

**Domestic Fundamentals:**

**Market Outlook:** Cotton spot market noticed mixed tone on Wednesday.

**In The News:** Cotton crop in Vidarbha and Marathwada region of Maharashtra are reported to get affected by the widespread boll worm attack and could destroy approximately 50 per cent of the standing crop.

With a view to protect domestic manufacturing industry from foreign competition (especially from China), the Indian govt. had raised basic customs duty (BCD) on polyester/man-made fabric from 10 per cent to 20 per cent.

With a view to control domestic cotton prices, the Indian Cotton Federation (ICF) had asked the govt. to procure 100 lakh bales of cotton from the farmers this season.

In line with the bonus payment announced to the cotton farmers in Gujarat; the cotton grower in Maharashtra too demanded a bonus payment of at least Rs 500/quintal for their product from the government.

In a move to ensure better remunerative prices to the farmers, the Gujarat govt. had declared a bonus of Rs 100 per 20 kg of the cotton sold directly to the Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) which is in addition to the MSP (Minimum Support Price) paid for the crop.

To mitigate for the loss incurred due to the untimely rain in Telangana, the Communist Party of India (Marxist) Telangana State committee had demanded the state govt. to procure cotton crop from the farmers at a support price of Rs 7,000/quintal.

According to the official figures, cotton has been sown on 123.17 lakh hectares as on October 13, 2017 across the country compared to 103.69 lakh hectares during the same period previous year.

Heavy rain in the major cotton growing region of India (Maharashtra, Gujarat, M.P, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana & Karnataka) had adversely affected cotton sowing and arrivals into the country.

In its first advance estimate, the agriculture ministry of India projected the country to produce 32.3 million bales of cotton in 2017-18 which is 2.12% lower than the cotton produced last year in 2016-17.

On the back of favorable weather conditions and lucrative expected returns, rating agency, ICRA projected India to produce 36 million bales of cotton in 2018, up by 6 per cent from the previous year.

The Indian govt. had increased cotton MSP (Minimum Support Price) for long staple cotton from Rs 4,160/quintal in 2016-17 to Rs 4,320/quintal in 2017-18.

As per the latest report published by USDA, India is expected to produce 6.09 million Tonnes of cotton in 2017-18 which is 5.7% higher than the cotton produced last year in 2016-17.

Farmers are likely to increase the area under cotton amid expectation of good monsoon this season and higher price of cotton during the previous season, farmers. According to initial projections by the Central Institute of Cotton Research, Nagpur, the cotton area sown would be around 6 lakh hectares in Haryana (compared to 4.98 lakh hectares during 2016-17) and 4 lakh hectare in Punjab (compared to 2.56 lakh hectares in 2016-17)

On the other hand, world' cotton consumption is expected to increase by 2.7% from 24.56 MMT in 2016-17 to 25.22 MMT in 2017-18. Wherein, China, the world's largest cotton consumer, is expected to consume 8.1 MMT of cotton during 2017-18 which is 1.5% higher than its cotton consumption last year.

| MCX Cotton Futures*: (Prices in Rs/170 kgs) |        |          |          |          |          |        |        |      |        |
|---|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------|--------|------|--------|
| Contract                                    | +/-    | Open     | High     | Low      | Close    | Volume | Change | OI   | Change |
| Nov-17                                      | 0      | 18300.00 | 18380.00 | 18300.00 | 18320.00 | 199    | -3     | 2920 | 2785   |
| Dec-17                                      | -10.00 | 18300.00 | 18370.00 | 18270.00 | 18290.00 | 217    | -453   | 4229 | 1271   |

  

|        |        |        |   |   |    |    |
|--------|--------|--------|---|---|----|----|
| Spread | Nov-17 | Dec-17 | - | - | -- | -- |
| Spot   |        | 30     |   | - | -  | -  |
| Dec-17 |        |        |   | - | -  | -  |

(NB: Spread Basis = Spot- Near Month Future)  
 \* Updated at 05:00 pm as on 15–Nov 2017

### DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALS

#### Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:

| Commodity      | Kapas         |                        | Prices (Rs./Quintal) |           | Change |
|----------------|---------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------|--------|
| State          | Centre        | Variety                | 15-Nov-17            | 14-Nov-17 |        |
| Gujarat        | Ahmedabad     | Shankar-6              | 4700                 | 4750      | -50    |
|                | Gondal        | Shankar-6              | 4655                 | 4625      | 30     |
|                | Rajkot        | B.T. Cotton            | 4640                 | 4700      | -60    |
|                | Patan         | B.T. Cotton            | 4675                 | 4650      | 25     |
|                | Kadi          | B.T. Cotton            | 4800                 | 4800      | Unch   |
|                | Deesa         | B.T. Cotton            | NA                   | NA        | -      |
|                | Dhrol         | B.T. Cotton            | 4590                 | 4565      | 25     |
| Punjab         | Fazilika      | B.T. Cotton            | NR                   | NR        | -      |
|                | Muktsar       | B.T. Cotton            | NR                   | NR        | -      |
| Haryana        | Bhiwani       | B.T. Cotton (New Crop) | 4800                 | 4800      | Unch   |
|                | Bhiwani       | Desi                   | 5300                 | 5000      | 300    |
|                | Adampur       | B.T. Cotton            | 4650                 | 4660      | -10    |
|                | Fatehabad     | B.T. Cotton            | 4770                 | 4740      | 30     |
|                | Jind          | B.T. Cotton            | 4775                 | 4820      | -45    |
|                | Uchana        | B.T. Cotton            | 4782                 | 4774      | 8      |
|                | Dabwali       | B.T. Cotton            | 4565                 | 4570      | -5     |
| Rajasthan      | Hanumangarh   | B.T. Cotton            | 4750                 | 4800      | -50    |
|                | Rawatsar      | B.T. Cotton            | 4670                 | 4700      | -30    |
| Madhya Pradesh | Khandwa       | Mech-1                 | 4600                 | 4600      | Unch   |
|                | Khargaon      | Mech-1                 | 4655                 | 4700      | -45    |
| Maharashtra    | Amravati      | Mech-1                 | 4480                 | 4500      | -20    |
|                | Jamner        | Medium Staple          | NA                   | NA        | -      |
| Uttar Pradesh  | Hathras       | B.T. Cotton            | 6200                 | NR        | -      |
|                | Hathras       | Desi                   | 4900                 | NR        | -      |
| Telangana      | Adilabad      | Un-Ginned              | 4470                 | 4470      | Unch   |
| Andhra Pradesh | Guntur        | Un-Ginned              | 3750                 | 3800      | -50    |
|                | Kurnool       | Un-Ginned              | NA                   | NA        | -      |
|                | Krishna       | Un-Ginned              | NA                   | NA        | -      |
|                | East Godavari | Un-Ginned              | 4320                 | 4320      | Unch   |
| Karnataka      | Bijapur       | Bunny                  | 4829                 | 4809      | 20     |
|                | Hubli         | D.C.H.                 | 4891                 | 4881      | 10     |
|                | Hubli         | B.T. Cotton            | 5791                 | NA        | -      |
|                | Raichur       | H-44 Cotton            | 4400                 | 4370      | 30     |
| Commodity      | Lint          |                        | Prices (Rs./Maunder) |           | Change |
| State          | Centre        | Variety                | 15-Nov-17            | 14-Nov-17 |        |
| Punjab         | Bhatinda      | J-34                   | 3875                 | 3885      | -10    |
|                | Abohar        | J-34                   | 3890                 | 3895      | -5     |
|                | Mansa         | J-34                   | 3850                 | 3860      | -10    |

|                  |                |      |      |      |           |
|------------------|----------------|------|------|------|-----------|
|                  | Muktsar        | J-34 | NR   | NR   | -         |
|                  | Fazilika       | J-34 | NR   | NR   | -         |
| <b>Haryana</b>   | Sirsa          | J-34 | 3865 | 3870 | <b>-5</b> |
| <b>Rajasthan</b> | Sri-Ganganagar | J-34 | NR   | 3610 | -         |

**Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:**

| Commodity             | Kapas         |               | Arrivals (Quintal) |           | Change       |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|
| State                 | Centre        | Variety       | 15-Nov-17          | 14-Nov-17 |              |
| <b>Gujarat</b>        | Ahmedabad     | Shankar-6     | 51000              | 44200     | <b>6800</b>  |
|                       | Gondal        | Shankar-6     | 3013               | 3140      | <b>-127</b>  |
|                       | Rajkot        | B.T. Cotton   | 4150               | 4050      | <b>100</b>   |
|                       | Patan         | B.T. Cotton   | 14258              | 18250     | <b>-3992</b> |
|                       | Kadi          | B.T. Cotton   | 40000              | 25000     | <b>15000</b> |
|                       | Deesa         | B.T. Cotton   | NA                 | NA        | -            |
|                       | Dhrol         | B.T. Cotton   | 337                | 328       | <b>9</b>     |
| <b>Punjab</b>         | Fazilika      | B.T. Cotton   | NR                 | NR        | -            |
|                       | Muktsar       | B.T. Cotton   | NR                 | NR        | -            |
| <b>Haryana</b>        | Bhiwani       | B.T. Cotton   | 3500               | 2000      | <b>1500</b>  |
|                       | Bhiwani       | Desi          | 20                 | NA        | -            |
|                       | Adampur       | B.T. Cotton   | 1700               | 850       | <b>850</b>   |
|                       | Fatehabad     | B.T. Cotton   | 400                | 800       | <b>-400</b>  |
|                       | Jind          | B.T. Cotton   | 850                | 1020      | <b>-170</b>  |
|                       | Uchana        | B.T. Cotton   | 2975               | 1880      | <b>1095</b>  |
|                       | Dabwali       | B.T. Cotton   | 200                | 875       | <b>-675</b>  |
| <b>Rajasthan</b>      | Hanumangarh   | B.T. Cotton   | 1000               | 2000      | <b>-1000</b> |
|                       | Rawatsar      | B.T. Cotton   | 500                | 700       | <b>-200</b>  |
| <b>Madhya Pradesh</b> | Khandwa       | Mech-1        | 600                | 600       | <b>Unch</b>  |
|                       | Khargaon      | Mech-1        | 6660               | 7360      | <b>-700</b>  |
| <b>Maharashtra</b>    | Amravati      | Mech-1        | 9000               | 7000      | <b>2000</b>  |
|                       | Jamner        | Medium Staple | NA                 | NA        | -            |
| <b>Uttar Pradesh</b>  | Hathras       | B.T. Cotton   | 30                 | NR        | -            |
|                       | Hathras       | Desi          | 10                 | NR        | -            |
| <b>Telangana</b>      | Adilabad      | Un-Ginned     | 22477              | 25334     | <b>-2857</b> |
| <b>Andhra Pradesh</b> | Guntur        | Un-Ginned     | 770                | 360       | <b>410</b>   |
|                       | Kurnool       | Un-Ginned     | NA                 | NA        | -            |
|                       | Krishna       | Un-Ginned     | NA                 | NA        | -            |
|                       | East Godavari | Un-Ginned     | NA                 | NA        | -            |
| <b>Karnataka</b>      | Bijapur       | Bunny         | 4342               | 4461      | <b>-119</b>  |
|                       | Hubli         | D.C.H.        | 234                | 54        | <b>180</b>   |
|                       | Hubli         | B.T. Cotton   | 4                  | NA        | -            |
|                       | Raichur       | H-44 Cotton   | 1867               | 2227      | <b>-360</b>  |
| Commodity             | Lint          |               | Arrivals (Quintal) |           | Change       |
| State                 | Centre        | Variety       | 15-Nov-17          | 14-Nov-17 |              |

|                  |                |      |      |      |              |
|------------------|----------------|------|------|------|--------------|
| <b>Punjab</b>    | Bhatinda       | J-34 | 3400 | 5100 | <b>-1700</b> |
|                  | Abohar         | J-34 | 340  | 1020 | <b>-680</b>  |
|                  | Mansa          | J-34 | 170  | 510  | <b>-340</b>  |
| <b>Haryana</b>   | Sirsa          | J-34 | 850  | 680  | <b>170</b>   |
| <b>Rajasthan</b> | Sri-Ganganagar | J-34 | NR   | 1000 | <b>-</b>     |

**Cotton Association of India Spot Rates:**

| Trade Name                            | Staple     | Micronaire | Strength/<br>GPT | Rs. Per Candy | Rs. Per Candy | Change      |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|
|                                       |            |            |                  | 14-Nov-17     | 15-Nov-17     |             |
| Bengal Deshi (RG)/Assam Comilla (101) | Below 22mm | 5.0 - 7.0  | 15               | 41000         | 41000         | <b>Unch</b> |
| Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)                | Below 22mm | 5.0 - 7.0  | 15               | 42000         | 42000         | <b>Unch</b> |
| J-34(202)                             | 26mm       | 3.5 - 4.9  | 23               | 36000         | 35800         | <b>200</b>  |
| H-4/ MECH-1(105)                      | 28mm       | 3.5 - 4.9  | 27               | 36600         | 36600         | <b>Unch</b> |
| Shankar-6(105)                        | 29mm       | 3.5 - 4.9  | 28               | 37400         | 37400         | <b>Unch</b> |
| Bunny/ Brahma(105)                    | 31mm       | 3.5 - 4.9  | 30               | 38700         | 38700         | <b>Unch</b> |
| MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)                   | 32mm       | 3.3 - 4.9  | 4                | 41700         | 41700         | <b>Unch</b> |
| DCH-32(107)                           | 34mm       | 3.0 - 3.8  | 33               | 50600         | 50600         | <b>Unch</b> |

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

| Centre    | Unit        | Price     |           | Change      |
|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
|           |             | 15-Nov-17 | 14-Nov-17 |             |
| Rajkot    | Rs. /10 Kg. | 635       | 640       | <b>-5</b>   |
| New Delhi | Rs. /10 Kg. | 648       | 650       | <b>-2</b>   |
| Hyderabad | Rs. /10 Kg. | 655       | 655       | <b>Unch</b> |
| Mumbai    | Rs. /10 Kg. | 660       | 660       | <b>Unch</b> |

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

| Centre          | Unit    | Price     |           | Change    |
|-----------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                 |         | 15-Nov-17 | 14-Nov-17 |           |
| Mahesana (Kadi) | Rs./Qtl | 1531      | 1529      | <b>2</b>  |
| Akola           | Rs./Qtl | 1518      | 1523      | <b>-5</b> |

**INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES**
**China Cotton Index: As on 15-November-2017**

| Index        | RMB/Ton | Change      |
|--------------|---------|-------------|
| CCIndex(328) | 15991   | <b>-7</b>   |
| CCIndex(527) | 14920   | <b>Unch</b> |

|                                  |       |            |
|----------------------------------|-------|------------|
| CCIndex(229)                     | 16500 | <b>-10</b> |
| RMB -Renminbi, 1RMB =0.16 \$U.S. |       |            |

**China Foreign Cotton (FCE) Index : As on 15-November-2017**

| Index        | Cents/lb | Change       |
|--------------|----------|--------------|
| FC Index (S) | 83.37    | <b>-0.17</b> |
| FC Index (M) | 78.96    | <b>-0.08</b> |
| FC Index (L) | 77.64    | <b>-0.02</b> |

**Cotlook Index: As on 14th-November-2017**

| Cotlook Indices | Cents/Pound | Change       |
|-----------------|-------------|--------------|
| A-Index         | 79.60       | <b>-0.30</b> |

**USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 14-November-2017**

| Growth Area | Leaf 4 to Staple 34 | Leaf 3 to Staple 35 | Arrivals    |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|
|             | cents/lb.           |                     | Bales       |
| Southeast   | 69.35               | 70.60               | <b>1114</b> |
| North Delta | 67.85               | 69.60               | <b>NIL</b>  |
| South Delta | 67.85               | 69.60               | <b>NIL</b>  |
| East TX-OK  | 68.25               | 70.00               | <b>3266</b> |
| West Texas  | 68.75               | 70.50               | <b>3099</b> |
| Desert SW   | 63.60               | 67.60               | <b>NIL</b>  |
| SJ Valley   | 64.60               | 73.50               | <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 14-November-2017**

| Contract | Open  | High  | Low   | Close | Change       |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
| Dec-17   | 68.90 | 69.39 | 68.58 | 68.60 | <b>-0.28</b> |
| Mar-18   | 68.94 | 69.36 | 68.62 | 68.65 | <b>-0.28</b> |
| May-18   | 69.91 | 70.30 | 69.55 | 69.61 | <b>-0.30</b> |
| Jul-18   | 70.47 | 70.76 | 70.01 | 70.16 | <b>-0.26</b> |
| Oct-18   | 69.22 | 69.22 | 69.22 | 69.22 | <b>-0.20</b> |
| Dec-18   | 69.65 | 69.65 | 69.08 | 69.26 | <b>-0.11</b> |

| <b>Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 14-November-2017</b> |                  |                     |                         | <b>(in Pakistan Rupees)</b> |
|---|------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Product</b>  | <b>Rate for</b>  | <b>Ex-Gin Price</b> | <b>Up Country Sales</b> | <b>Spot Rate Karachi</b>    |
| <b>Cotton</b>   | <b>37.32 Kgs</b> | 6450                | 145                     | 6595                        |
| <b>Equivalent</b>   | <b>40 Kgs</b>    | 6912                | 155                     | 7067                        |

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