

### Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Pressure continued on castor cash market as production estimates** range from 15 to 16 lakh tonne supported by early arrivals and Chinese buyer's interest for oil at \$950 to 1000 per tonne. Cash market may dip below 3000 level this week. Overall sentiment remains weak in the short term.
- **However, Yellow flowering in castor plants in Mahesana, Banskatha and other regions** have been reported by farmers and it may reduce normal yield expectation by 10 to 15 % in five to six districts and resultantly the crop size would reduce by 50,000 thousand tonne in that particular area. If weather turns rough castor price may firms up in the season once again. Hailstorm, heavy rains and higher than normal temperature too may damage castor yield. However, at current condition market is likely to trade bearish. Stake holders must keep eye on any possible weather change.
- **Castor oil from India decreases by 39.22 % to 4026.41tonne during the week ended 25th Jan-2016.** Average FoB quote realized during the week is lower by 4.01% from previous week at \$1258.49 per tonne. The gap between the highest and the lowest quotes is higher by \$700 per tonne.
- **As Per Gujarat Agriculture Directorate latest update castor seed production in Gujarat** may decrease by 13 % this year to 12.66 lakh tonne. Gujarat had produced 14.56 lakh tonne seed last year. It is second advance estimate by agri state directorate. In first adv estimate production were pegged at 14.68 lakh tonne. Lower production estimate may hamper declining trend in seed price. Castor seed price has been decreasing from last one month and market was expecting futures to decrease by Rs 200 more from current level. Now declining trend may pause declining trend for sometimes. However, overall tone remains bearish as crop is round the corner.
- **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 throughout January-Feb too. France, USA, Netherland and China remain active and brought 3500, 2525, 1120 & 950 tonne oil last week ended 10th January-2016.
- **India Castor oil in Rotterdam decreased from \$1345 to \$1284 per tonne** in last one week and may trade up in the weeks ahead. It was being traded at \$1530 per tonne in (Dec, 2nd week), 2015.

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

NCDEX Castor Futures							Date: 27.01.2016		
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Feb-16	-194.00	3264.00	3264.00	3051.00	3051.00	35000	-24250	283600	-13250
Mar-16	-196.00	3318.00	3181.00	3082.0	3082.0	43130	-17650	103560	17250
Apr-16	-199.00	3503.00	3510.00	3375.00	3375.00	29300	2450	42190	12350

Spread	16-Jan	16-Feb	16-Mar
<b>Patan</b>			
Feb-16	-49		
Mar-16		31	
Apr-16			282

NCDEX Warehouse Stocks (in MT):- as on Jan 25, 2016			
Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total
Bhabhar	1773	0	1773
Deesa	19001	182	19183
Kadi	60406	949	61355
Patan	85335	1452	86787

NCDEX Castor FED Wise Stock Position (Qty in MT) on January 25, 2016					
FED	Bhabhar	Deesa	Kadi	Patan	Total
5-Feb-16	60	2324	4809	5850	13043
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	40	6500	13842	29840	50222
5-Aug-16		432	969	1504	2905
Total	1773	19001	60406	85335	166515

Castor Seed Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		27-Jan-16		25-Jan-16		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	2900	3150	3200	3365	-215
	Harij	3050	3075	3300	3325	-250
	Rajkot	2955	3175	3005	3225	-50
	Gondal	2905	3280	2755	3330	-50
	Deesa	2910	3090	3275	3325	-235
	Bhabar	3015	3100	3225	3310	-210
	Mehsana	3050	3200	3300	3325	-125
	Kadi	2990	3150	Closed	Closed	-
	Sabarkatha	3200	3250	3300	3325	-75
	Gandhi Nagar	3100	3200	3300	3350	-150
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	3110	3140	3200	3230	-90
	Halvad	3125	3175	3225	3275	-100
	Junagadh	3000	3145	3050	3335	-190
	Dhrol	2850	3095	3000	3125	-30
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	3400	3500	3300	3500	Unch
	Sumerpur	3000	3050	3150	3200	-150

**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		27-Jan-16	25-Jan-16	
Gujarat	Patan	900	1328	-428
	Harij	975	450	525
	Rajkot	420	300	120
	Gondal	175	256	-81
	Deesa	654	510	144
	Bhabar	1414	1200	214
	Mehsana	104	108	-4
	Kadi	2156	Closed	-
	Sabarkatha	300	225	75
	Gandhi Nagar	300	300	Unch
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	36	16	20
	Halvad	225	150	75
	Junagadh	25	30	-5
	Dhrol	3	4	-1
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	64	56	8
	Sumerpur	160	160	Unch
Total Arrivals/Above Markets		7911	5093	2818

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

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