

Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **All India average price for castor seed increased slightly by 0.17 %** from Rs 3018.53 to Rs 3023.86 per qtl during the week ended 18th June-2016. It is lower by 9.25 % from the price registered in the third week of June, 2015. As prices are ruling lower, buyers remain active. Arrivals are comparatively 30 % lower this year due to lower price. Lower prevailing price of seed has discouraged farmers to release entire stock and they have preferred to retain 35 to 40 % crop in anticipation of price hike, generally seen in third and 4th quarter of the year.
- **Castor seed market is likely to trade range bound in the short to medium term.** Recovery in market is expected September onward, by then sowing status would be clear. Lower price of castor seed and higher prevailing price for other cash crops including pulses and spices may encourage farmers to shift from castor to other lucrative crops.
- **Area coverage under castor seed is expected to decrease by 20 percent this year** to 9.2 lakh ha from last year (11 lakh ha.) major decline may be seen in Gujarat and Rajasthan, the major seed producers. However, yield is likely to increase as prospect for good rainfall would enhance yield. It is based on feedback received from farmers. Agriwatch would publish its preliminary area and yield estimates in August-2016, based on internal survey and feedback received from farmers.
- **Castor oil export increased by 9.13 percent to 16541.37 tonne week on week basis** ended 12th June-2016 and was sold at an average price of \$1189.06 per tonne. India had exported 15157.48 tonne castor oil previous week. Exported volume increased by 5.53 % last week. As prices are ruling at lower level, import demand continues. It is higher by 65.52% from volume exported in the 2nd week of May-2016.
- **Castor seed market in Sumerpur located in region of Rajasthan traded unchanged.** Stockiest remained active as arrival is being reported at 750/850 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 be around 2 lakh bags. As arrival has started decreasing, stock would not increase above 3 lakh bags this year.

International Market Update:

- **China brought maximum quantity (5688.09 T) last week.** USA stood second with buying 2135T castor oil. Japan and Netherland brought 944 and 1028 T castor oil respectively.
- **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.
- **Demand for oil from overseas market would continue** as prices are ruling lower.

Domestic market Outlook: Market is likely to trade stable 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 June 17, 2016			
Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total
Bhabhar	-	-	-
Deesa	403	0	403
Kadi	1938	0	1938
Patan	809	0	809

NCDEX Castor FED Wise Stock Position (Qty in MT) on June 13, 2016					
FED	Bhabhar	Deesa	Kadi	Patan	Total
5-Jul-16	-	282	2401	737	3420
5-Aug-16	-	121	39	171	331
Total	-	403	2440	908	3751

Castor Seed Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		18-Jun-16		17-Jun-16		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	2950	3025	2950	3000	25
	Harij	3000	3025	3025	3060	-35
	Rajkot	2805	3055	2775	3055	Unch
	Gondal	2655	3130	2755	3180	-50
	Deesa	3005	3040	3000	3050	-10
	Bhabar	3000	3035	2990	3030	5
	Mehsana	2990	3035	3010	3025	10
	Kadi	3125	3150	3025	3075	75
	Sabarkatha	3000	3025	3000	3025	Unch
	Gandhi Nagar	3000	3050	2975	3050	Unch
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	3050	3060	2995	3015	45
	Halvad	2750	2950	2800	2980	-30
	Junagadh	2750	3140	2900	3135	5
	Dhrol	NA	NA	2560	2860	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	2900	3100	2900	3000	100
	Sumerpur	2980	3011	2980	3010	1

Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		18-Jun-16	17-Jun-16	
Gujarat	Patan	4275	4500	-225
	Harij	900	900	Unch
	Rajkot	180	240	-60
	Gondal	219	136	83
	Deesa	512	478	34
	Bhabar	2012	1640	373
	Mehsana	750	825	-75
	Kadi	5200	2000	3200
	Sabarkatha	187.5	225	-38
	Gandhi Nagar	300	338	-38
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	4	6	-2
	Halvad	750	900	-150
	Junagadh	9	50	-41
	Dhrol	NA	7	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	113	34	79
	Sumerpur	240	400	-160
Total Arrivals/Above Markets		15651	12677	2974

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

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