

Domestic Fundamentals:

- Mentha oil continued to trade under pressure on lower demand and the beginning of arrival from new crop. Major buyers expect market to dip from current level and may touch at Rs 800 to Rs 815 per kg in the middle of June. Pressure from new crop is expected in June.
- However, overall crop size is 25 percent lower than last year and market is likely to start firming up July onward. Major buyers like China, EU, Japan may enter into the market by the end of June by then prices would be at the lowest level around Rs 800 to Rs825 per kg.
- This year mentha coverage is likely to be down by around 20-25% from last year due to crop shift and also lower price realization in previous year. However, growing of mentha crop in some new area has minimized the impact of lower crop size in traditional area. Overall crop loss may not be more than 10 percent, a nominal phenomenon every year.
- Weather condition is not very favourable for standing crop. More rains may increase the percentage of loss. Light rains in the growing region have been predicted in next two –three days.

International Market Update:

- On a global front, mint consuming segments are shifting towards synthetic mentha oil, wide price fluctuations in natural menthe have encouraged bulk consumer to reduce their use and turn to Synthetic one as it is cheaper to natural menthe.
- On a Week basis, the PVOI analysis reflects that the prices are falling along with the volumes while the open interest is slightly up. However, on an average basis, these three are on a weaker note and might result in a further fall in Mentha oil prices. Therefore, based on the above-mentioned market scenarios, Mentha oil prices are expected to continue in its negative bias in the short term.
- International quotes (FOB) for Mentha oil in Shanghai are in the range of USD 1540-1550/Quintal.

Domestic Market Outlook: Mentha Oil price is likely trade stay steady to slightly weak.

| MCX Mentha Oil Futures Da | | | | | | | Date: | 27.05.2014 | |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------|--------|
| Contract | +/- | Open | High | Low | Close | Volume | Change | OI | Change |
| Jun-14 | -16.50 | 837.50 | 845.90 | 824.40 | 824.50 | 2440 | 1023 | 3150 | 426 |
| July-14 | -16.90 | 849.70 | 857.30 | 836.90 | 837 | 234 | 76 | 531 | 221 |
| Aug-14 | -15.30 | 864.60 | 867.80 | 849.50 | 850 | 123 | 68 | 144 | 35 |

No change Spreads:

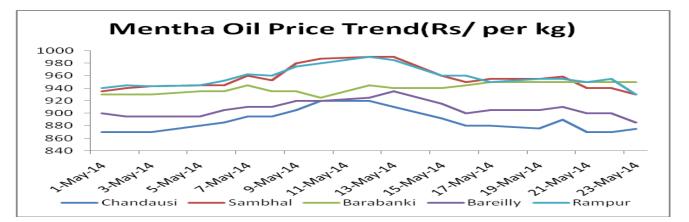
| Spread | | | | |
|----------------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Spot/Chandausi | 14-June | July-14 | Aug-14 | Sept-14 |
| June-14 | 30 | | | |
| July-14 | | 13 | | |
| Aug-14 | | | 12.90 | |
| Sept-14 | | | | |

Stock Position at MCX Warehouses:

| Centre | Stock Eligible | Final Expiry | |
|-----------|----------------|--------------|--|
| | for Exchange | Date | |
| | Delivery (kgs) | | |
| Chandausi | 57878.65 | 15-Feb-15 | |
| | 2159.000 | 15-Feb-15 | |
| | 359.750 | 15-Mar-15 | |
| | 15107.350 | 15-Sep-15 | |
| | 5402.200 | 15-Nov-14 | |
| Barabanki | 19464.950 | 15-Mar-15 | |
| | 2161.600 | 15-Apr-15 | |
| | 20542.850 | 15-May-15 | |
| | 19418.400 | 15-Sep-15 | |



Mentha Oil Spot Chandausi Price Chart:-



Mentha Oil Daily Prices

| Commodity | Center | Mentha Oil | | Change |
|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|--------|
| | | 5/27/2014 | 5/26/2014 | Change |
| | Chandausi | 855 | 855 | Unch |
| Mentha Oil | Sambhal | 925 | 916 | 9 |
| | Barabanki | 950 | 950 | Unch |
| | Bareilly | 880 | 880 | Unch |
| | Rampur | 920 | 930 | -10 |

| Commodity | Center | DMO | | Change |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | 5/27/2014 | 5/26/2014 | Change |
| DMO | Chandausi | 740 | 740 | Unch |
| | Sambhal | 650 | 640 | 10 |

| Commodity | Center | Flakes | | Change |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | 5/27/2014 | 5/26/2014 | Change |
| Flakes | Chandausi | 950 | 950 | Unch |
| | Sambhal | 975 | 965 | 10 |

| Commodity | Center | Crystal | | Change |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| | | 5/27/2014 | 5/26/2014 | Change |
| Crystal | Chandausi | 975 | 975 | Unch |
| | Sambhal | 1015 | 1005 | 10 |

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