

## Domestic Fundamentals:

**Market Outlook:** Cotton spot market prices were noticed Range-bound on Friday.

**In The News:** According to data provided by the Confederation of Indian Textile Industry, of the total commodities exports from India, the textile apparel exports share has come down by a percentage point to 12% in fiscal 2018 from 13% in the previous fiscal.

According to trade sources, the target for sowing cotton in Maharashtra for this kharif season is 4 lakh hectares, the highest acreage is expecting from Bathinda, Mansa, Fazilika and Mukstar districts.

Cotton prices are likely to remain steady during June-October 2018 due to very tight financial situation prevailing in the spinning sector and comfortable availability of quality cotton, according to the Indian Cotton Federation here.

Bangladesh has emerged as the biggest importer of Indian cotton this season. It imported around 21 lakh bales of cotton from India overtaking China, which was largest importer of Indian cotton until now.

So far, India has exported 15 lakh bales of cotton to China. As per data provided by CAI, the country has contracted 15-20 lakh bales for exports to China. Following the trade war with the US, China has imposed tariffs on import of cotton from the US. Cotton is one of the 106 US goods on which Beijing has imposed up to 25% tariffs.

According to trade sources, in the past three months, the export price of India's 30S pure cotton yarn has risen by 2%, while the export price of Pakistan's cotton yarn with the same quality has decreased by 1.7%. In the coming weeks, it's expected that the price of cotton yarn will not be lowered due to the support of high level cotton prices.

Cotton exports surged 151% in March with shipment of 12.5 lakh bales (170 kg) as against just less than 5 lakh bales exported in March 2017. The first six months of 2017-18 cotton marketing year shipment aggregated 5.66 million bales as against 4.82 million bales in the corresponding months of previous marketing year.

Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) has purchased 11 lakh bales of cotton so far this cotton season (October to September) and sold four lakh bales.

India's cotton exports may touch 7 million bales this marketing year, a rise of 27 per cent over the earlier estimate due to a surge in demand, mainly from China, as Indian cotton is selling at discount, says the Cotton Association of India (CAI).

According to trade sources, With Indian cotton selling at discounts of 7-10 cents per pound, there is demand for all qualities of cotton.

The area under Cotton cultivation in India likely to go down by 10-15% this year as farmers are expected to shift to Soyabean that gives better returns and because of the risk of pink bollworm attack, industry sources said.

Cotton Association of India has released its March estimate of the 2017-18 crop year beginning from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017-18. In this latest estimate, the CAI has estimated cotton crop for the ongoing 2017-18 season at 360 lakh bales of 170 kgs. each, which is lower by 2 lakh bales – one lakh bales each in the states of Maharashtra and Karnataka

NCDEX Kapas Futures*: (Prices in Rs/20kg)									
Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Cont. (C1)	0	867	867.5	854	861.50	145	-221	850	-162

  

Spread	Cont (C1)		
Spot	-218.5	-	-
	-	-	-

Updated at 05:00 pm as on 27-Apr-2018

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Apr-18	-50	20540	20580	20510	20540	294	-397	775	-266
May-18	-50	20850	20890	20820	20840	659	-344	8622	368

Spread	Apr 18		-	-	--	--
Spot				-	-	-
Apr-18	-310			-	-	-

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

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**Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:**

Commodity	Kapas		Prices (Rs./Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	27-Apr-18	26-Apr-18	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	5450	5400	50
	Gondal	Shankar-6	NR	NR	-
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	5430	5430	Unch
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	5400	5330	70
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	5250	5250	Unch
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NR	4955	-
Punjab	Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	NR	NR	-
	Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	NR	NR	-
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	5050	5050	Unch
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	4880	NR	-
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	5000	4980	20
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	NR	NR	-
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	4800	4800	Unch
	Khargaon	Mech-1	NR	NR	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	5125	5150	-25
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NR	NR	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	NR	NR	-
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	NR	5865	-
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NR	4001	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NR	NR	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	NR	NR	-
<b>Commodity</b>	<b>Lint</b>		<b>Prices (Rs./Maunder)</b>		<b>Change</b>
<b>State</b>	<b>Centre</b>	<b>Variety</b>	<b>27-Apr-18</b>	<b>26-Apr-18</b>	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	4290	4290	Unch
	Abohar	J-34	4300	4295	5
	Mansa	J-34	4270	4275	-5
	Muktsar	J-34	NR	NR	-
	Fazilika	J-34	NR	NR	-
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	4275	4270	5
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	NA	-

**Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:**

<b>Commodity</b>	<b>Kapas</b>		<b>Arrivals (Quintal)</b>		<b>Change</b>
<b>State</b>	<b>Centre</b>	<b>Variety</b>	<b>27-Apr-18</b>	<b>26-Apr-18</b>	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	42500	42500	Unch
	Gondal	Shankar-6	NR	NR	-
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	1150	1200	-50
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	2772	2580	192
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	35000	30000	5000
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NR	246	-
Punjab	Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	NR	NR	-
	Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	NR	NR	-
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	300	300	Unch
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	400	NR	-
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	250	80	170
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	NR	NR	-
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	400	400	Unch
	Khargaon	Mech-1	NR	NR	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	1000	1100	-100
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NR	NR	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-

Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	NR	NR	-
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	NR	2182	-
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NR	40	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NR	NR	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	NR	NR	-
<b>Commodity</b>	<b>Lint</b>		<b>Arrivals (Quintal)</b>		<b>Change</b>
<b>State</b>	<b>Centre</b>	<b>Variety</b>	<b>27-Apr-18</b>	<b>26-Apr-18</b>	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	1020	1020	Unch
	Abohar	J-34	170	170	Unch
	Mansa	J-34	85	153	-68
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	170	170	Unch
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	NA	-

### DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALS

Cotton Association of India Spot Rates:						
Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy	Rs. Per Candy	Change
				26-Apr-18	25-Apr-18	
Bengal Deshi (RG)/Assam Comilla (101)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	41400	41400	Unch
Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	41900	41900	Unch
J-34(202)	26mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	40500	40200	300
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	38100	38000	100
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	41200	41200	Unch
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	42500	42500	Unch
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	43500	43600	-100
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	54500	54500	Unch

### Cotton Seed Oil Prices

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		27-Apr-18	26-Apr-18	
Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	750	755	-5
New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	725	725	Unch
Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	NR	NR	-
Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	772	770	2

**Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake Prices**

Centre	Unit	Price		Change
		27-Apr-18	26-Apr-18	
Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	1280	1293	-13
Akola	Rs./Qtl	1250	1275	-25

**INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES**

<u><b>China Cotton Index: As on 27-April-2018</b></u>			
Index		RMB/Ton	Change
CCIndex(328)		15453	2
CCIndex(527)		14498	3
CCIndex(229)		16093	Unch
RMB -Renminbi, 1RMB =0.16 \$U.S.			

<u><b>China Foreign Cotton (FCE) Index : As on 26-April-2018</b></u>		
Index		Cents/lb
FC Index (S)		96.39
FC Index (M)		93.28
FC Index (L)		92.77

<u><b>Cotlook Index: As on 26-April-2018</b></u>		
Cotlook Indices		Cents/Pound
A-Index		93.20

<u><b>USDA Cotton Spot Rates: As on 26-April-2018</b></u>			
Growth Area	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
	cents/lb.		Bales
Southeast	84.67	86.92	NIL
North Delta	83.17	84.92	NIL
South Delta	83.17	84.92	NIL
East TX-OK	77.50	79.25	4932
West Texas	76.50	78.25	1839
Desert SW	79.17	83.17	NIL
SJ Valley	79.67	88.57	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			

<u><b>ICE Cotton Futures (Prices in cents/lb.): Ason 26-April-2018</b></u>
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Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
18-May	85.00	85.00	84.63	84.99	0.23
18-Jul	83.78	84.97	83.57	84.17	0.23
18-Oct	80.35	81.4	80.35	80.42	-0.47
18-Dec	78.80	79.25	78.50	78.96	-0.03
19-Mar	78.90	79.11	78.47	78.71	-0.23
19-May	78.55	79.01	78.51	78.62	-0.26

Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 26-April-2018				(in Pakistan Rupees)
Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32 Kgs	7500	145	7645
Equivalent	40 Kgs	8038	155	8193

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