

Domestic Market Update:

- Castor seed markets are traded mixed today with higher arrival.
- All India Castor seed arrival today is 7426 quintals which is up by 1433 quintals from last day arrivals of 5994 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: 18.1.2019	
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	O. Int
Feb-19	+28.00	5268	5286	5238	5286	21025	154885
Mar-19	+28.00	5344	5360	5310	5360	10395	23345
Apr-19	+20.00	5414	5426	5378	5426	450	865

**Castor Seed Prices in Key Centers:**

Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		23-Jan-19		22-Jan-19		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	4900	5025	4900	5025	Unch
	Harij	4925	5025	4500	5050	-25
	Rajkot	4930	4975	4765	4950	25
	Gondal	4455	4930	4755	4980	-50
	Deesa	4975	5025	5000	5025	Unch
	Bhabar	5025	5050	5015	5040	10
	Mehsana	4975	5025	4975	5025	Unch
	Kadi	5000	5040	5000	5040	Unch
	Sabarkatha	5050	5075	5000	5075	Unch
	Gandhi Nagar	5040	5075	5030	5060	15

	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	4970	4995	4960	4980	15
	Halvad	4800	5100	4900	5100	Unch
	Junagadh	4750	5055	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	4650	4850	4500	4775	75
<b>Rajasthan</b>	Jodhpur	5125	5170	4900	5000	170
	Sumerpur	4900	4950	4950	4975	-25

**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		23-Jan-19	22-Jan-19	
<b>Gujarat</b>	Patan	1350	1650	-300
	Harij	450	150	300
	Rajkot	150	150	Unch
	Gondal	91	300	-209
	Deesa	492	948	-456
	Bhabar	2160	1260	900
	Mehsana	113	150	-38
	Kadi	1760	2000	-240
	Sabarkatha	160	160	Unch
	Gandhi Nagar	150	113	38
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	40	72	-32
	Halvad	150	113	38
	Junagadh	30	NA	-
	Dhrol	1	1	Unch
<b>Rajasthan</b>	Jodhpur	113	75	38
	Sumerpur	640	640	Unch
<b>Total Arrivals/Above Markets</b>		<b>7849</b>	<b>7781</b>	<b>68</b>

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

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