

### Domestic Fundamentals:

**Market Outlook:** Cotton spot prices noticed mostly firm tone on Friday.

**In The News:** Cotton sowing has slowed down in Gujarat amid delayed monsoon. According to the State Agriculture Department, cotton sowing has reached 274,300 hectares as on June 20, 2016 compared to 1.34 million hectares during the same period previous year.

India has contracted to import cotton from Pakistan following higher price in the domestic market. Prices in the domestic market are around 6000 level per quintal.

According to preliminary report by the government, cotton sowing as on 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 has been covered under 12.25 lakh hectares compared to 19.66 lakh hectares during the same period previous year.

The Whitefly pest has affected the cotton crop in the villages of Dangar Khera, Nihal Khera and Ghallu in Fazilka district of Punjab. After the report of pest attack, a special team from central integrated pest management, Jalandhar, visited affected fields and interacted with farmers so as to control the attack at early stages. The farmers have been asked to remain vigilant and inform the agricultural department if the pest multiplies after the pesticide spray.

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 0.379 lakh bales of cotton last week (13 -19 June 2016), which was 0.526 lakh bales previous to last week (06 -12 June 2016), according to the data released by IBIS and compiled by Agriwatch.

Major importer of Indian cotton during the week (13 -19 June, 2016) was Bangladesh. According to the data released by IBIS and compiled by Agriwatch, Bangladesh imported 0.257 lakh bales of cotton from India in the past week (13 -19 June, 2016). Other major importers were Vietnam, China, Indonesia and Pakistan and their imported volumes were 0.052 lakh bales, 0.031 lakh bales, 0.013 lakh bales and 0.013 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), the consumption of locally grown cotton by Egyptian companies declined by around 56% in the second quarter of the agricultural season 2015 -16. During December 2015 – February 2016 period, local companies purchased 76,400 kantar (1 kantar = 45.02 kg) of cotton, compared to consumption of 175,800 kantar in the corresponding period of the previous season. Consumption has declined amid closure of a number of spinning mills.

According to a recent attaché report by USDA, seed cotton production to recover to around 210,000 MT in the 2016/17 marketing year, after only 80,000 MT was produced in 2015/16 marketing year, due to extreme drought conditions. The recovery is following government's free inputs support program that will reduce the production cost to the farmers.

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	-5.50	916	916	907	910.50	2560	472	364704	0
Con_2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Spread	April-17		
Spot	262.5		-
May-17	-	-	-

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

\*Updated at 8.30 pm on 24 June- 2016

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
July-16	10	19380	19480	19360	19460	1376	130	665330	-38995
Nov-16	30	19350	19400	19230	19390	336	-132	149719	52031

Spread	Jul-16	Nov-16	Jan-17	Mar-17	--	--
Spot	—			-	-	-
July-16		70		-	-	-
Nov-16			-	-	-	-
	—			-	-	-

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

\* Updated at 8.30 pm on 23 June 2016

### DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALS

#### Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity	Kapas		Prices (Rs./Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	24-Jun-16	23-Jun-16	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	5750	5875	-125
	Gondal	Shankar-6	5940	5925	15
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	5865	5855	10
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NA	5050	-
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	5800	5750	50
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	5750	5750	Unch
	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	5900	100
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	4300	4200	100
Andhra Pradesh	Guntur	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
	Kurnool	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
	Krishna	Un-Ginned	4100	4100	Unch
	East Godavari	Un-Ginned	4100	4100	Unch
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	6199	6189	10
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	5939	5900	39
Commodity	Lint		Prices (Rs./Maund)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	24-Jun-16	23-Jun-16	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	4320	4285	35

	Abohar	J-34	4325	4290	35
	Mansa	J-34	NA	NA	-
	Muktsar	J-34	NA	NA	-
	Fazilika	J-34	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	4280	4260	20
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	NA	-

**Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Commodity	Kapas		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	24-Jun-16	23-Jun-16	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	3400	3400	Unch
	Gondal	Shankar-6	444	209	235
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	825	910	-85
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NA	6	-
Punjab	Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	100	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	50	100	-50
	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	240	290	-50
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-

	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	45	52	-7
Commodity	Lint		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	24-Jun-16	23-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
				23-Jun-16	22-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	39600	39500	100
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	40200	40000	200
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	40400	40200	200
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	42600	42500	100
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	43200	43000	200
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	53800	53800	Unch

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

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		24-Jun-16	23-Jun-16	
Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	690	680	10
New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	655	655	Unch
Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	640	640	Unch
Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	680	675	5

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

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		24-Jun-16	23-Jun-16	
Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	2559	2558	1
Akola	Rs./Qtl	2542	2536	6

**INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES**

<b>China Cotton Index: As on 24-June-2016</b>		
<b>Index</b>	<b>RMB/Ton</b>	<b>Change</b>
CCIndex(328)	12717	<b>Unch</b>
CCIndex(527)	11786	<b>7</b>
CCIndex(229)	13030	<b>5</b>
RMB -Renminbi, 1RMB =0.16 \$U.S.		

<b>China Foreign Cotton (FCE) Index : As on 24-June-2016</b>		
<b>Index</b>	<b>Cents/lb</b>	<b>Change</b>
FC Index (S)	77.41	<b>0.61</b>
FC Index (M)	74.84	<b>0.31</b>
FC Index (L)	72.19	<b>0.60</b>

<b>Cotlook Index: As on 23-June-2016</b>		
<b>Cotlook Indices</b>	<b>Cents/Pound</b>	<b>Change</b>
A-Index	74.55	<b>0.60</b>

<b>USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 23-June-2016</b>			
<b>Growth Area</b>	<b>Leaf 4 to Staple 34</b>	<b>Leaf 3 to Staple 35</b>	<b>Arrivals</b>
	<b>cents/lb.</b>		<b>bales</b>
<b>Southeast</b>	65.62	67.87	<b>NIL</b>
<b>North Delta</b>	65.12	67.87	<b>NIL</b>
<b>South Delta</b>	65.12	67.87	<b>NIL</b>
<b>East TX-OK</b>	60.50	62.50	<b>64</b>
<b>West Texas</b>	60.50	62.25	<b>328</b>
<b>Desert SW</b>	62.87	68.87	<b>NIL</b>
<b>SJ Valley</b>	64.12	74.02	<b>NIL</b>

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-June-2016					
Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Jul-16	62.94	65.45	62.92	64.88	1.94
Oct-16	64.58	65.67	64.58	65.62	1.54
Dec-16	64.53	66.15	64.46	65.42	0.89
Mar-16	65.18	66.52	65.02	66.05	0.94
May-16	66.06	66.72	66.06	66.52	0.95
Jul-16	66.51	67.12	66.51	66.95	0.91

Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 23-June-2016				(in Pakistan Rupees)
Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	5600	135	5735
Equivalent	40 Kgs	6002	145	6147

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