

Domestic Fundamentals:**Market Outlook:**

The cotton physical market showed a firm trend today as CCI procurement has slowed down and major markets are closed due to lockdown restrictions. MCX cotton spot price was higher at Rs.24,210/bale on Friday. ICE cotton futures closed red on Thursday.

News: Cotton acreages fallen in Haryana. The area under cotton cultivation has reduced in Haryana by over 90,000 hectares this year because of hampering of field activities during the second wave of the corona virus and shifting of farmers to other crops like groundnut. The crop has been sown in over 6.72 lakh hectares in Haryana against the target of 7.62 lakh hectares. In the previous season, 7.31 lakh hectares of area was sown under cotton crop while the normal area under cotton in Haryana is 6.82 lakh hectares.

The Southern India Mills Association has urged the Center to withdraw cotton import duty. According to Southern India mills Association, the cotton import duty is severely affecting the global competitiveness of Indian textile and clothing industry. The association said import duty on raw cotton would erode the competitiveness of value-added segments that have a business size of about Rs 50,000 crore in exports and Rs 25,000 crore in the domestic market. These segments provide jobs to about 12 lakh people. It has taken over a decade for the textile industry to build up the market share in these segments, and with the import duty, we will lose our competitiveness and market share to competing countries. Cotton prices are also trading at all time high even as there have been lockdown led restriction as the demand has been quite strong. The Indian mills are reported to be holding more than 100 days of inventory currently.

Cotton Cultivation area may increase to 5-10 percent in 2021-22 season. Cotton acreages may see a rise of 5-10 percent this Kharif season as a result of high cotton prices in the market for the ongoing 2020-21 season. With assured procurement through Cotton Corporation of India, good monsoon and groundnut cultivation turning costly are some of the other factors that are likely to aid higher coverage under cotton this year.

Cotton Association of India has reduced its cotton crop estimate for 2020-21 season by 4 lakh bales at 356 lakh bales. The total supply from October 2020 – May 2021 is estimated at around 473.44 lakh bales which consist of arrivals of 340.19 lakh bales whereas imports were estimated at 8 lakh bales and opening stock at 125 lakh bales at the beginning of the season. Further, the cotton consumption was estimated at around 220 lakh bales, and exports upto 31st May'2021 were estimated to be 58 lakh bales, and stock at the end of May'2021 was estimated at 195.44 lakh bales.

Cotton prices have increased in Gujarat. Due to strong demand from domestic shipping mills, cotton prices have firmed up to reach a decadal high level. The demand from the international market has further supported the local prices of the natural fiber. The shanker-6 variety has reached Rs. 50,500 to Rs. 51,000 per candy in Gujarat local market, which is highest in 10 years.

Government comes up with Cotton Quality Improvement Mission. With cotton commanding higher prices in the market around 7,500 per quintal, both the Cotton Corporation of India and Cotton Association of India have come together to educate farmers to increase area under cotton cultivation for the coming 2021-22 season. Around 110-120 lakh hectares area comes under cotton cultivation in India. The center has allocated Rs. 440 crore towards Cotton Quality Improvement Mission to improve the quality and yield of cotton in India.

Telangana Government is considering a policy on cotton solvent to encourage ginning mills in the state. According to the Telangana Agriculture Department, the government is committed to encourage ginning mills in the wake of increase in raw cotton production. The by-products of cotton like cotton seed oil, cottonseed oilcake and solvents have a sound demand at the national and international levels.

Government has raised Minimum Support Price for the 2021-22 seasons. The government has increased minimum support price of cotton by Rs. 211 per quintal to Rs. 5,726 for medium staple variety and by Rs. 200 per quintal to Rs. 6,025 for long staple variety of cotton for the 2021-22 crop year.

Weather Forecast:

Thunderstorm with lightning & gusty winds is very likely at isolated places over Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh and with lightening at isolated places over Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh, Gilgit- Baltistan & Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Vidarbha, Chhattisgarh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Assam & Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Gujarat State, ,Telanagna, Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry & Karikal. Heavy to very heavy rainfalls at a few places with extremely heavy falls at isolated places over East Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, West Uttar Pradesh, East Madhya Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Sub Himalayana West Bengal, Konkan & Goa, Rayalseema, South interior Karnataka, Chhattisgarh, Gangetic West Bengal, Assam & Meghalaya, Gujarat region, ghat areas of Madhya Pradesh, and Kerala & Mahe.

International Fundamentals:

The ICE cotton Futures was lower by 116 points at 84.17 cents/lb. The Cotlook A index was 75 points higher at 95.60 cents/lb. The AWP for cotton was at 74.16 cents/lb.

The US Department of Agriculture has increased the cotton crop estimate by 5 percent for the coming 2021-22 season.

According to USDA's Cotton and Wool Outlook report, global cotton production in 2021-22 is forecasted at 118.9 million bales, 5 percent above the previous year's but 2 percent below the 2019-20 production. Larger cotton crops are forecasted for most of the major cotton-producing countries in 2021-22, led by the United States, Brazil, and Australia. For the 2021-22 season, India is expected to produce larger cotton crop accounting for more than 24 percent of the world's production. India's cotton crop is projected at 29.0 million bales and is 500,000 bales above the 2020-21 season. The area under cotton cultivation is forecasted at 13.0 million hectares for 2021-22 and an improvement in yield is expected to 486 kg per hectare.

According to USDA'S World Agriculture Supply and Demand Estimate (WASDE) report, U.S. cotton production for the season 2021-22 shows a 100,000 bales increase in exports from the previous month, to 14.8 million bales. The U.S. production and consumption remain unchanged from last month and with lowering beginning stocks and higher exports, ending stocks are now 200,000 bales lower at 2.9 million bales.

The cotton Business of Thailand has started to recover as global economy recovers. With improving health condition and global economy the cotton business has started recovering, the cotton imports of the country were 700 thousand 480 lb bales in 2019-20 which have dropped to 550 thousand 480 lb bales in 2020-21 but is now likely to rise by 9.09 percent to 600 thousand lb bales in 2021-22.

Textile sector in turkey seeks global cooperation to boost production. As the global economy recovers from the pandemic, the Turkish textile sector wants to start a new era of collaboration with international companies and brands to exceed its \$ 100 billion production capacity. Turkey is the world's fifth largest supplier of textile, expects to export approximately \$12 billion worth of textile in 2021.

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	OI
MXCTNC1	-350	24490	24560	24140	24500	1349	5118

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALCotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity	Kapas		Prices (Rs./Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	18-Jun-21	17-Jun-21	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	7750	7750	Unch
	Gondal	Shankar-6	7630	7630	Unch
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	7695	7680	15
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	7125	7150	-25
	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	7000	7000	Unch
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	0	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	0	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	7569	NA	-
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	NA	NA	-

Commodity	Lint		Prices (Rs./Maund)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	18-Jun-21	17-Jun-21	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	5020	5050	-30
	Abohar	J-34	5020	5050	-30
	Mansa	J-34	5015	5025	-10
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	4970	4990	-20
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	NA	-

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

Commodity	Kapas		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	18-Jun-21	17-Jun-21	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	3400	3400	Unch
	Gondal	Shankar-6	222	384	-162
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	800	950	-150
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	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	1200	1000	200
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	0	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	0	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	818	NA	-
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-

	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	NA	NA	-
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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 Seed Oil Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil		Price		Change
State	Centre	Unit	18-Jun-21	17-Jun-21	
Gujarat	Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	1340	1330	10
Delhi	New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	NR	NR	-
Telangana	Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	1300	1300	Unch
Maharashtra	Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	1350	1360	-10

Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake		Price		Change
State	Centre	Unit	18-Jun-21	17-Jun-21	
Gujarat	Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	3003	3009	-6
Maharashtra	Akola	Rs./Qtl	2975	2981	-6

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

Index	Unit	17-Jun-21	17-Jun-21	Change
CCIndex(328)	RMB/Ton	15904	15904	Unch
CCIndex(527)	RMB/Ton	15088	15088	Unch
CCIndex(229)	RMB/Ton	16299	16299	Unch

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

China Foreign Cotton (FCE) Index :

Index	Unit	10-Jun-21	09-Jun-21	Change
FC Index (S)	Cents/lb	98.16	96.85	1.31
FC Index (M)	Cents/lb	97.16	95.85	1.31
FC Index (L)	Cents/lb	96.1	94.7	1.40

Cotlook Index:

Cotlook Indices	Unit	14-Jun-21	10-Jun-21	Change
A-Index	Cents/Pound	96.2	95.55	0.65

USDA Cotton Spot Rates:

Growth Area	Unit	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
		14-Jun-21	09-Jun-21	Bales
Southeast	cents/lb.	83.7	87.62	419
North Delta	cents/lb.	82.7	86.62	0
South Delta	cents/lb.	82.7	86.62	0
East TX-OK	cents/lb.	79.95	84.37	47
West Texas	cents/lb.	79.95	84.37	133
Desert SW	cents/lb.	77.95	83.12	0
SJ Valley	cents/lb.	78.45	89.02	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 16-June-2021

				(in Pakistan Rupees)
Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32Kgs	9400	180	12480
Equivalent	40 Kgs	10074	193	13375

Daily Futures Price Listing Thursday, June 17th, 2021

Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Cotton(ICE)									
Jul-21	210617	85.15	85.48	83.65	84.17	-1.16	8,536	16,497	-4,890
Oct-21	210617	85.80	85.80	84.24	84.73	-1.93	17	143	+0
Dec-21	210617	85.80	85.92	83.37	84.06	-1.89	17,692	141,748	+2,561
Mar-21	210617	85.57	85.80	83.28	83.94	-1.92	3,187	30,379	+1,292
May-22	210617	85.34	85.38	83.17	83.82	-1.81	738	6,350	-28
Jul-22	210617	84.53	84.59	82.55	83.14	-1.67	216	9,242	+62
Total Volume and Open Interest							30,530	216,338	-1,101

Source: MRCI

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