

Castor Domestic Market Fundamentals:

- **Steady to weak tone were witnessed in physical market on account of lackluster trading activities.** Exporters are in wait and watch condition as prices are comparatively very high. On Long run, prices in both of the markets of Gujarat and Rajasthan is likely to increase on lower crop for the season. Cumulative arrivals are in mixed trend as some of the farmers are still waiting for good prices. Sellers hold today's stocks in the Sumerpur market of Rajasthan as compared to previous day record. Arrival in Sumerpur is being reported to remain same arrival as 150/160 bags compare to previous day.
- **As per sources, Gujarat has covered total 557500 Hec. castor crops sowing as on 19th September 2016** lower than previous year record i.e. 771300 Hec. during the corresponding period of time followed by sowing area in North Gujarat region, Middle Gujarat region, Saurashtra and south region which have completed sowing area around 3082 Hec, 729, 855, 33 Hec .respectively. Normal sowing area last three years stood at 714400 Hec of this season as on 19th September 2016.
- **According to the government data, total 8.15 lakh hectares or 71% of castor sowing area has been covered** against 10.83 lakh hac last year during the same period of time. It is 24.74 % lower than corresponding period last year. Normal coverage area as on date stood at 10.42 lakh hectares Continuous rains in growing region have delayed sowing by two weeks for early maturity varieties. As sowing has got delayed, area decline may increase over 30 percent this year by the end of September.
- **According to recent released IBIS data, India shipped approx. 1187.165 tonne castor oil during the period** started from 5th Sep 2016 to 9th September 2016 with a total FOB price Rs.9.014 crore mostly from Mundra port via sea mode in India. USA, Italy, Turkey, China, Vietnam Japan Russia are the main buyer for Indian castor oil. India shipped around 44710 tonne castor oil in the month of August, which is higher by 10.49 percent from July-2016. However, latest data of current month is awaited. During last three weeks castor oil export has been on higher side due to lower prevailing prices in domestic market. Prices of oil may move up as crop size is expected to be lower by 25 to 30 percent. Final Sowing status is awaited by the end of this month. As seed price is getting firmer, FoB quotes is likely to move up from current level.
- **Lower coverage and farmers sowing intention show the possibility of 25 % lower coverage in Gujarat.** Area may decline 10 to 15 percent in Rajasthan too from season's normal of 2.15 lakh ha. Overall area coverage is lagging behind by 20.77% so far. Farmers have shifted castor area to moong, moth, turmeric, cotton, chilly, peanuts and Urad as prices of these commodities rule considerably higher this year. Govt. has fixed MSP for Pulses and it would buy it to make a buffer stock. So farmers are sure to get MSP for these crops. There is a common gossip in the market that area in Gujarat may decline by 30 percent It will decrease in Telangana /AP by 4/5 % this year as farmers intend to grow pulses, cotton and turmeric due to prevailing attractive price.

International Market Update:

South Korea imported 173,460 tons of castor meal during April-August 2016. While, Taiwan bought total - 3403 tonnes of castor meal during April-August 2016.

Domestic market Outlook: Market is likely to trade steady to slightly firm in the short to medium 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 Sept, 2016			
Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total
Bhabhar	-	-	-
Deesa	-	-	-
Kadi	-	-	-
Patan	-	-	-

NCDEX Castor FED Wise Stock Position (Qty in MT) on Sept, 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
		23-Sep-16		22-Sep-16		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	3605	3750	3605	3795	-45
	Harij	3675	3750	3700	3790	-40
	Rajkot	3405	3630	3405	3605	25
	Gondal	3105	3680	3005	3655	25
	Deesa	3625	3695	3685	3740	-45
	Bhabar	3700	3755	3760	3810	-55
	Mehsana	3675	3725	3675	3750	-25
	Kadi	3650	3735	3700	3775	-40
	Sabarkatha	3750	3750	3775	3825	-75
	Gandhi Nagar	3700	3750	3700	3750	Unch
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	3645	3645	3645	3645	Unch
	Halvad	3550	3605	3350	3620	-15
	Junagadh	3250	3500	3150	3675	-175
	Dhrol	3330	3505	NA	NA	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	3500	3600	3550	3610	-10
	Sumerpur	3550	3625	3575	3625	Unch

Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		23-Sep-16	22-Sep-16	
Gujarat	Patan	5993	7314	-1321
	Harij	750	900	-150
	Rajkot	455	350	105
	Gondal	344	781	-437
	Deesa	237	952	-715
	Bhabar	267	1074	-807
	Mehsana	900	900	Unch
	Kadi	1764	3120	-1356
	Sabarkatha	375	375	Unch
	Gandhi Nagar	750	900	-150
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	2	2	Unch
	Halvad	750	1125	-375
	Junagadh	20	110	-90
	Dhrol	14	NA	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	30	38	-8
	Sumerpur	160	160	Unch
Total Arrivals/Above Markets		12811	18101	-5289

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

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