

Domestic Fundamentals:

Market Outlook: Cotton spot prices noticed range –bound to firm tone on Saturday.

In The News: According to preliminary report by the government, cotton sowing as on 17th June, 2016 has been covered under 12.25 lakh hectares compared to 19.66 lakh hectares during the same period previous year.

According to sources, the delay in cotton sowing in Gujarat by around 10 days is likely to favour farmers as the fear of pink bollworm in the cotton crop will be eliminated. If cotton showing begins after the first shower of monsoon, pink bollworm is likely to be eliminated.

Indian cotton planting in the 2016 -17 marketing season is likely to decline to the lowest in seven sources according to industry sources. Forecast of good monsoon and pest attack in certain states during the previous season are motivating farmers to switch other crops like sugarcane, peanut and pulses. Cotton planting area is likely to decline to around 11 million hectares in the next marketing year that starts on Oct. 1, the lowest since 2009/10 compared to 11.9 million hectares in the current marketing year.

The Cotton Association of India (CAI) has estimated India's cotton output in 2015 -16 at 341.50 lakh bales (of 170 kg each), around 10.8 per cent lower than compared to the previous year's production of 383 lakh bales. The projected balance sheet drawn by the CAI for 2015-16 pegs total supply at 429.10 lakh bales, while domestic consumption is seen at 305 lakh bales, thus leaving an available surplus of 124.10 lakh bales.

India exported 0.526 lakh bales of cotton last week (06 -12 June 2016), which was 0.619 lakh bales previous to last week (30 May -05 June, 2016), according to the data released by IBIS and compiled by Agriwatch.

Major importer of Indian cotton during the week (06 -12 June, 2016) was Bangladesh. According to the data released by IBIS and compiled by Agriwatch, Bangladesh imported 0.347 lakh bales of cotton from India in the past week (06 -12 June, 2016). Other major importers were Vietnam, China, Djibouti and Pakistan and their imported volumes were 0.064 lakh bales, 0.052 lakh bales, 0.029 lakh bales and 0.026 lakh bales respectively.

Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) in its second advance estimates, has revised the cotton production estimates downwardly for the season 2015-16 at 306.92 lakh bales (of 170 kg each). For the season 2014-15, the estimate was 346.23 lakh bales according to the first advance estimates for the season.

The Foreign Agriculture Services (FAS), division of USDA has lowered the production forecast for India in its latest report to 356 lakh bales. The reason for the downfall in the revision is lower yield expectation in Punjab and Haryana due to the attack of white fly and impact of pink bollworm in Gujarat.

According to Cotton Association of India (CAI), the arrivals during 2015-16 season up to the end of April 2016 are estimated at 302.40 lakh bales, lower compared to previous year. This reduction in the arrivals of cotton is an indication of a lower crop this season.

International Fundamentals:

According to the Central Agency for Public Mobilisation and Statistics (CAPMAS), exports of Egyptian cotton declined by 54.2% in the second quarter of the agricultural season 2015-16.

The Chinese government has started the auction of its huge reserves of cotton this month. Stocks of cotton are expected to decline amid decline in Chinese imports and falling domestic production. The US Department of Agriculture has forecast China's cotton stocks to fall by 6% in 2015-16, to 13.9m tons. As expected, prices have started declining recently with the unloading of stocks.

According to USDA latest report, global 2015/16 cotton ending stocks are revised down this month. World 2015-16 cotton production is projected at 98.15 million bales, 16 per cent below last season. World ending stocks are now projected at 102.08 million bales. For India, production is forecast at 26.8 million bales, same as previous month's estimates and India's crop is estimated 9 per cent below 2014/15 and the lowest since 2009/10.

Outlook

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

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Con_1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Con_2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Spread	April-17		
Spot	-		-
May-17	-	-	-

(NB: Spread was done by taking avg. spot prices at Rajkot – B.T. Cotton market. Basis = Spot- Near Month Future)
*Updated at 5.20 pm on 17 June- 2016

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
July-16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Spread	Apr-16	May-16	Jul-16	Nov-16	--	--
Spot	—			-	-	-
July-16		-		-	-	-
Nov-16			-	-	-	-
	—			-	-	-

(NB: Spread Basis = Spot- Near Month Future)
* Updated at 5.20 pm on 17 June 2016

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALS

Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity	Kapas		Prices (Rs./Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	18-Jun-16	17-Jun-16	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	5775	5750	25
	Gondal	Shankar-6	6050	5830	220
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	5850	5840	10
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	5625	5700	-75
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NR	5620	-
Punjab	Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	5700	5700	Unch
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	5780	5775	5
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	5800	5750	50
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
	Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	6000	6050	-50
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	4400	4400	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Guntur	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
	Kurnool	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
	Krishna	Un-Ginned	4100	NA	-
	East Godavari	Un-Ginned	NA	4100	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	NA	6041	-
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	5250	5950	-700
Commodity	Lint		Prices (Rs./Maund)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	18-Jun-16	17-Jun-16	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	4300	4260	40

	Abohar	J-34	4290	4270	20
	Mansa	J-34	NA	NA	-
	Muktsar	J-34	NA	NA	-
	Fazilika	J-34	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	4260	4230	30
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	NA	-

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

Commodity	Kapas		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	18-Jun-16	17-Jun-16	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	5100	5100	Unch
	Gondal	Shankar-6	210	126	84
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	910	875	35
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	1000	1000	Unch
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NR	13	-
Punjab	Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	300	200	100
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	255	340	-85
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
	Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	700	600	100
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Andhra Pradesh	Guntur	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
	Kurnool	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
	Krishna	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
	East Godavari	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	NA	630	-
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-

	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	82	60	22
Commodity	Lint		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	18-Jun-16	17-Jun-16	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	NA	NA	-
	Abohar	J-34	NA	NA	-
	Mansa	J-34	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	NA	NA	-
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	NA	-

Cotton Association of India Spot Rates:

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy	Rs. Per Candy	Change
				17-Jun-16	16-Jun-16	
Bengal Deshi (RG)/Assam Comilla (101)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	33200	33200	Unch
Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	33700	33700	Unch
J-34(202)	26mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	39400	39200	200
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	39400	39200	200
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	40000	39700	300
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	42100	41900	200
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	42700	42500	200
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	53400	53100	200

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

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		17-Jun-16	16-Jun-16	
Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	670	670	Unch
New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	650	650	Unch
Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	635	635	Unch
Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	670	670	Unch

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

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		17-Jun-16	16-Jun-16	
Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	2578	2578	Unch
Akola	Rs./Qtl	2536	2539	-3

INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES

China Cotton Index: As on 17-June-2016		
Index	RMB/Ton	Change
CCIndex(328)	12667	-2
CCIndex(527)	11723	-3
CCIndex(229)	12999	Unch
RMB -Renminbi, 1RMB =0.16 \$U.S.		

China Foreign Cotton (FCE) Index : As on 17-June-2016		
Index	Cents/lb	Change
FC Index (S)	76.45	0.81
FC Index (M)	74.06	0.75
FC Index (L)	71.26	1.08

Cotlook Index: As on 17-June-2016		
Cotlook Indices	Cents/Pound	Change
A-Index	74.05	1.30

USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 16-June-2016			
Growth Area	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
	cents/lb.		bales
Southeast	63.80	66.05	171
North Delta	63.55	66.30	NIL
South Delta	63.55	66.30	NIL
East TX-OK	60.25	62.25	323
West Texas	60.25	62.00	1194
Desert SW	60.05	66.05	NIL
SJ Valley	61.30	71.20	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 17-June-2016					
Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Jul-16	63.27	65.10	63.11	64.57	1.27
Oct-16	65.32	66.97	65.21	66.25	0.87
Dec-16	64.71	66.64	64.66	65.92	0.99
Mar-16	65.27	66.90	65.26	66.09	0.54
May-16	65.95	67.24	65.95	66.39	0.46
Jul-16	66.25	67.42	66.25	66.75	0.49

Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 16-June-2016				(in Pakistan Rupees)
Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	5500	135	5635
Equivalent	40 Kgs	5894	145	6039

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