



### Domestic Market Update:

- Mixed sentiments recorded in castor cash market today with higher arrival.
- All India Castor seed arrival is 23860 quintals which is higher than 2398 quintals from last day arrival of 21462 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 23rd March, 2018			
Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total
Bhabhar	475	0	475
Deesa	1119	0	1119
Kadi	3890	61	3951
Patan	4637	192	4829

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

<b>5-Aug-18</b>	71	-	466	161	<b>698</b>
<b>5-Sep-18</b>	20	-	300	20	<b>340</b>
<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
		24-Mar-18		23-Mar-18		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	3825	3925	3825	3925	Unch
	Harij	3875	3925	3900	3925	Unch
	Rajkot	NR	NR	3575	3885	-
	Gondal	Closed	Closed	3530	3855	-
	Deesa	3905	3945	3910	3950	-5
	Bhabar	3875	3910	NR	NR	-
	Mehsana	3875	3925	3875	3925	Unch
	Kadi	3900	3955	3925	3950	5
	Sabarkatha	3900	3925	3925	3925	Unch
	Gandhi Nagar	3900	3950	3900	3950	Unch
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	3830	3850	NA	NA	-
	Halvad	3675	3875	3700	3925	-50
	Junagadh	3700	3760	3400	3805	-45
	Dhrol	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	-
	Rajasthan	Jodhpur	NR	NR	4060	4070
Sumerpur		3850	3875	3850	3900	-25

**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		24-Mar-18	23-Mar-18	
<b>Gujarat</b>	Patan	7500	6750	750
	Harij	1125	1125	Unch
	Rajkot	NR	1250	-
	Gondal	Closed	769	-
	Deesa	2275	990	1285
	Bhabar	3200	NR	-
	Mehsana	1050	1275	-225
	Kadi	4400	4540	-140
	Sabarkatha	800	960	-160



	Gandhi Nagar	1350	1500	<b>-150</b>
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	80	NA	-
	Halvad	450	450	<b>Unch</b>
	Junagadh	30	140	<b>-110</b>
	Dhrol	Closed	Closed	-
<b>Rajasthan</b>	Jodhpur	NR	113	-
	Sumerpur	1600	1600	<b>Unch</b>
<b>Total Arrivals/Above Markets</b>		<b>23860</b>	<b>21462</b>	<b>2398</b>

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

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