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**Soy Meal Fundamentals:** Indore soymeal prices went up in tandem with soybean prices as compared to previous day amid tight crush margin and sluggish soymeal export demand due to non-competitive prices in global market. In upcoming months too soymeal export is expected to remain low.

Upon the squeeze in crush margins and low soymeal export demand, soybean crush remained lower in Jan'22 by 48% at 6.5 lakh tonne as compared to previous year at 12.5 lakh tonne.

According to USDA Feb'22 report, India's 2021-22 soymeal production is estimated higher at 8 million tonne vs 7.6 million tonne last year while ending stock is estimated higher at 6.37 lakh tonne vs last year it was estimated at 3.82 lakh tonne.

Currently India is outpriced for soybean meal export as Jan'22 Monthly average FAS Kandla is quoted above USD 750/MT while Argentina FOB soymeal is available at USD 460/MT. SBM FAS kandla is still outpriced by USD 290. Usually FAS kandla trade slightly higher than other GM soymeal but difference between Indian soymeal and Argentina soymeal soared to \$743 in Aug'21 and USD 670 in Sept'21. India's Soymeal export is likely to remain weak for the next few months too due to higher prices and tight crush margin.

In Jan'22, Soymeal prices went down by 6% as compared to previous month closing.

As per AgriWatch estimates, total availability of soymeal in the country for MY 2021-22 is likely to be 80 lakh tonne. Annual soymeal consumption stands between 60-65 lakh tonne while 15-18 lakh tonne soymeal is exported annually, demand and supply of soymeal in the country seems balanced.

SOPA has stated that govt. should consider to allow subsidy for inland freight to support exporters to compete for export of soy products as soymeal exports have fallen due to high prices in international market. As soymeal export has declined by 70% in Dec'21.

According to Solvent extractor association of india, India's December'2021 soymeal exports declined by 83% to 43,260 metric tonne compared to 2,51,221 metric tonne in the same period last year. Further, the soymeal shipments too declined by 70% to 2,62,337 metric tonne in aggregate, during the months (April-Dec.) of Financial Year 2020-21 compared to 8,88,202 metric tonne during the corresponding period last year. Export remained lower because of soybean crush margins in India are currently squeezed by pressure on meal prices. Additionally, lower crushing of soybean also pushing higher import of crude soybean oil in India.

Additionally, export of oilmeals for the month of December'2021 provisionally reported at 1,70,338 tonne compared to 5,16,006 tonne last year same period i.e. down by 67%. The overall export of oilmeals during April – Dec'2021 is reported at 17,66,687 tonne compared to 24,67,564 tonne i.e. down by 28%.

Further, India's exports for rapeseed meal during April-Dec'2021 was down 22% at 7,13,593 metric tonne compared to 9,16,715 metric tonne during the same period previous marketing season.

The export of rapeseed meal in December'21 is reported at 12,980 metric tonne against 1,41,566 metric tonne during the last year same period i.e. down by 91%. Rapeseed meal export remained lower due to less availability of seeds for crushing, new crop will be available from end of February or early of March for crushing.

According to SOPA, Oct-Dec'21 soy crush went down by 37% at 21 lakh tonne as compared to 33.5 lakh tonne previous year same period, while arrival too remained low by 23% at 40 lakh tonne as compared to 52 lakh tonne previous year same period. Additionally, estimated December'21 stock is at 90.86 lakh tonne vs 65.93 lakh tonne

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previous year. Low soymeal export demand and low crush margin has triggered tight crushing and kept prices soy prices checked in first quarter of this season.

Department of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution has imposed stock limit on soymeal till June 30, 2022. Soymeal millers, processors or plants are allowed to hold stocks only up to 90 days of production, the limits were imposed after amending the Essential Commodities Act of 1955 to include soymeal in the category.

### Previous Update

According to Solvent Extractor Association of India, India's November'2021 soymeal exports declined by 78% to 42,951 metric tonne compared to 1,98,776 metric tonne in the same period last year. Further, the soymeal shipments too declined by 66% to 2,19,077 metric tonne in aggregate, during the months (April-Nov.) of Financial Year 2020-21 compared to 6,36,981 metric tonne during the corresponding period last year.

Additionally, export of oilmeals for the month of November'2021 was provisionally reported at 1,62,442 tonne compared to 3,32,336 tonne last year same period i.e., down by 51%. The overall export of oilmeals during April – Nov'2021 is reported at 15,96,131 tonne compared to 19,51,558 tonne i.e., down by 18%.

India's exports of rapeseed meal during April-Nov'2021 was down 10% at 7,00,613 metric tonne compared to 7,74,849 metric tonne during the same period previous Marketing Season and export of rapeseed meal in November'21 is reported at 42,383 metric tonne against last year 45,050 metric tonne during the same period i.e. down by 6%.

Soy DOC Rates at Different Centeres				
Centres	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)			Parity To
	15-Feb-22	14-Feb-22	Change	
Indore - 45%, Jute Bag	56500	56000	500	Gujarat, MP
Kota - 45%, PP Bag	59200	59200	Unch	Rajasthan, Del, Punjab, Haryana
Dhulia/Jalna - 45%, PP Bag	58500	58000	500	Mumbai, Maharashtra
Nagpur - 45%, PP Bag	57500	58000	-500	Chattisgarh, Orissa, Bihar, Bangladesh, AP, Kar, TN
Nanded	57300	56500	800	Andhra, AP, Kar, TN
Latur	57000	57500	-500	-
Sangli	55000	54000	1000	Local and South
Solapur	53500	53500	Unch	Local and South
Akola – 45%, PP Bag	55000	55000	Unch	Andhra, Chattisgarh, Orrisa, Jharkhand, WB
Hingoli	57000	57000	Unch	Andhra, Chattisgarh,

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				Orrisa,Jharkhand, WB
Bundi	59000	59000	Unch	-

Soy DOC at Ports			
Centres	Port Price		
	14-Feb-22	14-Feb-22	Change
Kandla (FOR) (INR/MT)	58000	58000	Unch
Kandla (FAS) (USD/MT)	790	790	Unch
CNF Indonesia – Yellow SBM (USD/MT)	NA	NA	-

Rapeseed Meal	14-Feb-22	14-Feb-22	Change
FAS Kandla (USD/MT)	320	320	Unch
FOR Kandla (Rs/MT)	23300	23300	Unch
FOR Mundra (Rs/MT)	NA	NA	-
CNF Indonesia (USD/MT)	358	358	Unch

International Soy DOC			
Argentina FOB USD/MT	14-Feb-22	14-Feb-22	Change
Soybean Pellets	502	502	Unch
Soybean Cake Flour	502	502	Unch
Soya Meal	NR	NR	-
Soy Expellers	NR	NR	-

Sunflower (DOC) Rates	Ex-factory rates (Rs/ton)		
Centers	15-Feb-22	14-Feb-22	Change
Adoni	30500	30500	Unch
Khamgaon	NA	NA	-
Parli	NA	NA	-
Latur	30000	30000	Unch

Groundnut Meal (Rs/MT)	15-Feb-22	14-Feb-22	Change
Basis 45%, Saurashtra	40000	38500	1500
Basis 40%, Saurashtra	35000	33500	1500
GN Cake, Gondal	40000	39000	1000

Mustard DOC	15-Feb-22	14-Feb-22	Change
Jaipur (Plant delivery)	23000	22500	500
Kandla (FOR Rs/MT)	23500	23500	Unch

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Mumbai Oil Meal Quotes:			
Rs/M.T.	15-Feb-22	14-Feb-22	Change
G.N. Extr (45%)	39000	39000	Unch
Kardi Extr	NA	NA	-
Undec Cottonseed Exp	36000	37000	-1000
Rice Bran Extr.	NA	NA	-
Sunflower Extr.	32000	32000	Unch
Rapeseed Extr.	NA	NA	-
Soymeal 48%	58435	57913	522
Castor Extr.	12950	12650	300

**Outlook:** Soymeal prices in domestic market expected to trade range bound amid tight crush margin and low soymeal export demand due to higher prices in global market. Soymeal indore prices are likely to trade between 52,000-57,000 in near term.

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