

Domestic Fundamentals:**Market Outlook:**

The cotton physical market showed a mixed trend across India today. MCX cotton spot price was higher at Rs.37,920/bale on Tuesday. ICE cotton futures closed red on Monday.

News: *Prices of cotton yaran remained stable in north Indian market yesterday as demand slowed ahead of the Holi festival and upcoming annual financial year closing.*

All India daily arrivals are decreasing rapidly and tight supply gave strong stand to the Indian market. Russia Ukraine conflicts remained main focus for speculation. Indian cotton Shanker-6 prices remained stable near Rs. 76,500 to 77,300 per candy.

According to the Ministry of Textiles, the production of organic cotton in India has increased in the current season in Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra. The production of organic cotton in India is 1.23 million tonnes which is 51 percent of global organic cotton production. However, organic cotton production is limited to few states owing to the higher production cost, lower demand and farmers turning to illegal GM seeds.

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.

Weather Forecast:

Heat wave conditions very likely in isolated places over West Rajasthan, Konkan and Gujarat is expected.

International Fundamentals:

The ICE cotton Futures was lower by 226 points at 118.77 cents/lb. The Cotlook A index was at 133.45 cents/lb. The AWP for cotton was at 111.71 cents/lb.

The USDA has maintained its outlook for U.S. cotton from February. There were no changes to the domestic balance sheet for cotton, with an average estimated farm price for upland cotton of \$.90 per pound.

In the world 2021-22 cotton balance sheet, ending stocks are 1.7 million bales lower than a month earlier. A 300,000-bale decrease in production accounts for some of this change, but most of the decline stems from lower beginning stocks, reflecting updated Indian consumption estimates for 2019-20 and 2020-21 to reflect Indian government sources. Projected world 2021-22 consumption is marginally higher this month, up 111,000 bales. But with a 1-million-bale increase in the 2020-21 global estimates, March's projected consumption growth rate is lower this month. World consumption is now expected to grow 2.1% from a year earlier, below the 2.8% rate forecast in February. Production is projected lower as a 500,000-bale reduction in India's crop more than offsets a 150,000-bale increase for Mexico.

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.

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.

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

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume	OI
MXCTNC1	+1.67	37000	37170	36850	36470	187	17304

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALSCotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity	Kapas		Prices (Rs./Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	15-Mar-22	14-Mar-22	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	11000	11000	Unch
	Gondal	Shankar-6	11455	11555	-100
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	11000	10960	40
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	10060	10095	-35
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	10500	10500	Unch
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NA	11000	-
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	9600	9800	-200
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	9600	9500	100
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	9500	9500	Unch
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	9800	9600	200
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	10125	10240	-115
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	10500	10500	Unch
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	10200	10200	Unch
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
	Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	10400	10300	100
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	9750	NA	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	10711	10569	142
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	10400	10500	-100
Commodity	Lint		Prices (Rs./Maund)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	15-Mar-22	14-Mar-22	

Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	8200	8100	100
	Abohar	J-34	8200	8250	-50
	Mansa	J-34	8250	8100	150
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	7900	7950	-50
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	7708	7708	Unch

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

Commodity	Kapas		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	15-Mar-22	14-Mar-22	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	39100	39100	Unch
	Gondal	Shankar-6	2730	2840	-110
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	3900	3900	Unch
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	2760	2456	304
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	20000	30000	-10000
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	NA	235	-
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	2040	2550	-510
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	300	300	Unch
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	1122	850	272
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	1380	1700	-320
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	900	800	100
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	800	1000	-200
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	1000	3000	-2000
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
	Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	10000	10000	Unch
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	11365.2	NA	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	336	941	-605
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-

	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	4	5	-1
Commodity	Lint		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	15-Mar-22	14-Mar-22	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	5100	3400	1700
	Abohar	J-34	680	850	-170
	Mansa	J-34	850	340	510
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	850	1700	-850
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	1000	700	300

Cotton Seed Oil Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil		Price		Change
State	Centre	Unit	15-Mar-22	14-Mar-22	
Gujarat	Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	1560	1580	-20
Delhi	New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	NR	NR	-
Telangana	Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	1570	1610	-40
Maharashtra	Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	1585	1590	-5

Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake		Price		Change
State	Centre	Unit	15-Mar-22	14-Mar-22	
Gujarat	Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	3159	3167	-8
Maharashtra	Akola	Rs./Qtl	3273	3274	-1

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

Index	Unit	14-Mar-22	12-Mar-22	Change
CCIndex(328)	RMB/Ton	NR	Closed	-
CCIndex(527)	RMB/Ton	NR	Closed	-
CCIndex(229)	RMB/Ton	NR	Closed	-

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

China Foreign Cotton (FCE) Index :

Index	Unit	14-Mar-22	12-Mar-22	Change
FC Index (S)	Cents/lb	NR	Closed	-

FC Index (M)	Cents/lb	NR	Closed	-
FC Index (L)	Cents/lb	NR	Closed	-

Cotlook Index:

Cotlook Indices	Unit	11-Mar-22	10-Mar-22	Change
A-Index	Cents/Pound	133.45	134.05	-0.60

USDA Cotton Spot Rates:

Growth Area	Unit	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
		11-Mar-22	11-Mar-22	Bales
Southeast	cents/lb.	123.03	125.28	0
North Delta	cents/lb.	122.03	124.28	0
South Delta	cents/lb.	122.03	124.28	0
East TX-OK	cents/lb.	116.78	119.03	520
West Texas	cents/lb.	116.78	118.28	1810
Desert SW	cents/lb.	115.53	117.78	0
SJ Valley	cents/lb.	116.03	124.93	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 14-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 Monday, Mar 14th, 2022

Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Cotton(ICE)									
May-22	220314	121.03	121.26	117.65	118.77	-2.26	9,164	99,545	-939
Jul-22	220314	116.70	117.04	114.05	115.12	-1.67	5,804	48,168	-583
Oct-22	220314	108.00	108.00	106.31	106.31	-1.88	1	31	-1
Dec-22	220314	104.07	104.24	100.85	102.22	-2.02	2,638	59,894	+1,017
Mar-23	220314	98.91	98.91	97.46	98.70	-1.70	194	7,914	+47
May-23	220314	95.86	96.13	95.15	96.13	-1.50	14	1,423	-4
Total Volume and Open Interest							17,847	226,455	-437

Source: MRCI

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