

### Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Cash markets trade steady to slightly weak and may decrease Rs 50 to Rs 75 per qtl.** further in the remaining days of the week. Buyers and stockiests are not active despite arrivals from new crop continues in a small volume. As prices are ruling lower, farmers may wait for correction in market and it may lend support to the cash market fundamentals.
- **Market regulator SEBI may tighten risk management norms after suspension** of castor seed contracts. SEBI was Seen taking action after receiving contract suspension report from NCDEX..NCDEX had informed Sebi before suspending the contracts. An exchange is under regulatory obligation to inform Sebi before taking any such drastic decision. Sources say that the exchange should have acted a week to 10 days earlier, which would have helped avert the crisis.
- **Castor oil export 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.
- **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:

- **China may plan to make inventory at current level while domestic farmers** would not sell seed at current price. Till then old stock might be used stored out in warehouses. So Agriwatch expects market to stay steady and it may move up April onward once again. Oil FoB quote may range \$950 to \$1000 per tonne in the near term.
- **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
<b>Feb-16</b>	<b>-194.00</b>	3264.00	3264.00	3051.00	3051.00	35000	-24250	283600	-13250
<b>Mar-16</b>	<b>-196.00</b>	3318.00	3181.00	3082.0	3082.0	43130	-17650	103560	17250
<b>Apr-16</b>	<b>-199.00</b>	3503.00	3510.00	3375.00	3375.00	29300	2450	42190	12350

**Note: Castor Seed Contracts suspended on 27<sup>th</sup> Jan-2016**

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

NCDEX Warehouse Stocks (in MT):- as on Jan 30, 2016			
Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total
Bhabhar	1702	0	1702
Deesa	16243	0	16243
Kadi	57537	468	58005
Patan	81111	10	81121

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:

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Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		1-Feb-16		30-Jan-16		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	2900	3075	2900	3075	Unch
	Harij	2975	3025	2975	3000	25
	Rajkot	2605	2905	2625	2910	-5
	Gondal	3055	3060	3055	3105	-45
	Deesa	2950	3005	2930	3015	-10
	Bhabar	2950	2975	2950	3010	-35
	Mehsana	2925	2975	2950	2985	-10
	Kadi	Closed	Closed	2925	3015	-
	Sabarkatha	2950	3000	2950	3000	Unch
	Gandhi Nagar	2950	3025	2950	3025	Unch
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	2650	2935	2935	3000	-65
	Halvad	3000	3050	2950	3025	25
	Junagadh	2700	2825	2900	3020	-195
	Dhrol	NA	NA	2765	3000	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	3200	3400	3200	3200	200
	Sumerpur	2850	2850	2850	2850	Unch

**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		1-Feb-16	30-Jan-16	
Gujarat	Patan	675	750	-75
	Harij	825	375	450
	Rajkot	90	150	-60
	Gondal	160	160	Unch
	Deesa	218	121	97
	Bhabar	1275	1152	123
	Mehsana	72	80	-8
	Kadi	Closed	960	-
	Sabarkatha	112.5	150	-38
	Gandhi Nagar	112.5	150	-38
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	32	8	24
	Halvad	150	187.5	-38
	Junagadh	20	30	-10
	Dhrol	NA	2	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	20	24	-4
	Sumerpur	80	40	40
Total Arrivals/Above Markets		3842	4339	-498

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

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