



### Domestic Market Update:

- Castor seed cash markets traded firm with lower arrival on Saturday.
- All India Castor seed arrival today is 40707 which are down by 46441 quintals from last day arrivals of 5734 quintals.
- All India Castor seed acreage in 2018 increased to 9.18 lakh hectares up by 5.05 per cent from last year acreage of 8.74 lakh hectares and 25 per cent down by normal area of 10.51 lakh hectares.
- According to the latest second advance estimates by Ministry of Agriculture, Castor seed production for 2018-19 is estimated to decline by 21.37 per cent at 11.77 lakh tonnes as compared to 14.97 lakh tonnes last year. The target set by government for 2018-19 castor seed production is 18.31 lakh tonnes.
- As per trade sources, the decline in the all India castor production is mainly due to lower crop estimates from Gujarat because of deficient rainfall during monsoon 2018 in key Castor growing districts of Mehsana, Patan, and Surendranagar districts.
- Castor seed acreage in Gujarat during 2018 was reported around 5.33 lakh hectares as against 5.95 lakh hectares in Kharif 2017. The seasonal normal Castor acreage in Gujarat is 6.48 lakh tonnes.
- As per the latest revised second advance estimates for 2018-19 crop by the Department of Agriculture Gujarat, Castor seed production is estimated to decline by 35.24 per cent at 9.61 lakh tonnes as against 14.84 lakh tonnes during 2017-18.
- As per market sources, Rajasthan Castor seed production for 2018-19 crop is likely to decline at 1.47 lakh tonnes as compared to 1.66 lakh tonnes during 2017-18.

NCDEX Castor Futures					Date: 26.04.2019		
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	O. Int
19-May	-140.00	5748	5772	5634	5640	66955	105540
19-Jun	-130.00	5900	5910	5782	5790	53625	182980
19-Jul	-130.00	6016	5992	5878	5880	1355	3095

**Castor Seed Prices in Key Centers:**

Commodity/Center	Market	Price (Rs/ Quintal)				Change
		27-Apr-19		26-Apr-19		
	Castor Seed	Low	High	Low	High	
Gujarat	Patan	5350	5425	5350	5450	-25
	Harij	5350	5425	5075	5500	-75
	Rajkot	5150	5360	5300	5445	-85
	Gondal	5055	5405	4805	5430	-25
	Deesa	5300	5375	5250	5525	-150
	Bhabar	5450	5525	5450	5500	25
	Mehsana	5375	5425	5425	5475	-50
	Kadi	5450	5515	5475	5540	-25
	Sabarkatha	5375	5425	5400	5450	-25
	Gandhi Nagar	5450	5500	5400	5450	50
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	5340	5425	5340	5425	Unch
	Halvad	5075	5400	5175	5450	-50
	Junagadh	NA	NA	5000	5365	-
	Dhrol	NA	NA	4600	5180	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	5490	5500	5460	5470	30
	Sumerpur	5400	5400	5425	5440	-40

**Castor Seed Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Center	Market	Fig. in Quintal		Change
		27-Apr-19	26-Apr-19	
Gujarat	Patan	10125	9375	750
	Harij	3000	3375	-375
	Rajkot	485	470	15
	Gondal	377	651	-274
	Deesa	2600	3240	-640
	Bhabar	9640	8840	800
	Mehsana	1275	1275	Unch
	Kadi	7200	9840	-2640
	Sabarkatha	1040	1200	-160
	Gandhi Nagar	1500	1875	-375
	Ahmedabad (Sanand)	240	240	Unch
	Halvad	525	3375	-2850
	Junagadh	NA	343	-
	Dhrol	NA	4	-
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	300	338	-38

	Sumerpur	2400	2000	400
<b>Total Arrivals/Above Markets</b>		<b>40707</b>	<b>46441</b>	<b>-5734</b>

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

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