

Cotton Domestic Fundamentals:

- Cotton prices noticed mixed tone on Wednesday.
- Ginners are reluctant to sell cotton that is supporting prices in near term.
- Exports are virtually at standstill, China is buying from other countries even after Indian raw cotton are competitively priced.
- Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) has started to off load Cotton from Friday through e-auction. It offered to sell 25,000 bales. In effort to make arrivals in market. This is likely to increase prices as millers have yet to procure for whole year and arrivals are already short.
- Export demand is less on China announcement to sell some of cotton reserve also low buying from millers which are putting pressure on prices.

Cotton International Fundamentals

- 14% of US cotton plantation progress has been completed.
- ICE cotton continue to fall on weak demand, US export sale grew from previous week amid good demand from China.
- USA export has reached to 2.37 lakh bales (1 bales=218kg), mainly to China which is higher than previous month.

Outlook: We expect domestic cotton prices to notice sideways to strong tone amid buying interest from the millers.

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Apr-13					
Feb-14					
Mar-14					
Apr-14					

Volumes and OI in Lots

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Apr-13				
Feb-14				
Mar-14				
Apr-14				

Spread	Apr-13	Feb-14	Mar-14	Apr-14
Basis				
Feb-14				
Mar-14				
Apr-14				

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					
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May-14					

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

Contract	% Change	Open	High	Low	Close
30-Apr-13					
31-May-13					
28-Jun-13					
31-Jul-13					

Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets

Centre (1 bale = 170 Kg)	Prices (Rs/Qtl)		Change
	01-May-13	30-Apr-13	
Amravati-Vunni Mech-1#	4500	4450	50
Mahesana-Kadi-Bt Cotton#	4750	4750	Unch
Abohar-J-34*	4120	4115	5
Muktsar-J-34 *(Cotton)	4115	4115	Unch
*(Kapas BT Cotton)	4650	4700	-50
Ahmedabad-Shankar-6#	5050	5000	50
Fajlika *(Cotton New)	4090	4070	20
*(Kapas BT Cotton)	4751	4750	1
Khandwa-(M.P)	Closed	-	-
Khargaon-(M.P)	Closed	-	-
Gondal	4940	4845	95
Rajkot-(B.T)	4950	4975	-25
Sri-Ganganagar	Closed	4010	-
Patan(B.T. Cotton)	4870	4930	-60
Bhiwani- *(Cotton)	4000	3970	30
*(Kapas BT Cotton)	4650	4625	25

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

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers

Centre (1 bale = 170 Kg)	Arrivals		Change
	01-May-13	30-Apr-13	
Amravati -Vunni Mech-1#	4500	4000	500
Mahesana-Kadi -Bt Cotton	50	50	Unch
Abohar-J-34*	50	50	Unch
Muktsar-J-34 *(Kapas BT Cotton)	-	-	-
Ahmedabad - Shankar-6#	12000	12000	Unch
Fajlika*(Kapas BT Cotton)	300	400	-100

Khandwa (M.P)	Closed	-	-
Khargaon-(M.P)	Closed	-	-
Gondal	386	620	-234
Rajkot-(B.T)	1650	1500	150
Sri-Ganganagar	Closed	1285	-
Patan(B.T. Cotton)	2200	2200	Unch
Bhiwani #(Kapas BT Cotton)	400	200	200

Cotton Association of India Spot Rates: 30/4/2013

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy (30/4/2013)	Rs. Per Candy (29/4/2013)	Change
Bengal Deshi (RG)/ Assam Comilla(101)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	33700	33700	Unch
Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	34600	34600	Unch
J-34(202)	26mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	36700	36100	+600
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	36900	36700	+200
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	37500	37300	+200
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	39200	38800	+400
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	40100	39700	+400
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	48500	48000	+500

Cotlook Index: As on 30/4/2013

Cotlook Indices	Cents/Pound	Change
A-Index	93.20	+1.40

China Cotton Index: As on 29/4/2013

Index	RMB/Ton	Change
CCIndex(328)	19362	-1
CCIndex(527)	16999	-3
CCIndex(229)	20072	-1

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

USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 30/4/2013

Growth Area	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
	cents/lb.		bales
Southeast	85.22	88.47	1625
North Delta	84.22	86.72	237
South Delta	84.22	86.72	302

East TX-OK	81.5	84.25	82
West Texas	81.5	84.5	199
Desert SW	79.97	86.47	NIL
SJ Valley	80.97	91.62	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 30/4/2013

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
13-May	83.3	85.53	82.98	85.53	1.93
13-Jul	85.97	87.62	84.9	87.47	1.73
13-Oct	85.58	86.41	84.39	86.41	1.39
13-Dec	84.85	86.48	84.29	86.28	1.58
14-Mar	85.42	86.55	84.7	86.5	1.55
14-May	86.7	86.7	86.7	86.7	1.54

Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 30/4/2013 (in Pakistan Rupees)

Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	6600	155	6755
Equivalent	40 Kgs	7073	155	7228

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