

Domestic Fundamentals:

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

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 17th 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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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 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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov-16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Spread	Jul-16	Nov-16	Jan-17	Mar-17	--	--
Spot	—			-	-	-
July-16		-		-	-	-
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	25-Jun-16	24-Jun-16	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	5750	5750	Unch
	Gondal	Shankar-6	5925	5940	-15
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	5910	5865	45
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	5570	5455	115
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	5825	5800	25
	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	6100	6000	100
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	4300	4300	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Guntur	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
	Kurnool	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
	Krishna	Un-Ginned	NA	4100	-
	East Godavari	Un-Ginned	NA	4100	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	6199	6199	Unch
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	5220	5939	-719
Commodity	Lint		Prices (Rs./Maund)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	25-Jun-16	24-Jun-16	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	4325	4320	5

	Abohar	J-34	4325	4325	Unch
	Mansa	J-34	NA	NA	-
	Muktsar	J-34	NA	NA	-
	Fazilika	J-34	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	4370	4280	90
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	NA	-

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

Commodity	Kapas		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	25-Jun-16	24-Jun-16	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	3400	3400	Unch
	Gondal	Shankar-6	314	444	-130
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	590	825	-235
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	3	8	-5
Punjab	Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	100	100	Unch
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	255	255	Unch
	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	50	Unch
	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	390	240	150
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-

	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	22	45	-23
Commodity	Lint		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	25-Jun-16	24-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
				24-Jun-16	23-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	39900	39600	300
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	40500	40200	300
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	40500	40400	100
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	42800	42600	200
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	43500	43200	300
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	54000	53800	200

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

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

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

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		25-Jun-16	24-Jun-16	
Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	2566	2559	7
Akola	Rs./Qtl	2558	2542	16

INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES

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

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

Cotlook Index: As on 24-June-2016		
Cotlook Indices	Cents/Pound	Change
A-Index	75.55	1.00

USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 24-June-2016			
Growth Area	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
	cents/lb.		bales
Southeast	64.83	67.08	NIL
North Delta	64.33	67.08	NIL
South Delta	64.33	67.08	NIL
East TX-OK	60.00	62.00	111
West Texas	60.00	61.75	181
Desert SW	62.08	68.08	NIL
SJ Valley	63.33	73.23	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 24-June-2016					
Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Jul-16	63.90	64.94	63.70	64.50	-0.38
Oct-16	65.15	65.43	64.06	64.83	-0.79
Dec-16	65.35	65.43	63.83	64.42	-1.00
Mar-16	65.85	65.91	64.44	65.01	-1.04
May-16	65.35	65.81	64.9	65.43	-1.09
Jul-16	65.66	66.23	65.42	65.94	-1.01

Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 24-June-2016				(in Pakistan Rupees)
Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	5550	135	5685
Equivalent	40 Kgs	5948	145	6093

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