

Domestic Fundamentals:

Market Outlook: Cotton spot market noticed steady to weak tone on Tuesday.

In The News: Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) has sold around 15 lakh bales of cotton so far from the stock of 87 lakh bales which it procured during the current season under the procurement operation, said Indian Cotton Federation (ICF).

Cotton sowing has been started in almost every cotton growing region including Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra and Karnataka following the arrival of good rainfall in the states. Cumulative rainfall during 01 June to 22 June in the current monsoon season (starting from 01 June) stood 126.1 mm, around 21% higher than the normal rainfall of 103.8 mm for the same period.

Central Institute for Cotton Research (CICR) has issued the district specific advisory for sowing cotton across the country, considering the difference in the status of monsoon in different states. CICR has suggested the immediate sowing in Maharashtra in the coming week particularly in Jalgaon, Yavatmal, Nanded, Amravati, Buldana and Aurangabad districts as dry situation is expected in the period of July 03-16.

Around 19.66 lakh hectares of cotton has been sown so far throughout the country, as on 19 June this year, which is around 1.7% lower when compared to the sowing progress of last season during the corresponding period which was 20.00 lakh hectares, according to Ministry of Agriculture.

India exported 0.449 lakh bales of cotton last week (08-14 June 2015), which was 0.453 lakh bales previous to last week (31 May-07 June 2015), according to the data released by IBIS and compiled by Agriwatch. Imports on the other hand stood 0.259 lakh bales last week, which was 0.254 lakh bales previous to last week.

Minimum Support Price (MSP) of cotton has been revised upwardly for the year 2015-16 by Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CACP) by Rs 50 for each of Medium and Long staple. The MSP of Medium staple cotton has been revised to Rs 3800 per quintal for 2015-16 which was Rs. 3750 in 2014-15. Similarly, the MSP for Long staple has been revised to Rs. 4100 for the upcoming season 2015-16, which was Rs 4050 in the current season.

Cotton consumption in India is likely to increase by around 5.09% in the coming season i.e. 2015-16 to 5.606 million tones as compared to 5.334 million tones in the current season, said USDA. Consumption on global front too is likely to increase by around 3.44% to 25.10 million tones in 2015-16 as compared to 24.27 million tones in current season.

All India cotton arrivals, as on May 30, 2015 has reached 27.5 million 480 lb. bales (35.3 million 170 kg bales/5.9 mmt), as reported by the Cotton Corporation of India (CCI). The pace of arrivals has slowed by around 5 percent when compared to last year. CCI procurement under MSP stood at 6.8 million 480 lb. bales (8.7 million 170 kg bales/1.5 mmt) during the current season. CCI sales reported as of May 30 have recorded 1 million 480 lb. bales (1.3 million 170 kg bales/221,000 mt).

Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) has started floating the global tender for cotton export to Bangladesh. The tender earlier did not attract the much attention as the prices quoted by CCI was 76-77 cents whereas the working price of the exporters is 68-70 cents since the Rupee has appreciated to 62.15 from 62.70 against the dollar. CCI is now working on the better and revised pricing strategy to drag down the price to 70 cents for the overseas buyers.

International Fundamentals:

Around 91% of cotton planting has been completed in USA as on June 14 this year, which was 81% last week and 94% last year on same date, according to USDA. The five year average sowing progress is 96% as on date, slightly higher than the current sowing pace.

In the month of May, China imported 163,000 tons of cotton, around 14.8 percent lower when compared to the imports during the same month in 2014. China cotton imports has fallen drastically this year after the country announced that it would restrict low-tariff quotas to 894,000 tons, the amount agreed with World Trade Organisation.

World cotton production estimates for the season 2015-16 has been upwardly revised by USDA. Cotton production on global front is likely to stand around 24.238 million tons in the coming season around 0.07% higher when compared to the estimates of previous month which was 24.222 million tons and around 6.34% lower when compared to the production of current month.

Outlook

We expect domestic prices to remain range bound to weak in near term.

NCDEX Kapas Futures*: (Prices in Rs/20kg)

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Apr-16	-3	897	901	892	894.5	1084	-380	3018	-3
Spread	Apr-15								
Spot	17.5		--				--		

(NB: Spread was done by taking avg. spot prices at Rajkot – B.T. Cotton market. Basis = Spot- Near Month Future)

*Updated at 5:00 pm on 23 June 2015

MCX Cotton Futures*: (Prices in Rs/170 kgs)

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Jul-15	-90	15900	15910	15730	15810	709	181	3818	145
Oct-15	10	16610	16630	16590	16600	46	-32	430	-9
Nov-15	-30	16300	16300	16300	16300	4	-2	114	4
Dec-15	-10	16290	16320	16290	16290	87	-6	446	85
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Spread	Jul-15	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15					
Spot	--								
Jul-15	-790								
Oct-15			300						
Nov-15					0				
Dec-15							--		
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(NB: Spread Basis = Spot- Near Month Future)

* Updated at 5:00 pm on 23 June 2015

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALS
Cotton Prices at Key Spot Market:

Centre	Variety	Prices		Change
		23-Jun-15	22-Jun-15	
	Kapas	(Rs./Qtl)		
Amravati	Mech-1	4700	4700	Unch
Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
	Kapas			
Mahesana(Kadi)	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	4560	4555	5
Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	4600	4600	Unch
Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	4750	4750	Unch
Adampur	B.T. Cotton	4700	4760	-60
Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Jind	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Uchana (Jind)	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Rawatsar (Hanumangarh)	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Hathras	B.T. Cotton(US)	NA	NA	-
Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Kapas			
Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	4500	4500	Unch
Gondal	Shankar-6	4545	4540	5
	Kapas			
Jamner (Jalgaon)	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Bijapur	Bunny	NA	NA	-
Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
Raichur	H-44 Cotton	4680	4670	10
Guntur	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Kurnool	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Krishna	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
East Godavari	Un-Ginned	4050	4050	Unch
	Lint	Rs/Maund (of 37.32 kg. each)		
Abohar	J-34	3820	3825	-5
Muktsar	J-34	NA	NA	-
Fazilika	J-34	NA	NA	-
Bhatinda	J-34	3630	3630	Unch
Sirsa	J-34	3680	3700	-20
Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	3431	3455	-24

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

Centre	Variety	Arrivals (Qtl)		Change
		23-Jun-15	22-Jun-15	
Amravati	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Mahesana(Kadi)	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	800	1210	-410
Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	6	24	-18
Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Adampur	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Jind	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Uchana (Jind)	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Rawatsar (Hanumangarh)	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Hathras	B.T. Cotton(US)	NA	NA	-
Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	850	850	Unch
Gondal	Shankar-6	92	102	-10
Jamner (Jalgaon)	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Bijapur	Bunny	NA	NA	-
Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
Raichur	H-44 Cotton	240	270	-30
Guntur	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Kurnool	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Krishna	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
East Godavari	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Abohar	J-34	NA	NA	-
Bhatinda	J-34	NA	NA	-
Sirsa	J-34	17	17	Unch
Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	NA	-

Cotton Association of India Spot Rates:

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy		Change
				22-Jun-15	20-Jun-15	
Bengal Deshi (RG)/Assam Comilla (101)	< 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	34600	34600	Unch
Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)	< 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	35100	35100	Unch
J-34(202)	26mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	35200	35300	-100
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 – 4.9	27	33100	33100	Unch
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 – 4.9	28	33800	33800	Unch
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	35000	35200	-200
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	36000	36200	-200
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	44000	44000	Unch

Cotton Seed Oil Prices
Refined Cotton Seed Oil at Key Centers:

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		23-Jun-15	22-Jun-15	
Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	615	620	-5
New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	605	605	Unch
Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	585	590	-5
Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	610	612	-2

Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake Prices
Cotton Seed Oil Cake Prices at Key Centers:

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		23-Jun-15	22-Jun-15	
Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	1921	1925	-4
Akola	Rs./Qtl	1818	1820	-2

INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES

China Cotton Index: As on 23/6/2015		
Index	RMB/Ton	Change
CCIndex(328)	13330	-5
CCIndex(527)	13330	1142
CCIndex(229)	14015	-1
RMB - Renminbi, 1RMB = 0.16 \$U.S.		

China Foreign Cotton (FC) Index : As on 23/6/2015

Index	Cents/lb	Change
FC Index (S)	79.32	Unch
FC Index (M)	73.32	Unch
FC Index (L)	71.42	Unch

Cotlook Index: As on 22/6/2015

Cotlook Indices	Cents/Pound	Change
A-Index	71.25	-0.75

USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 22/6/2015

Growth Area	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
	cents/lb.		bales
Southeast	67.65	64.40	NIL
North Delta	66.40	63.65	NIL
South Delta	66.40	63.65	NIL
East TX-OK	63.75	61.50	192
West Texas	63.75	61.50	12
Desert SW	69.40	62.90	NIL
SJ Valley	73.80	63.90	NIL

Spot quotations are for cotton equal to the official standards, net weight, in mixed lots. Upland quotations are FOB car/truck, which includes compression and any brokerage charges. The upland base quality is color 41, leaf grade 4, staple 34 (1.05 to 1.07), mike 3.5, 3.6 and 4.3 to 4.9, strength 26.5 to 28.4 grams per Tex and uniformity 80.5 to 81.4

ICE Cotton Futures (Prices in cents/lb.): As on 22/6/2015

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
15-Jul	63.59	64.13	63.1	64.03	0.71
15-Oct	65.05	66.08	65.05	65.9	0.84
15-Dec	64.11	64.93	63.71	64.8	0.90
16-Mar	64.45	64.86	63.69	64.75	0.72
16-May	64.16	65.13	64.15	65.05	0.61
16-Jul	64.74	65.44	64.59	65.35	0.49

Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 22/6/2015 (in Pakistan Rupees)

Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	5300	150	5450
Equivalent	40 Kgs	5680	160	5840

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