

■ BLACK PEPPER

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SPOT MARKETS

Black pepper markets continue to remain steady during Thursday's trade. It was offered in an unchanged price range in benchmark Kochi market amid no arrivals as well as offtake. Weakness in pepper futures market has pressurised the physical market trend. Traders are reporting some demand at the lower price levels as a major supportive feature for the market. Moreover, unwillingness of sellers' to sell at present lower price levels has also capped further decline in prices. Indian pepper continues to remain highly competitive in global markets after the recent decline in prices.

FUTURES MARKETS

Black pepper futures at NCDEX opened higher than previous settlement and the most active September contract tested an intraday high of Rs. 13448 at the early hours of trade. Profit booking capped further advances and the futures traded sharply downwards thereafter to test an intraday low of Rs. 12962 during late hours of trading. The futures finished lower by Rs. 179 or 1.36 per cent against previous settlement. Most active September contract traded in the range of Rs. 12962-13448 during Thursday's trade.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Global supply shortage is estimated at 47,500 tonnes in 2007
2. Export up 40% in quantity and 137% in value during April-June 2007

Bearish:

1. Moderate physical market 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 weak opening and initial downtrend. Prices closed below the 9-day as well as 18-day EMA, indicating a bearish trend in the market. MACD is moving downwards in the negative territory, supporting the weakness in the market. 14-day RSI is moving downwards in oversold region, 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 weak opening with possibility of some upward movements later in the session.

Pepper 0709(NCPEPU7)2007/08/09 - Daily B:12985.00 A:12986.00
O 13200.00 H 13444.00 L 12962.00 C 12985.00 V 21,161 I 12,956 -179
EMA(9) 13549 (18) 14021



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX Sept	12600	12815	12985	13430	13631

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX September Black Pepper at Rs. 13025-13050, with a target of Rs. 12925, then at Rs. 12875, with a strict stop loss of Rs. 13140. Trade with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Tonnes)
Kochi	Garbled	13500	-
	Ungarbled	12900	

CUMIN

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SPOT MARKETS

Domestic jeera markets remain on an average stable during Thursday's trade. It was quoted in an unchanged price range in benchmark Unjha market owing to steady arrivals as well as offtake. Activity was limited in the market due to rainfall over major trading centres. Presence of some overseas demand continues to provide the underlying support to the market. Jeera exports remain gloomy with export declining by 51% in quantity and 24% in value in April-June quarter of current fiscal year. However, the unit value realisation has increased significantly during the same period. Export is likely to improve in near future given the lower supply situation globally.

FUTURES MARKETS

Jeera futures at NCDEX opened marginally changed as against previous settlement and most active September tested an intraday high of Rs. 12450 at the early hours of trade. The futures traded downwards to test an intraday low of Rs. 12201. The futures finished lower by Rs. 135 or 1.09 per cent in final action. Most active September contract traded in the range of Rs. 12201-12450 during Thursday's trade.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Lower domestic and global production

Bearish:

1. Export down 51% in quantity and 24% in value during April-June 2007
2. Subdued physical market demand

WEATHER

Rain/thundershowers are likely at many places over Gujarat Region till Friday and decrease thereafter. Rain/thundershowers are likely at a few places over south Rajasthan and isolated over the rest region. 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 declined, while open interest has increased as compared to previous settlement. Jeera futures are likely to trade downwards following a steady to weak opening with possibility of some upward movements later in the session.

JEERA 0709(NCJEEU7)2007/08/09 - Daily B:12236.00 A:12242.00
O 12370.00 H 12446.00 L 12201.00 C 12236.00 V 12,090 I 12,675 -135
EMA(9) 12336 (18) 12430



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX Sept	11892	12075	12236	12572	12750

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX September Jeera at Rs. 12275-12300, with a target of Rs. 12175, then at Rs. 12150, with a strict stop loss at Rs. 12375. Trade with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Prices/20 Kg	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 55 to 60 Kgs
Unjha	F.A.Q	2490-2570	
	Ganesh	2630-2690	2000-2500
	Machine Cleaned	2790-2890	

CHILLI

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SPOT MARKETS

Domestic chilli prices at the benchmark Guntur market traded steady to slightly weak by Rs.50 amidst slightly weak arrivals as against previous trading session. Chilli prices were quoted at Rs.3800-4400 per quintal. Out of total arrivals of 32000-35000 bags around 20000-22000 bags were sold. Sluggish domestic and overseas demand failed to support the upmove in the prices. However good export demand is anticipated for days ahead. Chilli prices are likely to trade rangebound to weak for a short term.

FUTURES MARKETS

Red chillies most active September futures closed at Rs.4332 down by 0.91 percent as compared to previous close price. The contract opened weak at Rs.4350 and the futures after initial spurt at Rs.4425 witnessed selling coming in at higher levels and witnessed an intraday low at Rs.4297. Open interest gained marginally amidst low volumes not supporting the fall in prices. The change in close price and open interest is indicating short accumulation.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Good export orders from Bangladesh and Sri Lanka.
2. Water logging at Andhra Pradesh growing areas

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 south interior Karnataka, and north coastal Andhra Pradesh. Heavy rainfall and water logging is likely to damage the crop at its initial stage at Andhra Pradesh.

TECHNICALS

Candlestick is indicating weak opening and after initial spurt active bears in the market. Low volumes did not support the price movement. Prices closed above the 9-day - 18-day EMA, EMA's are indicating firm trend. 9-Day RSI is neutral and moving downwards leaving scope for further fall in the prices. Red chillies futures are likely to trade weak with a slight firmness during the later trading session.

CHLL334GTR 0709(NCGTRU7)2007/08/09 - Daily B:4330.00 A:4340.00
O 4350.00 H 4425.00 L 4297.00 C 4332.00 V 8,820 I 8,685 -40



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX September	4073	4164	4332	4503	4640

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX September Chilli at Rs. 4332-4350 or below with a target of Rs.4285 and then Rs.4263 with a strict stop loss of Rs. 4398. Trade cautiously with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 40 to 45 Kgs
Guntur	LCA 334 (Cold Storage)	3800-4400	40000

TURMERIC

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SPOT MARKETS

Domestic Turmeric markets witnessed bullish trend on Thursday. The prices at all the major spot markets were traded firm by Rs.25-40 per quintal. At Nizamabad the prices were quoted firm amidst steady arrivals and offtake. At Erode the prices were firm amidst increase in arrivals and offtake. Arrivals at Erode is likely to remain firm for the days ahead during the week as next week the spot market would be closed after Tuesday. Turmeric prices are likely to trade rangebound to firm for the days ahead due to anticipation of good domestic demand for the festive seasons.

FUTURES MARKETS

Turmeric most active September futures at NCDEX opened a Re. down at Rs.2192. The futures during the initial trading session witnessed a low at Rs.2187 and there after the contract witnessed fresh buying coming in and made an intraday high at Rs.2217. Both volumes and open interest was low as against previous trading session. The contract then closed marginally up by 0.41 percent at Rs.2202 as compared to Wednesday's trading session.

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, and north coastal Andhra Pradesh. Rains at Madhya Maharashtra are beneficial for the crop at its initial growing stage.

TECHNICALS

Candlestick is indicating firm opening initial up trend and fresh buying coming in. Marginally low volumes failed to support the upmove in the prices. Prices closed above 9-day EMA, supporting firm trend. MACD is in negative territory and supporting the bears. 14-day RSI is neutral and moving upwards leaving scope for further upmove in prices. Turmeric futures are likely to trade rangebound to firm with slight dip in prices on profit booking.

Turmeric 0709(NCTMCUT)2007/08/09 - Daily B:2201.00 A:2205.00

O 2192.00 H 2217.00 L 2187.00 C 2202.00 V 21,510 I 29,480 +9



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX September	2158	2169	2202	2233	2248

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Buy NCDEX September Turmeric at Rs.2193-2195 or below with a target of Rs. 2203 and then Rs. 2217 with a strict stop loss of Rs.2186. Trade cautiously with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 90 Kgs
Nizamabad	Finger	2050-2070	1000
	Gattah	1940-1960	
Erode	Finger	2150-2250	6500
	Gattah	2050-2150	



■ CARDAMOM

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SPOT MARKETS

Cardamom auction at Bodinayakanur remained closed due to poor arrivals. Local buyers were reported to be active in the market once the festive season starts. Good export demand is anticipated once the fresh crop hits the market MCX, in order to benefit the farmers and hedgers would accept the capsules of 6 mm and above for delivery form September contract onwards.

FUTURES MARKETS

MCX Cardamom most active September futures closed down by 0.28 percent at Rs.534.5 as compared Wednesday's close price. The futures opened firm at Rs.539. The contract after opening firm did not surge further and made an intraday low at Rs.531 on selling pressure. Open interest gained marginally amidst very low volumes.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bearish:

1. Weak domestic demand in market.

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, coastal Karnataka and outside Tamil Nadu. Heavy rains during the initial picking period may damage the crop.

TECHNICALS

Candlesticks are indicating firm opening and there after active bears in the market. Low volumes 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 down wards leaving scope for further fall in prices. Cardamom futures are likely to trade range bound to firm in the next trading session with a small weakness in price on profit booking.



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
MCX Sept	515.8	519.9	534.5	553.1	561.3

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Buy MCX September Cardamom near Rs.532-534.5 or below level with a target of Rs.539.2 and then 543.5 with a strict stop loss of Rs. 528.4. Trade with intraday outlook.

Auction Centre

Prices/Kg (7mm)

Arrivals (Kg)

Bodinayakanur

Closed

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