

### Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Downward move continues to impact cash castor seed** market on Wednesday. Decline in futures has weakened inner tone in the cash market. Lower demand for castor products too remains price impacting factors and more dip in seed market is expected this week as buyers remain sidelined at declining market. Despite slight recovery in futures overall sentiments remains bearish.
- **Castor seed area increased to 10.24 lakh ha on 1<sup>st</sup> Oct, 2014** against last year's coverage of 9.59 lakh ha. till date. It is almost 65 thousand ha. higher than last year's coverage. Five year average of area is 9.39 lakh ha.. In the first adv estimate for 2014-15 govt has estimated 19.6 lakh tonne castor production for 2014-15. Area in Gujarat was registered at 7.22 lakh ha against 5.98 lakh ha last year. Area coverage in Rajasthan has not been up to the mark and total 1.49 lakh ha covered so far against 1.92 lakh ha last year.
- **Castor seed x-mandi price in Gujarat has increased from Rs 41750 per tonne** to Rs 43250 per tonne at previous trading session. Price gap between Oct.1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 and 1<sup>st</sup> oct 2014 is almost almost 21.36 percent now. Castor commercial grade oil is being traded at 86000 per tonne , almost higher by Rs 1500 per tonne from previous week. It is 17.33 percent higher than price realized in Oct- 2013.
- **Castor meal FOR is being quoted at Rs 6550 per tonne, moderately higher** (Rs 6500 per tonne) than previous week. It is 13.32 percent higher than the price realized during Oct 2013. FOB Quote for Castor oil first grade at Kandla has increased from \$1430 to \$1435 per tonne in last one week. However, it is almost 16.48 percent higher than the price realised in Oct 2013. Castor meal export price for bulk quantity too has stayed steady at \$112 per tonne. However, it is higher by 20.43 percent from Oct, 2013.
- **Govt has released First Advance Estimate** for 2014-15 on 19, Sept, 2014 and estimated 19.6 lakh tonne production this year. Production target for 2014-15 has been set at 16.65 lakh tonne. As area has increased around 0.65 lakh ha , overall production is set to increase this year. Agriwatch is stick with its previous estimate at 16.64 lakh tonne in 2014-15.

### International Market Update:

- **Unconfirmed sources say that no fresh deal has been struck on Wednesday. China, EU and South Asian countries are active to import** castor meal and oil buying. Castor oil export deal from Kandla port has been confirmed at \$1435 per tonne (on Fob basis) while meal deal is being done at \$112 per tonne. During August total oil export was registered at 38960 tonne against 36766 tonne in July. India has exported 207,387 tonne during April to August, 2014.
- **However, price of castor oil in Rotterdam too has increased** from \$1723 to \$1728 per metric tonne during last one week. Buyers like EU, USA and China remain sidelined in the month of Sept and restricted buyings have been witnessed so far.

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
<b>Oct-14</b>	26	4385	4425	4352	4417	60880	-23100	82130	12000
<b>Nov-14</b>	23	4445	4486	4410	4475	97400	24750	187520	11280
<b>Dec-14</b>	28	4515	4558	4481	4551	22360	4990	120090	4000

Spread	Oct-14	Nov-9714	Dec-14	Jec-15
Spot/Deesa				
Oct-14				
Nov-14				
Dec-14				

Note: Deesa market remains closed.

Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total	FED
	<b>7.10.2014</b>	<b>7.10.2014</b>	<b>7.10.2014</b>	<b>6.10.2014</b>
Bhabhar	30	203	233	30
Deesa	14333	705	15038	14022
Kadi	32874	2379	35253	31402
Patan	33037	384	33421	36941

### Castor Seed Daily Prices on 8 October 2014

Commodity	Center	Market	Price (Rs/Q)		Change
			8-Oct-14	7-Oct-14	
Castor Seed	Rajasthan	Sumerpur	3925	4000	-75
		Jodhpur	3900	3900	Unch
	Gujarat	Rajkot	3925	Closed	-
		Gondal	4055	4055	Unch
		Patan	4225	4290	-65
		Deesa	Closed	Closed	-
		Mehsana	4125	4200	-75
		Kadi	4130	4205	-75
		Ahmedabad	4050	4100	-50

### Castor Seed Daily Arrivals.

Commodity	Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
			8-Oct-14	7-Oct-14	
Castor Seed	Rajasthan	Sumerpur	80	80	Unch
		Jodhpur	160	240	-80
	Gujarat	Rajkot	300	Closed	-
		Gondal	224	411	-187
		Patan	4290	5415	-1125
		Deesa	Closed	Closed	-
		Mehsana	800	640	160
		Kadi	1440	2000	-560
		Other Gujarat	16946	23294	-6348
		Total Arrival		24240	32080

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

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