

Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Good production prospects, higher availability of old stock and declining prices** despite better demand for oil from overseas market would continue to encourage buyers to cover their short position. New crop will hit the market one month earlier and pressure on market fundamental may continue.
- **Agriwatch expects peak arrival season in April this year. In April 2016 Prices** may touch the level of Rs 3000 per qtl. Major stake holders are eyeing on castor conference scheduled to be held on 13 February, 2016 in Ahmadabad, Gujarat, where, final size of the crop would be clear. Agriwatch expects over 15 lakh tonne seed production this year.
- **India exported almost double volume of castor oil in the week ending 3rd Jan-2016.** Total oil export was registered at 14339.39 tonne against 71125 tonne exported in the last week of Dec-2015. France and USA brought 5500 and 4523 tonne oil. Average FoB realized during the week was \$1334.55 per tonne. The highest and lowest quotes were \$1836.6 & \$1106.50 per tonne.
- **This year seed production may cross 15 lakh tonne while actual yearly** consumption is not more than 12/12.5 lakh tonne seed. With ample availability seed prices may slip below Rs 3000 in the peak arrival season. This year oil export has increased by 7 % so far. However, higher stock did not allow market to get firmer so far. Overall sentiment remains bearish.
- **New arrival is expected one month earlier and may hit market by Feb end. Till then** stockists would try to drag market up by restricting stock release. Stake holder should buy seed around Rs 3500 to Rs 3600 per qtl and hold it for one and a half month.
- **Agriculture statistics Division, DES has released its 1st Adv estimates of Production** of food-grains for 2015-16 on 16.09.2015. It has estimated 19.44 lakh tonne seed production this year. The production target for 2015-16 has been fixed at 20.34 lakh ton. India has produced 19.63 lakh tonne castor seed in 2014-15 as per revised 1st Adv estimate. Private trade estimate for the year is much lower and is between 15 to 16 lakh tonne for 2015-16. However, it is too early to talk about the final size as sowing is just over.

International Market Update:

- **As oil prices are ruling at lower level, major buyers would remain** active in January too. France, USA, Netherland and China remain active and brought 5500, 4525, 1820 & 1150 tonne oil last week ended 3rd January-2016.
- **India Castor oil in Rotterdam decreased from \$1530 to \$1510 per tonne** in last one week and may trade up in the weeks ahead. It was being traded at \$1530 per tonne in (Dec, 1st week), 2015.

Domestic market Outlook: Market is likely to trade steady to slightly weak in the short term.

NCDEX Castor Futures							Date: 07.01.2016		
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Jan-16	-5	3663.00	3715.00	3650.00	3660.00	35200	-220	163500	-43555
Feb-16	3	3690.00	3740.00	3670.00	3700.00	32450	-2250	216720	4275
Mar-16	-6	3555.00	3610.00	3554.00	3564.00	7780	1380	81110	-120

Spread	16-Jan	16-Feb	16-Mar
Patan			
Jan-16	210		
Feb-16		40	
Mar-16			-136

NCDEX Warehouse Stocks (in MT):- as on Jan 6,2016			
Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total
Bhabhar	1733	40	1773
Deesa	16118	732	16850
Kadi	52599	3014	55613
Patan	69326	3074	72400

NCDEX Castor FED Wise Stock Position (Qty in MT) on January 4, 2016					
FED	Bhabhar	Deesa	Kadi	Patan	Total
5-Jan-16	Unq	4217	2524	4521	11262
5-Feb-16	60	2745	6821	7152	16778
5-Mar-16	958	3098	11256	14161	29473
5-Apr-16	292	534	5782	8526	15134
5-May-16	393	4665	17776	18313	41147
5-Jun-16	30	1448	5972	7141	14591
5-Jul-16	Unq	2702	3600	8798	15100
Total	1733	19409	53731	68612	143485

Castor Seed Prices at Key Spot Markets:

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Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		7-Jan-16		6-Jan-16		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	3350	3450	3500	3525	-75
	Harij	3525	3575	3500	3550	25
	Rajkot	3205	3385	3210	3445	-60
	Gondal	3005	3405	2600	3405	Unch
	Deesa	3575	3600	3575	3575	25
	Bhabar	3500	3525	3450	3550	-25
	Mehsana	3425	3475	3500	3500	-25
	Kadi	3450	3500	3475	3540	-40
	Sabarkatha	3450	3475	3450	3500	-25
	Gandhi Nagar	3490	3525	3475	3500	25
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	3340	3345	3225	3385	-40
	Halvad	3400	3450	3400	3450	Unch
	Junagadh	3150	3500	3300	3450	50

	Dhrol	3180	3500	NA	NA	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	3580	3580	3580	3580	Unch
	Sumerpur	3400	3400	3350	3350	50

Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		7-Jan-16	6-Jan-16	
Gujarat	Patan	900	937.5	-37.5
	Harij	225	188	37.5
	Rajkot	180	170	10
	Gondal	229	122	107
	Deesa	400	800	-400
	Bhabar	487.5	444	43.5
	Mehsana	100	80	20
	Kadi	1352	1520	-168
	Sabarkatha	75	75	Unch
	Gandhi Nagar	75	75	Unch
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	20.8	8	13
	Halvad	112.5	93.75	18.75
	Junagadh	25	50	-25
	Dhrol	4.5	NA	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	32	56	-24
	Sumerpur	80	80	Unch
Total Arrivals/Above Markets		4298	4699	-400

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

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