

### Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Castor seed market traded mixed on Saturday.** No major trade was recorded at the weekend. Recovery in futures could not help cash market. Inner tone remains weak on sluggish demand and higher production prospects. Crop In Andhra Pradesh is in good condition and is expected to hit the market in November. Restricted buying too weighs on the market fundamentals.
- **Area coverage till 22<sup>nd</sup> August has been registered at 7.31 lakh ha.,** higher than last year (4.90 lakh ha.) till date. Normal area for whole kharif season is 10.37 lakh ha. Area under castor seed is likely to increase at least by 9 to 10 percent from 9.83 to 10.54 lakh ha. in 2014-15. Almost 70 percent of normal area has been covered so far.
- **Castor seed x-mandi price in Gujarat has declined from Rs 42000 per tonne** to Rs 41750 per tonne during the week. Price of seed was hovering near 42500 per tonne in the fourth week of July. However, it was ruling at Rs 35114 per tonne in August, 2013, almost 18.90 percent lower than current price. Any steep fall from current level is unlikely as stockists have preferred to hold stock than to sell it at lower price.
- **Castor meal FOR is being quoted at Rs 6250 per tonne, moderately lower** (Rs 6300 per tonne) than previous week. It is – 0.79 percent lower than last week and 9.96 percent higher than the price realized during August 2014. FOB Quote for Castor oil first grade at Kandla has decreased from \$1445 to \$1430 per tonne in last one week. However, it is almost 18.18 percent higher than the price realised in August 2013. Castor meal export price for bulk quantity too has decreased slightly from \$108 to \$107 per tonne. It is higher by 11.46 percent from August, 2013.
- **Market is expected to face short supply of seed in Oct. Out of 15.8 lakh tonne seed** available for crushing almost 8.5 lakh tonne seed has been crushed so far. Around 3 lakh tonne seed is available with big players who would prefer releasing seed in parts or may retain it for three –four months from now. Govt has released fourth adv. Estimate of food grains for 2013-14 on 14, August, 2014. The govt. has estimated 16.89 lakh tonne production this year against the target of 15.81 lakh tonne. Govt. Production target for 2014-15 has been set at 16.65 lakh tonne.

### International Market Update:

- **Demand for castor meal continues from EU, USA and China. However,** recent dip has slowed down fresh deal for the same. As buyers remain inactive FOB price is bound to stay steady in the third week of August. Export quote for meal increased slightly by \$2 to \$108 per tonne today.
- **Price of castor oil in Rotterdam too has increased from \$1725 to \$1729 per metric tonne** during last one week. Buyers like EU, USA and China remain sidelined.

**Domestic market Outlook:** Market is expected to trade steady to slightly weak.

NCDEX Castor Futures								Date: 28.08.2014	
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
<b>Sept-14</b>	43	4166	4220	4140	4204	120110	40100	119190	-33280
<b>Oct-14</b>	38	4230	4293	4204	4269	64810	20450	149870	51410
<b>Nov-14</b>	34	4311	4368	4282	4345	11540	-19200	79320	16725

Spread	Sept-14	Oct-14	Nov-9714	Dec-14
Spot/Deesa				
Oct-14	54			
Nov-14		63		
Dec-14			76	

Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total	FED
	<b>26.8.2014</b>	<b>26.8.2014</b>	<b>26.8.2014</b>	<b>25.8.2014</b>
Bhabhar	223	0	223	273
Deesa	25582	110	25692	28590
Kadi	45146	161	45307	45147
Patan	43880	311	44191	44745

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

## Castor Seed Daily Prices on 30 August 2014

Commodity	Center	Market	Price (Rs/Q)		Change
			30-Aug-14	29-Aug-14	
Castor Seed	Rajasthan	Sumerpur	3875	3900	-25
		Jodhpur	3800	3800	Unch
	Gujarat	Rajkot	3885	3900	-15
		Gondal	NA	3955	-
		Patan	4100	NR	-
		Deesa	4075	NR	-
		Mehsana	4075	NR	-
		Kadi	4000	NR	-
		Ahmedabad	NA	NA	-

## Castor Seed Daily Arrivals.

Commodity	Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
			30-Aug-14	29-Aug-14	
Castor Seed	Rajasthan	Sumerpur	40	80	-40
		Jodhpur	160	160	Unch
	Gujarat	Rajkot	480	255	225
		Gondal	NA	101	-
		Patan	5186	NR	-
		Deesa	58	NR	-
		Mehsana	880	NR	-
		Kadi	1552	NR	-
		Other Gujarat	NA	NA	-
	Total Arrival		596	8356	596

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