

**Domestic Market Update:**

- Mixed sentiments recorded in castor cash markets today with higher arrival.
- All India Castor seed arrival is 25308 quintals which is higher than 6440 quintals from last day arrival of 18868 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: 03.04.2018	
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	O. Int
<b>Apr-18</b>	-21.00	4155	4156	4122	4135	14130	35010
<b>May-18</b>	-27.00	4206	4210	4174	4186	12810	44330
<b>June-18</b>	-16.00	4257	4241	4241	4241	20	300

NCDEX Warehouse Stocks (in MT):- As on 3 <sup>rd</sup> April, 2018			
Stocks	Demat	In- Process	Total
<b>Bhabhar</b>	475	0	<b>475</b>
<b>Deesa</b>	917	0	<b>917</b>
<b>Kadi</b>	3971	330	<b>4301</b>
<b>Patan</b>	5019	50	<b>5069</b>

NCDEX Castor FED Wise Stock Position (Qty in MT) on 3 <sup>rd</sup> April, 2018					
FED	Bhabhar	Deesa	Kadi	Patan	Total
<b>5-Mar-18</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>5-Apr-18</b>	-	736	554	706	<b>1996</b>
<b>5-May-18</b>	-	101	851	1282	<b>2234</b>
<b>5-Jun-18</b>	283	40	1154	1609	<b>3086</b>

5-Jul-18	101	40	494	545	1180
5-Aug-18	71	-	466	161	698
5-Sep-18	20	-	280	20	320
5-Oct-18	-	-	172	696	868
Total	475	1120	3930	4323	10382

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

Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		3-Apr-18		2-Apr-18		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	3900	4000	3850	3950	50
	Harij	NR	NR	3900	3950	-
	Rajkot	3610	3800	3600	3810	-10
	Gondal	NR	NR	NR	NR	-
	Deesa	3975	4050	3950	4000	50
	Bhabar	3900	3950	3925	3960	-10
	Mehsana	3900	3950	3890	3930	20
	Kadi	3900	4150	Closed	Closed	-
	Sabarkatha	3950	3975	3900	3960	15
	Gandhi Nagar	3950	4000	Closed	Closed	-
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	3835	3855	3850	3860	-5
	Halvad	3750	3950	3800	3925	25
	Junagadh	3500	3800	3500	3750	50
	Dhrol	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	4030	4050	4030	4040	10
	Sumerpur	3925	3925	3950	3950	-25

**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		3-Apr-18	2-Apr-18	
Gujarat	Patan	5625	5250	375
	Harij	NR	1125	-
	Rajkot	3150	3350	-200
	Gondal	NR	NR	-
	Deesa	3072	3065	7
	Bhabar	3200	2800	400
	Mehsana	975	1125	-150
	Kadi	5600	Closed	-

	Sabarkatha	560	640	<b>-80</b>
	Gandhi Nagar	1350	Closed	-
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	16	3	<b>13</b>
	Halvad	300	150	<b>150</b>
	Junagadh	185	70	<b>115</b>
	Dhrol	NA	NA	-
<b>Rajasthan</b>	Jodhpur	75	90	<b>-15</b>
	Sumerpur	1200	1200	<b>Unch</b>
<b>Total Arrivals/Above Markets</b>		<b>25308</b>	<b>18868</b>	<b>6440</b>

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

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