

Cotton Domestic Fundamentals:

- Cotton prices noticed steady to weak tone on Saturday except slight firmness in Kadi and Fajlika markets.
- Lack of good quality arrivals weighed on prices.
- In certain markets of Maharashtra, demand was witnessed for cottonseed.
- Lack of selling activities will lend some support to the market.
- Millers are buying in limited quantity and there were no fresh export orders.
- Yarn production is expected to grow by 6.8 percent from 5.9 percent earlier estimated, according to CMIE. This is mainly due to value added exports to China, which has reduced cotton import but has raised yarn imports.
- Andhra Pradesh market is expecting to procurement of cotton by CCI and NAFED to begin soon, this has raised prices for the crop which was being purchased below MSP levels. Also, after the announcement, cotton prices jumped above MSP.

Cotton International Fundamentals

- Global cotton output has been raised by 2.8 million bales and consumption lowered by 680,000 bales. All major producing countries China, Pakistan, India and USA have raised their estimated.
- Cotton futures at NYMEX closed mostly lower amid record stocks and lower demand in the market.
- USA has exported 34,500 bales for 2013-12, mainly to China.
- China cotton reserve is now over a million tones; also international prices are going up.

Outlook: We expect domestic cotton prices to continue steady to weak tone amid lack of buying around current levels.

NCDEX Kapas Futures: (Prices in Rs/20kg)

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Feb-13	3.5	945	953.5	945	948.50
Apr-13	-5	996	1004	991.5	995

Volumes and OI in Lots

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Feb-13	3	-2	48	-1
Apr-13	4656	-4212	12466	-43

Spread Feb-13 Apr-13

Basis	-58.5	
Feb-13		46.5
April-13		

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

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Feb-13	-2.1	967.1	976	965	968.5
Apr-13	-4.2	994	1000	990	991.7

Volumes and OI lots

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Feb-13	201	-303	580	-10
Apr-13	345	-366	373	-16

Spread Feb-13 Apr-13

Basis	-78.5	
Feb-13		23.2
April-13		

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

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

Contract	% Change	Open	High	Low	Close
31-Oct-12	-0.48	16340	16490	16300	16330
30-Nov-12	0.18	16160	16320	16110	16280
31-Dec-12	0.18	16200	16330	16140	16280
31-Jan-13	-0.36	16300	16430	16280	16330
28-Feb-13	NIL	16580	16580	16490	16530

Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets

Centre (1 bale = 170 Kg)	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
	27-10-2012	26-10-2012	
Amravati-Vunni Mech-1#	4150	4200	-50
Kadi-Bt Cotton#	4450	4400	+50
Ahmedabad-Shankar-6#	4450	4500	-50
Gondal1	4650	4650	Unch
Rajkot-(B.T)	4505	4550	-45
Abohar-J-34*	3450	3475	-25
Muktsar-J-34*	3450	3475	-25
Fajlika #(Cotton New) #(Kapas BT Cotton)	3430	3430	Unch
	4130	4100	+30
Khandwa-(M.P)	Closed	4300	-
Khargaon-(M.P)	Closed	Closed	-
Sri-Ganganagar	3380	3410	-30
Patan	-	-	-

*-Rs/maund, #-Rs.qtl,

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers

Centre (1 bale = 170 Kg)	Arrivals		Change
	27-10-2012	26-10-2012	
Amravati -Vunni Mech-1#	1500	1000	+500
Kadi -Bt Cotton	7000	5000	+2000
Ahmedabad - Shankar-6#	12000	10000	+2000
Gondal	1180	1180	Unch
Rajkot-(B.T)	2400	2250	+150
Abohar	1200	1200	Unch
Muktsar	500	450	+50
Fajlika #(Cotton New) #(Kapas BT Cotton)	-	-	-
	1200	1800	+300
Khandwa (M.P)	Closed	800	-400

Khargaoon-(M.P)	Closed	-	-
Sri-Ganganagar	5000	4000	+1000
Patan		-	-

Khandwa, Kadi, Fajlika-1 Truck-100 Qtls, Amravati-1 Truck-100 kgs, Ahmadabad, Abohar and Muktsar-Bales

Cotton Association of India Spot Rates: 26/10/2012

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy (26/10/2012)	Rs. Per Candy (25/10/2012)	Change
Bengal Deshi (RG)/ Assam Comilla(101)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	42400	41900	+500
Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	42700	42200	+500
J-34(202)	26mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	31600	31700	-100
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	33100	33300	-200
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	33700	33900	-200
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	34700	34800	-100
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	35300	35500	-200
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	45500	45500	Unch

Cotlook Index: As on 26/10/2012

Cotlook Indices	Cents/Pound	Change
A-Index	81.95	+0.20

China Cotton Index: As on 26/10/2012

Index	RMB/Ton	Change
CCIndex(328)	18704	+1
CCIndex(527)	16422	+5
CCIndex(229)	19620	Unch

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

USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 26/10/2012

Growth Area	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
	cents/lb.		bales
Southeast	69.67	72.67	NIL
North Delta	68.67	70.17	NIL
South Delta	68.67	70.17	NIL
East TX-OK	66.5	71.25	1705
West Texas	66	71.75	3582
Desert SW	66.92	73.42	NIL
SJ Valley	67.67	78.32	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 26/10/2012

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Dec-12	72.95	73.19	72.21	72.42	-0.31
Mar-13	72.95	73.3	72.51	72.89	-0.08
May-13	74.11	74.33	73.63	74.07	-0.09
Jul-13	75.25	75.31	74.65	75.16	-0.15
Oct-13	76.61	76.61	76.61	76.61	0.16
Dec-13	77.08	77.3	76.83	77.3	-0.01

Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 25/10/2012 (in Pakistan Rupees)

Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	5650	155	5805
Equivalent	40 Kgs	6055	155	6210

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