

Domestic Market Update:

- Castor seed spot market traded firm with higher arrival on Thursday.
- All India Castor seed arrival today is 5725 quintals which is up by 190 quintals from last day arrivals of 5535 quintals.
- During April to Sept'18, Vietnam imported 277,406 tonnes of oil meals (compared to 223,184 tonnes) consisting of 7,160 tonnes of soybean meal, around 94,559 tonnes of rapeseed meal and 175,687 tonnes of Rice Bran Extraction. South Korea imported 441,119 tonnes of oil meals (compared to 427,126 tonnes) consisting 280,292 tonnes of rapeseed meal, 10,832 tonnes of soybean meal and 149,995 tonnes of Castor meal. Thailand imported 167,101 tonnes of oil-meals (compared to 76,895 tonnes) consisting 4,747 tonnes of soybean meal, 10,253 tonnes of De-oiled Rice Bran Extraction, and 152,065 tonnes of rapeseed meal. France imported 76,704 tonnes of oil-meals consisting 74,499 tonnes of soybean meal and 2,205 tonnes of Castor meal.
- According to traders, Castor seed production for next season is expected to sharply down at around 8-9 lakh tonnes only. They also pegged present Castor stocks in the country to be around 3-4 lakh tonnes against 7-8 lakh tonnes in the same period last year.
- Castor seed may trade volatile in the near term, but long-term outlook is bullish as consumption demand is expected to remain strong ahead and lower crop unlikely to fulfil it.

NCDEX Castor Futures						Date: 20.12.2018	
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	O. Int
Jan-19	-94.00	5280	5298	5168	5180	26385	132390
Feb-19	-96.00	5350	5378	5240	5256	9430	38120
Mar-19	-86.00	5434	5444	5300	5310	1880	4070

Castor Seed Prices in Key Centers:

Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		20-Dec-18		19-Dec-18		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	5050	5100	5000	5050	50
	Harij	5050	5125	4900	4950	175
	Rajkot	4505	4945	4500	4820	125
	Gondal	4780	4980	4555	4830	150
	Deesa	5000	5055	4925	5250	-195
	Bhabar	5050	5125	5050	5125	Unch

	Mehsana	5000	5035	4900	4975	60
	Kadi	5000	5090	4950	5010	80
	Sabarkatha	5000	5025	4850	4900	125
	Gandhi Nagar	5100	5125	5000	5050	75
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	5050	5050	5000	5005	45
	Halvad	5000	5300	5150	5250	50
	Junagadh	4700	4880	4525	4785	95
	Dhrol	4125	4500	NA	NA	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	4850	4900	5000	5050	-150
	Sumerpur	4950	4975	4900	4950	25

Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		20-Dec-18	19-Dec-18	
Gujarat	Patan	975	900	75
	Harij	150	225	-75
	Rajkot	250	320	-70
	Gondal	300	179	121
	Deesa	1026	1000	26
	Bhabar	1044	888	156
	Mehsana	113	113	Unch
	Kadi	808	960	-152
	Sabarkatha	80	120	-40
	Gandhi Nagar	150	150	Unch
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	8	1	7
	Halvad	75	150	-75
	Junagadh	10	55	-45
	Dhrol	7	NA	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	90	75	15
	Sumerpur	640	400	240
Total Arrivals/Above Markets		5725	5535	190

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