

**Cotton Domestic Fundamentals:**

- Cotton prices noticed week tone on Monday.
- There is not much demand from the millers around current levels.
- Lack of demand for yarn weighed on prices to certain extent.
- Arrivals in the country are reported to be around 80000 bales.
- Lack of sufficient stocks in the ready market lent some support to the market.
- According to the Indian Cotton Confederation, production of cotton in 2012 -13 is estimated to be around 326 lakh bales.
- According to industry sources, an import of cotton in the current season is likely to be higher compared to the previous season's import of 12 lakh bales.
- Export registration for cotton is likely to exceed the set limit of 80 lakh bales amid good Chinese demand according to the Cotton Advisory Board.
- 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 notice steady to weak tone amid lack of demand from the millers.

**Cotton International Fundamentals**

- Cotton futures at NYMEX noticed firm tone amid fresh buying by millers.
- According to China Cotton Association, it will start procuring cotton at same price compared to previous year in order to stabilize domestic production.
- Building of stocks by China will weigh on prices in the medium –term.
- According to Pakistan Ginner's Association, production of cotton in the first nine months ending on March 31, 2013 is estimated at 12.88 million bales compared to 14.67 million bales during the same period previous year.

**Outlook:** We expect domestic cotton prices to notice sideways to weak tone amid lack of buying interest from the millers.

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Apr-13	-25.0	916.5	920.5	889.0	896.50

**Volumes and OI in Lots**

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Apr-13	5934	-677	5876	-677

**Spread Feb-13 Apr-13**

Basis	113.5
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/20kg)**

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Apr-13	-23.80	907	915	890.1	893.80
Apr-14	-9.50	1068	1068	1042	1061
May-14					

**Volumes and OI lots**

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Apr-13	1010	817	1110	993
Apr-14	119	-419	443	-872
May-14				

**Spread Apr-13 Apr-14 May-14**

Basis	131.50	-	
April-13	-	92.40	
April-14	-	-	-
May-14	-	-	-

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

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

Contract	% Change	Open	High	Low	Close
30-Apr-13	-1.91	19310	19310	19020	19020
31-May-13	-2.14	19040	19150	18780	18780
28-Jun-13	-2.16	18800	18890	18510	18530
31-Jul-13	-2.04	18550	18580	18250	18250

**Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets**

Centre (1 bale = 170 Kg)	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
	15-Apr-13	13-Apr-13	
Amravati-Vunni Mech-1#	-	4900	-
Mahesana-Kadi-Bt Cotton#	5100	5100	Unch
Abohar-J-34*	4120	4155	-35
Muktsar-J-34 *(Cotton )	4115	4160	-45
#(Kapas BT Cotton)	4700	4890	-190
Ahmedabad-Shankar-6#	5050	5050	Unch
Fajlika    #(Cotton New)	4175	-	-
#(Kapas BT Cotton)	4750	-	-
Khandwa-(M.P)	4850	-	-
Khargaon-(M.P)	-	-	-
Gondal	4980	4995	-15
Rajkot-(B.T)	4995	5010	-15
Sri-Ganganagar	4030	4070	-40
Patan(B.T. Cotton)	4990	-	-
Bhiwani- *(Cotton )	4080	4110	-30
#(Kapas BT Cotton)	4700	4770	-70

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

**Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers**

Centre (1 bale = 170 Kg)	Arrivals		Change
	15-Apr-13	13-Apr-13	
Amravati -Vunni Mech-1#	-	1500	-
Mahesana-Kadi -Bt Cotton	125	125	Unch
Abohar-J-34*	500	700	-200
Muktsar-J-34 #(Kapas BT Cotton)	150	150	Unch

Ahmedabad – Shankar-6#	15000	15000	Unch
Fajlika#(Kapas BT Cotton)	1000	-	-
Khandwa (M.P)	800	-	-
Khargaon-(M.P)	-	-	-
Gondal	630	567	63
Rajkot-(B.T)	2350	2400	-50
Sri-Ganganagar	2141	4282	-2141
Patan(B.T. Cotton)	4150	-	-
Bhiwani #(Kapas BT Cotton)	500	900	-400

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

**Cotton Association of India Spot Rates: 13/4/2013**

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy (13/4/2013)	Rs. Per Candy (12/4/2013)	Change
Bengal Deshi (RG)/ Assam Comilla(101)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	34400	34200	200
Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	35300	35100	200
J-34(202)	26mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	37100	37300	-200
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	38500	38400	100
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	38900	38900	Unch
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	40400	40400	Unch
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	41400	41400	Unch
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	50000	50000	Unch

**Cotlook Index: As on 12/4/2013**

Cotlook Indices	Cents/Pound	Change
A-Index	92.20	-0.40

**China Cotton Index: As on 15/4/2013**

Index	RMB/Ton	Change
CCIndex(328)	19385	-2
CCIndex(527)	17009	-
CCIndex(229)	20085	-

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

**USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 12/4/2013**

Growth Area	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
	cents/lb.		bales
Southeast	83.58	86.83	1708
North Delta	82.58	85.08	720
South Delta	82.58	85.08	630
East TX-OK	80.25	83.00	1116
West Texas	80.25	83.25	NIL
Desert SW	79.08	85.58	NIL
SJ Valley	80.08	90.73	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 12/4/2013**

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
13-May	84.6	86.03	83.46	85.58	0.92
13-Jul	86.77	87.94	85.49	87.62	0.88
13-Oct	86.25	86.62	86.25	86.62	0.3
13-Dec	85.66	86.65	84.67	86.34	0.68
14-Mar	85.25	86.3	84.74	86.12	0.44
14-May	86.07	86.07	86.07	86.07	0.44

**Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 13/4/2013 (in Pakistan Rupees)**

Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	6800	155	6955
Equivalent	40 Kgs	7288	155	7443

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