

**Cotton Domestic Fundamentals:**

- Cotton prices noticed weak tone on Saturday on low buying from millers and falling international market.
- Yarn prices have been growing firmly since beginning of current year; Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC) has asked govt. To restrict export and allow duty free import. This move if sanctioned could bring the already good export market sliding down.
- Prices decline across markets on lower buying from millers.
- India shipped 13 lakh bales of cotton in Month of March 2013, while imports stood at 0.5 lakh bales.
- Largest importer of cotton was China at 3.66 lakh bales while Bangladesh imported 3.51 lakh bales in the month of March 2013.
- Total Exports in current season 2012-13 stood at 79.25 lakh bales while imports are at 7.25 lakh bales.
- Cotton prices are likely to firm in coming days amid good demand from millers in domestic market and

**Cotton International Fundamentals**

- Cotton yarn imports from Pakistan have increased by 90% in the month of Jan-Feb 2013, as against same period last year. Huge yarn imports show good buying from Indian and Chinese mills. As per data released by Pakistan news agency.
- US Cotton futures fell sharply over US jobless market data was released.
- Cotton prices in Brazil continue to rise in March opposite to international prices amid speculation of anticipated purchase by mills before the season off-season peak.

**Outlook:** We expect domestic cotton prices to notice steady to weak tone in the coming days amid lack of demand in the spot market.

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Apr-13	-12.0	925.0	929.0	916.0	919.0

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Apr-13	-10.10	925	925	914	916.8
Apr-14	-9.00	1034.2	1036.2	1030.1	1031.3
May-14	-12.10	1050	1050	1039	1040.00

**Volumes and OI in Lots**

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Apr-13	4402	-318	8350	-318

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Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Apr-13	534	-276	1420	-16
Apr-14	43	29	147	3
May-14	34	-48	182	4

**Spread**

Feb-13	Apr-13
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Basis	
April-13	

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

**Spread Matrix: - as of today**

Contract	Apr-13	Apr-14	May-14
Basis			
Apr-13	106.00	-	-
Apr-14	-	-10.10	-
May-14	-	-	-19.00

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

Contract	% Change	Open	High	Low	Close
30-Apr-13	-1.2	18910	19030	18830	18860
31-May-13	-1.08	19260	19310	19140	19180
28-Jun-13	-1.12	19470	19510	19350	19380
31-Jul-13	-1.11	19670	19710	19590	19620

**Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets**

Centre (1 bale = 170 Kg)	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
	6-Apr-13	5-Apr-13	
Amravati-Vunni Mech-1#	4800	4700	100
Mahesana-Kadi-Bt Cotton#	5100	5100	Unch
Abohar-J-34*	4125	4180	-55
Muktsar-J-34 *(Cotton )	4115	4180	-65
#(Kapas BT Cotton)	4800	4870	-70
Ahmedabad-Shankar-6#	5100	5050	50
Fajlika #(Cotton New)	4150	4160	-10
#(Kapas BT Cotton)	4650	4840	-190
Khandwa-(M.P)	-	5050	-
Khargaon-(M.P)	-	5050	-
Gondal	4790	5065	-275
Rajkot-(B.T)	5000	5035	-35
Sri-Ganganagar	4015	4080	-65
Patan(B.T. Cotton)	4950	5060	-110
Bhiwani- *(Cotton )	4100	4100	Unch
#(Kapas BT Cotton)	4700	4775	-75

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

**Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers**

Centre (1 bale = 170 Kg)	Arrivals		Change
	6-Apr-13	5-Apr-13	
Amravati -Vunni Mech-1#	1200	1300	-100
Mahesana-Kadi -Bt Cotton	200	125	75
Abohar-J-34*	600	500	100
Muktsar-J-34 #(Kapas BT Cotton)	560	250	310
Ahmedabad - Shankar-6#	17000	15000	2000

Fajlika#(Kapas BT Cotton)	2500	1000	1500
Khandwa (M.P)	-	1500	-
Khargaon-(M.P)	-	5000	-
Gondal	158	815	-657
Rajkot-(B.T)	3220	2310	910
Sri-Ganganagar	6423	6423	Unch
Patan(B.T. Cotton)	6300	5910	390
Bhiwani #(Kapas BT Cotton)	300	500	-200

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

**Cotton Association of India Spot Rates: 6/4/2013**

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy (6/4/2013)	Rs. Per Candy (5/4/2013)	Change
Bengal Deshi (RG)/ Assam Comilla(101)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	34200	34600	-400
Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	35100	35500	-400
J-34(202)	26mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	37500	37900	-400
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	38200	38600	-400
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	39000	39400	-400
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	40100	40500	-400
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	41500	41500	Unch
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	49800	50300	-500

**Cotlook Index: As on 5/4/2013**

Cotlook Indices	Cents/Pound	Change
A-Index	94.85	-0.85

**China Cotton Index: As on 3/4/2013**

Index	RMB/Ton	Change
CCIndex(328)	19383	+3
CCIndex(527)	17001	+6
CCIndex(229)	20079	+2

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

**USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 5/4/2013**

Growth Area	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
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	cents/lb.		bales
Southeast	84.54	87.79	2422
North Delta	83.29	85.79	3770
South Delta	83.29	85.79	2240
East TX-OK	81.25	84.00	479
West Texas	81.25	84.25	1985
Desert SW	80.29	86.79	NIL
SJ Valley	81.29	91.94	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 5/4/2013**

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
13-May	88.30	88.33	86.56	86.79	-1.54
13-Jul	89.97	89.98	88.30	88.57	-1.40
13-Oct	87.93	87.93	87.93	87.93	-1.30
13-Dec	87.98	87.98	86.41	86.71	-1.23
14-Mar	87.00	87.02	86.59	86.63	-0.93
14-May	86.58	86.58	86.58	86.58	-0.56

**Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 5/4/2013 (in Pakistan Rupees)**

Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	6900	155	7055
Equivalent	40 Kgs	7395	155	7550

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