

**Domestic Market Update:**

- Castor seed spot market traded firm with higher arrival on Monday.
- All India Castor seed arrival today is 5718 quintals which is up by 297 quintals from last day arrivals of 5421 quintals.
- Castor meal export during the month of November surged 68.59 per cent at 30,724 metric tonnes as compared to 18,224 metric tonnes a month ago. Shipment during April-November however dropped 37.7 per cent at 259,319 metric tonnes against 416,699 metric tonnes in the same period a year ago.
- 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.
- All India Castor seed acreage in 2018 increased to 8.59 lakh hectares up by 5.15 per cent from last year acreage of 8.78 lakh hectares and 25 per cent down by normal area of 8.66 lakh hectares.
- As per the Ministry of Agriculture 1st Advance Estimates for 2018-19, Castor seed production is estimated at 15.17 lakh tonnes as compared to 15.68 lakh tonnes in 2017-18.
- Gujarat Agriculture Department in its first advance estimates for 2018- 19 estimated Castor crop to decline more than 20 per cent to 11.73 lakh tonnes versus 14.84 lakh tonnes.

NCDEX Castor Futures						Date: 07.1.2019	
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	O. Int
Jan-19	<b>+76.00</b>	5272	5398	5284	5348	24895	36185
Feb-19	<b>+70.00</b>	5356	5476	5370	5426	47485	137070
Mar-19	<b>+64.00</b>	5430	5538	5456	5494	2765	6340

**Castor Seed Prices in Key Centers:**

Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		7-Jan-19		5-Jan-19		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	5075	5150	5025	5125	25
	Harij	5125	5150	5025	5075	75
	Rajkot	4690	5025	4690	4935	90
	Gondal	4355	5055	4580	5005	50
	Deesa	5050	5150	5050	5125	25
	Bhabar	5025	5060	5025	5050	10
	Mehsana	5125	5175	5025	5090	85
	Kadi	5105	5125	5090	5105	20
	Sabarkatha	5100	5125	5000	5050	75
	Gandhi Nagar	5100	5150	5050	5100	50

	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	5035	5060	4965	4965	<b>95</b>
	Halvad	4750	5100	4625	4950	<b>150</b>
	Junagadh	NA	NA	4900	5020	-
	Dhrol	NA	NA	NA	NA	-
<b>Rajasthan</b>	Jodhpur	5200	5230	5000	5100	<b>130</b>
	Sumerpur	5000	5075	4900	4950	<b>125</b>

**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		7-Jan-19	5-Jan-19	
<b>Gujarat</b>	Patan	600	638	<b>-38</b>
	Harij	113	150	<b>-38</b>
	Rajkot	120	110	<b>10</b>
	Gondal	51	241	<b>-190</b>
	Deesa	578	960	<b>-382</b>
	Bhabar	900	1000	<b>-100</b>
	Mehsana	128	113	<b>15</b>
	Kadi	2080	1200	<b>880</b>
	Sabarkatha	80	56	<b>24</b>
	Gandhi Nagar	150	75	<b>75</b>
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	35	2	<b>34</b>
	Halvad	150	113	<b>38</b>
	Junagadh	NA	20	-
	Dhrol	NA	NA	-
<b>Rajasthan</b>	Jodhpur	94	105	<b>-11</b>
	Sumerpur	640	640	<b>Unch</b>
<b>Total Arrivals/Above Markets</b>		<b>5718</b>	<b>5421</b>	<b>297</b>

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

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