

Domestic Fundamentals:**Market Outlook:**

The cotton physical market showed bullish trend across India today. MCX cotton spot price traded at Rs.29040/bale on Saturday. ICE cotton futures closed green on Friday.

News: Cotton Association of India (CAI) has sought the withdrawal of the 11% import duty imposed on cotton last year, saying that the textile industry is working at half its installed capacity. This comes amid a sharp decline in demand for Indian textile products in the West.

As per recent update by Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) around 25,000 bales of unginned cotton seed have procured till date from 15 procurement centers.

Cotton daily arrivals have reached around 1,15,000-1,30,000 bales per day. Overall cotton crop condition is good despite rainfall in southern India and some parts of Maharashtra. In some areas of central and northern India second picking has been started, the cotton crop quality may get affected due to uneven weather. Cottonseed prices are remained volatile during the last week. However, the raw cotton prices remained lower due to improved arrivals in the market.

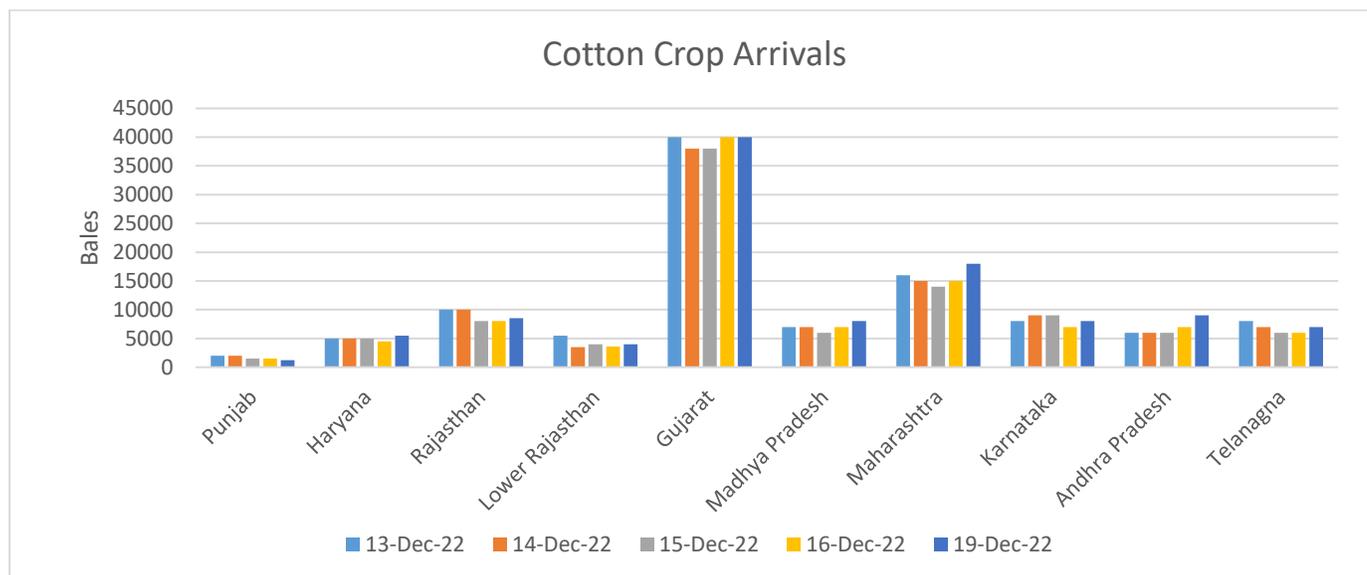
The cotton arrivals shrank by 12.38% in the period between 1st October and 7th December. The market arrivals expectations remained at 49 lakh bales as compared to 95 lakh bales the last season.

This year, an increase of 10 lakh hectares in area is expected in cotton, however experts predict a decline in the production. As per the Cotton Association of India, the country's production is projected at 345 lakh bales during 2022-23. While the market experts are expecting it to be around 300 lakh bales.

Ginning factories are running slower around less than 50% capacity due to lack of arrivals and disparity. Spinning mills are buying raw cotton but in limited quantities. Cotton yarn prices are stable. International demand for yarn may increase from China and Vietnam in coming month. Trade is very slow due to the huge disparity to spinners and ginners. Export demand is very limited.

Weather Forecast

Cold wave to severe cold wave conditions in isolated places over Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, north Rajasthan.

All India New Cotton Crop: Bales

MCX Cotton

	High	Low	Close	Change
MCX Cotton	28400	28300	28260	-60

NCDEX Cottonseed Oilcake

	Open	High	Low	Close	Change
Jan-23	2921	2997	2921	2916	61.00
Feb-23	2860	2930	2860	2846	68.00

International Cotton Fundamentals:

The Cotlook A index was at 99.80 cents/lb. The AWP for cotton was 74.50 cents/lb.

ICE Cotton Futures (Cents/Lb)		
	Close	Change
Mar-23	83.37	+73
May-23	83.45	+72
Jul-23	83.38	+75

Cotton Australia has projected cotton production at 5 million bales in 2023. The Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resources Economics and Sciences (ABARES) has forecasted a 2022-23 gross value of cotton production at around \$3.4 billion with expectations that exports will reach a value of \$5.1 billion because of prior shipping

delays for the 2022 crop. ABARES expects a possible recovery in cotton prices as buyers look for quality sustainable cotton combined with crop decreases and low stock levels in the US.

According to USDA, World Cotton and Market Report, Global cotton production is estimated down by 700,000 bales from the previous month to 115.7 million, largely owing to lower production in Pakistan. Pakistan production has fallen due to floods and poor weather. Global stocks are forecasted higher with consumption projected lower more than 3.0 million bales. This is the seventh consecutive monthly decline for global consumption. Global trade is down roughly 1.0 million bales, led by a decline in China, and is now forecast lower compared with the previous year.

Cotton Yarn

North India's cotton yarn trade slowed down in the last week of this year as there was holiday mood in the market. Buyers remained absent in all major markets of north India, and prices remained unchanged. However, cotton prices crashed in spot markets of north India because of steep fall in futures, mainly attributed to rise in COVID cases in China. Meanwhile, cotton prices have declined by Rs.500-600 per maund of 37.2 kg in northern India mainly because of decline in domestic futures.

Yarn prices in the northern Indian market remain steady in Ludhiana due to absence of trader's interest. While prices remained stable in Delhi.

In the Delhi market, 30 count combed yarn was traded at Rs.285-290 per kg (GST extra), 40 count combed at Rs.315-320 per kg, 30 count carded at Rs.260-65 per kg and 40 count carded at Rs.295-300 per kg.

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALS

Cotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity		Kapas		Prices (Rs./Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	31-Dec-22	30-Dec-22		
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	8625	8625	Unch	
	Gondal	Shankar-6	8605	8405	200	
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	8700	8050	650	
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	8505	8240	265	
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	8250	8400	-150	
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	7850	-	
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	8750	8205	545	
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	8300	8100	200	
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-	
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	8400	8300	100	
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	8350	8250	100	
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	NR	8000	-	
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	8330	8346	-16	
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	NR	8250	-	
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	8600	8350	250	

	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	8700	8450	250
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	Closed	8200	-
	Khargaon	Mech-1	Closed	8270	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	8100	8150	-50
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	8050	7900	150
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	8689	8289	400
	Hubli	D.C.H.	6809	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	8500	8200	300
Commodity	Lint		Prices (Rs./Maund)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	31-Dec-22	30-Dec-22	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	6225	6125	100
	Abohar	J-34	6225	6125	100
	Mansa	J-34	NR	NR	-
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	6100	6025	75
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	6016	5922	94

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

Commodity	Kapas		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	31-Dec-22	30-Dec-22	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	54400	59500	-5100
	Gondal	Shankar-6	1954	2205	-251
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	2800	3200	-400
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	3105	2760	345
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	10000	12500	-2500
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	400	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	557	428	129
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	400	NA	-
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	1360	1360	Unch
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	150	85	65
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	NR	765	-
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	370	370	Unch
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	NR	300	-
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	1000	1000	Unch
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	3000	1000	2000
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	Closed	2000	-

	Khargaon	Mech-1	Closed	1990	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	10000	9500	500
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	19436.8	17964	1472.8
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	1826	2627	-801
	Hubli	D.C.H.	2	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	12	13	-1
Commodity	Lint		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	31-Dec-22	30-Dec-22	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	NA	NA	-
	Abohar	J-34	255	340	-85
	Mansa	J-34	NR	NR	-
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	170	170	Unch
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	1500	1500	Unch

Cotton Seed Oil Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil		Price		Change
	State	Centre	Unit	31-Dec-22	
Gujarat	Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	1250	1250	Unch
Delhi	New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	NR	NR	-
Telangana	Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	1235	1235	Unch
Maharashtra	Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	1260	1260	Unch

Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake		Price		Change
	State	Centre	Unit	31-Dec-22	
Gujarat	Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	3022	2965	57
Maharashtra	Akola	Rs./Qtl	3048	2976	72

Cotton Yarn Prices	23-Dec-22	22-Dec-22	Change	23-Dec-22	22-Dec-22	Change
	Prices FOB, USD			Prices Kg Indian Port		
Variety						
Ne 20/1 Carded Hosiery Yarn	2.91	2.91	Unch	239	239	Unch
Ne 20/1 Combed Hosiery Yarn	3.03	3.03	Unch	249	249	Unch
Ne 21/1 Carded Weaving Yarn	2.91	2.91	Unch	239	239	Unch
Ne 26/1 Combed Hosiery Yarn	3.11	3.11	Unch	256	256	Unch
Ne 30/1 Carded Hosiery Yarn	3.06	3.06	Unch	252	252	Unch
Ne 30/1 Combed Hosiery Yarn	3.19	3.19	Unch	262	262	Unch

Ne 32/1 Carded Weaving Yarn	3.15	3.15	Unch	259	259	Unch
Ne 34/1 Combed Hosiery Yarn	3.39	3.39	Unch	279	279	Unch
Ne 40/1 Combed Hosiery Yarn	3.64	3.64	Unch	299	299	Unch
Ne 40/1 Carded Weaving Yarn	3.33	3.33	Unch	274	274	Unch
Ne 30/2 Carded Hosiery Yarn	3.33	3.33	Unch	274	274	Unch
Ne 32/2 Combed Knitting Yarn	3.76	3.76	Unch	309	309	Unch
Ne 32/2 Carded Hosiery Yarn	3.39	3.39	Unch	279	279	Unch
Ne 40/2 Combed Hosiery Yarn	4.18	4.18	Unch	344	344	Unch
Ne 30/1 Combed Compact Weaving Yarn	3.39	3.39	Unch	279	279	Unch
Ne 40/1 Combed Compact Weaving Yarn	3.82	3.82	Unch	314	314	Unch
Ne 50/1 Combed Compact Weaving Yarn	4.18	4.18	Unch	344	344	Unch
Ne 16/1 Open End Yarn	2.24	2.24	Unch	184	184	Unch
Ne 21/1 Open End Yarn	2.42	2.42	Unch	199	199	Unch
Ne 24/1 Open End Yarn	2.72	2.72	Unch	224	224	Unch

INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES

China Cotton Index:

Index	Unit	31-Dec-22	30-Dec-22	Change
CCIndex(328)	RMB/Ton	Closed	15046	-
CCIndex(527)	RMB/Ton	Closed	13527	-
CCIndex(229)	RMB/Ton	Closed	15358	-

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

China Foreign Cotton (FCE) Index :

Index	Unit	31-Dec-22	30-Dec-22	Change
FC Index (S)	Cents/lb	Closed	100.66	-
FC Index (M)	Cents/lb	Closed	99.26	-
FC Index (L)	Cents/lb	Closed	98.26	-

Cotlook Index:

Cotlook Indices	Unit	30-Dec-22	29-Dec-22	Change
A-Index	Cents/Pound	99.25	99.8	-0.55

USDA Cotton Spot Rates:

Growth Area	Unit	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
		30-Dec-22	29-Dec-22	Bales
Southeast	cents/lb.	NA	86.89	278
North Delta	cents/lb.	NA	85.89	498
South Delta	cents/lb.	NA	85.89	0
East TX-OK	cents/lb.	NA	81.89	2164

West Texas	cents/lb.	NA	82.14	3342
Desert SW	cents/lb.	NA	81.89	0
SJ Valley	cents/lb.	NA	88.79	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

Cotton Association of India Spot Rates:

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Rs. Per Candy	Rs. Per Candy	Change
				30-Dec-22	29-Dec-22	
Bengal Deshi (RG)/Assam Comilla (101)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	63000	40400	22600
Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)	Below 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	63400	40900	22500
J-34(202)	26mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	57500	41200	16300
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	NA	40600	-
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	60800	42200	18600
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	61600	43300	18300
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	62600	44500	18100
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	67500	50000	17500

Daily Futures Price Listing Friday, Dec 30th, 2022

Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
23-Mar	221230	82.64	84.64	82.55	83.37	0.73	10,367	95,720	-812
23-May	221230	82.73	84.68	82.73	83.45	0.72	4,150	35,452	-442
23-Jul	221230	82.63	84.55	82.63	83.38	0.75	1,673	30,291	503
23-Oct	221230	80.74	80.74	80.74	80.74	0.63	0	27	0
23-Dec	221230	80.1	81.84	80.1	80.88	0.64	501	23,873	180
24-Mar	221230	80.4	81.82	80.4	81.02	0.58	31	2,897	8
Total Volume and Open Interest							16,725	190,988	-564

Source: MRCI

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