

## Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Weakness continued in second consecutive weeks** due to higher arrivals and weak inner tone prevalent in the market. Castor seed decreased in the range of Rs1 25 to Rs1 75 per qtl. in various markets of Gujarat and Rajasthan during last 15 days. Overall sentiments remain bearish as more arrivals may dampen market.
- **With increasing arrivals** in various mandis crushing of seed has increased from 50,000 bags to 80,000 bags month on month basis. Despite higher arrivals, overall comparative arrivals are lower by 25 percent in March. As supply in the domestic market is ample more dip in prices is a visible possibility.
- **Agriwatch estimates 11.49 lakh tonne seed production in 2013-14** against 14.04 lakh tonne last year. As per Agriwatch estimate the season started with 3.84 lakh tonne carry out.
- **Thus total availability comes to 15.33 lakh tonne. At 46 percent oil** recovery the total oil availability would be around 7.00 lakh tonne against the expected total global and domestic demand of 7.5 lakh tonne of oil. It clearly indicates short supply in the medium term.
- **Govt has released second adv. estimate of foodgrains production** for 2013-14 on 14, Feb, 2014. Market participants are surprised to see the inflated figure of castor seed production this year. Govt. has estimated 16.46 lakh tonne castor seed production this year against the set target of 15.81 lakh tonne. Market expert see production at around 11 lakh tonne.
- **This year area under castor seed decreased sharply from 11.1 lakh ha. to 9.84 lakh ha, almost 1.97 lakh ha.** lower than 2012-13. Considerable decrease in area has been seen in Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh. Total area collectively in both states is lower by 1.58 lakh ha. It is going to impact the final size of the crop to near 12 lakh T against the last year production of around 14 lakh T.

## International Market Update:

- **Chinese buyers have started enquiry for fresh deal. Castor oil commercial** is ruling at Rs 8340 per qtl. in Mumbai, Vashi market. Domestic demand for oil has not been upto the mark and planters expect fresh demand from mid April. Price of castor oil in Rotterdam to have declined from \$1725 to \$1640 per metric tonne during last one month.
- **Castor derivatives volume too is expected to go up from 1.2 lakh tonne to 1.25 lakh tonne.** China would continue to maintain its previous position as major importer. Its import volume may go up from 2.11 lakh tonne (2013) to 2.35 lakh tonne in 2014.

## Domestic market Outlook: Castor seed market is likely trade weak.

NCDEX Castor Futures							Date: 04.04.2014		
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
April-14	18	4108	4108	4066	4098	44250	4600	93630	-8400
May-14	17	4168	4168	4123	4162	56610	1140	132210	17260
June-14	24	4231	4235	4191	4236	12140	-635	43520	820

Spread	Apr-14	May-14	June-14	July-14
Spot/Deesa	162			
April-14		64		
May-14			65	
June-14				-

Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total	FED
	4.4.2014	4.4.2014	4.4.2014	31.3.2014
Bhabhar	2396	0	2396	2386
Deesa	24892	644	25536	24208
Kadi	41869	342	42211	41728
Patan	44394	1035	45429	42981

## Castor Seed Daily Prices on 05.4.2014

Commodity	Center	Market	Price (Rs/Q)		Change
			5-Apr-14	4-Apr-14	
Castor Seed	Rajasthan	Sumerpur	3700	3700	Unch
	Gujarat	Rajkot	3895	3885	10
		Gondal	3930	3930	Unch
		Patan	4000	4000	Unch
		Deesa	3925	4260	-335
		Mehsana	3940	3925	15
		Kadi	3925	3950	-25
		Ahmedabad	3925	4000	-75

## Castor Seed Arrivals on 05.4.2014

Commodity	Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
			5-Apr-14	4-Apr-14	
Castor Seed	Rajasthan	Sumerpur	800	800	Unch
	Gujarat	Rajkot	1050	1250	-200
		Gondal	688	877	-189
		Patan	10160	7500	2660
		Deesa	3102	3929	-827
		Mehsana	880	520	360
		Kadi	2960	2240	720
		Other Gujarat	17160	19684	-2524
	Total Arrival		36800	36800	Unch

**Note:** We have incorporated traded quantity of seed in particular mandis. It does not signify the total arrivals.

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