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Castor Daily Fundamental Report
28th Feb, 2015

Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Dip in castor market continued even on Friday and there seems** no respite in the short term as inner tone in the market remains bearish. Arrivals from new crop in the mandis are bound to increase from mid March and major buyers/planters may prefer to wait for stabilization in the market. Recent production estimates and higher carryout would continue to pull market down at least for the first half of the year.
- **All India production estimates for the year 2014-15 would range** between 12. 95 to 13.78 lakh tonne as was presented in the castor conference, Ahmedabad on 21st Feb,2015. This clearly indicates that production would be over 13 lakh tonne and with 5.5 to 6 lakh tonne carry out total availability would be around 18.5 to 19 lakh tonne this year.
- **It is more than sufficient for yearly crushing requirement that is** around 11 lakh tonne. If u include seed and other requirements total consumption of seed may be around 12 lakh tonne. This means next season -2015-16 would start with 6.5 to 7 lakh tonne carryout. In the second half sowing status and export demand would be the main price driving force and if prices continue to rule below Rs 675 per 20 kg, farmers may shift from castor to cash crop and it may support market.
- **At export front there is no encouraging factor. Reduced demand for** Cebasic Acid has discouraged Chinese buyers to go slow for castor oil buying. Slow down in European union hints that's these countries would not buy more this year. Only US demand may be stable. So overall export would be not more than 4.20/25 lakh tonne despite lower price. There is also a possibility that FOB price at Kandla port may test lower level of $1100 per tonne by the end of April.
- **Bears in the market would continue to dominate and stockists who** have held back stock may lose money. New entrants should wait for market to stay stable. Buying for new seed may be started from mid March aroundRs 3250 to Rs 3300 per qtl.

International Market Update:

- **Some fresh buying interest has been reported at $1275 per tonne** for castor oil at Kandla Port.
- **Castor meal demand may improve as availability of meal around** $125/128 seems possible in the weeks ahead with higher seed availability for crushing**.** It is being traded at $130 per tonne at kandla. Bulk buying is expected in March –April, the peak arrival season and likely lower price.

Domestic market Outlook: Market is likely to trade steady to weak.

NCDEX Price Date:27.02.2015 (Price taken at 5 .00pm)									
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
15-Mar	**23**	3633	3670	3611	3665	41830	-1520	89320	-1750
15-Apr	**30**	3718	3754	3686	3740	23470	-780	92440	250
15-May	**36**	3754	3805	3744	3799	11190	-1120	33140	-4340

Spread	15-Mar	15-Apr	15-May	15-Jun
Spot/Deesa				
15-Mar	-155			
15-Apr		75		
15-May			59	

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NCDEX Warehouse Stocks (in MT):- as on Feb 26, 2015			
Stocks	**Demat**	**In- Process**	**Total**
Bhabhar	1449	0	1449
Deesa	46983	142	47125
Kadi	223299	161	223460
Patan	169711	210	169921

NCDEX Castor FED Wise Stock Position (Qty in MT) on Feb 23, 2015					
FED	**Bhabhar**	**Deesa**	**Kadi**	**Patan**	**Total**
5-Mar-15	-	863	795	695	**2353**
5-Apr-15	765	11246	19859	22282	**54152**
5-May-15	434	7246	28497	23379	**59556**
5-Jun-15	-	7186	33334	37343	**77863**
5-Jul-15	129	17639	129375	78538	**225681**
5-Aug-15	121	2652	10496	7095	**20364**
5-Sep-15	-	-	483	329	**812**
Total	1449	46832	222839	169661	**440781**

Castor Seed Daily Prices on 27 February 2015

Commodity	Center	Market	Price (Rs/Q)		Change
			27-Feb-15	26-Feb-15	
Castor Seed	Rajasthan	Sumerpur	3200	3325	-125
		Jodhpur	3400	3350	50
	Gujarat	Rajkot	3520	3475	45
		Gondal	3480	3530	-50
		Patan	3500	3450	50
		Deesa	3475	3485	-10
		Mehsana	3500	3475	25
		Kadi	3535	3540	-5
		Harij	3450	3500	-50
		Sabarkatha	3500	3550	-50
		Gandhi Nagar	3475	3500	-25
		Bhabar	3485	3505	-20
		Halwad	3350	3450	-100
		Ahmedabad	3400	3500	-100

Castor Seed Arrivals

Commodity	Center	Market	Fig. in per Qtl		Change
			27-Feb-15	26-Feb-15	
Castor Seed	Rajasthan	Sumerpur	1200	1200	Unch
		Jodhpur	NA	40	-
	Gujarat	Rajkot	500	350	150
		Gondal	316	180	136
		Patan	2500	2000	500
		Deesa	948	1824	-876
		Mehsana	360	320	40
		Kadi	1600	1760	-160
		Harij	750	750	Unch
		Sabarkatha	375	375	Unch
		Gandhi Nagar	225	300	-75
		Bhabar	1847	1740	107
		Halwad	150	150	Unch
		Other Gujarat	19376	25566	-6190
	Total Arrival		**30147**	**36555**	-6408

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