

■ BLACK PEPPER

■ Aug 18, 2007

SPOT MARKETS

Black pepper markets remain bearish during Friday's trade. It was quoted lower by Rs. 100 per quintal in benchmark Kochi market amid arrivals as well as offtake of 10 metric tonnes. Domestic market has turned bearish again on weak overseas advices. Prices in most of the producing nations have reportedly declined eyeing the harvest in Indonesia and Brazil. The production in Indonesia and Brazil this season would have a greater bearing on the prices in the next 2-3 months. At the domestic front demand, both domestic as well as overseas remains weak. However, traders are expecting domestic demand to improve in the weeks ahead. Overseas buyers are on the sideline expecting further 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. 13199 at the opening session of trade. The futures traded downwards thereafter and September contract tested an intraday low of Rs. 12836 during late hours of trading. Most active September contract finished lower by Rs. 239 or 1.84 per cent after trading in the range of Rs. 12836-13199 during Friday'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. Sellers active at physical markets
2. Reported decline in global prices

WEATHER

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

TECHNICALS

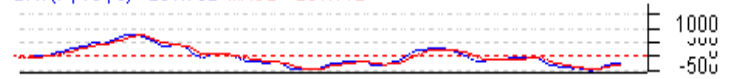
Candlesticks pattern indicates steady to weak opening and initial downtrend. Prices closed below the 9-day as well as 18-day EMA, indicating a bearish trend in the market. MACD is moving upwards in negative territory. 14-day RSI is approaching the oversold region, leaving scope for further downtrend. Volume as well as open interest has declined 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)2007/08/17 - Daily B:12899.00 A:12900.00
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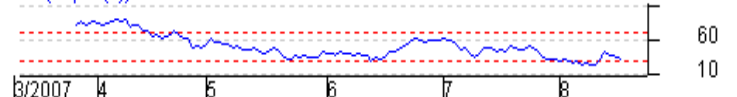
EMA(9) 13287 (18) 13599



DAV(7, 15, 5) -261.762 MACD -281.112



RSI(14,MA(6)) 32.2644



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX Sept	12500	12680	12900	13219	13430

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX September Black Pepper near Rs. 12950-13000, with a target of Rs. 12850, then at Rs. 12800, with a strict stop loss of Rs. 13100. Trade with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Tonnes)
Kochi	Garbled	13300	10
	Ungarbled	12700	

SPOT MARKETS

Domestic jeera markets extended previous weakness further during Friday's trade. It was offered in a lower price range in benchmark Unjha market owing to improved arrivals in the market. Traders reported lack of buying support as the major reason behind the decline in prices. Moreover, overseas demand also reported moderate at present. Weakness in domestic jeera futures counter has also weighed down on the markets. Jeera exports in the past few months were lower as compared to a year ago. However, the unit value realisation has increased significantly. Export is likely to improve in near future given the lower supply situation globally.

FUTURES MARKETS

Jeera futures at NCDEX opened lower as compared to previous settlement and most active September contract tested an intraday high of Rs. 12010 at the opening session of trade. The futures traded downwards thereafter on increased selling interest and tested an intraday low of Rs. 11740 during late hours of trading. Most active September contract finished lower by Rs. 217 or 1.79 per cent after trading in the range of Rs. 11740-12010 during Friday'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. Lack of buying support in the market

WEATHER

Rain/thundershowers are likely at a few places over Gujarat region 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 moving downwards and about to enter the oversold region, leaving scope for further downtrend. MACD is moving downwards in negative territory, supporting the weakness. Volume has increased, while open interest has declined 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.



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX Sept	11580	11690	11801	11960	12100

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX September Jeera at Rs. 11850-11875, with a target of Rs. 11750, then at Rs. 11725, with a strict stop loss at Rs. 11950. Trade with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Prices/20 Kg	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 55 to 60 Kgs
Unjha	F.A.Q	2420-2500	
	Ganesh	2560-2620	4500-5000
	Machine Cleaned	2720-2820	

SPOT MARKETS

Domestic Chilli prices at the benchmark Guntur were quoted firm at the lower side. The prices for the commodity were traded between Rs.4200-4600 per quintal. Arrivals were steady at 25000 bags amidst low offtake of 10000 bags. Domestic demand is sluggish in the market. Export demand from Bangladesh is reported to be good and supporting the firm trend in the market. Demand from Malaysia and Sri Lanka failed to support any upmove in prices as these buyers are eyeing the Chinese crop which is likely to hit the market from mid or last week of September. Firm dollar as compared to Indian Rupee is also a supportive factor for the exports Chilli prices are likely to trade rangebound to firm during the week on anticipation of good export demand.

FUTURES MARKETS

Red chillies most active September futures closed at Rs.4425 weak by 1.43 percent as compared to Thursday's close price. The contract opened firm at Rs.4510 and after early gains at Rs.4535 made an intraday low at Rs.4375 on selling pressure. Open interest was very low as against previous trading session amidst good volumes supporting the price movement. The change in close price and open interest indicates long liquidation.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. Good export orders from Bangladesh.

Bearish:

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

WEATHER

Isolated rainfall is likely at Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka. Rainfall during the initial growing stage is beneficial for the crop.

TECHNICALS

Candlestick is indicating firm opening, initial uptrend and thereafter active bears in the market. Gain in volumes supported the fall in price. 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 for a short term. 14- Day parabolic is trading below the prices and indicates firm trend. Red chillies futures are likely to trade rangebound to firm with a slight dip in the prices during the intraday trading session.

CHLL334GTR 0709(NCGTRU7)2007/08/17 - Daily B:4420.00 A:4432.00

O 4510.00 H 4535.00 L 4375.00 C 4425.00 V 8,815 I 7,845 -63



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX September	4188	4282	4425	4690	4805

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Buy NCDEX September Chilli at Rs. 4380-4400 or below with a target of Rs.4438 and then Rs.4469 with a strict stop loss of Rs. 4345. Trade cautiously with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 40 to 45 Kgs
Guntur	LCA 334 (Cold Storage)	4200-4600	25000

TURMERIC

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SPOT MARKETS

Domestic Turmeric prices at all the major markets were quotes steady to slightly weak. The prices for the commodity remained unchanged at all the markets amidst low arrivals. At Nizamabad the prices were quoted low by Rs.10 per quintal as that of previous trade amidst slight fall in arrivals. The fall in the price was mainly due to weak advices from the futures. Both domestic demands by the stockists as well as the overseas demand is stable and is a supportive factor for the prices to remain steady to firm for medium term. Firm dollar as compared to Indian Rupee is likely to boost the exports.

FUTURES MARKETS

Turmeric most active September futures at NCDEX opened steady at Rs.2157. The futures during the initial trading session witnessed an intraday high at Rs.2163 and there after during the later hours tested fresh lows at Rs.2137 on selling pressure. The open interest was low amidst low volumes not supportive to the price movement. The change in close price and open interest indicates long liquidation. The contract then closed at Rs.2144 down by 0.50 percent as against Thursday's 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

Isolated light rain and thunder shower is likely outside Tamilnadu and rainfall at Madhya Maharashtra. Rains at present are beneficial for the crop at its initial growing stage.

TECHNICALS

Candlestick is indicating steady opening and there after active bears. Fall in the volumes did not support the price movement. Prices closed below 9-day EMA, supporting weak trend for the short term. MACD is negative and supportive to the bears. 14-day RSI is oversold leaving scope for further fall in prices. Turmeric futures are likely to trade rangebound to weak with slight firmness in prices during the intraday. However a technical correction is anticipated.

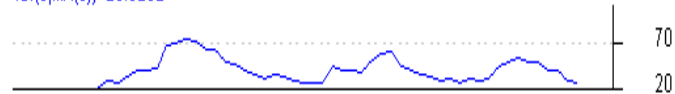
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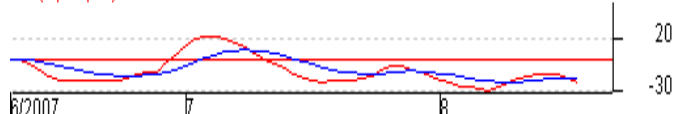
EMA(9) 2178.2 (14) 2185.9



RSI(9,MA(6)) 25.5262



MAV(9, 26, 12) -22.8066 MACD -19.2988



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX September	2110	2129	2144	2183	2201

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Sell NCDEX September Turmeric at Rs.2145-2148 or above with a target of Rs. 2137 and then Rs. 2128 with a strict stop loss of Rs.2155. Trade cautiously with intraday outlook.

Centers	Variety	Price/Qtl	Arrival (Bags) 1 bag = 90 Kgs
Nizamabad	Finger	2025-2040	1200
	Gattah	1920-1940	
Erode	Finger	Closed	
	Gattah		



■ CARDAMOM

■ Aug 18, 2007

SPOT MARKETS

Domestic cardamom prices at Vandanmedu auction were quoted firm by Rs. 10-15 per kg at Rs.538 per kg per kg. Out of the total arrivals of 10200 kg all the capsules were sold. Local buyers are likely to be active in the market on the eve of Onam festival celebrated at Kerala and supporting the firmness in the prices. Prices for the commodity are likely to remain firm for short term.

FUTURES MARKETS

MCX Cardamom September futures closed marginally down by 0.36 percent at Rs.549.5 as compared Thursday's close price. The futures opened firm at Rs.553. The contract did not surge after opening firm made an intraday low at Rs.544. Open interest was slightly low amidst marginally low volumes. During the later hours the futures traded actively at higher levels between 549-551.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bearish:

1. Negligible export demand

Bullish:

1. Domestic as well overseas production estimated lower
2. Good domestic demand due to festive season

WEATHER

Dry weather likely at most places at Kerala, coastal Karnataka and rainfall outside Tamil Nadu. Heavy rains during the picking period may damage the crop.

TECHNICALS

Candlestick is indicating firm opening and there after active bears in the market. Low volumes did not support the price movement. Prices closed above the 9-day and 18-day EMA, indicating that the trend favours the bulls for the short term. MACD is positive and favours the bulls. 14-day RSI is in neutral region. 14- Day parabolic is trading below the prices indicating firm trend Cardamom futures are likely to trade range bound to firm in the next trading session with a small weakness during initial trading session.

CARDAMOM 0709(MXCAMU7)2007/08/17 - Daily B:547.50 A:550.50
O 553.00 H 553.00 L 544.00 C 549.50 V 458 T 106,285 I 677 -2
EMA(9) 549.14 (18) 546.67



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
MCX Sept	528.9	536.4	549.5	569.9	577.8

TRADE RECOMMENDATION

Buy MCX September Cardamom near Rs.548-549 or below level with a target of Rs.555.8 and then 562.6 with a strict stop loss of Rs. 544.4. Trade with intraday outlook.

Auction Centre	Prices/Kg (7mm)	Arrivals (Kg)
Vandanmedu	538	10200

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