

OILMEAL

29<sup>th</sup> May, 2007

## MAJOR ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Soymeal sentiments reflect steady sentiments.
- Rapeseed meal reflects steady market sentiments.

## DOMESTIC MARKET

### Soy meal

The FAS rates for soymeal at Mumbai port stood steady at \$ 262/MT. With further appreciation in value of rupees, export demand for soymeal would remain subdued. Soymeal prices showed slight improvement across domestic markets but stood range bound at ports amidst lack of overseas cues. Slight firmness in edible oils provided support to soymeal prices. CBOT would remain closed on Monday on account of extended weekend holiday for Memorial Day at US. Until then the domestic soy complex would track cues from BMD. The US Census Crush for April came in at 144.9 million bushels down from the March crush figure of 155.9 million bushels. The weekly soymeal sales in US were 1.37 lakh MT as compared to trade expectations between 50,000-125,000 MT. India's oilmeal export during April declined to 4.32 lakh MT from previous months exports of 7.55 lakh MT. Soymeal exports during same period dropped to 2.31 lakh MT from previous months exports of 5.46 lakh MT.

### Soybean DOC: - rates at different centers

Places	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)		
	28.05.07	26.05.07	Parity To
Indore (MP)	10,000	9,950-10,000	Gujarat, MP
Shivpuri (MP)			UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Kota	9950-10,000	9,900	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Nanded/Latur	10,200-10,250	10,200-10,250	Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Dhulia/Jalna			Mumbai Maharashtra
Nagpur (41/45)	10,000	10,000-10,100	CG, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Sangli	10,100	10,000-10,100	Local and South
Solapur			Local and South
Dharwar		-	Karnataka, Tamil Nadu

### DOC Port rate at different centers

Centers	FOR Price (Buy price)	
	28.05.07	26.05.07
Kandla	10,500	10,500-10,600
Jamnagar		
Mumbai	10,600	10,600

### Current vessel positions in different ports: -

#### Kandla port: -

Current vessel status unavailable.

#### Mumbai port: -

Vessel **Badulu Valley** is expected to arrive on 28.05.07. I would load 3400 MT of SBM. Sai Freight is handling the vessel.

#### Vizag: -

Vessel **Song Shan** is loading 6500 MT of SBM.

Vessel **Tan Binh 20** is loading 8600 MT of SBM. S. Chatterjee is the agent handling the vessel.

### Current Vessel Position: -

Ports	Vessels	Vol. (MT)	Status	Desti- Nation
Vizag	Tan Binh	8600	Berthed	
Vizag	Song Shan	6500	Arrived	
Mumbai	Badulu Valley	3400	Expected	

### Rape/ Mustard Meal: -

Lower domestic production of mustard during 2006-07 season, pressure of further increase in arrivals of imported oils, lower than expected carry over seed stocks with NAFED coupled with restricted selling by stockists is keeping expeller oil sentiments almost steady and prices of seeds range bound on lack of fresh fundamentals. RAP oil cake prices firmed up marginally to 6700 per MT from previous weeks prices of Rs 6600/MT. The DOC prices at Kandla were quoted at Rs 5000 in [Jute bags] Rs5700 [PP Bags] and in Mundra it is offered in a range of Rs.5500. As per official release of oilmeal export data SOPA, India's oilmeal export during April declined to 4.32 lakh MT from previous months exports of 7.55 lakh MT. Rapeseed meal export during April declined

to 1.08 lakh MT from previous months exports of 1.24 lakh MT. China bought the maximum of 65,175 MT

followed by South Korea 26,825.

#### Groundnut DOC: -

Under low realization for groundnut meal and oil, expellers were reluctant to speed up crushing. Arrivals of shelled groundnut in Rajkot markets surpass last week arrivals (12-30 thousand bags) by 35-70 thousand bags in current week. In Rajkot market shelled groundnut traded between Rs. 495-525 per 20 kg (bag), Exports of groundnut extract during April 2007 declined to 4500 MT [solely

exported to Thailand] from previous months exports of 13,100 MT. Rates for groundnut DOC stood range bound at Rs 7600 to 8200 /MT for 40% oil content whereas groundnut extract 45% was being sold at Rs 11,000 per MT. As per official release of oilmeal export data SOPA; exports of groundnut extract during April 2007 declined to **4500 MT [solely exported to Thailand]** from previous months exports of 13,100 MT.

#### CBOT Soy Meal Futures as on May 25.

Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
July07	219.0	219.5	217.8	218.2	+1.0
August07	220.7	221.0	219.9	220.6	+1.5

**Note: - CBOT IS CLOSED ON MONDAY.**

#### Monsoon Outlook (28.05.07)

##### Chief Features:

- Southwest monsoon has set in over Kerala today, the 28th May 2007. It has covered some parts of south Arabian Sea, entire Kerala, extreme southern parts of Tamil Nadu and some more parts of south Bay of Bengal.
- Conditions are favourable for further advance of southwest monsoon over some more parts of south Arabian Sea, some parts of coastal and south interior Karnataka, some more parts of Tamil Nadu and south Bay of Bengal.
- Under the influence of strong southwesterly current and an offshore trough extending from Karnataka coast to Kerala coast, widespread rainfall with isolated heavy to very heavy falls are likely to continue over Kerala during next 48 hours. The ongoing rainfall activity over coastal and south interior Karnataka and Tamil Nadu are likely to enhance during the same period.
- Under the influence of persistent western disturbance, scattered light rain/thundershowers are likely over northwest India till tomorrow and decrease thereafter.

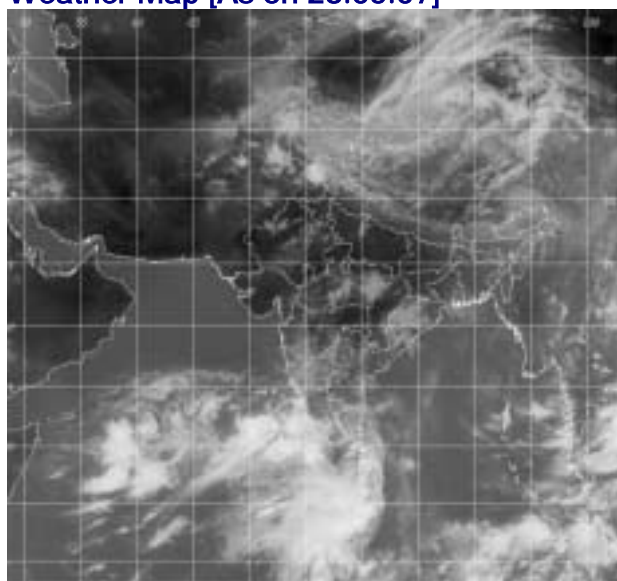
##### Warning (for next 48 hrs.): -

- Isolated heavy to very heavy rainfall is likely over Kerala, Lakshadweep Islands and Coastal Karnataka, northeastern States, Orissa and Gangetic West Bengal

#### Outlook for subsequent two days from 0830 hours IST of 31<sup>st</sup> of May, 2007 (Based on numerical weather products):

- Scattered to fairly widespread

#### Weather Map [As on 28.05.07]



Source-IMD

#### FOREX RATE AS ON 28.05.07

Country/Continent	Currency	Value in Rupees
USA	Dollar	40.53
European Union	Euro	54.52
Japan	100 Yen	33.32
United Kingdom	GBP	80.41

rain/thundershower activity is likely over south Peninsular India.

- Rise in day temperature over northwest India.

**Source:** GOI (IMD)

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