

## Cotton Domestic Fundamental

**Current Market Scenario: Cotton market noticed firm momentum during the month (April'15).** Prices of Kapas at Rajkot remained firm, with the range of Rs. 3850-4825 per quintal during April 2015 which was Rs. 3750-4120 per quintal previous month.

**The Government is intended to procure 11 million bales** of cotton in the current season ending in September. An ex-post facto approval by Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has been granted to engage Maharashtra State Co-operative Cotton Growers Marketing Federation (MSCCGMFL) as a sub agent of CCI to undertake procurement operations. CCI is likely to procure 10 million bales in 2014-15 whereas MSCCGMFL would procure one million bales. MSCCGMFL will procure cotton in Maharashtra. Till date CCI has procured 8.7 million bales of cotton highest since 2008-09 when it was 89.35 million bales.

**Export of raw cotton from India has declined during the period of Apr 2014-Feb 2015** by around 41.32% in terms of quantity and 46.60% in terms of value when compared to corresponding period last year, according to the government sources.

**Cotton association of India (CAI) has revised the estimates for the cotton output in country at 391 lakh bales** for the current season. CAI had estimated cotton output at 396 lakh bales earlier in March, and revised the same this month due to unusual rain occurred previous month. According to CAI, around 318.4 lakh bales of cotton have arrived in the market till March end. Around 79.5 lakh bales has been arrived in Mandis of Gujarat, 66.8 lakh bales has been arrived Maharashtra. In central India which includes Gujarat, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh, recorded the total arrival of 161.8 lakh bales till March end.

**After hitting the five year low, cotton price are likely to surge up in near to medium term** as the minimum support price (MSP) for the kharif crops are expected to be revised for the coming season and deficit in rain during the upcoming southwest monsoon will lower the cotton sowing. Besides the given situations, farmers are likely to shift for the other kharif crops due to drastic fall in the cotton prices being recorded in the current season.

**Cotton production in the country during the season 2014/15 would stand around 390 lakh bales** which was estimated 400 lakh bales earlier. Untimely Rain and Hailstorm has affected the crop condition of many crop including cotton. Seeing the current situation, Textiles Minister Santosh Kumar Gangwar said that the cotton output in the country would be around 390 lakh bales against the earlier expectation of 400 lakh bales.

**Ministry of Textiles proposed to limit the cotton export from India by putting the cap** on the amount of exportable cotton per year and suggested to levy 10% duty on the export of cotton over and above this exportable surplus. It was the budget suggestion to build a long term inventory of cotton in country for the domestic industry, said official sources.

### Domestic Balance Sheet

All figures in Lakh Bales (of 170 Kgs. Each)			
Item	2013-14	2014-15	% Change
<b>Supply</b>			
Opening stock	52.58	58.90	12.02
Crop size	407.25	397	-2.52
Imports	11.75	13	10.64
Availability	471.58	468.9	-0.57
<b>Demand</b>			
Mill consumption	266.68	270	1.24
Small Mill consumption	24	26	8.33
Non-Mill consumption	10	10	0.00
Total consumption	300.68	306	1.77
Export	112	90*	-19.64
Total Demand	418.6	396	-5.40
Ending Stock	58.9	72.9	23.77

Source: Cotton Association of India (CAI) March'15 Update \*As estimated by CCI

#### **Balance Sheet Highlight (2014-15):**

As per the latest revision in the cotton balance sheet by CAI, cotton availability would be on lower side this season due to lower opening stocks and production, although imports would stand higher. Total consumption will be higher but lower export in the season would make the total demand to be weaker and hence ending stock will bulge up.

#### **Cotton Crop Prospects for Season 2015-16:**

Cotton production in India could fall by 3.31 percent in the next season i.e. 2015-16 to 6.41 million tons (377 lakh Bales) compared to 6.63 million tons in the current season, said International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) in its estimates releases on April 28, 2015.

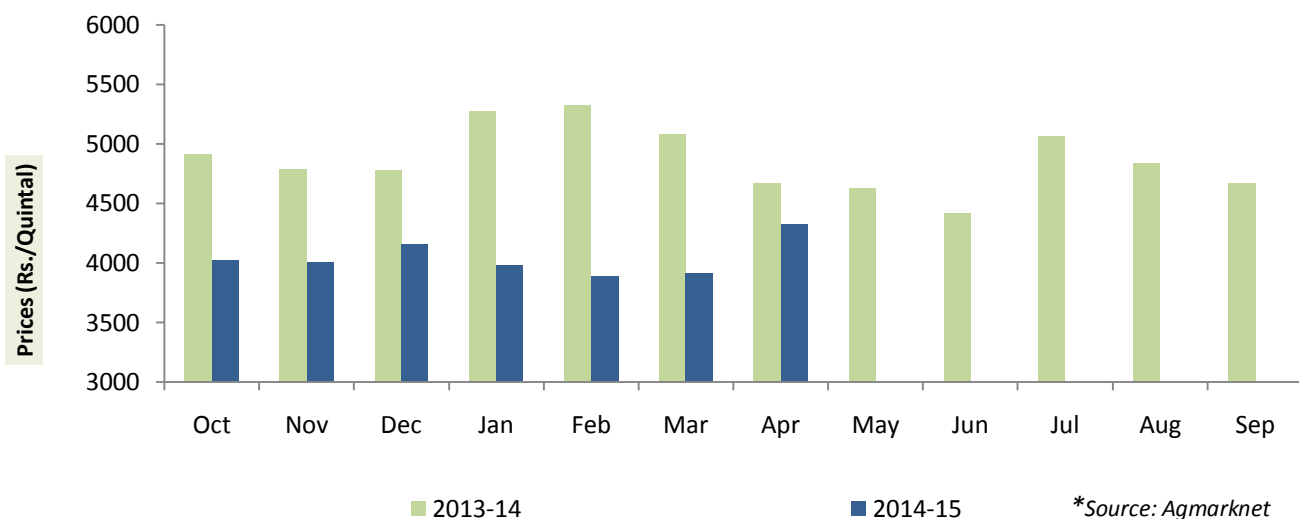
The fall in the production would be caused by acreage, which would shrink in the upcoming season according to ICAC. Acreage of cotton in India in season 2015-16 is likely to drop by 5% to 11.6 million hectares due to the drastically falling cotton prices in the country.

Consumption of cotton would be slightly higher at 5.3 million tons in 2015-16 as compared to 5.27 million tons in 2014-15. Cotton export from India is expected to rise in 2015-16.

According to ICAC, cotton exports from India in 2015-16 would be around 1.34 million tons around 27.604% higher when compared to the export of current season which would be around 1.05 million tons.

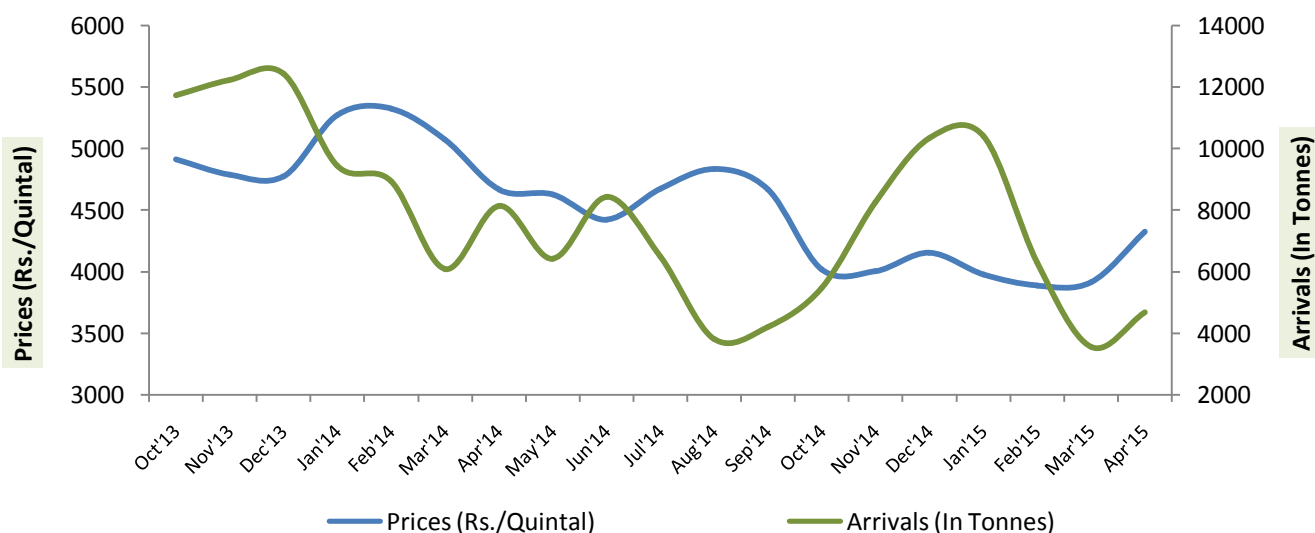
### Domestic Prices and Arrival Trend

#### Monthly Average Prices at Rajkot

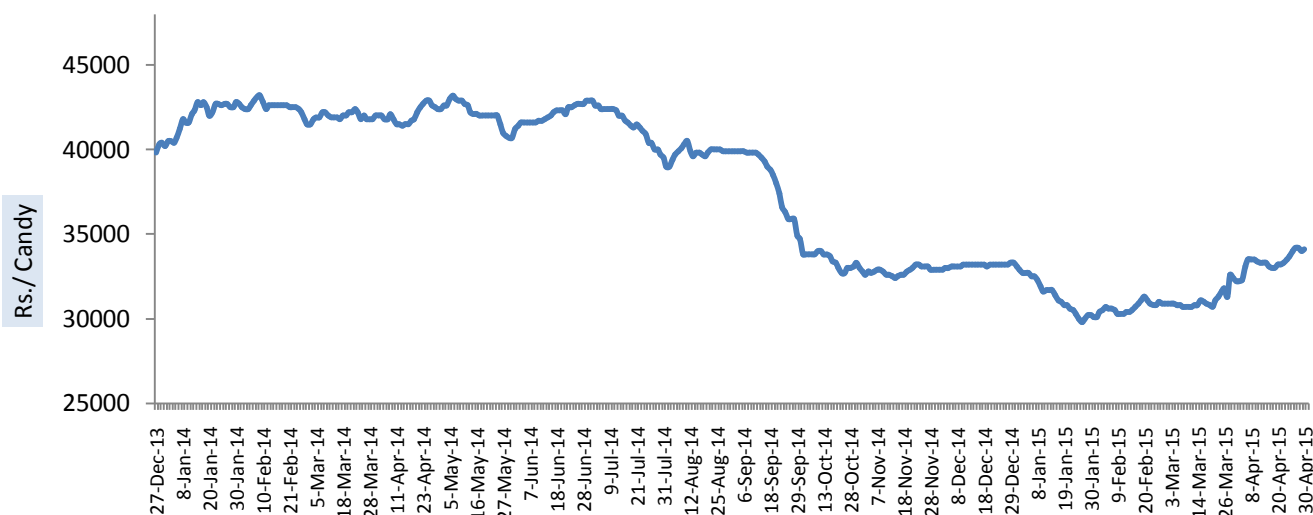


The record procurement by CCI and downwards revision in the production figures has made the cotton prices to surge up. Although prices are still lower than the previous year, but on the month on month basis, cotton prices have recovered significantly. Monthly average price at Rajkot in April was recorded Rs. 4326.46 per quintal around 7.3% lower when compared to price of last year during the corresponding period, but it is around 10.47% higher when compared to the price of previous month.

#### Arrival versus Prices at Rajkot

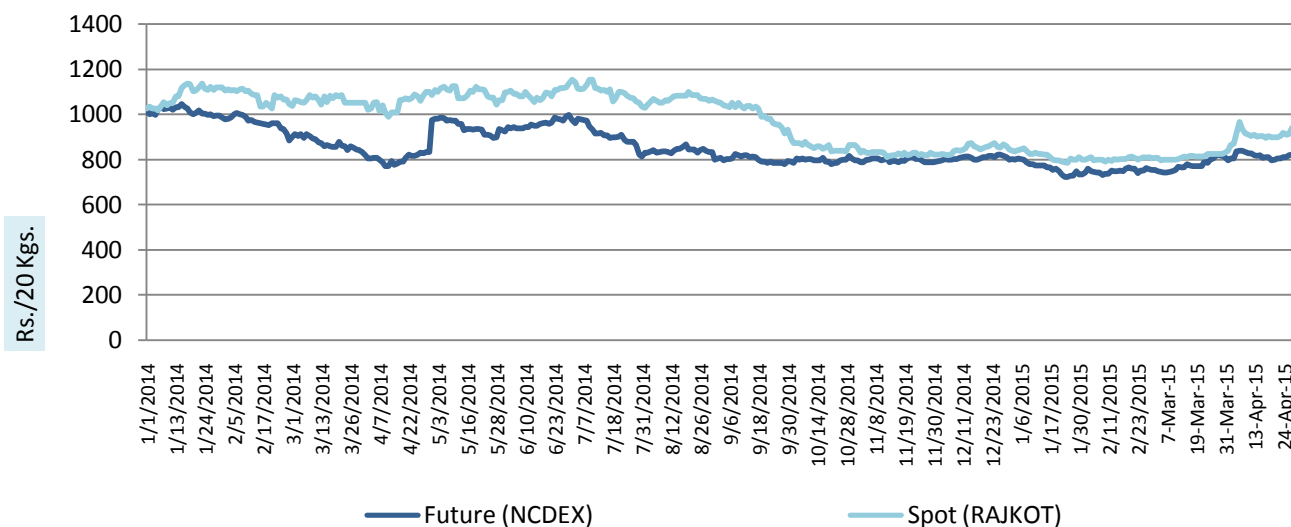


### Shankar-6 (CAI Spot Prices)



Lint prices following the firm prices of raw cotton, remained uptrend during the month. Monthly average price of Shankar-6 (29 mm) during the April month remained Rs 33305 per candy (of 356 kg each) around 7.3% higher when compared to the average price of previous month and around 20.80% lower when compared to the prices during the same period last year.

### Spot (Rajkot) versus Future (NCDEX) Price Trend



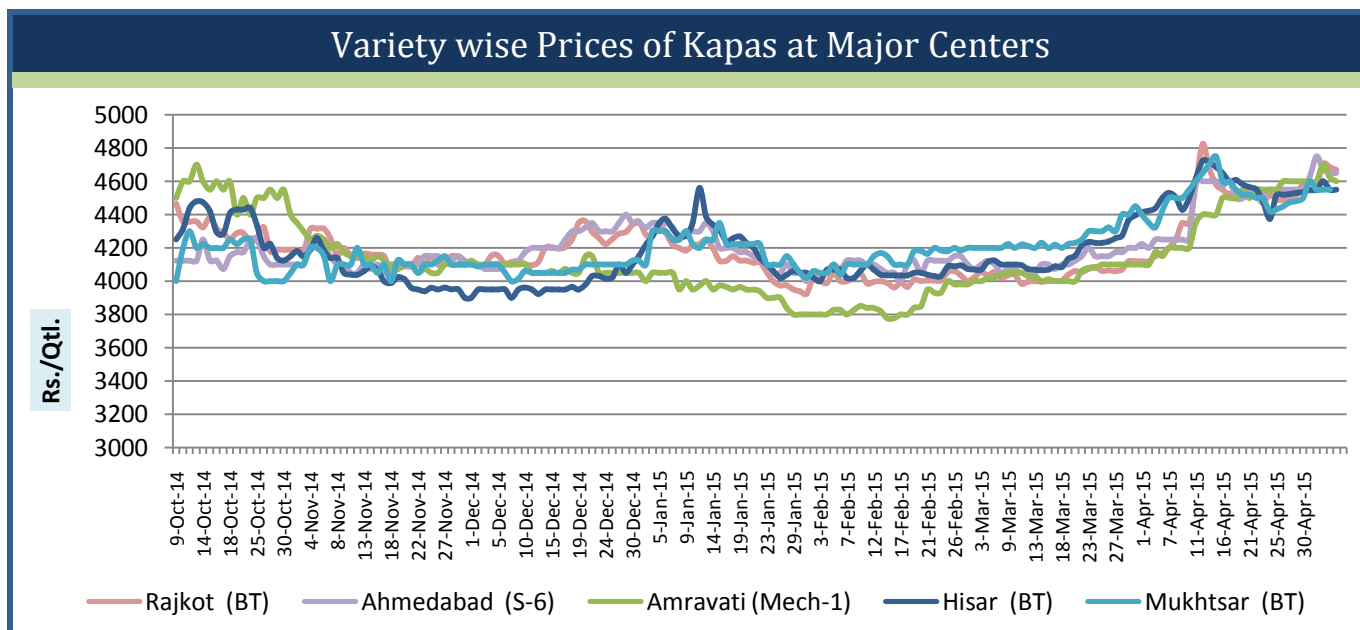
Future price of Kapas at NCDEX closed at Rs.835 per maund (of 20 kg each) on April 30, 2015, around 3.28% higher when compared to the closing price of previous month and 0.40% higher when compared to the closing price of same date during last year.

### Cotton Prices at Key Spot Market:

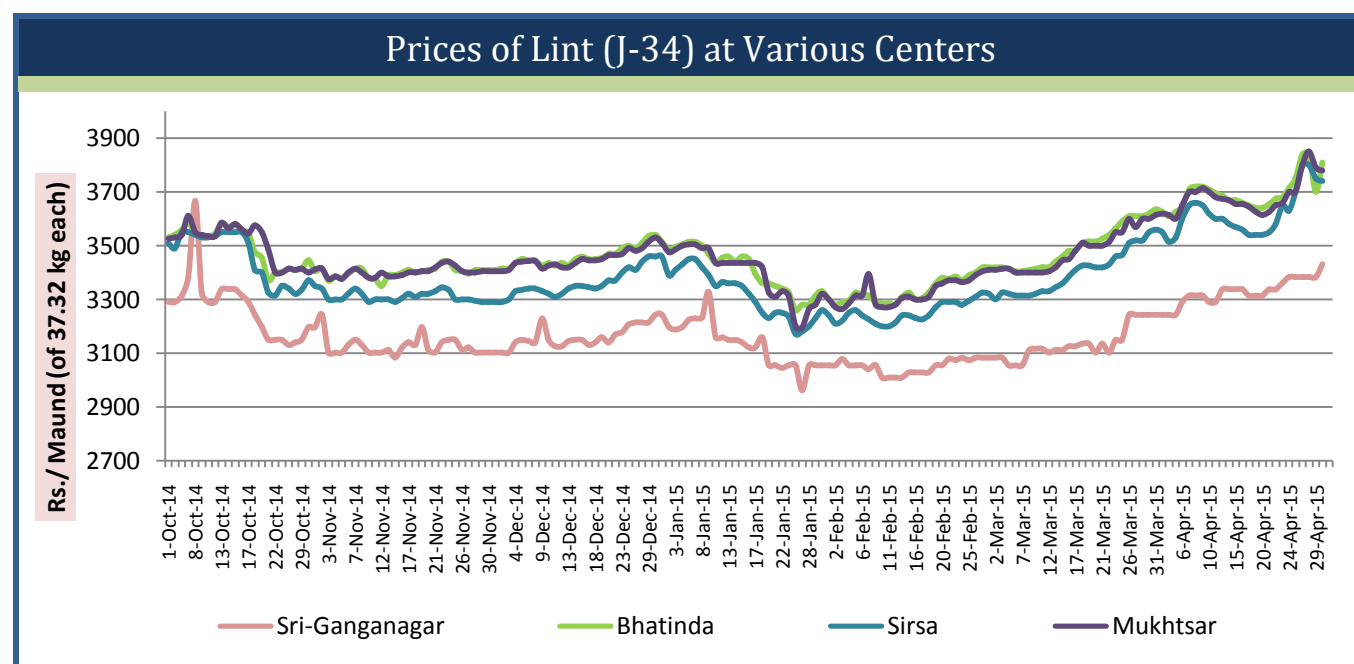
Centre	Variety	Monthly Prices Average		Change
		Apr'15	Mar'15	
	<b>Kapas</b>	<b>(Rs./Qtl)</b>		
Amravati	Mech-1	4510	4070	440
Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	4090	-
Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	4075	-
	<b>Kapas</b>			
Mahesana(Kadi)	B.T. Cotton	4530	4270	260
Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	4565	4040	525
Patan	B.T. Cotton	4590	4125	465
Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	4035	-
Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	4555	NA	-
Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	4550	4285	265
Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	4315	4255	60
Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	4605	4325	280
Adampur	B.T. Cotton	4570	4230	340
Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	4565	4250	315
Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	4510	4165	345
Jind	B.T. Cotton	NA	4275	-
Uchana (Jind)	B.T. Cotton	4525	4285	240
Rawatsar (Hanumangarh)	B.T. Cotton	4525	4225	300
Hubli	B.T. Cotton	4335	4025	310
Hathras	B.T. Cotton(US)	NA	3075	-
Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	4565	4290	275
	<b>Kapas</b>			
Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	4590	4145	445
Gondal	Shankar-6	4565	4050	515
	<b>Kapas</b>			
Jamner (Jalgaon)	Medium Staple	3850	NA	-
Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Bijapur	Bunny	NA	NA	-
Hubli	D.C.H.	3455	3440	15
Raichur	H-44 Cotton	4505	4055	450
Guntur	Un-Ginned	3950	NA	-
Kurnool	Un-Ginned	4020	NA	-
Krishna	Un-Ginned	4040	NA	-
East Godavari	Un-Ginned	4030	NA	-
	<b>Lint</b>	<b>(Rs./Maund of 37.32kg each)</b>		
Abohar	J-34	3695	3500	195

Muktsar	J-34	3685	3480	205
Fazilika	J-34	3395	3485	-90
Bhatinda	J-34	3695	3495	200
Sirsa	J-34	3620	3405	215
Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	3325	3135	190

### Variety wise Prices of Kapas (Seed Cotton):



### Prices of Lint at various centers:



**Monthly Prices of Lint (issued by Office of Textile Commissioner):**

Month	J-34		H-4		S-6	
	2012-13	2013-14	2012-13	2013-14	2012-13	2013-14
October	29661.92	42979.88	32794.72	43923.28	33517.4	44969.92
November	31580.76	--	32844.56	40715.72	33592.16	40000.16
December	32452.96	38156.08	33043.92	39704.68	33798.64	39270.36
January	32837.44	41563	33008.32	43047.52	33805.76	42047.16
February	35165.68	42527.76	34332.64	43727.48	35051.76	42616.76
March	37949.6	42100.56	37664.8	43211.28	38319.84	42004.44
April	36963.48	42506.4	37565.12	44051.44	38205.92	42079.2
May	36507.8	45945.36	37490.36	42388.92	37764.48	43884.12
June	38871.64	43307.4	39825.72	44827.52	39868.44	42089.88
July	41278.2		42278.56		42417.4	
August	43321.64		45621.4		45959.6	
September	43143.64		44891.6		47839.28	
Average of the season	36644.563		37613.477		38345.057	

*Figures in Rs./candy (356 kg.each)*

**Cotton Association of India Cotton Spot Rates:**

Trade Name	Staple	Micronaire	Strength/ GPT	Monthly Average Price*		Change
				Apr'15	Mar'15	
Bengal Deshi (RG)/Assam Comilla (101)	< 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	33535	30765	2770
Bengal Deshi (SG)(201)	< 22mm	5.0 - 7.0	15	34040	31265	2775
J-34(202)	26mm	3.5 - 4.9	23	33775	31760	2015
H-4/ MECH-1(105)	28mm	3.5 - 4.9	27	32780	30415	2365
Shankar-6(105)	29mm	3.5 - 4.9	28	33305	31040	2265
Bunny/ Brahma(105)	31mm	3.5 - 4.9	30	35715	33530	2185
MCU-5/ Surabhi(106)	32mm	3.3 - 4.9	31	36495	34565	1930
DCH-32(107)	34mm	3.0 - 3.8	33	44345	40185	4160

*\*Rs/candy(of 356 kg each)*

**Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:**

Centre	Variety	Monthly Cumulative Arrivals Sum (Qtl)		Change
		Apr'15	Mar'15	
Amravati	Mech-1	61450	47700	13750
Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	6900	-
Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	51500	-
Mahesana(Kadi)	B.T. Cotton	32500	540000	-507500
Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	44425	35640	8785
Patan	B.T. Cotton	56240	99426	-43186
Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	2500	-
Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	961	NA	-
Fazilika	B.T. Cotton	100	2780	-2680
Muktsar	B.T. Cotton	34	4964	-4930
Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	9850	38450	-28600
Adampur	B.T. Cotton	5525	10753	-5228
Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	3475	8575	-5100
Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	1830	9550	-7720
Jind	B.T. Cotton	NA	1148	-
Uchana (Jind)	B.T. Cotton	3880	10815	-6935
Rawatsar (Hanumangarh)	B.T. Cotton	975	1075	-100
Hubli	B.T. Cotton	312	3439	-3127
Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	NA	3220	-
Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	627300	999600	-372300
Gondal	Shankar-6	15243	16352	-1109
Jamner (Jalgaon)	Medium Staple	113	NA	-
Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Bijapur	Bunny	NA	NA	-
Hubli	D.C.H.	18	6	12
Raichur	H-44 Cotton	28329	47087	-18758
Guntur	Un-Ginned	2	NA	-
Kurnool	Un-Ginned	7	NA	-
Krishna	Un-Ginned	1	NA	-
East Godavari	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Abohar	J-34	3085.5	10455	-7370
Bhatinda	J-34	48280	196350	-148070
Sirsa	J-34	8415	16235	-7820
Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	22525	-



### State wise Scenario

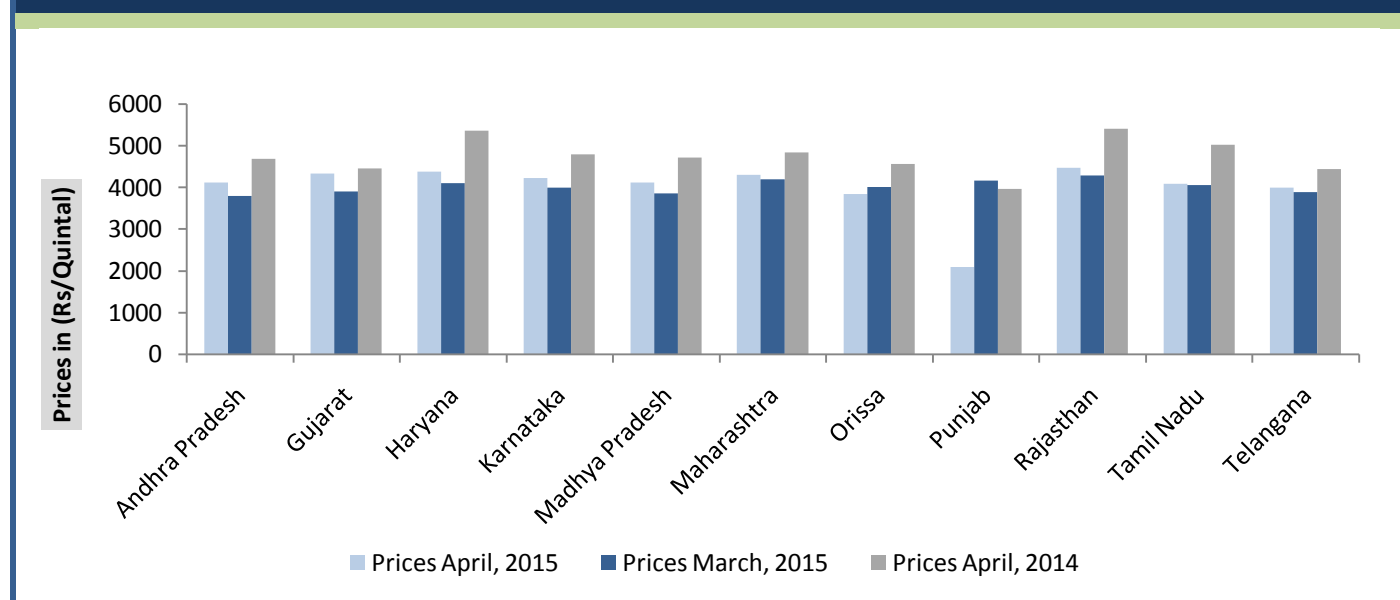
#### State wise Prices (Rs./Qtl.):

State	Prices April, 2015	Prices March, 2015	Prices April, 2014	% Change(Over Previous Month)	% Change(Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	4121.76	3803.54	4690.93	8.37	-12.13
Gujarat	4333.39	3907.4	4462.11	10.9	-2.88
Haryana	4380	4110.53	5369.28	6.56	-18.42
Karnataka	4228.36	3997.23	4802.92	5.78	-11.96
Madhya Pradesh	4124.27	3859.5	4726.4	6.86	-12.74
Maharashtra	4307.93	4202.14	4849.06	2.52	-11.16
Orissa	3851.75	4020.92	4570.23	-4.21	-15.72
Punjab	2086.63	4166.16	3967.84	-49.91	-47.41
Rajasthan	4482.96	4290.14	5421.2	4.49	-17.31
Tamil Nadu	4086.44	4057.38	5034.38	0.72	-18.83
Telangana	4005.4	3892.41	4440.93	2.9	-9.81
<b>Average</b>	<b>3778.89</b>	<b>4002.12</b>	<b>4547.29</b>		

*\*Source: Agmarknet*

Cotton prices in domestic market have improved significantly following the strong demand from the textile mills which is caused by the mass procurement by CCI this year. In every state except Punjab and Orissa, prices have surged up on month on month basis, but despite the remarkable recovery during the month, current prices are still lower than the previous year prices. Highest prices during April was recorded in Rajasthan and the lowest in Punjab.

### State wise Cotton Prices

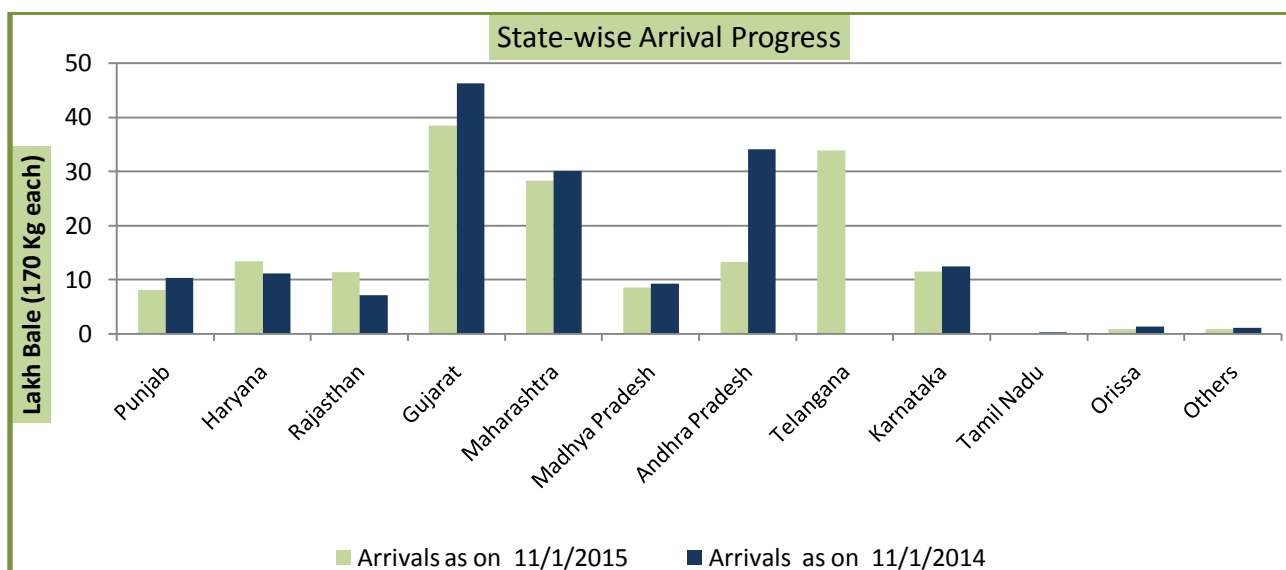


### State wise Arrivals (in lakh bales of 170 kgs each):

Table given below showing cotton production and estimated arrivals during 2014-15 season vis-a-vis cotton season 2013-14:

States	2014-15*		2013-14	
	Production as per CAB	Arrivals As on	Production as per CAB	Arrivals As on
	13-10-2014	11-01-2015	02-07-2014	11-01-2014
1. Punjab	14	8.02	21	10.27
2. Haryana	25	13.41	23	11.06
3. Rajasthan	17	11.38	14	7.09
North Total	<b>56</b>	<b>32.81</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>28.42</b>
4. Gujarat	125	38.46	120	46.19
5. Maharashtra	85	28.29	84	30.06
6. Madhya Pradesh	18	8.55	19	9.2
Central Total	<b>228</b>	<b>75.3</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>85.45</b>
7. Andhra Pradesh	50	13.24	76	34.02
8. Telangana	27	33.79	--	--
9. Karnataka	28	11.43	22	12.45
10. Tamil Nadu	5	0	5	0.24
South Total	<b>110</b>	<b>58.46</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>46.71</b>
11. Orissa	4	0.86	4	1.33
12. Others	2	0.88	2	1.05
Total	<b>6</b>	<b>1.74</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2.38</b>
Grand Total	<b>400</b>	<b>168.31</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>162.96</b>

\* Inclusive of new crop arrivals in September 2014  
\*\* Quantity in lakh bales (of 170 kgs. each)



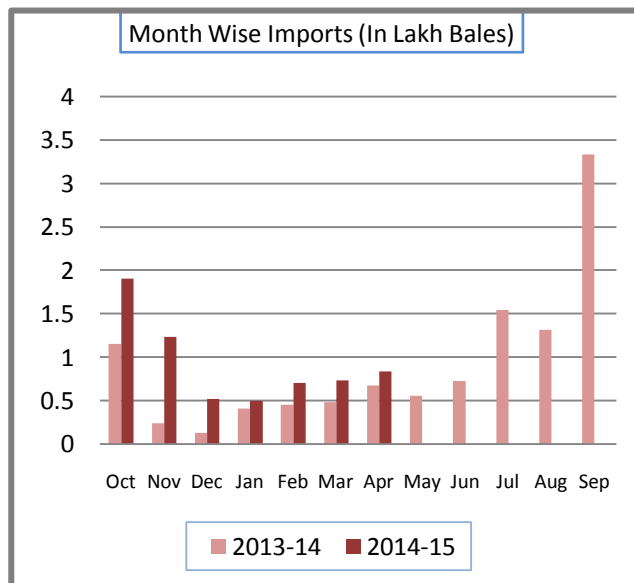
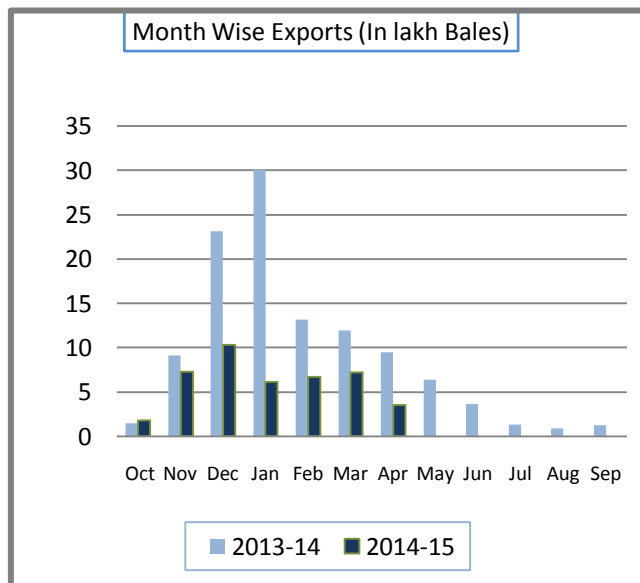
### Cotton Export and Import Scenario

Cotton Exports(In Lakh Bales)		
Month	2013-14	2014-15
Oct	1.43	1.81
Nov	9.06	7.3
Dec	23.12	10.34
Jan	30	6.11
Feb	13.15	6.68
Mar	11.9	7.25
Apr	9.46	3.56
May	6.37	
Jun	3.62	
Jul	1.32	
Aug	0.87	
Sep	1.24	
<b>Total</b>	<b>111.5</b>	<b>43.1</b>

Source: IBIS

Cotton Imports(In Lakh Bales)		
Month	2013-14	2014-15
Oct	1.16	1.91
Nov	0.24	1.24
Dec	0.133	0.52
Jan	0.41	0.5
Feb	0.46	0.71
Mar	0.488	0.740
Apr	0.68	0.84
May	0.56	
Jun	0.73	
Jul	1.55	
Aug	1.32	
Sep	3.34	
<b>Total</b>	<b>11.07</b>	<b>6.46</b>

Source: IBIS



Cotton exports so far (i.e. Oct'14-Apr'15) stood around 56.12% lower Y-o-Y at 43.1 lakh bales which was 98.1 lakh bales during the same period last year. Imports during the current season so far stood 6.46 lakh bales which was 3.57 lakh bales last year during the corresponding period.

## Cotton Yarn Dynamics

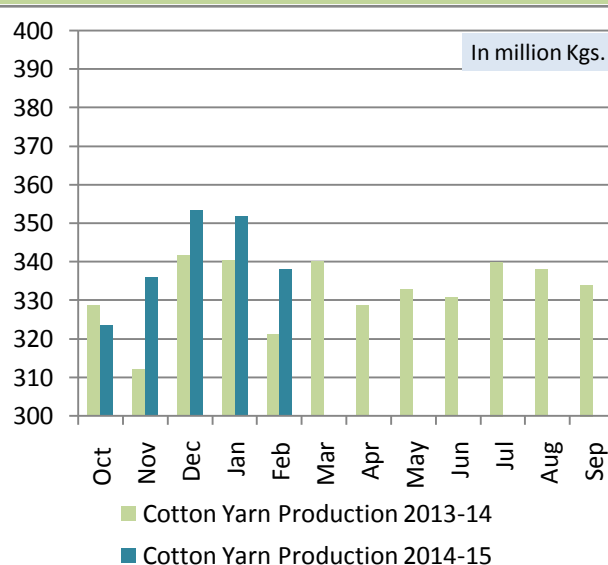
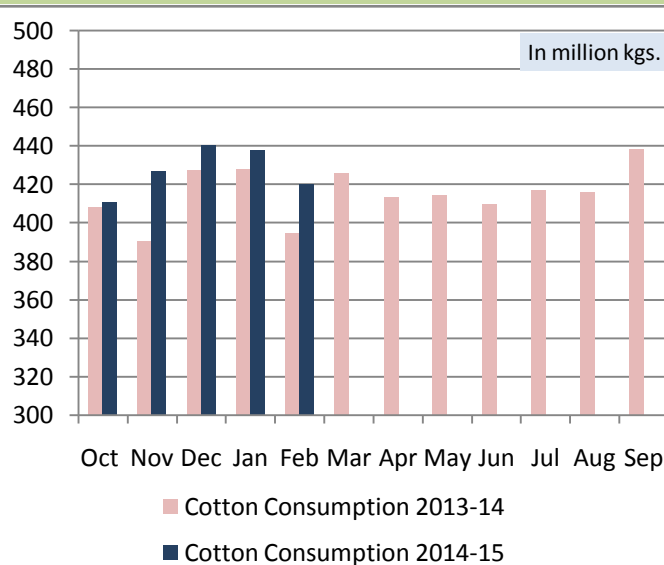
### Cotton Consumption and Cotton Yarn Production:

In the initial five months of season, cotton consumption recorded at 2,136 million kgs which is 29.12% higher than the consumption during corresponding period last year. Similarly cotton yarn production too remained higher in this year. Cumulative cotton yarn production during the initial five month of the season stood 1,703 million kgs around 28.71% higher when compared to corresponding period last year.

Month	Cotton Consumption 2013-14	Cotton Consumption 2014-15	Cotton Yarn Production 2013-14	Cotton Yarn Production 2014-15
Oct	408.49	410.85	328.79	323.53
Nov	390.25	427.15	312.13	336.05
Dec	427.72	440.29	341.67	353.32
Jan	428.16	437.85	340.38	351.8
Feb	394.8	420.29	321.31	338.04
Mar	426.15		340.2	
Apr	413.36		328.68	
May	414.51		332.92	
Jun	409.82		330.69	
Jul	417.22		340	
Aug	415.86		338.09	
Sep	438.7		334.03	

*Figures in Million Kg.*

### Cotton Consumption versus Cotton Yarn Production



## Cotton Seed Oil and Cotton Seed Oil Cake

### Cotton Seed Oil at Key Centers:

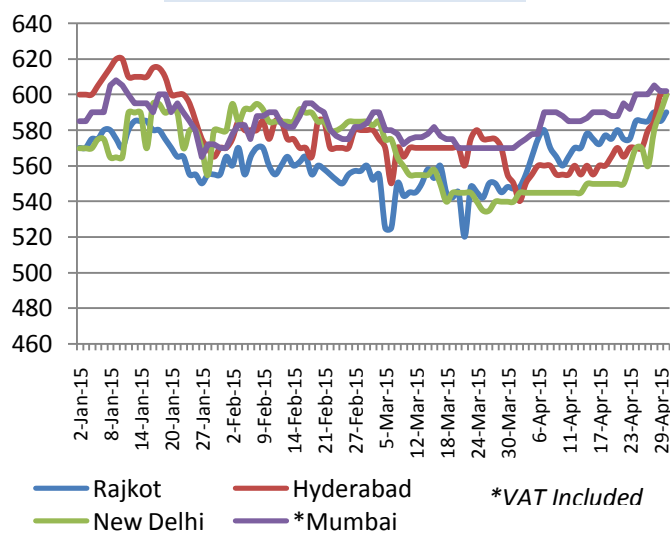
Centre	Monthly Average Prices (Rs/10 kg.)		% Change
	Apr'15	Mar'15	
Rajkot	555	554	0.18
New Delhi	574	546	5.13
Hyderabad	565	570	-0.88
Mumbai*	590	576	2.43
* VAT Included			

### Cotton Seed Oil Cake at Key Centers:

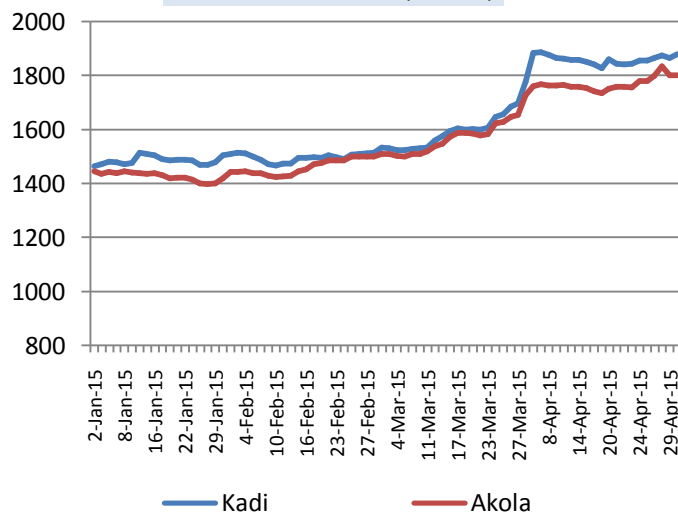
Centre	Monthly Average Prices (Rs/Quintal)		% Change
	Apr'15	Mar'15	
Kadi	1855	1586	16.96
Akola	1767	1562	13.12

## Cotton Seed Oil and Cotton Seed Oil Cake

Cotton Seed Oil Price (Rs/10 Kg)



Cotton Seed Oil Cake (Rs/Qtl.)



## Technical Analysis of Cotton Future

<b>Commodity</b>	Cotton
<b>Exchange</b>	MCX
<b>Contract Month</b>	May'15



### Monthly Technical Outlook:

- Candlesticks denote overall uptrend in the market.
- RSI is moving towards overbought region.
- MACD is depicting bullish signal line and centerline movement.
- We expect prices to remain firm in coming days.

### Expected price range during coming month:

Expected Trend	Expected Trading Band
Bullish Momentum	16300-17000

### Expected Support and Resistance:

Support 1	Support 2	Resistance 1	Resistance 2
16150	16000	17250	17500

## International Market Scenario

**Current Market Scenario:** International market noticed mostly firm momentum during the month of April. Cotlook A Index remained in the range of 69.55-73.95 cents during the month. As monthly average, it stood 71.7 cents, around 3.39% higher when compared to previous month and around 23.89% lower when compared to previous year during the corresponding month.

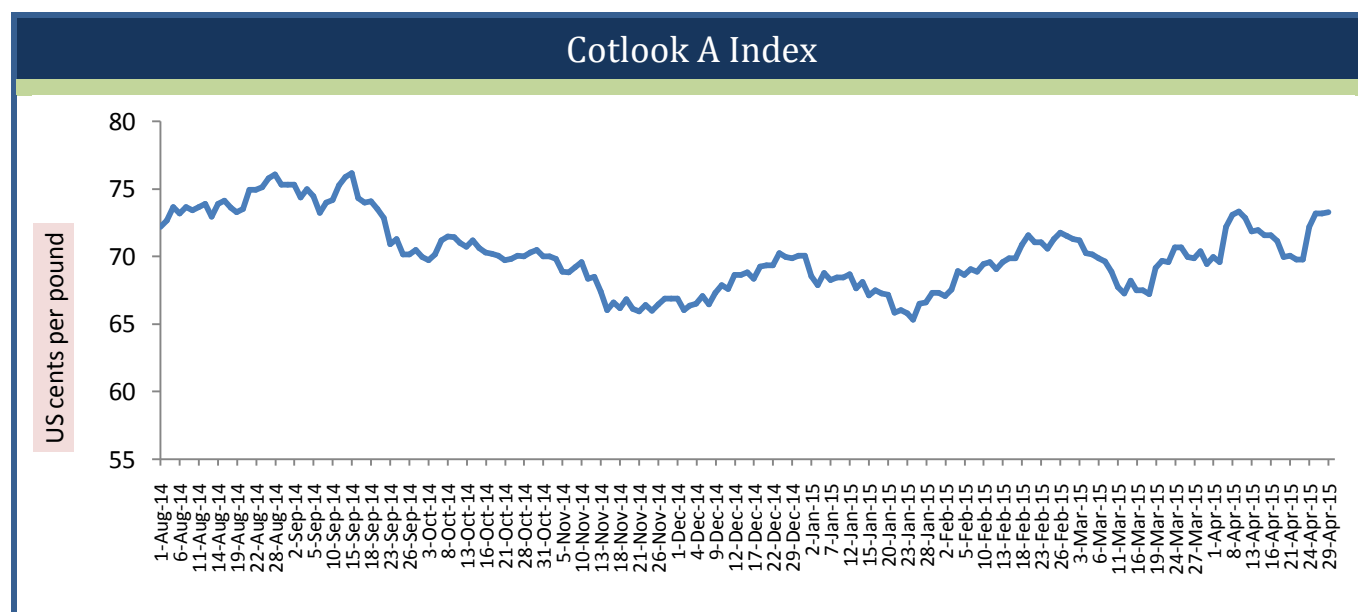
**Around 12% of cotton planting has been completed in USA as on April 26 this year**, which was 8% last week and 10% last year on same date, according to USDA. The five year average sowing progress is 16% as on date, same as the current sowing pace.

**Cotton imports to China have declined by around 40% in the month of March** compared to the same month during the previous year. The reason for the same stood strikes at U.S. west coast ports lower limit imposed on imports by Beijing. According to the China Cotton Association (CCA), china imported around 127,900 tones of cotton last month.

**USDA has revised the USA cotton ending stocks upwardly.** According to the April WASDE report by USDA, USA is likely to have ending stocks of around 958 thousand tones by the end of current season around 4.8% higher when compared to the estimates of previous month and around 79.74% higher when compared to the actual ending stocks of 533 thousand tones previous season.

**According to USDA, cotton planting intention in USA is on weaker side this year.** Cotton planted area for 2015 is estimated at 9.55 million acres, 13 percent below last year. Upland area is estimated at 9.40 million acres, down 13 percent from 2014. American Pima area is estimated at 150,000 acres, down 22 percent from 2014, said USDA.

**China cotton acreage could drop by 20% in the coming season due to change in the government policies** which led lower subsidies to the many growers, according to a survey report by China's State Reserves. Cotton acreage in China could fall to 3.4 million hectares in the forthcoming season, 20.1% lower when compared to current season.

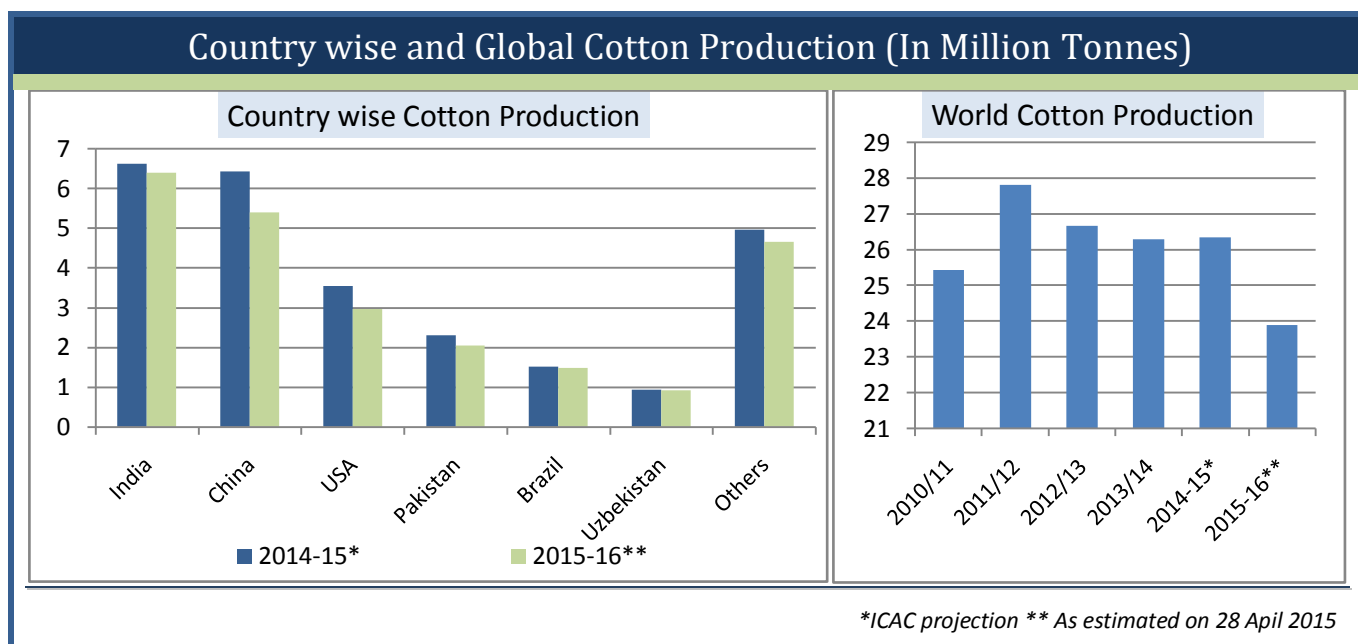


### World Cotton Scenario (2015-16):

Country wise Cotton Production Estimates (Million Tonnes)			
Country	2014-15 (Proj.)	2015-16 (Proj.)	% Change
India	6.63	6.41	-3.32
China	6.44	5.4	-16.15
USA	3.55	2.97	-16.34
Pakistan	2.3	2.05	-10.87
Brazil	1.51	1.48	-1.99
Uzbekistan	0.94	0.92	-2.13
Others	4.96	4.66	-6.05
World total	26.34	23.89	-9.30

*Source: ICAC (As estimated on April 28, 2015)*

**World Cotton Production to fall in 2015-16:** International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC) has downwardly revised cotton production estimates for 2015-16 at 23.89 million tones which was estimated 24.41 million tons a month before. Cotton production on the global front would stand around 26.356 million tons in the current season. Output in all of the cotton producing regions is shrinking, which would make the world production to remain lower in the coming season.





**Cotton Export Scenario for 2015-16:** Despite the lower production world cotton expected to rise in the coming season i.e. 2015-16 following the higher demand from South Asian countries. Cotton export would be around 7.71 million tones in season 2015-16 around 3.21% higher when compared to the export of the current season. According to ICAC, export from USA will witness the fall as the country is likely to produce lesser in the coming season. Cotton exports from India would be around 1.34 million tones (78.8 lakh bales) in the next season around 27.62% higher when compared to the export of current season.

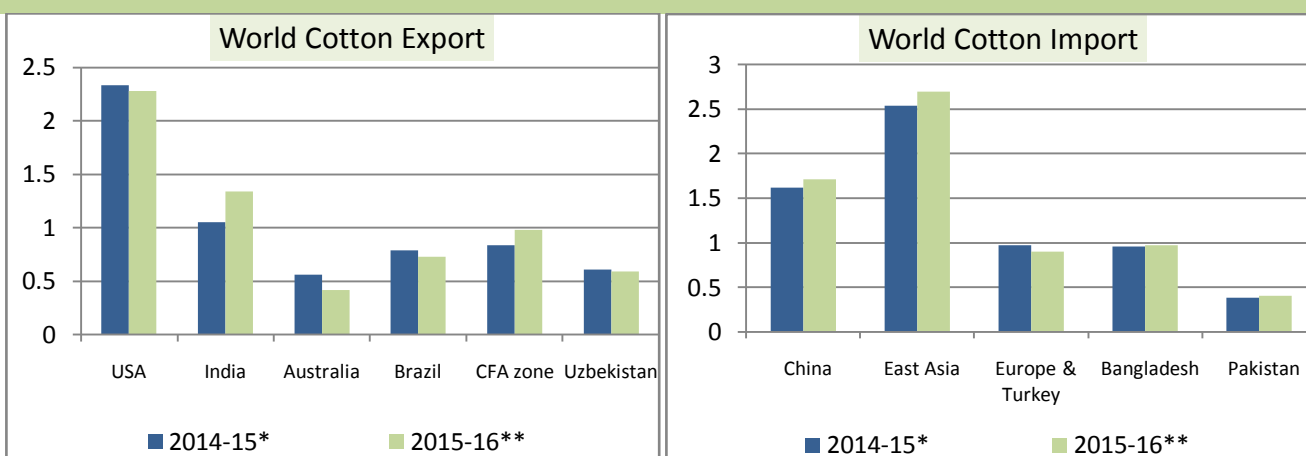
Export	2014-15	2015-16*
USA	2.33	2.28
India	1.05	1.34
Australia	0.56	0.42
Brazil	0.79	0.73
CFA zone	0.84	0.98
Uzbekistan	0.61	0.59
World total	7.47	7.71
*ICAC Apr estimate, All figures in Million Metric Tonnes		

**Cotton Import Scenario for 2015-16:** As estimated by ICAC, cotton imports would stand around 7.47 million tonnes by the end of the current season. In the coming season that is 2015-16 it is likely to surge up by 3.21 % to 7.71 million tons.

China cotton imports are likely to be higher in 2015-16 following the lower production in the country in the coming season. According to ICAC, china is likely to import 1.71 million tones of cotton 2015-16 around 5.56% higher when compared to the imports of current season which would stand around 1.62 million tones.

Import	2014-15	2015-16*
China	1.62	1.71
East Asia	2.54	2.7
Europe & Turkey	0.97	0.9
Bangladesh	0.96	0.97
Pakistan	0.38	0.4
World Total	7.47	7.71
* ICAC Apr estimate, All figures in Million Metric Tonnes		

### Country wise World Export-Import (In Million Tonnes)



\*ICAC projection \*\*As estimated on 28 April 2015

**Consumption Would Surpass Production in 2015-16:** According to International Cotton Advisory committee (ICAC) cotton production would be around 23.89 million tones in 2015-16, whereas consumption would stand around 24.47 million tons, surpassing the production.

Country wise World Cotton Consumption		
Country	2014-15*	2015-16**
China	7.7	7.74
India	5.27	5.3
Pakistan	2.31	2.37
East Asia	2.42	2.56
Europe & turkey	1.55	1.62
Brazil	0.84	0.85
USA	0.79	0.81
CIS	0.6	0.6
Others	2.58	2.63
World total	24.05	24.47

*Source: \*ICAC Projections (\*\*March Estimates)*

**Ending stocks to fall first time in five years:** Cotton ending stock would fall in the coming season for the first time in five years. World cotton stock would be around 21.23 million tons in 2015-16 compared to 21.81 million tones in the current season. Ending stock in China too would shrink for the first time in five years and would be around 11.81 million tones in 2015-16.

### World Cotton Balance Sheet at a Glance(2014-15):

Particulars	2014-15	2015-16*	% Change
<b>SUPPLY</b>			
Opening stock	19.52	21.81	11.73
Production	26.34	23.89	-9.30
Imports	7.470	7.71	3.21
Availability	<b>53.33</b>	<b>53.41</b>	0.15
<b>DEMAND</b>			
Consumption	24.05	24.47	1.75
Exports	7.47	7.71	3.21
Total Disappearance	<b>31.52</b>	<b>32.18</b>	2.09
Ending Stock	<b>21.81</b>	<b>21.23</b>	-2.66

*Source: ICAC (\*As estimated on 28 April 2015 by ICAC), Figures in Million Metric Tonnes*

## International Prices and Indices

### China Cotton Index

CC Indices	Prices as on		% Change
	April'15	March'15	
CC Index(229)	14115	14175	-0.42
CC Index(328)	13425	13465	-0.30
CC Index(527)	12375	12425	-0.40
Figures in Yuan per Ton			



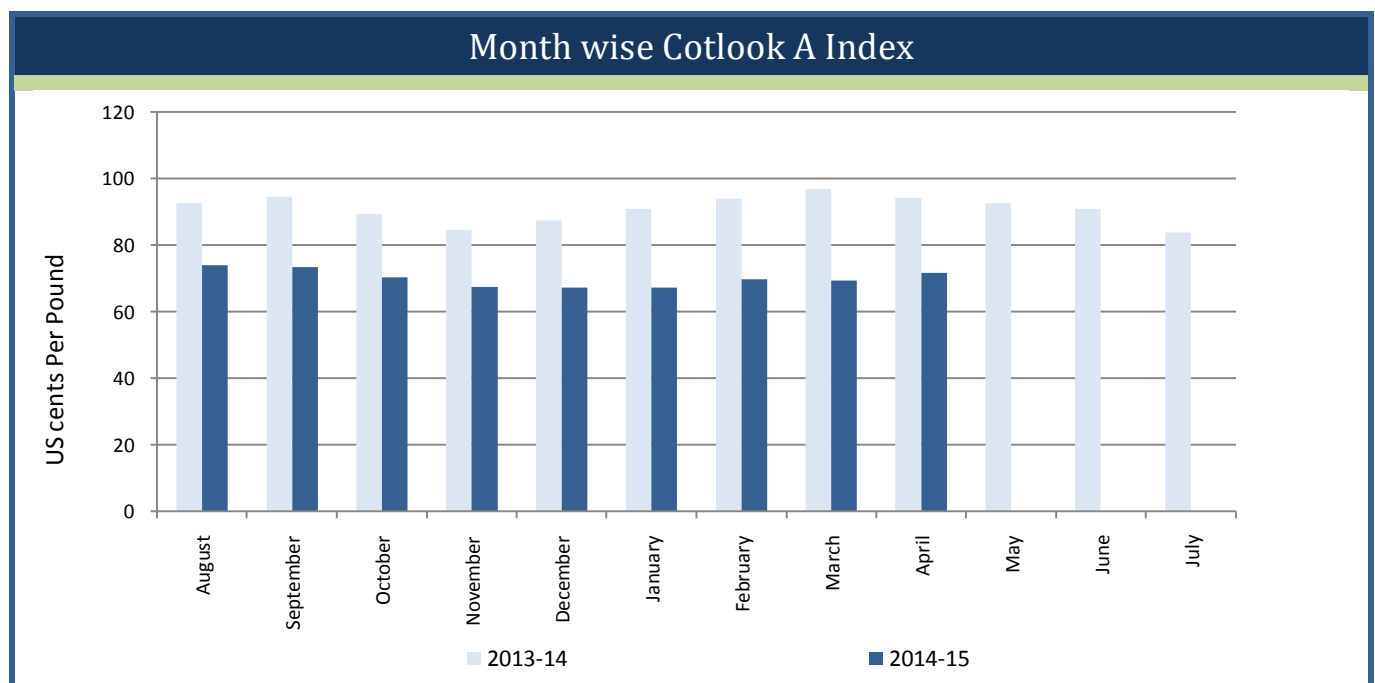
### Cotlook A Index

Cotlook A Index	Monthly Average Price		% Change
	April'15	March'15	
Price	71.7	69.35	3.39
Figures in US Cents per Pound			

**Month wise Cotlook A Index:**

Month	2013-14	2014-15	Y-o-Y Change %age
August	92.71	73.99	-20.19
September	94.6	73.38	-22.43
October	89.35	70.34	-21.28
November	84.65	67.49	-20.27
December	87.49	67.35	-23.02
January	90.96	67.29	-26.02
February	94.05	69.84	-25.74
March	96.94	69.35	-28.46
April	94.2	71.7	-23.89
May	92.7		
June	90.89		
July	83.83		

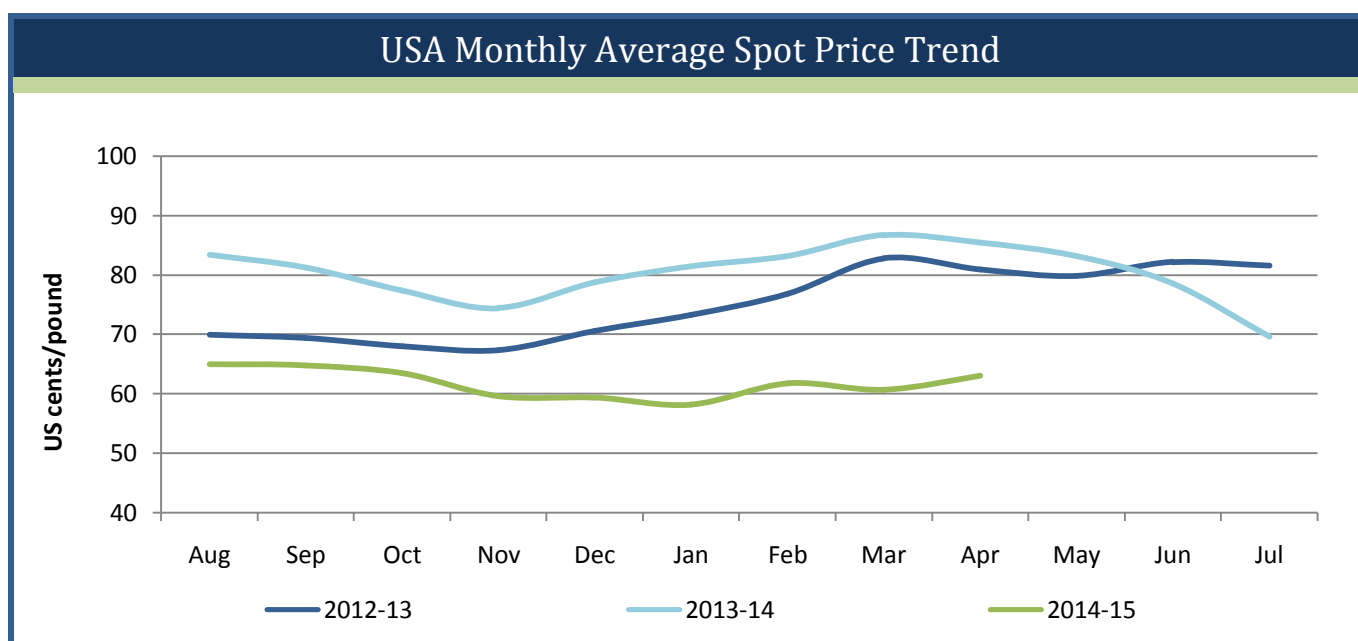
Figures in US cents per pound



### USA Spot Prices

Price of US cotton is surging up as there is strong demand for the quality fibre in the market. Australia has harvested only the half of what it produced last year. Brazil crop is facing the quality issues and India high quality crop has been held off the market. According to the market participants, the demand is heading towards USA for the quality cotton which has led the upward movement in the cotton prices.

Monthly Average USA Spot Prices			
Date	April'15	March'15	% Change
Prices	63.06	60.65	3.97
Figures in US Cents per Pound *Subject to change marginally			



### ICE Cotton Future:

Contracts	30-Apr-15	Month Ago	Year Ago	% Month Change	% Y-o-Y Change
<b>May-15</b>	68.12	62.52	82.67	8.96	-17.60
<b>Jul-15</b>	67.88	63.00	--	7.75	--
<b>Oct-15</b>	66.83	63.49	--	5.26	--
<b>Dec-15</b>	66.64	63.78	--	4.48	--
<b>Mar-16</b>	66.11	63.81	--	3.60	--
<b>May-16</b>	66.04	63.95	--	3.27	--

Source: MRCI, Figures in US Cents Per Pound

## Technical Analysis of Cotton Future

<b>Commodity</b>	<b>Cotton</b>
<b>Exchange</b>	<b>ICE</b>
<b>Contract Month</b>	<b>Jul'15</b>



### Monthly Technical Outlook:

- Candlesticks denote firmness in the market.
- Price closed above the 4, 9, 18 days SMA.
- MACD denotes bullish signal line and centerline movement.
- RSI is moving high in the neutral region.
- We expect price to remain firm

### Expected Price Range During Coming Month

Expected Trend	Expected Trading Band
Bullish Momentum	65.60-70.00

### Expected Support and Resistance

Support 1	Support 2	Resistance 1	Resistance 2
65.00	63.40	71.60	72.00

Source : MRCI

All figures in US cents per pound

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