

### Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Castor seed market recovers slightly on plants fresh buying interest** despite new arrivals in Gujarat. Arrivals from new crop in Gujarat have crossed 3500 bags per day in major mandis and peak is expected by Feb end this year. Overall sentiments remain weak and in peak arrival season castor seed may touch Rs3000 per qtl. given the size of incoming crop and higher accumulated old stock.
- **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 <sup>3rd</sup> 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.
- **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 3<sup>rd</sup> january-2016.
- **India Castor oil in Rotterdam decreased from \$1530to \$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: 11.01.2016 |        |        |
|----------------------|-----|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|------------------|--------|--------|
| Contract             | +/- | Open    | High    | Low     | Close   | Volume | Change           | OI     | Change |
| Jan-16               | -74 | 3611.00 | 3650.00 | 3531.00 | 3563.00 | 27350  | -3220            | 119750 | -23555 |
| Feb-16               | -61 | 3680.00 | 3680.00 | 357200  | 3620.00 | 29920  | -12250           | 255050 | 14275  |
| Mar-16               | -52 | 3543.00 | 3544.00 | 3455.00 | 3592.00 | 2860   | 1380             | 82370  | -1120  |

| Spread       | 16-Jan | 16-Feb | 16-Mar |
|--------------|--------|--------|--------|
| <b>Patan</b> |        |        |        |
| Jan-16       | 63     |        |        |
| Feb-16       |        | 57     |        |
| Mar-16       |        |        | -28    |

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| <b>NCDEX Warehouse Stocks (in MT):- as on Jan 9, 2016</b> |
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| Stocks         | Demat | In- Process | Total |
|----------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| <b>Bhabhar</b> | 1733  | 40          | 1773  |
| <b>Deesa</b>   | 17364 | 411         | 17775 |
| <b>Kadi</b>    | 55582 | 2407        | 57989 |
| <b>Patan</b>   | 75796 | 2962        | 78758 |

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

**Castor Seed Prices at Key Spot Markets:**

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|---|--------------------|---------------------|--------|----------|------|--------|
| Commodity/Center                        | Market             | Price (Rs/ Quintal) |        |          |      | Change |
|   |                    | 11-Jan-16           |        | 9-Jan-16 |      |        |
|   | Castor Seed        | Low                 | High   | Low      | High |        |
| Gujarat                                 | Patan              | 3400                | 3500   | 3475     | 3500 | Unch   |
|   | Harij              | 3475                | 3500   | 3500     | 3550 | -50    |
|   | Rajkot             | 3225                | 3385   | 3225     | 3380 | 5      |
|   | Gondal             | 2855                | 3380   | 2755     | 3305 | 75     |
|   | Deesa              | 3425                | 3570   | 3550     | 3550 | 20     |
|   | Bhabar             | 3400                | 3485   | 3470     | 3505 | -20    |
|   | Mehsana            | 3425                | 3450   | 3400     | 3425 | 25     |
|   | Kadi               | Closed              | Closed | 3425     | 3510 | -      |
|   | Sabarkatha         | 3450                | 3475   | 3450     | 3475 | Unch   |
|   | Gandhi Nagar       | 3450                | 3500   | 3450     | 3525 | -25    |
|   | Ahmedabad (Sanand) | 3385                | 3430   | 3390     | 3400 | 30     |
|   | Halvad             | 3350                | 3425   | 3375     | 3425 | Unch   |
|   | Junagadh           | 3250                | 3425   | NA       | NA   | -      |
|   | Dhrol              | NA                  | NA     | NA       | NA   | -      |
|   | Rajasthan          | Jodhpur             | 3560   | 3560     | 3575 | 3580   |

|  |          |      |      |      |      |            |
|--|----------|------|------|------|------|------------|
|  | Sumerpur | 3350 | 3350 | 3380 | 3380 | <b>-30</b> |
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**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

| Center                       | Market             | Fig. in Quintal |             | Change       |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|
|                              |                    | 11-Jan-16       | 9-Jan-16    |              |
| Gujarat                      | Patan              | 750             | 750         | Unch         |
|                              | Harij              | 225             | 225         | Unch         |
|                              | Rajkot             | 140             | 250         | <b>-110</b>  |
|                              | Gondal             | 186             | 142         | <b>44</b>    |
|                              | Deesa              | 822.4           | 400         | <b>422.4</b> |
|                              | Bhabar             | 825             | 787.5       | <b>37.5</b>  |
|                              | Mehsana            | 56              | 40          | <b>16</b>    |
|                              | Kadi               | Closed          | 1760        | -            |
|                              | Sabarkatha         | 75              | 75          | Unch         |
|                              | Gandhi Nagar       | 112.5           | 113         | Unch         |
|                              | Ahmedabad (Sanand) | 36              | 20          | <b>16</b>    |
|                              | Halvad             | 150             | 75          | <b>75</b>    |
|                              | Junagadh           | 10              | NA          | -            |
|                              | Dhrol              | NA              | NA          | -            |
| Rajasthan                    | Jodhpur            | 40              | 40          | Unch         |
|                              | Sumerpur           | 80              | 40          | <b>40</b>    |
| Total Arrivals/Above Markets |                    | <b>3508</b>     | <b>4717</b> | <b>-1209</b> |

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

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