



### Domestic Market Update:

- Weak sentiments recorded in castor cash market today with lower arrival.
- All India Castor seed arrival is 26480 quintals which is lower than 317 quintals from last day arrival of 26797 quintals.
- According to the Solvent Extractors' Association of India (SEA), Castor seed production in 2017-18 is expected to stand up by around 34% to 14.3 lakh tons compared to 13.96 lakh tons of govt. estimates. The survey conducted by SEA revealed that the area under castor increased by a tad 2.9 per cent from 7, 99,540 hectares in 2016-17 to 8, 22,790 hectares as per the State governments' estimates for the 2017-18 kharif seasons.
- As per Agmarknet data, castor arrivals during the current calendar year are at 62,600 tons, down by 18.7% compared to last year arrivals. In Gujarat, the arrivals in February have been down by about 8.3% at 33,261 tons. Further, market is expecting castor seed crop higher by around 10-15 per cent over last year's production of 10.65 lakh tons due to higher acreage and supportive climatic conditions.
- Castor seed area as on 06<sup>th</sup> October-2017 is around 8.44 lakh hectares which is down by 16.19% normal area as on date of 10.07 lakh hectares and down by 1.79% from last year area till date of 8.59 lakh hectares.

NCDEX Castor Futures						Date: 22.03.2018	
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	O. Int
Apr-18	-23.00	4136	4142	4091	4107	14630	49100
May-18	-23.00	4171	4186	4138	4154	6510	22390
June-18	-41.00	4246	4246	4205	4205	230	210

NCDEX Warehouse Stocks (in MT):- As on 21 <sup>st</sup> March, 2018			
Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total
Bhabhar	475	0	475
Deesa	1876	0	1876
Kadi	4020	30	4050
Patan	7594	0	7594

NCDEX Castor FED Wise Stock Position (Qty in MT) on 19th March, 2018					
FED	Bhabhar	Deesa	Kadi	Patan	Total
5-Mar-18	-	-	-	-	-
5-Apr-18	-	1735	946	3745	6709
5-May-18	-	101	851	1352	2405
5-Jun-18	283	40	1154	1770	3247

5-Jul-18	101	-	494	545	1140
5-Aug-18	71	-	466	161	698
5-Sep-18	20	-	300	20	340
<b>Total</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>1876</b>	<b>4211</b>	<b>7593</b>	<b>14155</b>

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

Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		22-Mar-18		21-Mar-18		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	3825	3925	3850	3950	-25
	Harij	3900	3950	3900	3975	-25
	Rajkot	3525	3850	3525	3855	-5
	Gondal	3580	3830	3505	3880	-50
	Deesa	3935	3975	3925	3975	Unch
	Bhabar	3875	3935	3900	3950	-15
	Mehsana	3890	3925	3900	3960	-35
	Kadi	3900	3925	3850	3950	-25
	Sabarkatha	3910	3950	3950	3975	-25
	Gandhi Nagar	3885	3930	3900	3950	-20
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	3865	3905	NA	NA	-
	Halvad	3700	3900	3700	3925	-25
	Junagadh	3500	3975	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	Closed	Closed	NA	NA	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	4060	4070	4080	4090	-20
	Sumerpur	3900	3925	3925	3950	-25

**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		22-Mar-18	21-Mar-18	
Gujarat	Patan	7500	7500	Unch
	Harij	1350	1125	225
	Rajkot	1310	1250	60
	Gondal	1286	1188	98
	Deesa	1410	1282	129
	Bhabar	3600	2560	1040
	Mehsana	1125	1125	Unch
	Kadi	4800	6640	-1840

	Sabarkatha	1280	960	<b>320</b>
	Gandhi Nagar	900	1050	<b>-150</b>
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	56	NA	-
	Halvad	450	413	<b>38</b>
	Junagadh	100	NA	-
	Dhrol	Closed	NA	-
<b>Rajasthan</b>	Jodhpur	113	105	<b>8</b>
	Sumerpur	1200	1600	<b>-400</b>
<b>Total Arrivals/Above Markets</b>		<b>26480</b>	<b>26797</b>	<b>-317</b>

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

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