

■ BLACK PEPPER

■ July 28, 2007

SPOT MARKETS

Black pepper markets extended previous weakness further during Friday's trade. It was quoted lower by Rs. 200 per quintal in benchmark Kochi market amid arrivals as well as offtake of 8 metric tonnes. Notably, the arrivals as well as offtake were much higher at 150 mt and 85 mt on Wednesday and Thursday, respectively, suggesting seller's reluctance to sell at lower price levels. Demand, both domestic as well as overseas remain weak. European buyers are in holidays, while American buyers are on the sideline awaiting the new crop from Indonesia and Brazil.

FUTURES MARKETS

Black pepper futures at NCDEX opened lower than previous settlement and the most active September contract tested an intraday high of Rs. 15050 at the opening session of trade. Increased selling interest has pressurised the futures and the futures traded sharply downwards thereafter to test an intraday low of Rs. 14528. The futures finished lower by Rs. 467 or 3.04 per cent in final action. Most active September contract traded in the range of Rs. 14528-15050 during Friday's trade.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Near month open position limit revised upwards
2. Global supply shortage is estimated at 47,500 tonnes in 2007

Bearish:

1. Weak domestic and overseas demand

WEATHER

Rain/thundershowers are likely over many places in pepper growing region. It would be beneficial for the growth of newly planted as well as old vines.

TECHNICALS

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

Pepper 0709(NCPEPU7)2007/07/27 - Daily B:14616.00 A:14620.00
O 15050.00 H 15050.00 L 14531.00 C 14617.00 V 15,038 I 13,968 -468



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX Sept	14000	14287	14617	14940	15235

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX September Pepper near Rs. 14650-14675 with a target at Rs. 14550 and then Rs. 14525 with a strict stop loss at Rs. 14750. Trade cautiously with intra day outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Tonnes)
Kochi	Garbled	14400	8
	Ungarbled	13800	

CUMIN

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SPOT MARKETS

Domestic jeera markets remain quiet during Friday's trade. It was offered in previous price range in benchmark Unjha market. Arrivals remained steady, while offtake was lower than previous day. Traders reported presence of some export demand at the lower price levels as the only supportive feature for the market at present. Domestic demand remained subdued at present. Weakness in jeera futures counter has also pressurised the physical market trend. Long-term outlook on jeera remains positive owing to global production shortfall this year. However, prices may remain slightly weak in short-term on weak demand at present.

FUTURES MARKETS

Jeera futures at NCDEX opened lower than previous settlement and most active September contract tested an intraday high of Rs. 12720 at the early hours of trade. The futures traded downwards thereafter and tested an intraday low of Rs. 12510 during late hours of trading. The futures finished lower in final action. Most active September contract traded in the range of Rs. 12510-12720 during Friday's trade.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Near month open position limit revised upwards
2. Lower domestic and global production

Bearish:

1. Lacklustre trading activity
2. Subdued physical market demand

WEATHER

Rain/thundershowers are likely at many places over south Gujarat State. Rain/thundershowers are likely at a few places over the rest region outside West Rajasthan where it may be isolated. Heavy rainfall may limit regular trading activity.

TECHNICALS

Candlesticks pattern indicates steady to weak opening and initial downtrend. Prices closed below the 9-day as well as 18-day EMA, indicating a bearish trend in the market. 14-day RSI is neutral and moving downwards, leaving scope for further downtrend. MACD is moving indecisively in negative territory. Volume has increased, while open interest has declined as compared to previous settlement, suggesting position liquidation. Jeera futures are likely to trade moderately downwards following a steady to weak opening initially and upwards thereafter.

JEERA 0709(NCJEEU7)2007/07/27 - Daily B:12575.00 A:12595.00
O 12712.00 H 12720.00 L 12510.00 C 12593.00 V 9,423 I 13,056 -152
EMA(9) 12714 (18) 12763



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX Sept	12340	12450	12593	12749	12852

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX September Jeera near 12630-12650 with a target of Rs. 12550 and then Rs. 12510 with a strict stop loss of Rs. 12720. Trade cautiously with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Prices/20 Kg	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 55 to 60 Kgs
Unjha	F.A.Q	2460-2540	
	Ganesh	2600-2660	3000-3500
	Machine Cleaned	2760-2860	

SPOT MARKETS

Domestic prices for chillies at Guntur market remained unchanged as that of Thursday's trading session. Out of the total arrivals of 20000 bags traders managed to sell less than 10000 bags. Lack of buying interest was witnessed in the market. Lackluster export demand from Bangladesh failed to support prices. Prices are likely to remain range bound to slightly firm for short term. However the long term outlook for the commodity is bearish due to higher production estimates and ample of stocks.

FUTURES MARKETS

Red chillies most active August futures closed in negative territory on 3rd consecutive day down by 2.37percent at Rs.3826. The contract opened weak at Rs.3905 and did not breach further to make any high of the day and there after made an intraday low at Rs.3811 on selling pressure. The open interest was marginally low amidst subdued volumes. The change in close price and open interest is indicating long liquidation.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Technical correction is likely as futures market is oversold

Bearish:

1. Domestic production is estimated higher by 20 percent
2. Chilli acreage at Andhra Pradesh is likely to go up.

WEATHER

Rain / thunder shower is likely over coastal Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh. Rainfall during the time of initial sowing stage is beneficial for the crop.

TECHNICALS

Candlestick is indicating weak opening, and there after selling pressure in the market. Volumes were slightly weak and did not support the price movement. Prices closed below the 9-day and 18-day EMA, indicating weak trend in the market. MACD is neutral in negative territory. 14-day RSI is in neutral zone and moving downwards. Red chillies futures are likely to trade weak for the next trading session with a small spurt in prices during intraday on profit booking.

CHLL334GTR 0708(NCGTRQ7)2007/07/27 - Daily B:3819.00 A:3827.00
O 3905.00 H 3905.00 L 3811.00 C 3826.00 V 4,500 I 8,325 -90



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX August	3633	3725	3826	4168	4288

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX August Chilli at Rs. 3830-3845 with a target of Rs.3795 and then Rs.3783 with a strict stop loss of Rs. 3883. Trade cautiously with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 40 to 45 Kgs
Guntur	LCA 334 (Cold Storage)	3800-4400	20000

TURMERIC

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SPOT MARKETS

Domestic turmeric prices were traded steady to firm at all the major trading centers as against Wednesday. At Nizamabad, market the prices remained unchanged for the commodity amidst arrivals of 1000 bags and offtake all the arrivals at the market. Where as, at Erode the arrivals and offtake gained and were around 10000 bags however, the prices remained steady. Domestic demand was reported to be good where as export demand was weak as compared to week ago. Turmeric prices are likely to remain rangebound to firm for a medium term.

FUTURES MARKETS

Turmeric most active September futures at NCDEX opened weak by Rs.5 at Rs.2262. The futures during the initial trading session witnessed gained slightly to Rs.2267 and covered the gap. There after the prices made a steep fall and made an intraday low at Rs.2233. Open interest gained amidst good volumes. The change in close and open interest is indicating short accumulation. The contract then closed weak by 1.29 percent at Rs.2237 as against previous close price.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bearish:

1. Good stock level for the season.

Bullish

1. Low acreage is likely due to fall in prices last year
2. Good export demand in the market.

WEATHER

Rain/thundershowers are likely at coastal Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh. Rains at Maharashtra are beneficial for the crop at its initial growing stage.

TECHNICALS

Candlesticks are indicating weak opening, initial slight uptrend and there after active bears in the market. Volumes gained significantly and supported the price movement. Prices closed above the 9-day and 18-day EMA, supporting bearish trend. MACD is in negative territory and steady. 14-day RSI is neutral and moving down wards. Turmeric futures are likely to trade weak with small spurt in the prices.

Turmeric 0709(NCTMCU7)2007/07/27 - Daily B:2235.00 A:2237.00
O 2262.00 H 2267.00 L 2233.00 C 2237.00 V 13,830 I 28,460 -30



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX September	2193	2204	2237	2309	2326

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX September Turmeric at Rs.2242-2245 or above with a target of Rs. 2233 and then Rs. 2227 with a strict stop loss of Rs.2252. Trade cautiously with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 90 Kgs
Nizamabad	Finger	2160-2200	1000
	Gattah	1970-1980	
Erode	Finger	2200-2250	10000
	Gattah	2000-2050	



■ CARDAMOM

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SPOT MARKETS

Domestic prices for cardamom at weekly auction were quoted weak by Rs.30 at Rs.458 per kg as compared to week ago. Arrivals of around 7200 kg were sold completely. Local demand for the commodity was reported to be weak amidst negligible export demand. Cardamom prices at the auction are likely to remain firm for a medium term due to lower production by 20-30 percent for the season as compared to last crop season.

FUTURES MARKETS

MCX Cardamom most active August futures closed on a negative note significantly down by 3.45 percent at Rs.526 as against Thursday's close price. The futures opened weak at Rs.542.20 and there after a slight gain up to Rs.544.20 made a steep fall to Rs.525 on selling pressure. Open interest was low amidst low volumes not supportive to the prices. The change in close price and open interest is indicating low liquidation.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Domestic production estimated lower
2. Nearly 30-40 per cent of cardamom plants dried and dead

WEATHER

Rain/thundershowers are likely at most places at Kerala and Tamil Nadu. Heavy rains during the initial picking period may damage the crop.

TECHNICALS

Candlesticks are indicating weak opening and there after active bears in the market. Volumes were slightly weak and did not support the price movement. Prices closed below the 9-day and 18-day EMA, indicating that the trend favours the bears for the short term. MACD is positive and favours the bulls. 14-day RSI is in neutral region and moving downwards. Cardamom futures are likely to trade range bound to firm in the next trading session with a small consolidation in price.

CARDAMOM 0708(MXCAMQ7)2007/07/27 - Daily B:525.00 A:526.00
O 542.50 H 544.20 L 525.00 C 526.00 V 1,087 T 58,096 I 1,841 -18.8
EMA(9) 535.56 (18) 528.84



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
MCX August	503.3	510.8	526	561.2	571.3

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Buy MCX August Cardamom near Rs.519 or below level with a target of Rs.525 and then 538.6 with a strict stop loss of Rs. 511.9 Trade with intraday outlook.

Auction Centre

Prices/Kg (7mm)

Arrivals (Kg)

Vandanmedu

458

7200

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