

Domestic Fundamentals:

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

In The News: India exported 2.691 lakh bales of cotton last week (09 Nov-15 Nov 2015), which was 2.634 lakh bales previous to last week (09 Nov-15 Nov 2015), according to the data released by IBIS and compiled by Agriwatch. Imports on the other hand stood 0.152 lakh bales last week, which was 0.028 lakh bales previous to last week.

Interest Equalization Scheme, formerly known as the Interest Rate Subvention Scheme, on preshipment and post-shipment of garments is expected to enhance cotton textile exports from India, said R.K. Dalmia, Chairman, Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (Texprocil). Following the rise in cotton textile exports, demand of raw cotton too is expected to surge in domestic market.

International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) has further slashed down the cotton production estimates for India for the season 2015-16. ICAC believes that the country will produce around 6.3 million tons (approx 370.5 lakh bales), which was (approx. 382.9 lakh bales) during the previous season.

Gujarat state agriculture department has revised its first advance estimates for area, production and yield of major Kharif crop in the state for the season 2015-16. Cotton production figures has been revised down in the latest estimates at 92.57 lakh bales which was forecasted to be at 95.29 lakh bales in the previous estimates.

Cotton procurement by Government would be around 20 to 25 Lakh bales this year against the 87 lakh bales during the last year, said Cotton Corporation of India (CCI). As cotton prices are ruling above the MSP of Rs 4100 per quintal in most of the cotton trading states of country, CCI would be buying cotton at higher prices. Also the intervention of CCI is not necessary if farmers are getting the genuine price i.e. prices over and above of MSP.

India exported 2.618 lakh bales of cotton last week (01 Nov-08 Nov 2015), which was 1.449 lakh bales previous to last week (26 Oct-01 Nov 2015), according to the data released by IBIS and compiled by Agriwatch. Imports on the other hand stood 0.192 lakh bales last week, which was 0.124 lakh bales previous to last week.

Cotton production in India during the season 2015-16 according to USDA would be around 6.205 million tons (approx. 365 lakh bales), around 3.5% lower when compared to the production of previous season which was 6.423 million tons (approx. 377.8 Lakh bales).

Cotton exports during the very first month of the season, i.e. October stood 4.63 lakh bales, around 33.5% higher as compared to the export during the previous month and around 2.5 times higher as compared to the exports during the same month previous season, according to IBIS data, compiled by Agriwatch. Imports in October was 0.92 lakh bales around 48.5% lower when compared to the imports in previous month and around 54% lower compared to the imports during the same period last season.



International Fundamentals:

According to USDA, around 70% of the cotton has been harvested in USA as on 22 November 2015, which was 64% a week earlier and 76% during the same period last year. The five year average of the harvesting during the same period is however 82%, fairly higher than the current harvesting pace.

Due to the lower production, cotton imports in Turkey are likely to increase this year. The country is likely to face a fall of 17% in its cotton production during 2015-16 which will amplify the cotton imports by around 9% to 4.016 million bales as compared to 3.675 million bales in 2014-15, said USDA.

According to the latest weekly release of International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC), cotton production on world front is likely to be around 23.35 million tons, which was estimated 23.43 million tons a week earlier. As per the estimates of ICAC, cotton production during the season 2014-15 was 26.18 million tons.

Outlook

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

| Contract | +/- | Open | High | Low | Close | Volume | Change | OI | Change |
|----------|-----|-------|--------|-----|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| Feb-16 | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Apr-16 | 2 | 837 | 843.5 | 837 | 839.5 | 2526 | -2186 | 13607 | -267 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Spread | | Feb-1 | Feb-16 | | Apr-16 | | | | |
| Spot | | | | | 45.5 | | | | |
| Feb-16 | | | | | | | | | |

*Updated at 5:00 pm on 24 November 2015

| Contract | +/- | Open | High | Low | Close | Volume | Change | OI | Change |
|----------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|------|--------|
| Nov-15 | 30 | 15770 | 15820 | 15770 | 15800 | 78 | -264 | 1960 | -107 |
| Dec-15 | -10 | 15760 | 15790 | 15720 | 15720 | 333 | -414 | 6372 | -268 |
| Jan-16 | -20 | 15910 | 15940 | 15860 | 15860 | 166 | -99 | 2233 | 73 |
| Jan-16 | -50 | 16130 | 16150 | 16070 | 16070 | 55 | -86 | 1340 | -11 |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Spread | Nov-1 | 15 | Dec-15 | Jan-1 | L6 I | Feb-16 | | | |
| Spot | | | | | | | | | |
| Nov-15 | | | 80 | | | | | | |
| Dec-15 | | | | -140 | 0 | | | | |
| Jan-16 | | | | | | -210 | | | |
| Feb-16 | | | | | | | | | |



DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALS

Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:

| Contro | Veriety | Pric | Prices | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|--------|--|
| Centre | Variety | 24-Nov-15 | 23-Nov-15 | Change | |
| | Kapas | (Rs./ | Qtl) | | |
| Amravati | Mech-1 | 4150 | 4200 | -50 | |
| Khandwa | Mech-1 | 4100 | NA | - | |
| Khargaon | Mech-1 | 4100 | NA | - | |
| | Kapas | | | | |
| Mahesana(Kadi) | B.T. Cotton | 4400 | 4400 | Unch | |
| Rajkot | B.T. Cotton | 4425 | 4450 | -25 | |
| Patan | B.T. Cotton | 4350 | 4400 | -50 | |
| Deesa | B.T. Cotton | NA | NA | - | |
| Dhrol | B.T. Cotton | 4395 | NA | - | |
| Muktsar | B.T. Cotton | NA | NA | - | |
| Fazilika | B.T. Cotton | NA | NA | - | |
| Bhiwani | Desi | 4500 | 4500 | Unch | |
| Bhiwani | B.T. Cotton | 4400 | 4375 | 25 | |
| Adampur | B.T. Cotton | 4260 | 4250 | 10 | |
| Fatehabad | B.T. Cotton | 4325 | 4350 | -25 | |
| Dabwali | B.T. Cotton | 4260 | 4250 | 10 | |
| Jind | B.T. Cotton | 4430 | 4399 | 31 | |
| Uchana (Jind) | B.T. Cotton | 4375 | 4385 | -10 | |
| Rawatsar (Hanumangarh) | B.T. Cotton | Closed | 4180 | - | |
| Hubli | B.T. Cotton | Closed | NA | - | |
| Hathras | B.T. Cotton(US) | NA | NA | - | |
| Hanumangarh | B.T. Cotton | Closed | 4270 | - | |
| | Kapas | | | | |
| Ahmedabad | Shankar-6 | 4400 | 4350 | 50 | |
| Gondal | Shankar-6 | 4390 | 4390 | Unch | |
| | Kapas | | | | |
| Jamner (Jalgaon) | Medium Staple | 4100 | 4100 | Unch | |
| Hathras | Desi | NA | NA | - | |
| Bijapur | Bunny | NA | NA | - | |
| Hubli | D.C.H. | 5495 | 5577 | -82 | |
| Raichur | H-44 Cotton | 4225 | 4225 | Unch | |
| Guntur | Un-Ginned | NA | NA | - | |
| Kurnool | Un-Ginned | NA | NA | - | |
| Krishna | Un-Ginned | NA | NA | - | |
| East Godavari | Un-Ginned | 4100 | 4100 | Unch | |
| | Lint | Rs./Maund (of 3 | | | |
| Abohar | J-34 | 3415 | 3410 | 5 | |
| Muktsar | J-34 | NA | NA | - | |
| Fazilika | J-34 | NA | NA | - | |
| Bhatinda | J-34 | 3425 | 3420 | 5 | |
| Sirsa | J-34 | 3345 | 3375 | -30 | |
| Mansa | J-34 | 3415 | 3420 | -50 | |

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| Sri-Ganganagar J-34 Closed 4250 - | |
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Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

| Centre | Variety | | ls (Qtl) | Change | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|--------|--|
| Gentre | variety | 24-Nov-15 | 23-Nov-15 | | |
| Amravati | Mech-1 | 17300 | 16000 | 1300 | |
| Khandwa | Mech-1 | 1200 | NA | - | |
| Khargaon | Mech-1 | NA | NA | - | |
| | | | | | |
| Mahesana(Kadi) | B.T. Cotton | 45000 | 50000 | -5000 | |
| Rajkot | B.T. Cotton | 2040 | 5275 | -3235 | |
| Patan | B.T. Cotton | 18032 | 21271 | -3239 | |
| Deesa | B.T. Cotton | NA | NA | - | |
| Dhrol | B.T. Cotton | 871 | NA | - | |
| Fazilika | B.T. Cotton | NA | NA | - | |
| Muktsar | B.T. Cotton | NA | NA | - | |
| Bhiwani | Desi | 400 | 300 | 100 | |
| Bhiwani | B.T. Cotton | 4000 | 3000 | 1000 | |
| Adampur | B.T. Cotton | 680 | 680 | Unch | |
| Fatehabad | B.T. Cotton | 650 | 900 | -250 | |
| Dabwali | B.T. Cotton | 950 | 1300 | -350 | |
| Jind | B.T. Cotton | 255 | 425 | -170 | |
| Uchana (Jind) | B.T. Cotton | 1500 | 1700 | -200 | |
| Rawatsar (Hanumangarh) | B.T. Cotton | Closed | 500 | - | |
| Hubli | B.T. Cotton | NA | NA | - | |
| Hathras | B.T. Cotton(US) | NA | NA | - | |
| Hanumangarh | B.T. Cotton | Closed | 2000 | - | |
| | | | | | |
| Ahmedabad | Shankar-6 | 68000 | 42500 | 25500 | |
| Gondal | Shankar-6 | 3598 | 4111 | -513 | |
| | | | | | |
| Jamner (Jalgaon) | Medium Staple | 42 | 51 | -9 | |
| Hathras | Desi | NA | NA | - | |
| Bijapur | Bunny | NA | NA | - | |
| Hubli | D.C.H. | 6 | 144 | -138 | |
| Raichur | H-44 Cotton | 1042 | 1012 | 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 | 680 | 1020 | -340 | |
| Bhatinda | J-34 | 3740 | 3400 | 340 | |
| Sirsa | J-34 | 1020 | 1020 | Unch | |
| Mansa | J-34 | 680 | 578 | 102 | |
| Sri-Ganganagar | J-34 | NA | 1000 | - | |



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Cotton Association of India Spot Rates:

| Trade Name | Staple Micronair | Micropairo | Strength/ | Rs. Per | Candy | Change |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | Staple | Micronalic | GPT | 23-Nov-15 | 21-Nov-15 | Change |
| Bengal Deshi (RG)/Assam Comilla (101) | < 22mm | 5.0 - 7.0 | 15 | 30100 | 30300 | -200 |
| Bengal Deshi (SG)(201) | < 22mm | 5.0 - 7.0 | 15 | 30600 | 30800 | -200 |
| J-34(202) | 26mm | 3.5 - 4.9 | 23 | 31100 | 31200 | -100 |
| H-4/ MECH-1(105) | 28mm | 3.5 – 4.9 | 27 | 31500 | 31400 | 100 |
| Shankar-6(105) | 29mm | 3.5 – 4.9 | 28 | 32200 | 32100 | 100 |
| Bunny/ Brahma(105) | 31mm | 3.5 - 4.9 | 30 | 32500 | 32500 | Unch |
| MCU-5/ Surabhi(106) | 32mm | 3.3 - 4.9 | 31 | 33000 | 33300 | -300 |
| DCH-32(107) | 34mm | 3.0 - 3.8 | 33 | 44500 | 45000 | -500 |

Cotton Seed Oil Prices

Refined Cotton Seed Oil at Key Centers:

| Centre | Unit | Price | | Change |
|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Centre | Onit | 24-Nov-15 | 23-Nov-15 | Change |
| Rajkot | Rs. /10 Kg. | 582 | 582 | Unch |
| New Delhi | Rs. /10 Kg. | 575 | 575 | Unch |
| Hyderabad | Rs. /10 Kg. | 565 | 573 | -8 |
| Mumbai | Rs. /10 Kg. | 582 | 580 | 2 |

Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake Prices

Cotton Seed Oil Cake Prices at Key Centers:

| Centre | Unit | Pri | Chango | |
|-----------------|---------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Centre | Onit | 24-Nov-15 | 23-Nov-15 | Change |
| Mahesana (Kadi) | Rs./Qtl | 1697 | 1721 | -24 |
| Akola | Rs./Qtl | 1703 | 1718 | -15 |

INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES

| China Cotton Index: As on 24/11/2015 | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|--------|
| Index | RMB/Ton | Change |
| CCIndex(328) | 12958 | Unch |
| CCIndex(527) | 11876 | 5 |
| CCIndex(229) | 13595 | 2 |



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China Foreign Cotton (FC) Index : As on 23/11/2015

| Index | Cents/lb | Change |
|--------------|----------|--------|
| FC Index (S) | 74.13 | -0.14 |
| FC Index (M) | 74.32 | 3.95 |
| FC Index (L) | 68.34 | -0.27 |

| Cotlook Index: As on 23/11/2015 | | | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--------|--|--|
| Cotlook Indices | Cents/Pound | Change | | |
| A-Index | 69.35 | -0.25 | | |

| JSDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 23/11/2015 | | Leef 2 to Steple | | |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|----------|--|
| Growth Area | Leaf 4 to Staple 34 | Leaf 3 to Staple 35 | Arrivals | |
| | Ce | cents/lb. | | |
| Southeast | 62.85 | 66.10 | NIL | |
| North Delta | 61.85 | 64.60 | NIL | |
| South Delta | 61.85 | 64.61 | NIL | |
| East TX-OK | 59.50 | 61.50 | NIL | |
| West Texas | 59.50 | 61.75 | 464 | |
| Desert SW | 58.60 | 65.10 | NIL | |
| SJ Valley | 59.60 | 69.50 | 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 23/11/2015 | | | | | | | |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--|--|
| Contract | Open | High | Low | Close | Change | | |
| 15-Dec | 59.99 | 60.95 | 59.72 | 60.16 | 0.12 | | |
| 16-Mar | 62.89 | 63.00 | 61.45 | 61.60 | -1.23 | | |
| 16-May | 63.64 | 63.75 | 62.35 | 62.48 | -1.20 | | |
| 16-Jul | 64.02 | 64.02 | 63.00 | 63.13 | -0.99 | | |
| 16-Oct | 62.59 | 62.59 | 62.59 | 62.59 | -0.71 | | |
| 16-Dec | 64.11 | 64.11 | 63.48 | 63.58 | -0.71 | | |

| Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 23/11/2015 (in Pakistan Rupees) | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------|-------------------------------|-----|-------------------|--|--|--|
| Product | Rate for | Ex-Gin Price Up Country Sales | | Spot Rate Karachi | | | |
| Cotton | 37.32 Kgs | 5300 | 135 | 5435 | | | |
| Equivalent | 40 Kgs | 5680 | 145 | 5825 | | | |



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