

Domestic Fundamentals:

- Guar seed and guar gum prices noticed steady to firm tone on Monday.
- Most of the markets remained closed following the festival of 'Eid'.
- In Rajasthan, acreage under guar seed is expected to be around 4.5 million hectares compared to 3 million hectares during the previous year.
- According to IMD, for the country as a whole, seasonal rainfall up to 15 August 2012 was 15% below the LPA against 17% by the end of last week ending 8th August.
- Rainfall activity would occur at isolated places over plains of northwest India during first half and increase during the second half of the week.
- According to sources, sowing is complete in Haryana and acreage is expected to increase by three times during this season.
- FMC will allow trading in guar complex futures after assessing the kharif crop.
- According to trade sources, production of guar seed is expected to increase by atleast 50 percent this season in case of scanty rainfall. Output of guar seed is estimated to be 19-20 lakh metric tonnes compared to 12.5 lakh metric tonnes in the previous season.
- Guar seed sowing has so far covered around 1.86 million hectares in Rajasthan as on 14th August 2012 as against 2.09 million hectares during the same period previous year.
- In Gujarat, guar seed crop is likely to be affected following lack of sufficient rainfall in the growing regions. Rainfall in the coming days will give further direction to the market.
- According to State Agricultural sources, acreage under guar seed in Gujarat till date is reported at 164500 hectares.
- Higher price of guar gum amid lower output and good demand has affected the profit – margins of the companies using guar gum as a raw material. In –house research is going on for guar gum alternatives. TIC Gums is introducing Ticaloid Guar Replacement (GR) 8700. Ticaloid GR 8700 is a 100% replacement for guar gum in certain applications.

Outlook: Prices are likely to notice steady to weak tone in the near –term.

Futures Market:

Guar seed March 2012 Contract and Guar gum March 2012 Contract:

FMC has stopped trading in all guar seed and guar gum futures contracts effective March 28, 2012. Trading will start on further notification by FMC.

NCDEX Stocks	Demat 17.8.2012	In-Process 17.8.2012	Total 17.8.2012
Bikaner	6444	0	6444
Deesa	860	0	860
Jodhpur	1091	0	1091
Nokha	1499	0	1499

Unit in MT

NCDEX Stocks	Demat 17.8.2012	In-Process 17.8.2012	Total 17.8.2012
Bikaner	-	-	-
Jodhpur	1798	0	1878
Nokha	140	0	140

Unit in MT

NCDEX FED Stocks Position as of August 13, 2012 (Qty in MT)

	FED	Quantity		FED	Quantity
Bikaner	5-Oct-12	913	Jodhpur	5-Oct-12	49
	5-Nov-12	10		5-Nov-12	-
Deesa	5-Sep-12	160	Nokha	5-Oct-12	349
	5-Oct-12	80		5-Dec-12	703

NCDEX FED Stocks Position as of August 13, 2012 (in MT)Guar Gun

	FED	Quantity		FED	Quantity
Bikaner	5-Mar-12	-	Jodhpur	5-Sep-12	124
	5-May-12	-		5-Oct-12	20
Deesa	5-Feb-12	-	Nokha	5-Jan-13	110
	5-Aug-12	-		5-Feb-13	30

Guar Prices at Key Spot Markets

Commodity	Centre	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
		Closed	15000	-
Guar Seeds	Jodhpur (Delivery)	Closed	14000	-
	Jodhpur (Loose)	14000	14000	Unch
	Bikaner (Loose)	14500	14500	Unch
	Bikaner (Delivery)	15500	15500	Unch
	Nokha (Loose)	-	-	-
	Hanumangarh (Loose)	16000	15000	+500
	Sri-Ganganagar (Delivery)	14000	14000	Unch
	Adampur (Loose)	Closed	14000	-
	Sirsa (Loose)	Closed	13500	-
	Bhiwani (Delivery)	Closed	15800	-
	Deesa (Loose)	-	-	-
	Nagaur (Loose)	-	-	-
	Dhabwali (Loose)	Closed	45000	-
Guar Gum	Jodhpur	Closed	40000	-
	Bhiwani	-	-	-
	Dhabwali	Closed	15000	-

Guar Seed Arrivals in Key Centers

Centre	Arrivals (Quintals)		Change
	20-8-2012	18-8-2012	
Jodhpur	Closed	800	300
Bikaner	50	-	-
Nokha	20	-	-
Hanumangarh	-	-	-
Sri-Ganganagar	-	-	-
Adampur	70	80	-10
Sirsa	Closed	-	-
Bhiwani	Closed	-	-
Deesa	Closed	75	-
Nagaur	-	-	-
Dhabwali	-	-	-
All India	90	955	-865

Guar by - Products Prices: As of August 20, 2012

Churi and Korma Prices:

Commodity	Center	Rs/75kg
Churi	Jodhpur	1000
Korma	Jodhpur	1700

Guar Export Prices: As of August 20, 2012

	Variety	Value (\$/MT)
Guargum Split		9000
Guargum Powder	200 Mesh 5000 CPS	10300
	200 Mesh 3500 CPS	10100
Guargum Meal		300

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