

Domestic Fundamentals:

Market Outlook: Cotton spot market noticed mixed tone on Tuesday.

In The News: According to USDA's FAS (Foreign Agriculture Services), Mumbai, Cotton production in India would be around 37 million bales (of 170 kg each) in the season 2015-16 starting from October. Yield is expected to stand around 524 Kg per hectares against the five year average yield of 527 kg per hectare. The reason for the fall in the yield is the deficient rainfall in the latter half of the monsoon season which has slowed down the boll development and attack of pink bollworm and whitefly on the crop in Gujarat and Punjab respectively.

Around 377.5 lakh bales of cotton has been arrived in the market till 27 August 2015 from the 2014-15 crop, is the 97 percent of the total production during the season, said Cotton Corporation of India (CCI). CCI has auctioned 54.5 lakh bales (of 170 kg each), which is around 62 percent of the total procurement done by the CCI under the Minimum Support Price (MSP) operation during the season 2014-15.

Gujarat is likely to produce 95.29 Lakh tons of cotton in 2015-16 according to the first advance estimate released by the State Agriculture Department. Yield of cotton (lint yield) would stand around 600 kg per hectares in 2015-16.

Around 114.17 lakh hectares of cotton has been sown so far throughout the country, as on 04 September this year. This is around 7.7% lower than the corresponding sowing progress of last season which was 123.7 lakh hectares, according to Ministry of Agriculture.

In Fazilika district of Punjab, around 40% of the standing crop of cotton has been damaged by the white fly attack. According to the officials, 99,000 acre of cotton crop has been damaged either fully or partially due to the attack out of total 2.5 lakh hectares sown for cotton in the district.

Cotton output in central region of the India, including Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra is likely to be around 203 lakh bales in 2015-16, marginally lower than the current season's output of 204.50 lakh bales, said CAI. In northern zone, which includes Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan cotton output is expected to surge slightly to 55.50 in 2015 from 53.50 lakh bales in current season. In southern region, including Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu cotton production is expected to fall slightly to 115.50 lakh bales in 2015-16 from 118.75 lakh bales in current season.

Cotton Association of India (CAI) has released its first estimates for season 2015-16. According to CAI cotton production in the country would be around 380 lakh bales, and would be majorly contributed by the central zone of the country including the states Gujarat, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh. On the better situation of rain, which has boosted the yield, cotton production would stand similar to the current season in 2015-16, despite the fall in acreage. Total supply would be around 470.65 lakh bales where as domestic consumption would be around 325 lakh bales.

Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) in its fourth advance estimates, has revised the cotton production estimates upwardly for the season 2014-15 at 354.75 lakh bales (of 170 kg each), which was earlier estimated to be around 353.28 lakh bales in third advance estimates. Production target for the season 2014-15 has been set at 350 lakh bales. Cotton production according to final estimates of DAC for the season 2013-14 was 359.02 lakh bales.

International Fundamentals:

According to China Cotton Association (CCA), the country is likely to produce 5.5 million tones of cotton in year 2015-16, slightly lesser than the previous estimates of 5.86 million tons. The production however is likely to stand fairly lower when compared to the production of 6.5 million tons in year 2014-15.

World cotton production in 2015-16 is likely to stand lowest in last five years, said USDA. Cotton output on global front is likely to be around 23.73 million tons, as per the latest estimates by USDA, around 2.2% lower as compared to the estimates of previous month for the current season, and around 8.3% lower when compared to production of previous season of 25.906 million tons.

World cotton export according to the latest USDA estimates would be around 7.51 million tons in 2015-16, around 1.37% higher when compared to the estimates of previous month for the same season and around 2.8% lower when compared to actual export of previous season which was 7.73 million tons.

Outlook

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

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Feb-16	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Apr-16	-12.5	887.5	887.5	871	876	3563	1549	6112	-313
Spread	Feb-16		Apr-16						
Spot	--								
Feb-16			75						

(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 08 September 2015

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Oct-15	-120	16500	16530	16350	16430	506	20	1918	-101
Nov-15	-130	16320	16330	16190	16250	102	-36	1089	-15
Dec-15	-100	16270	16290	16150	16220	134	-45	4328	-13
Jan-16	-240	16300	16300	16200	16200	9	-17	537	-2
Spread	Oct-15	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16				--	
Spot	--								
Oct-15		180							
Nov-15			30						
Dec-15				20					
Jan-16									

(NB: Spread Basis = Spot- Near Month Future)

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DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALS
Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Centre	Variety	Prices		Change
		8-Sep-15	7-Sep-15	
	Kapas	(Rs./Qtl)		
Amravati	Mech-1	4800	4800	Unch
Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
	Kapas			
Mahesana(Kadi)	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	4550	4500	50
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	-
	Kapas			
Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	NA	NA	-
Gondal	Shankar-6	NA	Closed	-
	Kapas			
Jamner (Jalgaon)	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Hathras	Desi	4250	4350	-100
Bijapur	Bunny	NA	NA	-
Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
Raichur	H-44 Cotton	NA	NA	-
Guntur	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Kurnool	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Krishna	Un-Ginned	NA	4050	-
East Godavari	Un-Ginned	NA	4050	-
	Lint	Rs/Maund (of 37.32 kg each)		
Abohar	J-34	3830	3830	Unch
Muktsar	J-34	NA	NA	-
Fazilika	J-34	NA	NA	-
Bhatinda	J-34	3800	3840	-40
Sirsa	J-34	3760	3760	Unch
Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	3516	3525	-9

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

Centre	Variety	Arrivals (Qtl)		Change
		8-Sep-15	7-Sep-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	NA	NA	-
Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	700	600	100
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	NA	NA	-
Gondal	Shankar-6	NA	Closed	-
Jamner (Jalgaon)	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Hathras	Desi	1200	1400	-200
Bijapur	Bunny	NA	NA	-
Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
Raichur	H-44 Cotton	NA	NA	-
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	NA	NA	-
Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	NA	-

Cotton Association of India Spot Rates:

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy		Change
				7-Sep-15	4-Sep-15	
Bengal Deshi (RG)/Assam Comilla (101)	< 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	34200	34400	-200
Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)	<22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	34700	34900	-200
J-34(202)	26mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	35200	35200	Unch
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	33300	33100	200
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	35500	35300	200
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	34200	34200	Unch
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	35200	35200	Unch
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	42500	42500	Unch

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

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		8-Sep-15	7-Sep-15	
Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	615	615	Unch
New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	600	600	Unch
Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	610	600	10
Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	615	615	Unch

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

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		8-Sep-15	7-Sep-15	
Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	2118	2125	-7
Akola	Rs./Qtl	2075	2065	10

INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES

China Cotton Index: As on 8/9/2015		
Index	RMB/Ton	Change
CCIndex(328)	13067	1
CCIndex(527)	11960	Unch
CCIndex(229)	13661	2

China Foreign Cotton (FC) Index : As on 08/9/2015

Index	Cents/lb	Change
FC Index (S)	75.89	Unch
FC Index (M)	70.12	Unch
FC Index (L)	67.24	Unch

Cotlook Index: As on 07/9/2015

Cotlook Indices	Cents/Pound	Change
A-Index	69.90	0.20

USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 04/9/2015

Growth Area	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
	cents/lb.		bales
Southeast	61.57	64.82	NIL
North Delta	60.82	63.57	NIL
South Delta	60.82	63.57	NIL
East TX-OK	59.25	61.50	NIL
West Texas	58.25	60.50	13
Desert SW	60.07	66.57	NIL
SJ Valley	61.07	70.97	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 07/9/2015

Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
15-Oct	62.50	63.07	62.50	63.07	-0.05
15-Dec	62.62	62.86	62.42	62.62	-0.14
16-Mar	62.41	62.56	62.16	62.40	-0.10
16-May	62.53	62.68	62.43	62.66	-0.09
16-Jul	62.81	62.89	62.63	62.82	-0.11
16-Oct	61.04	61.13	61.04	61.13	-1.43

Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 07/9/2015 (in Pakistan Rupees)

Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	4600	135	4735
Equivalent	40 Kgs	4930	145	5075

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