with a first target of Rs.460, then Rs.454 and Rs.450 with a stop loss of Rs.484.

Auction Centre

Prices/Kg (7mm)

Arrivals (Kg)

Bodinayakanur

430-435

4000

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