

Domestic Fundamentals:**Market Outlook:**

The cotton physical market showed a mixed trend across India today. MCX cotton spot price was higher at Rs.37,120/bale on Wednesday. ICE cotton futures closed green on Tuesday.

News: *Cotton yarn prices in India slipped further by up to ₹8 per kg as the market received sluggish demand. According to trade sources, domestic demand did not support market sentiment as production activities remained weak in garment units. Export demand is weak due to uncertainty of geo-political developments after Russia's attack on Ukraine. In Mumbai market, yarn prices fell by ₹2-8 per kg as demand weakened further. 60 count carded cotton yarn of warp and weft varieties were traded at ₹1,910-1,920 and 1,670-1,720 per 5 kg, respectively.*

Despite the infestation of pink bollworm on cotton crop during the 2021-22 seasons. Punjab has set a target to increase area under cotton by 23 percent in the coming 2022-23 season. Cotton was sown in 2021-22 season at 119.66 lakh hectares as compared to previous season of 128.07 lakh hectares across India.

Cotton Association of India has reduced its January estimate of the cotton crop for the 2021-22 season by 5 lakh bales to 343.13 lakh bales from its previous estimate of 348.13 lakh bales. The association has attributed the reduction in crop estimate to the drop in production in States including Gujarat, Telangana, Odisha, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. AgriWatch has estimated cotton production for 2021-22 season at 342.60 lakh bales lower from its previous season estimate of 365.00 lakh bales.

The total cotton supply for the month of October 2021 to January 2022 remained at 272.20 lakh bales, which consists of the arrivals of 192.20 lakh bales, imports of 5 lakh bales during the month of January 2022 and Opening Stock of 75 lakh bales equivalent to 79.69 lakh running bales at the beginning of the season on 1st October 2021. Further, the CAI has estimated cotton consumption for the months of October to January 2022 at 114 lakh bales while export shipment of cotton during the months of October to January 2022 is estimated at 25 lakh bales. Stock at the end of January 2022 is estimated at 113.20 lakh bales.

As per the Government's 02nd Advance Estimate, cotton production for 2021-22 have been projected at 340.63 lakh bales, which is 3% lower than the previous year's final production estimate of 352.48 lakh bales. As per AgriWatch estimate based on the arrival pattern, production is expected to be lower at 342.60 lakh bales against the previous season estimate of 365 lakh bales. Production is expected to be lower in the 2021-22 season mainly because of lower sown area in 2021-22 season at 119.66 lakh hectares as compared to previous season of 128.07 lakh hectares.

Cotton arrivals from 01st October 2021 till 22nd February 2022 has reached 3590.09 thousand tonne as compared to previous season arrivals of 2570.19 thousand tonne. For the current 2021-22 season, cotton arrivals were higher from Telangana, Madhya Pradesh and Haryana whereas it was lower from the states of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Punjab and Karnataka. The arrivals were lower mainly because of the late rains caused by the La Nina effect which has affected the yield of cotton.

The Government had set the date of submission of online application under the Rs 10,683 crore PLI scheme for textiles to January 31, 2022 which in late January was extended till February 14, 2022. As per the prescribed norms, the scheme will be in operation from September 24, 2021 to March 31, 2030 and the incentive under the scheme will be payable for five years.

Weather Forecast:

Thunderstorm accompanied with lightening & gusty winds at isolated places over Southeast Rajasthan, and with lightning at isolated places over Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh & Gilgit, Baltistan, Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh, East Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat region, Konkan & Goa, Marathwada and Adman & Nicobar Islands is expected.

International Fundamentals:

The ICE cotton Futures was up by 52 points at 116.94 cents/lb. The Cotlook A index was at 135.55 cents/lb. The AWP for cotton was at 112.71 cents/lb.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) first 2022-23 world cotton projections anticipate that global consumption will exceed production, reducing world stocks by 2.5 million bales. World cotton production is expected to rise 3.2 percent, with harvested area rising in some countries. Global consumption is expected to grow at about the long-term average rate, as the world economy continues its recovery from the severe downturn in 2020 and supply chain problems in 2021.

According to USDA's February report, the world ending stock is expected to fall further to 84.31 million bales (480 pounds each), the lowest level in 3 years from their January's forecast of 85.01 million bales and 2020-21's ending stock of 88.41 million bales. India's cotton production is estimated at 5.99 million MT in 2021-22 from 6.01 million MT in 2020-21. Cotton production in China is expected to increase in this season at 3.84 million MT from previous season of 3.18 million MT.

Textile exports hit record \$10.93 billion in the first seven months of the current Financial Year as per the data showed on last Wednesday. The textile earnings showed a growth of 24.7 percent over corresponding period of the last fiscal when the country's total textiles sales in international market were of \$8.76 billion.

Bangladesh's cotton production has been low as farmers are opting for other cash crops instead of the white fibre, missing out at least a \$3-billion domestic market.

Cotton plantings in the United States are likely to increase as a result of strong international demand, increasing input prices for farmers, and a prolonged drought in Texas. Cotton futures in New York hit a new decade high at the end of January, signalling a potential increase for the world's largest cotton provider. Last year, expectations for a second worldwide shortfall pushed the fibre up 44 percent.

Cotton arrivals in Pakistan have increased by 33.91 percent to 7.42 million bales in 2021-22 season. Sindh and Punjab has recorded an increase in cotton production this season.

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	OI
MXCTNC1	+1.67	37000	37170	36850	36470	187	173048

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALSCotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity	Kapas		Prices (Rs./Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	09-Mar-22	08-Mar-22	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	10500	10250	250
	Gondal	Shankar-6	11205	11180	25
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	11000	11000	Unch
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	10180	9900	280
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	10000	10500	-500
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	9770	10110	-340
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	9500	9600	-100
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	9350	9600	-250
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	9400	9500	-100
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	8850	8830	20
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	10175	10095	80
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	10000	10000	Unch
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	10060	10000	60
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	9700	9950	-250
	Khargaon	Mech-1	9800	10100	-300
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	10000	10200	-200
	Jamner	Medium Staple	9690	9700	-10
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	9500	9450	50
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	10313	10279	34
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	NA	10300	-
Commodity	Lint		Prices (Rs./Maund)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	09-Mar-22	08-Mar-22	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	8020	8000	20
	Abohar	J-34	8040	8000	40
	Mansa	J-34	8030	8000	30
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	7730	7700	30
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	7473	7473	Unch

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

Commodity	Kapas		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	09-Mar-22	08-Mar-22	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	42500	42500	Unch
	Gondal	Shankar-6	3588	3025	563
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	4000	4000	Unch
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	1604	1351	253
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	20000	15000	5000
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	105	366	-261
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	1700	2040	-340
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	300	200	100
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	578	510	68
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	900	800	100
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	800	350	450
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	1000	1000	Unch
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	2000	2000	Unch
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	1000	732	268
	Khargaon	Mech-1	855	2750	-1895
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	24000	18000	6000
	Jamner	Medium Staple	30	40	-10
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	14685	18622	-3937.7
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	410	589	-179
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	NA	4	-
Commodity	Lint		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	09-Mar-22	08-Mar-22	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	3400	4250	-850
	Abohar	J-34	680	680	Unch
	Mansa	J-34	255	255	Unch
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	1360	1190	170
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	1500	1000	500

Cotton Seed Oil Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil		Price		Change
State	Centre	Unit	09-Mar-22	08-Mar-22	
Gujarat	Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	1560	1550	10
Delhi	New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	NR	NR	-
Telangana	Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	1550	1540	10
Maharashtra	Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	1570	1560	10

Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake		Price		Change
State	Centre	Unit	09-Mar-22	08-Mar-22	
Gujarat	Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	3161	3162	-1
Maharashtra	Akola	Rs./Qtl	3273	3281	-8

INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICESChina Cotton Index:

Index	Unit	04-Mar-22	03-Mar-22	Change
CCIndex(328)	RMB/Ton	22700	22675	25
CCIndex(527)	RMB/Ton	20908	20882	26
CCIndex(229)	RMB/Ton	23145	23118	27

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

China Foreign Cotton (FCE) Index :

Index	Unit	04-Mar-22	03-Mar-22	Change
FC Index (S)	Cents/lb	137.87	136.9	0.97
FC Index (M)	Cents/lb	136.41	135.43	0.98
FC Index (L)	Cents/lb	134.85	133.87	0.98

Cotlook Index:

Cotlook Indices	Unit	04-Mar-22	03-Mar-22	Change
A-Index	Cents/Pound	135.55	134.45	1.10

USDA Cotton Spot Rates:

Growth Area	Unit	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
		04-Mar-22	03-Mar-22	Bales
Southeast	cents/lb.	118.42	124.05	1943
North Delta	cents/lb.	117.42	123.05	0
South Delta	cents/lb.	117.42	123.05	0
East TX-OK	cents/lb.	112.17	117.8	849
West Texas	cents/lb.	112.17	117.05	2985



Desert SW	cents/lb.	110.92	116.55	163
SJ Valley	cents/lb.	111.42	123.7	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 05-Mar-2022**(in Pakistan Rupees)**

Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32Kgs	20200	180	20180
Equivalent	40 Kgs	21648	193	21627

Daily Futures Price Listing Tuesday, Mar 08th, 2022

Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Cotton(ICE)									
Mar-22	220308	121.24	122.17	121.24	122.17	+1.51	11	50	-11
May-22	220308	117.00	118.12	116.19	117.97	+1.03	15,000	106,692	-2,389
Jul-22	220308	112.95	113.76	112.07	113.53	+0.83	7,414	53,028	-1,213
Oct-22	220308	105.29	105.44	105.29	105.44	+0.80	4	35	-7
Dec-22	220308	101.10	102.24	100.69	102.07	+0.86	3,239	56,034	+1,368
Mar-23	220308	98.01	98.25	97.13	98.19	+0.94	307	7,911	+177
Total Volume and Open Interest							26,097	234,504	-2,034

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