

Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Cash seed cash market recovers as expected on the back of private trades** buying at lower level. However, uptrend in the near term is unlikely. Growing fear of lower area coverage due to lower price and likely good rainfall this year may support cash market in the second half of the year. Sowing would start in July and by then rainfall status would be clear. Near term outlook remains weak and market would continue to trade range bound.
- **Arrivals in Gujarat have touched at 1lakh bags.** Lower seed price affected castor oil price too and it slipped to Rs 6350/6400 per qtl. Cash market is likely to trade stable to weak in the short term.
- **Castor seed market in Sumerpur located in region of Rajasthan traded unchanged.** Stockiest remained active as arrival is being reported at 700/800 bags per day. As price is ruling lower, buyers have started accumulating stock in anticipation of higher price in second half of the year. Currently seed price is ruling at Rs 2950/2975 per qtl. Stock in the region is said to 2 lakh bags. As arrival has started decreasing, stock would not increase above 3 lakh bags this year.
- **Prospects for good rainfall this year may encourage farmers to reduce** castor area and shift to other lucrative crops. Total area under castor may decrease below 10 lakh ha due to lower price this year. Castor area of around 25,000 ha in Rajasthan and around 50000 ha in Gujarat might be use for other crops.
- **All India average price for castor seed increased by 4.79 % from Rs 3124.28 to Rs 3274.1 per qtl** during the week ended 14th May-2016. It is lower by 9.14 % from the price registered during the second week of May-2015.
- **India exported 9992.98 tonne castor oil during week ended 15th May-2016** at an average price of \$1130.19 per MT. It is lower by 0.35.% from previous week. India had exported 9628.55MT oil previous week. The maximum and minimum prices were registered at \$4051.89 and 687.45 per MT. Castor oil export would continue to stay steady as prices are lower than normal expectation and availability is higher.

International Market Update:

- **China brought 6332.16 tonne castor oil at an average FoB of \$978.66 per tonne** last week. USA brought 529.18 tonne oil at an average FoB price of \$1118.17 per tonne..belgium and Japan brought 474 and 469 tonne oil during the same period.
- **Ave castor oil FoB quote increased slightly from \$1079 to \$1098 last week.** China and U.S remained active at current price level.
- **Castor oil importers have made inventory this year taking advantage of** lower price and higher availability and they are in no hurry to buy oil in bulk quantity as they are aware of higher stock. So firmness is unlikely in the short to medium term.

Domestic market Outlook: Market is likely to trade range bound to weak in the short term.

NCDEX Castor Futures							Date: 13.02.2016		
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Feb-16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar-16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apr-16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note:Castor Seed Contracts suspended on 27th Jan-2016

Spread	16-Jan	16-Feb	16-Mar
Patan			
Feb-16			
Mar-16			
Apr-16			

NCDEX Warehouse Stocks (in MT):- as on May 19, 2016			
Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total
Bhabhar	0	0	0
Deesa	463	0	463
Kadi	3890	0	3890
Patan	1805	0	1805

NCDEX Castor FED Wise Stock Position (Qty in MT) on May 16, 2016					
FED	Bhabhar	Deesa	Kadi	Patan	Total
5-Jun-16	-	20	1161	674	1855
5-Jul-16	-	323	2630	1009	3962
5-Aug-16	-	121	99	201	421
Total	-	464	3890	1884	6238

Castor Seed Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		20-May-16		19-May-16		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	3000	3100	3000	3075	25
	Harij	3100	3150	3050	3100	50
	Rajkot	2850	3175	2850	3150	25
	Gondal	NR	NR	NR	NR	-
	Deesa	3060	3100	3070	3130	-30
	Bhabar	3090	3135	NR	NR	-
	Mehsana	3075	3110	3050	3100	10
	Kadi	3100	3200	3100	3150	50
	Sabarkatha	3100	3135	3100	3135	Unch
	Gandhi Nagar	3125	3175	3100	3150	25
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	2750	3030	3040	3060	-30
	Halvad	3025	3075	2925	3090	-15
	Junagadh	2950	3130	3000	3120	10
	Dhrol	2735	3020	2750	2915	105
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	2950	3000	2900	3000	Unch
	Sumerpur	3000	3025	2975	3000	25

Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		20-May-16	19-May-16	
Gujarat	Patan	11250	10500	750
	Harij	1500	2850	-1350
	Rajkot	560	320	240
	Gondal	NR	NR	-
	Deesa	1219	1510	-291
	Bhabar	3750	NR	-
	Mehsana	1125	1125	Unch
	Kadi	2880	4000	-1120
	Sabarkatha	375	375	Unch
	Gandhi Nagar	750	825	-75
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	10	8	2
	Halvad	263	3375	-3113
	Junagadh	125	100	25
	Dhrol	26	2	24
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	75	97	-22
	Sumerpur	800	800	Unch
Total Arrivals/Above Markets		24707	25887	-1180

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

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