

### Castor Domestic Fundamentals:

- **Castor seed cash market trades mixed despite firm inner tone. Slower pace of planting, depleting old accumulated stock and higher export volumes hint uptrend in seed market in coming weeks.** Area is expected to decline by 25 % and production is estimated around 13 to 14 lakh tonne this year. Major dip has been seen in Gujarat. Agriwatch would publish its preliminary area and yield estimate in monthly report of August-2016.
- **India castor oil export recovers once again despite recovery in seed price** during the week ended 17<sup>th</sup>, July, 2016. India exported 13926 tonne castor oil at an average FoB of \$1146.44 per tonne. It increased by 96.73 percent from last week. However, average price decreased by 2.6 percent from \$1177.06 to \$1146.44 a tonne. As prices of oil rule lower export would continue with same pace in coming weeks.
- **Castor meal export continues to decline during week ended 17th ,July-2016 despite lower meal price.** India exported only 2012.65 tonne castor meal at an average price of 114.89 per tonne. **As on 15th July, total coverage under castor seed was reported only 40,000 ha** against last year's coverage of 74,000 ha. In second week of July. Normal area coverage is 85,000 ha. for the same period Lower coverage and farmers sowing intention show the possibility of 25 % lower coverage in Gujarat.
- Lower area coverage so far and unattractive price backed by good rainfall have given ground for crop shifting in Gujarat, the major castor seed producing state. Fear of lower production this year and depleting old stock have started pushing market up.
- **All India average price for castor seed increased by 3.35 % from Rs 3029.5 to Rs 3131.09 per qtl** during the week ended 9<sup>th</sup> July-2016. It is lower by 5.65 % from the price registered in the first week of July, 2015. As prices are ruling lower, buyers remain active. Arrivals are comparatively 35 % lower this year due to unattractive price. Lower prevailing price of seed has discouraged farmers from releasing entire stock and they have preferred to retain around 40 % crop in anticipation of price hike, generally seen in third and 4th quarter of the year.
- **Castor seed market in Sumerpur located in region of Rajasthan traded unchanged.** Stockiest remained active as arrival is being reported at 250/350 bags per day. As price is ruling lower, buyers have started accumulating stock in anticipation of higher price in second half of the year.

### International Market Update:

- **As usual China brought the highest quantity(2687 toone), followed by** Netherland 1177.46 T and Japan 600.84 T. Buyers like UK, USA and Belgium too remains active buying over three hundred tonne. Thailand too brought 218.73 tonne and is stocking oil to sell it at higher price whenever oil price shoots up, expected in third quarter of this year. Besides, other countries brought 686 tonne oil during the week under review.
- **Average FoB quote for export for the month of June till date comes to \$1120 per tonne.** In coming months export volume may decrease as buyers have brought 15 % higher stock than normal volume. If prices increase, buying for import may decrease.

**Domestic market Outlook:** Market is likely to trade range bound to slightly firm.

| 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 27<sup>th</sup> Jan-2016**

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

| NCDEX Warehouse Stocks (in MT):- as on July 21, 2016 |       |             |       |
|--|-------|-------------|-------|
| Stocks   | Demat | In- Process | Total |
| Bhabhar  | -     | -           | -     |
| Deesa  | -     | -           | -     |
| Kadi   | -     | -           | -     |
| Patan  | -     | -           | -     |

| NCDEX Castor FED Wise Stock Position (Qty in MT) on July 18, 2016 |         |       |      |       |       |
|---|---------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| FED   | Bhabhar | Deesa | Kadi | Patan | Total |
| 5-Jul-16  | -       | -     | -    | -     | -     |
| 5-Aug-16  | -       | -     | -    | -     | -     |
| Total   | -       | -     | -    | -     | -     |

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

| Commodity/Center | Market             | Price (Rs/ Quintal) |        |           |      | Change |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------|-----------|------|--------|
|                  |                    | 22-Jul-16           |        | 21-Jul-16 |      |        |
|                  | Castor Seed        | Low                 | High   | Low       | High |        |
| Gujarat          | Patan              | 3100                | 3390   | 3200      | 3400 | -10    |
|                  | Harij              | 3350                | 3425   | 3325      | 3375 | 50     |
|                  | Rajkot             | 3125                | 3410   | 3055      | 3465 | -55    |
|                  | Gondal             | Closed              | Closed | 3255      | 3505 | -      |
|                  | Deesa              | 3295                | 3370   | 3260      | 3350 | 20     |
|                  | Bhabar             | 3340                | 3380   | 3300      | 3335 | 45     |
|                  | Mehsana            | 3300                | 3350   | 3300      | 3325 | 25     |
|                  | Kadi               | 3350                | 3415   | 3325      | 3385 | 30     |
|                  | Sabarkatha         | 3350                | 3400   | 3350      | 3375 | 25     |
|                  | Gandhi Nagar       | 3350                | 3400   | 3275      | 3350 | 50     |
|                  | Ahmedabad (Sanand) | NA                  | NA     | NA        | NA   | -      |
|                  | Halvad             | 3180                | 3340   | 3010      | 3190 | 150    |
|                  | Junagadh           | 3150                | 3350   | 3150      | 3365 | -15    |
|                  | Dhrol              | 2900                | 3165   | 2750      | 3140 | 25     |
| Rajasthan        | Jodhpur            | 3150                | 3215   | 3100      | 3175 | 40     |
|                  | Sumerpur           | 3350                | 3400   | 3350      | 3425 | -25    |

**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

| Center                       | Market             | Fig. in Quintal |           | Change |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------|
|                              |                    | 22-Jul-16       | 21-Jul-16 |        |
| Gujarat                      | Patan              | 3371            | 2915      | 456    |
|                              | Harij              | 450             | 413       | 38     |
|                              | Rajkot             | 250             | 250       | Unch   |
|                              | Gondal             | Closed          | 430       | -      |
|                              | Deesa              | 381             | 249       | 132    |
|                              | Bhabar             | 810             | 145       | 665    |
|                              | Mehsana            | 375             | 300       | 75     |
|                              | Kadi               | 1060            | 640       | 420    |
|                              | Sabarkatha         | 113             | 75        | 38     |
|                              | Gandhi Nagar       | 300             | 225       | 75     |
|                              | Ahmedabad (Sanand) | NA              | NA        | -      |
|                              | Halvad             | 225             | 263       | -38    |
|                              | Junagadh           | 145             | 60        | 85     |
|                              | Dhrol              | 1               | 8         | -7     |
| Rajasthan                    | Jodhpur            | 30              | 30        | Unch   |
|                              | Sumerpur           | 240             | 240       | Unch   |
| Total Arrivals/Above Markets |                    | 7751            | 6242      | 1509   |

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

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