

**Domestic Market Update:**

- Major castor cash markets closed due to March Ending.
- All India Castor seed arrival is 880 quintals which is lower than 1200 quintals from last day arrival of 2080 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: 28.03.2018 |        |
|----------------------|--------|------|------|------|-------|------------------|--------|
| Contract             | +/-    | Open | High | Low  | Close | Volume           | O. Int |
| Apr-18               | +27.00 | 4114 | 4144 | 4083 | 4128  | 13100            | 42530  |
| May-18               | +26.00 | 4170 | 4195 | 4136 | 4179  | 5710             | 28590  |
| June-18              | +39.00 | 4225 | 4244 | 4225 | 4244  | 30               | 280    |

| NCDEX Warehouse Stocks (in MT):- As on 27 <sup>th</sup> March, 2018 |       |             |       |
|---|-------|-------------|-------|
| Stocks  | Demat | In- Process | Total |
| Bhabhar   | 475   | 0           | 475   |
| Deesa   | 1119  | 40          | 1159  |
| Kadi  | 3930  | 61          | 3991  |
| Patan   | 4414  | 424         | 4838  |

| NCDEX Castor FED Wise Stock Position (Qty in MT) on 26th March, 2018 |         |       |      |       |       |
|--|---------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| FED  | Bhabhar | Deesa | Kadi | Patan | Total |
| 5-Mar-18   | -       | -     | -    | -     | -     |
| 5-Apr-18   | -       | 979   | 574  | 706   | 2259  |
| 5-May-18   | -       | 101   | 851  | 1282  | 2234  |
| 5-Jun-18   | 283     | 40    | 1154 | 1609  | 3086  |
| 5-Jul-18   | 101     | -     | 494  | 545   | 1140  |

|                 |            |             |             |             |              |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| <b>5-Aug-18</b> | 71         | -           | 466         | 161         | <b>698</b>   |
| <b>5-Sep-18</b> | 20         | -           | 280         | 20          | <b>320</b>   |
| <b>5-Oct-18</b> | -          | -           | 111         | -           | <b>111</b>   |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>475</b> | <b>1120</b> | <b>3930</b> | <b>4323</b> | <b>14155</b> |

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

| Commodity/Center | Market             | Price (Rs/ Quintal) |        |           |        | Change |
|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------|-----------|--------|--------|
|                  |                    | 29-Mar-18           |        | 28-Mar-18 |        |        |
|                  | Castor Seed        | Low                 | High   | Low       | High   |        |
| Gujarat          | Patan              | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Harij              | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Rajkot             | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Gondal             | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Deesa              | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Bhabar             | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Mehsana            | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Kadi               | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Sabarkatha         | Closed              | Closed | 3925      | 3950   | -      |
|                  | Gandhi Nagar       | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Ahmedabad (Sanand) | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Halvad             | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Junagadh           | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Dhrol              | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
| Rajasthan        | Jodhpur            | Closed              | Closed | Closed    | Closed | -      |
|                  | Sumerpur           | Closed              | Closed | 3850      | 3900   | -      |

**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

| Center         | Market             | Fig. in Quintal |           | Change |
|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------|--------|
|                |                    | 29-Mar-18       | 28-Mar-18 |        |
| <b>Gujarat</b> | Patan              | Closed          | Closed    | -      |
|                | Harij              | Closed          | Closed    | -      |
|                | Rajkot             | Closed          | Closed    | -      |
|                | Gondal             | Closed          | Closed    | -      |
|                | Deesa              | Closed          | Closed    | -      |
|                | Bhabar             | Closed          | Closed    | -      |
|                | Mehsana            | Closed          | Closed    | -      |
|                | Kadi               | Closed          | Closed    | -      |
|                | Sabarkatha         | Closed          | 480       | -      |
|                | Gandhi Nagar       | Closed          | Closed    | -      |
|                | Ahmedabad (Sanand) | Closed          | Closed    | -      |



|                                     |          |        |            |   |
|-------------------------------------|----------|--------|------------|---|
|                                     | Halvad   | Closed | Closed     | - |
|                                     | Junagadh | Closed | Closed     | - |
|                                     | Dhrol    | Closed | Closed     | - |
| <b>Rajasthan</b>                    | Jodhpur  | Closed | Closed     | - |
|                                     | Sumerpur | Closed | 400        | - |
| <b>Total Arrivals/Above Markets</b> |          | -      | <b>880</b> | - |

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

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