

### Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Cash castor market moved up once again against expectation as settlement for** futures contract Sept was awaited on Thursday. Market may move down as availability of seed is ample and demands remain at lower side. Impact of loss may be felt from mid Oct. Market participant says that loss may be in the range of 30 percent and farmers in these areas may prefer to sow mustard seed. However, resowing opportunity is still there. Market participant need have a close eye on it.
- **Almost 90 percent area under castor seed has been covered so far. As on 5<sup>th</sup> sept**, area was recorded at 9.27 lakh ha. against 7.55 lakh ha last year till corresponding period. Overall area so far is around 1.7 lakh ha. higher than last year in sept first week. Sowing of castor seed is continues in Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh and some parts of Rajasthan.
- **Castor seed x-mandi price in Gujarat has declined from Rs 40900 per tonne to Rs 40500 per tonne** at previous trading session. Fresh buying at this level is expected and it may support price to some extent. Despite decline in prices, it is still higher from the price prevalent in Sept, 2013, almost 17.82 percent lower than current price.
- **Castor meal FOR is being quoted at Rs 6200 per tonne, moderately lower** (Rs 6250 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 \$1430 to \$1415 per tonne in last two days. However, it is almost 18.18 percent higher than the price realised in August 2013. Castor meal export price for bulk quantity too has increased slightly from \$107 to \$108 per tonne. It is higher by 11.46 percent from August, 2013.
- **Market is expected to face short supply of seed in Nov. Out of 15.8 lakh** tonne seed available for crushing almost 9.2 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:

- **Major buyers of meal includes South Korea, Taiwan, Japan, France and China.** They collectively brought 22001 tonne castor meal in August at an average Fob price of \$107 per tonne. In August total meal export declined by 28.80 percent in comparison to August last year. As buyers remain inactive FOB price is bound to stay steady in the third week of August. Export quote for meal decreased slightly by \$1 to \$107 per tonne today.
- **However, price of castor oil in Rotterdam too has decreased from \$1729 to \$1720 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 weak.

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
<b>Oct-14</b>	0	4265	4318	4241	4278	152190	-16000	179930	1570
<b>Nov-14</b>	1	4316	4375	4296	4330	45130	4575	91690	1320
<b>Dec-14</b>	0	4373	4433	4362	4392	12220		70910	

Spread	Sept-14	Oct-14	Nov-9714	Dec-14
Spot/Deesa				
Oct-14	135			
Nov-14		52		
Dec-14			62	

Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total	FED
	<b>18.9.2014</b>	<b>18.9.2014</b>	<b>18.9.2014</b>	<b>15.9.2014</b>
Bhabhar	10	0	10	10
Deesa	18117	50	18167	20183
Kadi	38747	60	38807	41869
Patan	40489	142	40631	42287

### Castor Seed Daily Prices on 18 September 2014

Commodity	Center	Market	Price (Rs/Q)		Change
			19-Sep-14	18-Sep-14	
Castor Seed	Rajasthan	Sumerpur	3875	3850	25
		Jodhpur	3800	3800	Unch
	Gujarat	Rajkot	3835	3760	75
		Gondal	3905	3880	25
		Patan	4060	4025	35
		Deesa	4125	4050	75
		Mehsana	4025	3990	35
		Kadi	4030	4000	30
		Ahmedabad	4100	4050	50

### Castor Seed Daily Arrivals.

Commodity	Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
			19-Sep-14	18-Sep-14	
Castor Seed	Rajasthan	Sumerpur	80	NA	-
		Jodhpur	160	160	Unch
	Gujarat	Rajkot	560	560	Unch
		Gondal	428	367	61
		Patan	2480	1695	785
		Deesa	2247	560	1687
		Mehsana	240	200	40
		Kadi	880	280	600
		Other Gujarat	3565	6738	-3173
		Total Arrival		10560	10560

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

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