

**Cotton Domestic Fundamentals:**

- Mixed sentiments featured in the Cotton spot markets amid fluctuation in demand.
- Arrivals in Amravati market reported higher to 5000 bales than previous day arrivals to 3000 bales.
- Total arrivals in India are registered down to 6.18% to 27.93 million bales of 170 kgs each in comparison to last year arrivals to 29.77 million bales during the corresponding period as per the Cotton Corporation of India.
- CCI has procured total 1, 11,000 bales of cotton so far in 2011/12. Further Textile ministry directed CCI to buy best quality of cotton at the rate of Rs.900 per maund (1 maund = 20 kgs).
- According to USDA report, India is likely to decline cotton crop in 2012/13 to 32.3 million bales (1 bale=170kgs) in comparison to the current year crop 34.3 million bales covering lower planting area.
- The Cotton Advisory Board will schedule a meeting with textile ministry to review over raw cotton supply and demand situation as on 18th April 2012.

**Cotton International Fundamentals**

- U.S cotton ending stocks are projected to decline to 3.4 million bales on lower supply estimate and higher demand projection this month according to latest WASDE report.
- April month cotton export in U.S is projected higher by 4% to 11.40 against previous month export estimate to 11 million bales driven by robust demand from China.

**Outlook: Domestic and International**

We expect domestic cotton prices to trade in sideways to bullish phase.

**NCDEX Kapas Futures: (Prices in Rs/20/g)**

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Apr-12	-3.00	783.00	789.50	780.00	785.50
Apr-13	17.50	950.50	986.00	945.00	972.00

**MCX Kapas Futures: (Prices in Rs/20/kg)**

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Apr-12	-1.60	772.00	778.10	765.00	774.80

**Volumes and OI in Lots**

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Apr-12	1235	-30	5700	-172
Apr-13	255	219	255	46

**Volumes and OI lots**

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Apr-12	268	75	2655	-16

Spread	April-12	April-13
Basis	69.50	
Apr-12		186.50

**NB:** Spread was done by taking avg spot prices at Ahmedabad – Shankar-6 market. Basis = Spot- April

Spread	April-12
Basis	80.20
Apr-12	

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**MCX Cotton Futures (29 mm Variety): Prices in Bales**

Contract	% Change	Open	High	Low	Close
30-Mar-12	-0.47	16840	16890	16770	16860
30-Apr-12	-0.81	17250	17250	17100	17170
31-May-12	-1.25	17580	17580	17400	17450
29-June-12	-1.45	17860	17900	17670	17700

**Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets**

Centre (1 bale = 170 Kg)	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
	17-4-2012	16-4-2012	
Kadi – Bt Cotton	3750-4325	3535-4300	+25
Amravati – Vunni Mech-1	3750	3750	Unch
Ahmedabad – Shankar-6	4050-4500	4000-4300	+200
Abhor – J-34	3510-3515	3550-3575	-60
Muktsar – J-34	3525-3530	3565	-35
Fajlika Punjab	3600-4020	3750-4125	-105
Khandwa M.P	-	3250-3800	-

**Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers**

Centre (1 bale = 170 Kg)	Arrivals		Change
	17-4-2012	16-4-2012	
Kadi –Bt Cotton (truck)	125	125	Unch
Amravati –Vunni Mech-1 (bales)	5000	3000	+2000
Ahmedabad – Shankar-6	45000	30000	+15000
Abohar (bales)	600	800	-200
Muktsar (bales)	300	300	Unch
Fajlika Punjab (quintal)	1800	1800	Unch
Khandwa M.P (Qtl)	-	3000	-

**Cotton Association of India Spot Rates: 16/4/2012**

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy (16/4/2012)	Rs. Per Candy (14/4/2012)	Change
Bengal Deshi (RG)/ Assam Comilla	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	33700	33700	Unch
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J-34	25mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	30000	29900	+100
H-4/ MECH-1	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	25	32800	32600	+200
Shankar-6	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	26	34000	33800	+200
Bunny/ Brahma	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	35100	34900	+200
MCU-5/ Surabhi	33mm	3.3 - 4.5	28	N.Q.	N.Q.	-
DCH-32	35mm	2.8 - 3.6	31	45000	45000	Unch

**Cotlook Index: As on 16/4/2012**

Cotlook Indices	Cents/Pound	Change
A-Index	99.60	-0.20

**China Cotton Index: As on 17/4/2012**

Index	RMB/Ton	Change
CCIndex(328)	19378	-13
CCIndex(527)	16839	-2
CCIndex(229)	20751	-30

RMB - Renminbi, 1RMB = 0.16 \$U.S.

**USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 16/4/2012**

Growth Area	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
	cents/lb.		bales
Southeast	83.33	86.33	NIL
North Delta	82.58	83.58	NIL
South Delta	82.58	83.58	NIL
East TX-OK	78.25	83.00	9
West Texas	78.50	84.75	NIL
Desert SW	80.33	86.83	NIL
SJ Valley	81.58	91.98	NIL

Spot quotations are for cotton equal to the official standards, net weight, in mixed lots. Upland quotations are FOB car/truck, which includes compression and any brokerage charges. The upland base quality is color 41, leaf grade 4, staple 34 (1.05 to 1.07), mike 3.5, 3.6 and 4.3 to 4.9, strength 26.5 to 28.4 grams per Tex and uniformity 80.5 to 81.4

**ICE Cotton Futures (Prices in cents/lb.): As on 16/4/2012**

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
May-12	92.00	92.13	88.08	88.08	-4.00
Jul-12	89.73	89.79	86.55	87.25	-2.48
Oct-12	90.25	90.25	87.87	87.87	-2.56
Dec-12	88.40	88.59	85.60	86.37	-2.31
Mar-13	88.91	89.14	87.05	87.22	-2.32
May-13	89.15	89.36	87.52	87.52	-2.25

**Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 16/4/2012 (in Pakistan Rupees)**

Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	5700	130	5830
Equivalent	40 Kgs	6109	130	6239

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