

## MAJOR ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Soymeal and rapeseed meal prices reflect steady market sentiments.

## DOMESTIC MARKET

### Soy meal

The FAS prices for soymeal [Yellow, 48%] at Kandla port stood around \$283/MT. Appreciating value of Indian Rupee against US dollar has kept the export sentiments subdued. Soymeal prices plunged further on Thursday after a crash in soy complex at CBOT. A better prospect of rains over Central India would ensure better soybean crop for kharif 2007 vis-à-vis kharif 2006. Temporary weakness in prices of soybean is unlikely to support prices of soymeal in near term. At CBOT, long liquidation selling, weakness in grains & energy markets and outlook for a wet weather forecast for later part of the week dragged down the soy complex. For the weekly export sales report, released before the opening, traders are looking soybean sales near 2.5-4.5 lakh MT with meal sales near 50,000-100,000 tonnes and oil sales near 0-10,000 tonnes. As per official release by SEA of India, around 64,075 MT of soymeal was exported during June in comparison to 1.10 lakh MT exported during May 2007. Vietnam imported a maximum of 30,150 MT followed up by Japan at 27,000 MT. For the same time period Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Kuwait and U.A.E imported 4550, 775, 975,475 MT respectively. A total of 4.24 lakh MT was exported during April June period.

### Soybean DOC: - rates at different centers

Places	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)		
	02.08.07	01.08.07	Parity To
Indore (MP)	10,500-10,600	10,600	Gujarat, MP
Shivpuri (MP)	10,700-10,800	10,700-10,800	UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Kota	10,500-10,550	10,500-10,600	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Nanded/Latur			Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Dhulia/Jalna			Mumbai Maharashtra
Nagpur (41/45)	10,700-10,800	10,800-10,850	CG, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Sangli	10,800-	10,900-	Local and South

	10,900	10,950	
Solapur			Local and South
Dharwar			Karnataka, Tamil Nadu

### DOC Port rate at different centers

Centers	FOR Price (Buy price)	
	02.08.07	01.08.07
Kandla	11,000-11,100	11,100-11,150
Mumbai	11,000	11,300-11,400

### Current vessel positions in different ports: -

No vessel carrying SBM reported at Kandla and Vizag port

### Current Vessel Position: -

Ports	Vessels	Vol. (MT)	Status	Destination
-	-	-	-	-

### Rape/ Mustard Meal: -

The FAS prices for rapeseed meal [38%] at Kandla port stood at \$143/MT as on Wednesday. Amidst steady sentiments for mustard complex, the prices of rapeseed expeller meal stood steady at Rs 6700 /MT on Wednesday. However, the traders believe that weakness would be short lived. The DOC prices at Kandla were quoted at Rs 5600-5800/MT. Local DOC sold at Rs 4800-5000/MT in Rajasthan. As per Solvent Extractors Association of India's press release, 51,825 MT of rapeseed meal was exported during June in comparison to 74,225 MT during previous month. South Korea imported a maximum of 34,700 MT of rapeseed meal followed by Taiwan at 10,000 MT. Vietnam, Indonesia and Sri Lanka imported 5475, 1475 and 175 MT respectively. A total of 2.34 lakh MT was exported during April June time period.

## Groundnut DOC: -

Spot prices of groundnut oil continued to soften and touched Rs 774/10kg mark in Rajkot on slight consolidation in prices. As per government latest figures, despite slow monsoon progress groundnut sowing is rapidly completed in 3.9 million hectares as on July 27th against 3.35 million hectares last week and 3.46 million hectares last year. The agriculture minister has recently announced the groundnut sowing is completed in Andhra Pradesh. In Gujarat alone groundnut sowing is completed in 1.6 million hectares as compared to 1.5 million hectares last year whereas in South India (mainly Tamil Nadu,

Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka) sowing is completed in 2 million hectares. Amidst lower crushing and steady demand the rates for groundnut DOC stood steady at Rs 7700 to 8400 /MT for 40% and 45% oil content respectively. As per official release of oilmeal export data from SEA of India; around 275 MT of groundnut extract was exported during June in comparison to 4,500 MT exported during April. No meal was exported during the month of May. A total of 4,775 MT of groundnut meal was exported during the period of April-June.

## CBOT Soy Meal Futures as on August 01.

Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
Aug 07	218.0	219.0	215.0	215.3	-0.3
Sep 07	20.5	221.7	217.0	217.6	-0.8

## Monsoon Outlook (02.08.07)

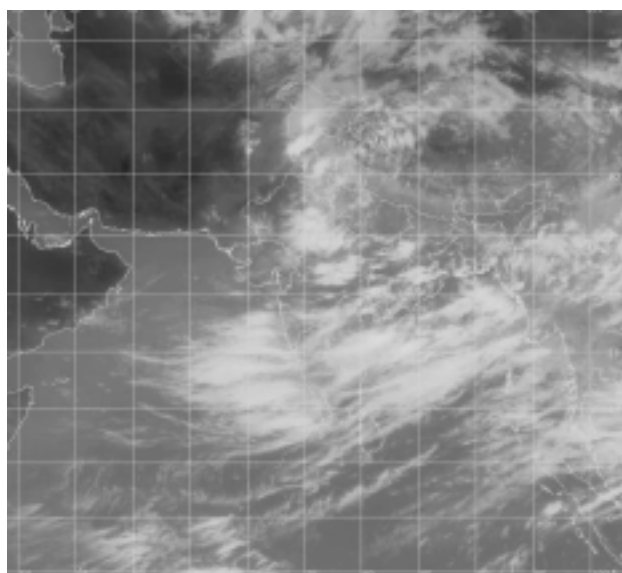
### Chief Features:

- The axis of the monsoon trough passes through Ganganagar, Karnal, Shahjahanpur, Varanasi, Ranchi, Digha and thence southeastwards to east central Bay of Bengal.
- The numerical weather prediction models continue to suggest likely formation of a low pressure area over northwest Bay of Bengal around 4th August, which may subsequently become well marked. Consequently, the enhanced rainfall activity with isolated heavy to very heavy fall is likely over Orissa, north Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh during 4 - 7 August. Subsequently, the rainfall belt likely to shift to Madhya Pradesh, Madhya Maharashtra, Konkan & Goa, Gujarat State and south Rajasthan with west-northwestward movement of the system.
- Rainfall activity is likely to decrease over northeastern States from today and over Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim, Bihar and East Uttar Pradesh from tomorrow onwards.
- Under the influence of the off-shore trough, fairly widespread rainfall activity with isolated heavy to very heavy fall is likely to continue along the west coast during next 4-5 days.

### Outlook for subsequent two days from 0830 hours IST of 5<sup>th</sup> of August, 2007 (Based on numerical weather products):

- Increase in rainfall activity is likely over Orissa, north Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.

## Weather Map [As on 02.08.07]



Source-IMD

## FOREX RATE AS ON 02.08.07

Country/ Continent	Currency	Value in Rupees
USA	Dollar	40.43
European Union	Euro	55.26
Japan	100 Yen	34.01
United Kingdom	GBP	82.11

- Fairly widespread rainfall with isolated heavy to very heavy fall is likely along the west coast.

**Source:** GOI (IMD)

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