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SPOT MARKETS

Domestic spot rubber prices made gain on Saturday. Vietnam's rubber exports reached 60,000 tonnes and worth more than US\$123 million in the month of July. Vietnam's rubber export rising by 12.23% in output and 12.27% up in value, month on month. While, during the first seven months of 2007, rubber exports reached at 351,000 tonnes worth US\$670 million, increasing 4% in value year-on-year. While, rubber supply in Thailand, the world's largest producer and exporter of the commodity, is on rise, following the end of the wintering, or low production, season.

FUTURES MARKETS

NMCE Rubber September contract, opened at Rs.8459/mtl and traded between the range of Rs.8435 - 8515/mtl, before closing at Rs.8475/mtl. Rs.2 up by the previous close of Rs.8473/mtl. The volume of September contract traded increased drastically, as compared to the previous trading session. On the other hand, MCX Rubber September contract opened at Rs.8438/mtl and traded between the range of Rs.8425 - 8489/mtl, before closing at Rs.8449/mtl, Rs.13 up by the previous close of Rs.8436/mtl. The volume of September contract traded decreased drastically, while the open interest decreased marginally, as compared to the previous trading session.

PRICE DRIVERS

Bullish:

1. The monsoon to disrupt tapping and latex production.
2. Decline in Rubber output, due to viral fever gripping in rubber growing areas in Kerala.
3. Growing demand from tyre manufacturers.

Bearish:

1. Strong rupee; limiting the scope for export.
2. Excess stock of latex.

WEATHER

Rain/thundershowers are likely at most places over Kerala, north Telangana. Coastal Karnataka, Konkan & Goa, Lakshadweep, Andaman & Nicobar and other rubber growing areas. Isolated over the rest region outside Tamil. The weather is unfavorable for rubber tapping and latex production.

TECHNICALS

Prices closed above 9-day EMA and, 18-day EMA indicating that short-term trend as well as intermediate-term trend remains bullish. MACD shows slight downtrend in positive region; supporting the weakness in the market. 9-day RSI is remains steady in neutral region. Stochastic is rising in neutral region. The volume of September contract traded increased drastically, as compared to the previous trading session. NMCE Rubber futures are likely to trade upward following a steady to firm opening.

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O 8459.00 H 8515.00 L 8435.00 C 8475.00 V 528 T 84,750 I 0 0
EMA(9) 8425.3 (18) 8396.9



SUPPORT / RESISTANCES

Contract	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NMCE September	8365	8425	8475	8549	8595
MCX September	8329	8373	8449	8507	8557

TRADE RECOMMENDATIONS

Buy NMCE September Rubber near Rs.8468 - 8484 with a target at Rs. 8504 and then Rs.8545 with a strict stop loss at Rs.8448.

Buy MCX September Rubber near Rs. 8442 - 8458 with a target at Rs. 8475 and then Rs.8505 with a strict stop loss at Rs.8426. Trade cautiously with intra day outlook.

DOMESTIC RUBBER PRICES

Centers	Category	Price (Rs / 100kg)		Change
		23.08.2007	24.08.2007	
Kottayam	RSS-4	8500	8500	--
	RSS-5	8300	8300	--
Cochin	RSS-4	8500	8500	--
	RSS-5	8300	8300	--



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INTERNATIONAL PRICES

Centers	Category	Price (Rs / 100kg)		Change
		23.08.2007	24.08.2007	
Bangkok	RSS-3	8476	8486	+10
	RSS-4	8440	8450	+10
Kuala Lumpur	SMR-20	8408	8367	-41
	Latex (60%drc)	5597	5574	-23

INTERNATIONAL PRICES (AS OF AUGUST 24, 2007)

Tokyo Commodity Exchange (TOCOM)

Yen / kg

Contract Month	Open	High	Low	Settle	Change
August 2007	235.7	236.5	234.4	235.7	+0.3
September 2007	239.1	239.1	236.0	236.0	-1.7
October 2007	238.9	238.9	236.6	236.6	-1.7

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