

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 \$278-280/MT. Tracking slightly firm soybean and soymeal futures at CBOT, domestic soymeal prices strengthened marginally. However prices are trading range bound after a steep fall starting this week on account of threat of Bird Flu. With monsoon rains reviving over central India regions in a day or two, prospects of soybean crop are brighter over last year in terms of productions and acreage. Temporary weakness in prices of soybean couldn't provide support to prices of soymeal across domestic markets and at ports. At CBOT, weather models in US couldn't confirm for a wet outlook by weekend. However, wet spells are likely over Eastern and Western Corn Belt by next week. Higher than expected export sales coupled with uncertainty in weather forecast prevented any upside movement in soy complex. The weekly export sales of soybean stood at 4.4 lakh MT. Sales of meal came in at 1.10 lakh MT while oil sales stood at 27,400 MT. 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)		
	03.08.07	02.08.07	Parity To
Indore (MP)	10,600-10,650	10,500-10,600	Gujarat, MP
Shivpuri (MP)	10,700-10,800	10,700-10,800	UP, Bihar, WB, Nepal
Kota	10,400-10,450	10,500-10,550	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Nanded/Latur			Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Dhulia/Jalna			Mumbai Maharashtra

Nagpur (41/45)	10,800	10,700-10,800	CG, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Sangli	10,900	10,800-10,900	Local and South
Solapur			Local and South
Dharwar			Karnataka, Tamil Nadu

DOC Port rate at different centers

Centers	FOR Price (Buy price)	
	03.08.07	02.08.07
Kandla	11,000-11,100	11,000-11,100
Mumbai	11,000	11,000

Current vessel positions in different ports: -

No vessel carrying SBM reported at Kandla and Vizag port

Current Vessel Position: -

Ports	Vessels	Vol. (MT)	Status	Desti-Nation
-	-	-	-	-

Rape/ Mustard Meal: -

The FAS prices for rapeseed meal [38%] at Kandla port stood at \$141/MT as on Friday. Amidst steady sentiments for mustard complex, the prices of rapeseed expeller meal stood steady at Rs 6700 /MT. 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 5450/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 770/10kg mark in Rajkot on good consolidation in prices of oilseeds and oil meals. 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 7500 to 8200 /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 02.

Month	Open	High	Low	Close	Chg
Aug 07	217.3	219.3	216.5	217.9	+2.6
Sep 07	219.5	221.5	218.8	220.1	+2.5

Monsoon Outlook (03.08.07)

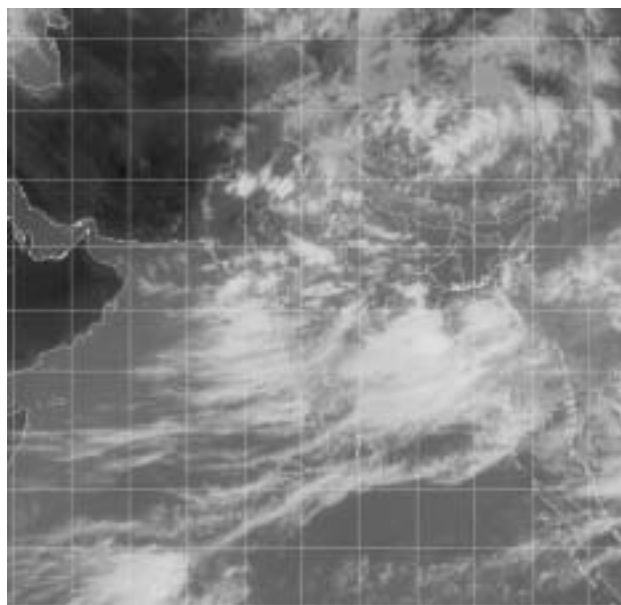
Chief Features:

- The axis of the monsoon trough passes through Ganganagar, Pilani, Agra, Satna, Ambikapur, Chandbali and thence southeastwards to east-central Bay of Bengal.
- The current meteorological analysis suggests that a low pressure area is likely to form over northwest Bay of Bengal by tomorrow, which may subsequently become more marked. Under its influence, enhanced rainfall activity with isolated heavy to very heavy falls is likely over Orissa, north Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh during 4 - 7 August. Subsequently, the rainfall belt likely to shift to Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Goa, Gujarat State and south Rajasthan during 8th - 11th August.
- 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 3-4 days.

Outlook for subsequent two days from 0830 hours IST of 6th of August, 2007 (Based on numerical weather products):

- Enhanced rainfall activity with isolated heavy to very heavy fall is likely over Orissa, north Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh and along the west coast.

Weather Map [As on 03.08.07]



Source-IMD

FOREX RATE AS ON 03.08.07

Country/ Continent	Currency	Value in Rupees
USA	Dollar	40.36
European Union	Euro	55.31
Japan	100 Yen	33.87
United Kingdom	GBP	82.18

Source: GOI (IMD)

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