

Domestic Fundamentals:**Market Outlook:**

The cotton physical market showed steady to firm trend today due to the commencement of CCI procurement on large scale. MCX cotton November contract stood lower at Rs.19,350/bale on Monday. ICE cotton futures closed red on Friday.

News: Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) has slashed Minimum support price in Telangana. The cotton farmers panicked by the CCI decision to slash MSP, in Adilabad district, who were already distressed with the high natural moisture content due to foggy weather and pink boll worm infestation in the crops. CCI has started lifting the produce at Rs 5,775 per quintals as against Rs 5,825 per quintals for which the cotton was purchased till Saturday.

CAI estimates Lower Production for the new season 2020-21, by 4 lakh bales at 356 lakh bales against 360 lakh bales in 2019-20. The Production has been projected lower because of crop loss in Maharashtra, Telangana and Gujarat with the withdrawal of monsoon in October. The exports are expected to be higher by 10 lakh bales to 60 lakh bales where else the imports are estimated at 14 lakh bales. The total consumption is expected to be higher by around 80 lakh bales to 330 lakh bales compared to the previous year that was hit by the pandemic.

Cotton Market remains Firm. Cotton market in India has stabilized in recent weeks. As unlocking rolls out, demand prospects of Indian cotton continue to improve both in local and overseas demand. Indian cotton is being offered at around 74 cents per lb, cost and freight basis, to buyers in China, Bangladesh and Vietnam for November shipments, which is cheaper than 77 cents offered by competitors like Brazil and US.

According to Cotton Association of India (CAI), India's cotton exports could increase by 40% in 2020-21 season. A surge in exports is expected in the view of depreciation in Indian rupee and a rise in global cotton prices that allowed the demand for Indian cotton in the international market. Therefore, India could achieve a target of 70 lakh bales cotton exports against 50 lakh bales in 2019-20 according to the association. Most of the demand is emerging from China and Bangladesh. In October, traders have expected to have exported around 7-8 lakh bales and around 10 lakh bales contract have been signed for November month.

Government gave assurance to farmers that it will procure all the cotton produced in Telangana by paying MSP of Rs. 5,825 per quintal. Due to heavy rains in Telangana the moisture content in cotton crop has been increased. The Government officials have requested CCI to purchase cotton of more than 12 percent moisture. CCI has lifted only 9.2 lakh bales of cotton out of 40.56 lakh bales of cotton stored in godowns so far. So to create enough spaces cotton needs to be lifted from these godowns.

Cotton arrival in Punjab's has mandi doubled this season compared with the corresponding period last season. A total of 10.92 lakh quintals were brought by the farmers to various purchase centers, for the same period in 2019 the arrival was 5.71 lakh quintals. Traditionally farmers used to hold back the harvested crop and bring them back to mandi's after paddy harvest phase. But due to ongoing farmers agitation panicked cotton growers and they rushed to mandi's. Although, CCI purchases are going smooth and the payments are being released in farmer's bank account within a week.

New cotton purchasing centre has been inaugurated in Warangal at Bhagyalakshmi Cotton Mill and state will buy cotton at reasonable price to support farmers. As per the CCI, the government's MSP is 5,825 per quintal. Cotton would be procured if its moisture content would be between 8-12%. For moisture content above 12%, Rs.58.25 would be deducted for every 1% and for moisture content below 8%, CCI would provide 5,825/quintal and Rs.58.25 incentives per quintal.

The exponential rise in raw cotton and fiber demand from the overseas has led to the rise in the cotton exports. According to Cotton Association of India, India have exported around 6 lakh bales and 25,000 to 50,000 bales of cotton are lined up at the Indian ports from the beginning of the new season (October'20). But the lack of availability of containers at the port is causing delay in exports. The traders claim that groundnut oil and castor shipments are getting priority against cotton because of higher demand from China.

According to the trade sources, India is expected to have exported around 5 lakh bales in September 2020. China and Bangladesh has imported notable quantity of raw cotton from India of around 2 lakh bales each at an average FOB of \$1.41/kg and \$1.49/kg, respectively. Vietnam was also a major importing country after China & Bangladesh buying around 54,000 bales at \$1.34/kg FOB followed by Mauritius (3,500 bales at \$1.42/kg), and Oman (2,450 bales at \$1.42/kg). The demand from China has increased significantly in September surpassing the demand from Bangladesh. The demand for organic cotton has also risen during September especially from Bangladesh, China and Indonesia.

The crop in Khammam district of Telangana has been adversely affected with the recent rains that resulted in high moisture content in the produce brought by the farmers in the procurement centers. Even there are issues with the colour of the cotton not meeting the standards of CCI procurement. Therefore, the farmers are forced to sell their produce to the private traders below MSP. Some farmers brought the cotton that was kept in cold storage last year and are selling it at Rs 4,825 per quintal. The farmers claim that they can get MSP price if the moisture content is reduced if the mandi officials could provide a space for drying cotton.

CCI is planning to expand buying but remains limited by the high moisture content of seed cotton. The Shankar-6 1 1/8 ex-gin is back near 68.75 cents/lbs from the high of 71 cents/lbs during the month. But CCI has continuously raising floor prices in its auctions by around Rs.500 to 1000 per candy. The price weakness has again aided the attraction of Indian cotton for export. Chinese mills have purchased Indian cotton that is at large discounts to domestic cotton. Bangladesh and Vietnam were also active buyers of Indian cotton.

According to Cotton Association of India (CAI), the cotton production in 2019-20 is expected to have reached 360 lakh bales up from 354.5 lakh bales as estimated earlier and declined imports by 50,000 bales to 15.5 lakh bales from the previous estimates. The exports and consumption figures remained unchanged at 50 lakh bales and 250 lakh bales, respectively. Till 6th October'20, 3.12 lakh bales of new crop of raw cotton had arrived in the market. Out of which, CCI could procure 2,311 bales in Haryana, Punjab and Rajasthan as against zero procurement in the corresponding period of last year.

Weather Forecast for tomorrow:

Heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Tamilnadu, Puducherry&Karaikal. Thunderstorm with lightning likely at isolated places over Kerala &Mahe and Tamilnadu, Puducherry&Karaikal.

International Fundamentals:

The cotton Futures ended lower by 145 point at 68.62 cents/lbs. The Cotlook A index remained at 77 cents/lb for 11/05. USDA lowered the week's AWP for cotton 136 points to 56.01 cents/lb.

Revival of cotton farming may help Kenya to boost economy. The cabinet has allowed farmers of Kenya to grow BT cotton in December last year. In a follow up, the government has made 16.3 tonnes of BT cotton seeds available to farmers in eastern Kenya in a project that will, ultimately spread out to cotton growing regions. Reviving this industry would also lead to the creation of thousands jobs in the cotton farms and factories.

The Cotton Supply Chain Continues to Suffer from COVID, Trade Tension and a Sluggish Global Economy. The Production in 2020-21 is expected to be 146 million bales and is projected to outpace consumption by 500,000 tonnes. Many major producers are expected to see their total drop in coming years such as USA, Brazil, Pakistan and West Africa. Inclement weather and trade conflicts would compound the challenges in some region like USA which is experiencing a hurricane season and is also engaged in trade war with china. However, India and China world's top two producers are expected to increase their total in the coming season.

The China cotton fiber imports have reached 9.65 lakh bales and the import volume has driven with the arrival of US Reserve purchases amounting to 6.70 lakh bales. Similarly, cotton yarn imports have reached equivalent to more than 9

lakh bales of cotton fiber. Such a surge in imports was driven by the revival of domestic demand and the attraction of cotton yarn imports because China enjoy quota free status and a small duty rates.

Lower demand in the textile and garment sector as a result of COVID-19 had a bad impact on Indonesia's economy. As a result, capacity utilization of the textile industry from March to June 2020 reached only 50%, down from a normal range of 70-80%. Similarly, utilization in Indonesia's garment sector declined to 80% from a normal utilization of 90%.

Iran's cotton production is estimated to reach 16 lakh bales, from which about 4 lakh bales of refined cotton are expected to be produced in the current fiscal year started in March 2020, a 15.71% increase compared with last year. Iran will be able to meet 68% of its domestic demand this year against 58% last year. Iran imports around 3.5-4.5 lakh bales of cotton every year from the world.

Despite the increasing kapas arrivals, active procurement of CCI could support the market in coming days. At present, CCI is procuring around 60% of the total arrival in north India per day. As of 20th Oct'20, CCI purchases were reported around 2.3 lakh bales in the Northern India. In Telangana, CCI has announced that the MSP will be paid only for 8% moisture, with premiums for 6% and 7% moisture levels. Purchases will be made to a maximum of 12%, with discounts for each 1% of moisture above 8%.

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	Change	OI	Change
20-Nov	180	19740	19900	19700	19670	391	-100	1465	147
20-Dec	-	-	-	-	19950	-	-	-	-
21-Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Spread	20-Nov	20-Dec	20-Jan	--	--	--
Spot				-	-	-
20-Aug	-	-	-	-	-	-
20-Sep	-	-	-	-	-	-

(NB: Spread Basis = Spot- Near Month Future) As updated on 9th Nov 2020 @ 5.30 pm

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVAL

Commodity	Kapas		Prices (Rs./Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	09-Nov-20	07-Nov-20	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	5550	5450	100
	Gondal	Shankar-6	5730	5730	Unch
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	NR	5560	-
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	5500	5420	80
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	5400	5400	Unch
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	5580	5395	185

Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	5100	5100	Unch
	Bhiwani	Desi	6000	6000	Unch
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	5280	5300	-20
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	5300	5300	Unch
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	5775	5775	Unch
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	5300	5300	Unch
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	5250	5275	-25
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	5600	Closed	-
	Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	4950	4900	50
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	6200	6200	Unch
	Hathras	Desi	5500	5500	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Adoni	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	NA	5825	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	5360	5329	31
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	5300	5150	150
Commodity	Lint		Prices (Rs./Maund)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	09-Nov-20	07-Nov-20	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	4240	4230	10
	Abohar	J-34	4250	4240	10
	Mansa	J-34	4220	4220	Unch
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	4140	4140	Unch
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	3807	3901	-94

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

Commodity	Kapas		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	09-Nov-20	07-Nov-20	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	47600	51000	-3400
	Gondal	Shankar-6	3720	3026	694
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	NR	4600	-
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	10290	8769	1521

	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	30000	20000	10000
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	112	88	24
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	25000	25000	Unch
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	1190	1360	-170
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	200	250	-50
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	1500	1500	Unch
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	200	300	-100
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	600	500	100
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	2000	Closed	-
	Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	4000	6000	-2000
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	15	15	Unch
	Hathras	Desi	10	10	Unch
Andhra Pradesh	Adoni	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	NA	3243136	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	5020	4893	127
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	322	315	7
Commodity	Lint		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	09-Nov-20	07-Nov-20	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	17000	8500	8500
	Abohar	J-34	5100	1190	3910
	Mansa	J-34	2890	340	2550
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	2040	850	1190
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	2000	2000	Unch

Cotton Seed Oil Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil		Price		Change
State	Centre	Unit	09-Nov-20	07-Nov-20	
Gujarat	Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	995	990	5

Delhi	New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	970	965	5
Telangana	Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	985	975	10
Maharashtra	Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	1000	1000	Unch

Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake		Price		Change
State	Centre	Unit	09-Nov-20	07-Nov-20	
Gujarat	Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	1915	1843	72
Maharashtra	Akola	Rs./Qtl	1976	1951	25

Cotton Association of India Spot Rates:

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy	Rs. Per Candy	Change
				07-Nov-20	06-Nov-20	
Bengal Deshi (RG)/Assam Comilla	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	38300	38500	-200
Bengal Deshi (SG)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	38800	39000	-200
J-34	27mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	39400	39400	Unch
H-4/ MECH-1	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	38800	38800	Unch
Shankar-6	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	40200	40200	Unch
Bunny/ Brahma	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	41300	41200	100
MCU-5/ Surabhi	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	42100	42000	100
DCH-32	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	56800	56500	300

INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES**China Cotton Index:**

Index	Unit	09-Nov-20	06-Nov-20	Change
CCIndex(328)	RMB/Ton	14458	#N/A	-
CCIndex(527)	RMB/Ton	13587	#N/A	-
CCIndex(229)	RMB/Ton	14742	#N/A	-

RMB -Renminbi, 1RMB =0.16 \$U.S.

China Foreign Cotton (FCE) Index :

Index	Unit	09-Nov-20	06-Nov-20	Change
FC Index (S)	Cents/lb	78.7	80.03	-1.33
FC Index (M)	Cents/lb	76.67	77.69	-1.29
FC Index (L)	Cents/lb	75.46	76.74	-1.28



Cotlook Index:

Cotlook Indices	Unit	6-Nov-20	5-Nov-20	Change
A-Index	Cents/Pound	77	77.5	-0.50

USDA Cotton Spot Rates:

Growth Area	Unit	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
		5-Nov-20	5-Nov-20	Bales
Southeast	cents/lb.	68.57	70.82	845
North Delta	cents/lb.	67.32	69.57	0
South Delta	cents/lb.	67.32	69.57	0
East TX-OK	cents/lb.	64.82	67.32	3122
West Texas	cents/lb.	64.82	67.57	2842
Desert SW	cents/lb.	62.82	66.82	0
SJ Valley	cents/lb.	63.32	72.22	0

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

Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 5-Nov-2020

				(in Pakistan Rupees)
Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32Kgs	9600	180	9780
Equivalent	40 Kgs	10288	193	10481

Daily Futures Price Listing Fri November 06, 2020

Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Mth	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Cotton(ICE)									
20-Dec	201106	70.00	70.27	68.55	68.62	-1.45	17,070	102,822	-4,451
21-Mar	201106	71.20	71.43	70.07	70.15	-1.06	12221	87962	1531
21-May	201106	72.01	72.22	70.95	71.02	-1.00	2,617	17,428	324
21-Jul	201106	72.88	72.88	71.68	71.75	-0.96	1,475	12,275	-338
21-Oct	201106	69.16	69.32	69.16	69.32	-0.84	0	6	0
21-Dec	201106	69.20	69.34	68.60	68.67	-0.85	284	20,161	35
Total Volume and Open Interest							33,697	243,215	-2,901

Source: MRCI

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