

RED CHILLI

Market Analysis:

- **Today's Market:** *Red Chilli cash markets remained steady to firm on Thursday.*
- Markets moved higher as arrivals remained lower.
- **Weak Demand:** Sources however added that market operators were not active in the markets at higher levels and may want lower quotes.
- **Weak Futures:** Sentiments may remain weak as weak futures influences selling in the cash markets on Thursday.
- **Trading will be shut in May:** Sources added that usually trading shuts down in May in Guntur so farmers may try to bring in more stock which may continue to weaken markets.
- **Traders' estimates:** However traders revealed that production estimates this year is expected to be well below earlier estimates of 1.5 crore bags.
- Last year production was 1.5 crore bags and this year production could decline to lower than 1 crore bags.

In the short-term red chilli prices may remain weak on subdued spot demand. In the long term market trend may depend on export demand and production estimates of the crop.

Technical Analysis:

- Candlestick formation shows sellers participation.
 - Prices closed below 9 and 18-day EMA's thus supporting the bearish momentum in the short term.
 - MACD and RSI are moving down and support the bearish sentiments in the futures market.
- Red Chilli futures are likely to trade range bound with a weak bias in next trading session.**
- Participants may sell from highs.**

Weather:

- Scattered thundershowers would occur over south Karnataka and Kerala till 6th May 2011.
- This may disrupt the last stages of harvesting of the crop in both the states.

Price Drivers:

No.	Pressure Point	Favours
1	Lower production estimates	Bulls
2	Higher exports	Bulls
3	Weak demand	Bears
4	Firm arrivals	Bears
5	Weak futures counter	Bears

SPOT MARKET PRICES: (Rs/Qtl)

Grade	Centre	05-05-11	04-05-11	Change
LCA 334	Guntur	7500-8500	7200-8200	+300
Bedki		7800-8800	7800-8800	-

Arrivals and Offtake in bags: (1 bag=45 Kg)

	05-05-11	04-05-11
Arrivals	35000	40000
Offtake	30000	20000

Chilli Guntur 1106(NCGTRM1)2011/05/05 - Daily B:9422.00 A:9460.00
O 9770.00 H 9820.00 L 9400.00 C 9424.00 V 4,365 I 13,665 -314

EMA(9) 9790.9 (18) 9909.0



Trade Recommendation

Contract	Call	Entry	T1	T2	SL	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX-Jun	SELL	9535-9540	9440	9425	9416	9602	9128	9276	9696	9968

BLACK PEPPER:

Market Analysis:

- **Today's Market:** *Black Pepper cash markets fell on Thursday in Kochi.*
- **Delhi markets remained steady on Thursday.**
- **Weak activity Arrivals:** Markets traded weak as buying activity was weak from most market participants.
- **Shortage expected:** Sources however said that sentiments may remain firm supported by tight supplies and a firming trend overseas.
- **Planters Hoarding:** Markets also moved higher as farmers are holding back stocks in anticipations of better prices.
- **Vietnam Production:** Vietnam Pepper Association said on Wednesday that country's total pepper output this year would be about 100,000-110,000 tonnes, the same as last year.
- **World Production:** According to IPC world pepper output this year will fall by about 6,500 tonnes against 2010 to 310,000 tonnes due to unfavourable weather conditions and pests in several producing countries.

In the short term pepper prices may remain weak on weak demand at highs. In the medium to long term price trend will depend on pepper stocks with Vietnam and demand from the overseas and domestic buyers.

Technical Analysis:

- Candlestick formation shows sellers participation.
- Prices closed above 9 and 18-day EMA's thus supporting the bullish momentum in the short term.
- MACD is flat and support the sideways sentiments.
- RSI is moving down and support the bearish sentiments.
- **Black Pepper futures are likely to trade range bound with a weak bias in next trading session.**
- **Participants may sell from highs.**

Weather:

- Scattered thundershowers would occur over south Karnataka and Kerala till 6th May 2011.
- This may disrupt the last stages of harvesting of the crop in both the states.

Price Drivers:

No.	Pressure Point	Favours
1	Crop shortage expected	Bulls
2	Lower global production	Bulls
3	Lower arrivals	Bulls
4	weak buying activity	Bears
5	Higher Vietnamese production	Bears

SPOT MARKET PRICES: (Rs/Qtl)

Grade	Centre	05-05-11	04-05-11	Change
Ungarbled	Kochi	26900	27300	-400
Garbled		27700	28100	-400
Unpolished	New Delhi	28500	28500	-

Arrivals and Offtake (Kochi) in Tonnes:

	05-05-11	04-05-11
Arrivals	15	30
Offtake	15	20

Pepper Malabar 1106(NCPEPM1)2011/05/05 - Daily B:28390.00 A:28429.00
O 29373.00 H 29400.00 L 28325.00 C 28400.00 V 7,218 I 9,573 -1025

EMA(9) 29022 (18) 28449



Trade Recommendation

Contract	Call	Entry	T1	T2	SL	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX-Jun	SELL	28510-28515	28225	28200	28672	27633	28016	28400	29091	29783

TURMERIC

Market Analysis:

- **Today's Market:** Nizam cash markets remained closed as too much arrivals of rice have jammed the Mandi and auction will re-open on Monday.
- **Erode markets remained closed on Thursday** as Mandi celebrated trader's day.
- **Weak Demand:** Sources said that demand in the spot markets remained weak pulling markets lower.
- **Higher arrivals:** Sources added that sentiments remained weak on Wednesday as arrivals improved in the markets.
- **Weak futures:** Sentiments remained weak as weak futures counter on Wednesday has influenced the weakness in cash markets.
- **Lower Production:** Sources however added production estimates for this year is at 40-50 lakh bags all over India compared to 40-45 lakh bags during the previous year and may support any uptrend.

In the short-term turmeric prices may trade range bound to weak on lower demand in the market. In the medium to long-term the price trend may depend on this year's output estimates and export demand.

Technical Analysis:

- Candlestick formation reveals sellers active participation.
- Prices closed below 9 and 18-day EMAs thus supporting the bearish momentum in short term.
- MACD is flat supports the sideways sentiments in the markets.
- RSI is moving down in the oversold region and is warranting caution to the bears.

Turmeric futures are likely to trade range bound with a weak bias in next trading session.

Participants may sell from highs.

Weather:

- Scattered thundershowers would occur over south Karnataka and Kerala till 6th May 2011.
- This may disrupt the last stages of harvesting of the crop in both the states.

Price Drivers:

No.	Pressure Point	Favours
1	Lower output estimation	Bulls
2	Planters hoarding stock	Bulls
3	Higher fresh arrivals	Bears
4	Weak spot demand	Bears
5	Weak futures	Bears

SPOT MARKET PRICES: (Rs/Qtl)

Grade	Centre	05-05-11	04-05-11	Change
Finger	Erode	Closed	9750-10750	-
Gattah		Closed	9250-10250	-
Nizam	Nizamabad	Closed	Closed	-

Arrivals and Offtake in bags: (1 bag=90 Kg)

	Centre	05-05-11	04-05-11
Arrivals	Erode	Closed	14000
Offtake		Closed	7000
Arrivals	Nizamabad	Closed	Closed
Offtake		Closed	Closed



Trade Recommendation

Contract	Call	Entry	T1	T2	SL	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX-May	SELL	8450-8455	8366	8346	8509	8223	8307	8390	8520	8647

CARDAMOM

Market Analysis:

- **Today's Market:** Cardamom markets fell on Thursday as arrivals improved.
- **Weak futures:** Sentiments remained weak as weak futures counter over the last few weeks has influenced the bearish sentiments in cash markets.
- **Higher Production:** Long term sentiments remained bearish as Spices Board say that cardamom production is estimated around 10,350 tonnes compared with 10,075 tonnes last year.
- **Weak Demand:** Sources however said that demand in the spot markets was weak.
- **Going Forward:** Adequate stock in the physical markets following increased arrivals from the southern producing region may put pressure on cardamom futures prices in medium term.

We believe that cash markets may remain range bound to weak in the short run on higher production estimates and weak demand. In the longer run markets could remain weak on better output and lower exports from India.

Technical Analysis:

- Candlestick formation reveals buyers active participation.
 - Prices closed below 9 and 18-day EMAs thus supporting the bearish momentum in short term.
 - MACD is moving down supports the bearish sentiments in the markets.
 - RSI is moving up and support the bullish sentiments.
- Cardamom futures are likely to trade range bound with a weak bias in next trading session.**
Participants may sell from highs.

Weather:

- Scattered thundershowers would occur over south Karnataka and Kerala till 6th May 2011.
- This may disrupt the last stages of harvesting of the crop in both the states.

Price Drivers:

No.	Pressure Point	Favours
1	Planters hoarding stocks	Bulls
2	Weak spot demand	Bears
3	Arrivals improve	Bears
4	Higher production	Bears
5	Lower exports	Bears

SPOT MARKET PRICES: (Rs/Kg)

Grade	Centre	05-05-11	04-05-11	Change
Small	Max Auction Price	975.5-994	1077	-83
	Average Auction Price	740.42-743.03	744.01	-0.98

Arrivals and Offtake in Kgs:

	05-05-11	04-05-11
Arrivals	49050	38915
Offtake	48296	38915



Trade Recommendation

Contract	Call	Entry	T1	T2	SL	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
MCX-May	SELL	972-974	957	952	985	863	909	953.9	1000	1044

CUMIN SEED

Market Analysis:

- **Today's Market:** *Unjha, Nagaur and Jodhpur markets fell on Thursday.*
- **Weak Demand:** Jeera sentiments remained weak as spot demand weakened at highs.
- **Weak Futures:** Sentiments remained weak as weak futures counter on Thursday influenced the selling in cash markets.
- **Lower arrivals:** Sources however added that planters brought less stocks as prices declined.
- **Lower on production:** Sources in the Delhi say production could be lower due to lower acreage. Sources in Rajasthan and Gujarat also say that production this year could be lower at 21-22 lakh bags in Gujarat and 6-7 lakh bags in Rajasthan.
- **Lower production from Syria and Turkey:** Sources also added that market sentiments may be positive in the long run due to lower production estimates from Syria and Turkey due to bad weather conditions.

We expect Cumin seed prices to trade lower on weak spot demand. Price trend in the medium to long term may depend on production estimates and export demand.

Technical Analysis:

- Candlestick formation reveals indecision.
- Prices closed below 9 and 18-day EMAs thus supporting the bearish momentum in short term.
- MACD is moving up and support bullish sentiments.
- RSI is flat and support sideways sentiments.

Cumin seed futures are likely to trade range bound with a firm bias in next trading session.

Participants may wait till prices stabilize at lows.

Weather:

- Generally dry and sunny spell for next one week over the plains of northwest India is expected.
- Such conditions are favourable for drying and the harvesting and threshing operations.

Price Drivers:

No.	Pressure Point	Favours
1	Lower arrivals	Bulls
2	Lower global production	Bulls
3	Lower Indian production	Bulls
4	Higher exports to Bangladesh	Bulls
5	Weak demand	Bears

SPOT MARKET PRICES: (Rs/Qtl)

Grade	Centre	05-05-11	04-05-11	Change
Loose		13675	13775	-100
Machine				
Cut	Unjha	14250	14350	-100
NCDEX		14475-	14575-	
Quality		14750	14850	-100
Loose	Jodhpur	13500-14000	13700-14200	-100
Unpolished	Nagaur	14000	14100	-100

Arrivals and Offtake in bags:

	Centre	05-05-11	04-05-11
Arrivals			
Offtake	Unjha	14000	20000
Arrivals	Jodhpur	200-250	200-250
Arrivals	Nagaur	400-500	400-500
Unjha 1 bag=55 kg			
Jodhpur 1 bag=80 kg			
Nagaur 1 bag=50 kg			



Trade Recommendation

Contract	Call	Entry	T1	T2	SL	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX-Jun	WAIT	-	-	-	-	15098	15206	15315	15403	15492

CORIANDER SEED

Market Analysis:

- **Today's Market:** Coriander seed markets remained closed on Thursday due to weekly close, markets will re-open on Saturday and will remain closed on Friday for Akshaya Tritiya.
- **Weak Demand:** Sources however say that Masala maker, stockists and other market operators may not come in the markets at these higher levels which may pull markets lower.
- **Arrivals improvement:** Sources however added that arrivals may remain on the higher side in this week and may bring markets down.
- **Weak Futures:** sentiments remained weak as weak futures counter on Wednesday influenced the selling in cash markets.
- **Production estimates:** Sources added that this year initial trader's estimates were 1 crore bags however due to bad weather conditions during the harvest production may be lower at 55-60 lakh bags.

Coriander prices are expected to trade range bound with weak bias on lower demand. Medium to long term sentiments depend on demand from stockiest and millers and lower production this year.

Technical Analysis:

- Candlestick formation reveals sellers active participation.
- Prices are below 9 and 18-day EMAs supporting bearish momentum in the short term.
- MACD and RSI are moving down supports bearish sentiments in the markets.

Coriander seed futures are likely to trade range bound with a weak bias in next trading session. Participants may sell from highs.

Weather:

- Generally dry and sunny spell for next one week over the plains of northwest India is expected.
- Such conditions are favourable for drying and the harvesting and threshing operations.

Price Drivers:

No.	Pressure Point	Favours
1	Lower production estimates	Bulls
2	Firm futures	Bulls
3	Weak demand from masala makers	Bears
4	Higher fresh crop arrivals	Bears
5	Lower exports	Bears

SPOT MARKET PRICES: (Rs/Qtl)

Grade	Centre	05-05-11	04-05-11	Change
Badami	Ramganj	Closed	3800	-
Eagle		Closed	4050-4100	-

Arrivals and Offtake in bags: (1 bag=40 Kg)

	05-05-11	04-05-11
Arrivals	Closed	12000-13000
Offtake	Closed	13000



Trade Recommendation

Contract	Call	Entry	T1	T2	SL	S2	S1	PCP	R1	R2
NCDEX-May	SELL	4970-4975	4920	4908	5008	4811	4868	4925	5039	5153



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WHOLESALE PRICES FOR MAJOR SPICES IN KERALA AND TAMIL NADU MANDIS

Spice	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Cardamom	Kochi	Ernakulum	Local	1	508	508
	Coimbatore	Coimbatore	Local	1	1100-1300	1100-1300
	Mettupalayam	Coimbatore	Local	1	1400	1400
	Gandhi Market	Tiruchirapalli	Local	1	1650	1650
	Madurai	Madurai	Dindigul	1	750	750
	Panruti	Cuddalore	Local	1	NA	1000-1300
	Thalaivasal	Salem	Local	1	1500	1500

Spice	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Pepper	Kochi	Ernakulum	Black	1	282	282
			Green	1	300	300
			White	1	290	290
	Coimbatore	Coimbatore	Local	1	180	180
	Mettupalayam	Coimbatore	Local	1	170	170
	Gandhi Market	Tiruchirapalli	Local	1	300	300
	Madurai	Madurai	Dindigul	1	160	160
	Panruti	Cuddalore	Local	1	NA	260-280
	Thalaivasal	Salem	Local	1	200	200

Spice	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Coriander	Kochi	Ernakulum	Local	1	60	60
	Coimbatore	Coimbatore	Local	1	65	65
	Mettupalayam	Coimbatore	Local	1	88	88
	Gandhi Market	Tiruchirapalli	Half	1	78	78
			Muzhu	1	78	78
	Panruti	Cuddalore	Local	1	NA	57-62
	Thalaivasal	Salem	Local	1	65	65

Spice	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Turmeric	Madurai	Madurai	Local	1	35	35



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WHOLESALE PRICES FOR MINOR SPICES IN KERELA AND TAMIL NADU MANDIS

Spice	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Clove	Kochi	Ernakulum	Local	1	325	325
	Coimbatore	Coimbatore	Local	1	450	450
	Mettupalayam	Coimbatore	Local	1	450	450
	Gandhi Market	Tiruchirapalli	Local	1	750	750
	Madurai	Madurai	Dindigul	1	550	550
	Panruti	Cuddalore	Local	1	NA	580
	Thalaivasal	Salem	Local	1	600	600

Spice	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Fennel	Kochi	Ernakulum	Local	1	82	82
	Coimbatore	Coimbatore	Local	1	110	110
	Mettupalayam	Coimbatore	Local	1	108	108
	Gandhi Market	Tiruchirapalli	Local	1	180	180
	Madurai	Madurai	Dindigul	1	100	100
	Panruti	Cuddalore	Local	1	NA	120-150
	Thalaivasal	Salem	Local	1	140	140

Spice	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Cinnamon	Kochi	Ernakulum	Local	1	122	122
	Coimbatore	Coimbatore	Local	1	125	125
	Mettupalayam	Coimbatore	Local	1	125	125
	Gandhi Market	Tiruchirapalli	Local	1	200	200
	Madurai	Madurai	Dindigul	1	200	200
	Panruti	Cuddalore	Local	1	NA	120
	Thalaivasal	Salem	Local	1	200	200

Spice	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Fenugreek	Kochi	Ernakulum	Local	1	78	78
	Coimbatore	Coimbatore	Local	1	50	50
	Mettupalayam	Coimbatore	Local	1	48	48
	Gandhi Market	Tiruchirapalli	Local	1	60	60
	Madurai	Madurai	Dindigul	1	50	50
	Panruti	Cuddalore	Local	1	NA	36-42
	Thalaivasal	Salem	Local	1	70	70



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Spice	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Nutmeg	Kochi	Ernakulum	Local	1	115	115
	Coimbatore	Coimbatore	Local	1	390	390
	Mettupalayam	Coimbatore	Local	1	460	460
	Madurai	Madurai	Dindigul	1	460	460
	Panruti	Cuddalore	Local	1	NA	740

Spice	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Garlic	Kochi	Ernakulum	Nadan	1	155	155
	Coimbatore	Coimbatore	China	1	-	-
			H.P	1	-	-
			M.P	1	45-55	52-58
	Ottanchatram	Dindigul	China	1	-	-
			Hill	1	40-150	40-150
			Local	1	30-85	30-85
	Koyambedu	Chennai	Seed	1	70-100	70-100
			Old	1	-	-
			Local	1	90	60
	Hosur	Krishnagiri	M.P	1	70	50
			Nadu	1	-	-
			Local	1	50-80	50-80
	Gandhi Market	Tiruchirapalli	Malai Poondur	1	100-120	100-120
			MP	1	NA	50
	K.R. Market	Bangalore	UP	1	NA	55
			Local first	1	60	60
			Local second	2	55	55
	Kumbakonam	Thanjavur	Local third	3	50	50
			Seed	4	80	80
			Dindigul	1	65	65
	Mettupalayam	Coimbatore	Himachal Pradesh	1	160	160
			Jamnagar	1	100	100
			Ooty	1	350	350
	Panruti	Cuddalore	Pune-New	1	NA	56-70
	Thalaivasal	Salem	Local	1	70	70
			Nelagiri	1	80	80

Spices	Market	District/State	Variety	Grade	Price (Rs/Kg)	
					Date	
					05-05-11	04-05-11
Ginger	Kochi	Ernakulum	Dry	1	55	55
	Coimbatore	Coimbatore	Vegetable-Fresh	1	28	28
			Mango	1	15	15
	Koyambedu	Chennai	Kolkata-New	1	NA	20

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		Mango	1	NA	23
		Kodagu	1	30	30
	Hosur	New	1	15	15
	Krishnagiri	UP	1	20	20
	Gandhi Market	Local-New	1	30	30
	Tiruchirapalli	Himachal	1	NA	20
	K.R. Market	Kodagu	1	NA	21
	Bangalore	Maran	1	NA	18
	Kumbakonam	Fresh	1	22	22
	Thanjavur	Local-New	1	22	22
	Madurai	Bangalore	1	NA	23
	Cuddalore	Bangalore- Mango	1	NA	19
	Panruti	New	1	35	35
	Thalaivasal	Old	1	40	40
	Salem				

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