

OILMEAL

16th August, 2007

MAJOR ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Soy & rapeseed meal reflect steady to slightly firm market sentiments.

DOMESTIC MARKET

Soy meal

The FAS prices for soymeal at Mumbai and Kandla port stood at \$ 276/MT and \$278-280/MT respectively. Soymeal prices surged up on second consecutive day after tracking firm soy futures at CBOT and improving offtake of soybean from millers/processors. Slight steady to firm sentiments for soybean across spot markets supported the prices of oilmeals namely soymeal. At CBOT, soy futures settled up on outlook of hot and dry weather which is likely to persist for two to three days more. Since soybean crop in US is in pod filling stage, a higher temperature is found to be detrimental for soybean production. Weekly export inspections, released during the session came in at just 3.83 million bushels as compared with trade expectations at 5-10 million. The NOPA monthly crush data is due on Tuesday. The Solvent Extractors' Association of India has just compiled the data for export of oil meals for the month of July 2007 and reported at 140,175 tons compared to 179,950 tons in July last year i.e. down by 22% . The overall export of oil meals for the period April 2007 to July 2007 is reported at 956,775 tons compared to 1,055,150 tons i.e. down by 9% due to in decreased in export of soybean meal from 685,425 tons to 491,600 tons and groundnut meal from 43,100 ton to 4,775 tons in first four months of current year due to failure of groundnut crop.

Soybean DOC: - rates at different centers

Places	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)		
	14.08.07	13.08.07	Parity To
Indore (MP)	10,700	10,600-10,650	Gujarat, MP
Shivpuri (MP)	10,950-11,000	10,700-10,800	UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Kota	10,600	10,500-10,550	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Nanded/Latur			Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Dhulia/Jalna	11,200-11,300	11,200-11,300	Mumbai Maharashtra

Nagpur (41/45)	NA	11,000	CG, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Sangli	NA	NA	Local and South
Solapur			Local and South
Dharwar			Karnataka, Tamil Nadu

DOC Port rate at different centers

Centers	FOR Price (Buy price)	
	14.08.07	13.08.07
Kandla	11,000-11,100	10,950
Mumbai	11,100	NA

Current vessel positions in different ports: -

No vessel carrying SBM reported at Kandla and Vizag port

Mumbai: - Vessel Splendor-VI was expected to load 5000 MT of SBM. Chowgule agent would handle the vessel. It would load 5,000 MT of SBM.

Current Vessel Position: -

Ports	Vessels	Vol. (MT)	Status	Desti-Nation
Mumbai	Splendor-VI	5,000	Expected	

Rape/ Mustard Meal: -

RAP DOC local was quoted at Rs 5400-5500/MT. The RAPE OIL CAKE at Mehsana was quoted at Rs 7200-7250/MT. Prices of MUSTARD OIL CAKE at Jaipur stood at Rs 6800-6850/MT. As per Solvent Extractors Association of India's press release, during the period of April-July 2007, Vietnam imported **24,975 tons of rapeseed meal**. South Korea imported **134,825 tons of rapeseed meal**. Japan imported 2,500 tons of rapeseed meal. China reduced the import from India due to better local crushing and imported only 65,175 tons of rapeseed meal during April to July 2007.

Groundnut DOC: -

Spot prices of groundnut oil continued to hold firm and stood at Rs 783/10kg in Rajkot on improving demand for edible oils on festive buying. Prices of groundnut DOC were unavailable. The Solvent Extractors' Association of India has just compiled the data for export of oil meals for the month of July 2007 and reported at 140,175 tons compared to 179,950 tons in July last year i.e. down by 22% . The overall

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CBOT Soy Meal Futures as on August 13.

Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
Aug 07	236.0	236.0	233.9	235.6	+3.1
Sep 07	238.0	238.5	235.5	237.0	+2.7

Monsoon Outlook (14.08.07)

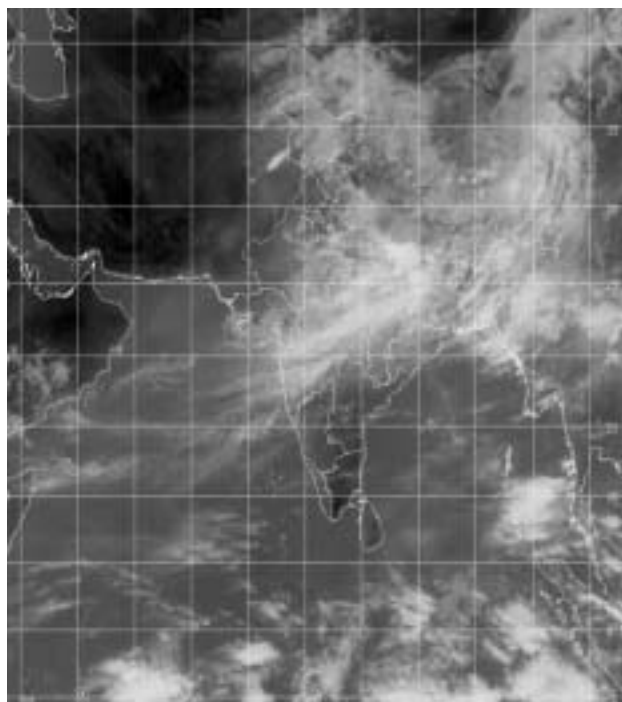
Chief Features:

- Yesterday's well marked low pressure area over Gangetic West Bengal and neighbourhood now lies as a low pressure area over Bihar and neighbourhood. Under its influence, widespread rainfall with scattered heavy to very heavy falls is likely over East Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, and Jharkhand during next 48 hours and decrease thereafter. Fairly widespread rainfall with isolated heavy to very heavy falls is also likely over north Chhattisgarh and East Madhya Pradesh during the same period.
- Widespread rainfall with scattered heavy to very heavy falls is also likely over northeastern states and Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim, during next 3-4 days.
- The axis of the monsoon trough passes through Ferozepur, Dehradun, Bareilly, Gorakhpur, centre of low pressure area, Bankura, Kolkata and thence southeastwards to east-central Bay of Bengal.
- The current meteorological analysis suggests widespread rainfall with isolated heavy to very heavy falls over western Himalayan Region during next 48 hours and decrease thereafter. Scattered rainfall is also likely over adjoining plains of northwest India.

Outlook for subsequent two days from 0830 hours IST of 16th of August, 2007 (Based on numerical weather products):

- Fairly widespread rainfall activity likely to continue over northeastern states.
- A fresh low pressure is likely to form over north Bay of Bengal around 18th.

Weather Map [As on 14.08.07]



Source-IMD

FOREX RATE AS ON 14.08.07

Country/Continent	Currency	Value in Rupees
USA	Dollar	40.69
European Union	Euro	55.42
Japan	100 Yen	34.51
United Kingdom	GBP	81.87

Source: GOI (IMD)

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