

Oilseeds Weekly Research Report

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Executive Summary

All the major domestic oilseeds and oilmeals fell on cautious buying and bargain hunting with bearish official rabi oilseeds' planting report.

In the last official rabi planting report the oilseeds' planting is reported up by 7% compared to the same period last year, (rapeseed-mustard sowing figures are up 9%).

Need based buying in soybean on soymeal demand concerns and cheap soyoil imports kept the soybean and soymeal prices under pressure.

Further, fall in crushers' demand for rapeseed-mustard after the mustard oil prices shot up to a new high remained negative for the seed and rapeseed meal.

Besides, spillover effect was witnessed in the groundnut seed prices in the cash market yards of Saurashtra.

Soybean and rapeseed mustard prices fell -2%, groundnut seed prices declined by -7%, rapeseed meal eased by -1% while soymeal declined by -3% all compared to the previous week's level.

We feel rapeseed-mustard and soybean complex will feature range bound movement with weak bias after sharp gain in recent weeks. Groundnut prices will feature range-bound movement with firm bias on bullish outlook followed by improved overseas demand for Indian seed. All the oilmeals will follow the trend in oilseeds' on case to case basis.

Outlook – Cash Market

Outlook - Soybean (Spot, Indore): The soybean prices will feature range-bound movement with steady buying by the oilseeds' crushers, to cover their stock for future. Recovery in soymeal export sales in recent months and decline in the soyoil import should also lend support to the bean prices. The prices (Indore, Plant basis) are expected to feature range bound movement in the price band of 4,250 – 4,450 level.

Outlook – Soy meal: Soymeal prices are likely to feature range bound movement with flat demand. Dull demand from poultry sector will remain negative for the market. However, some export demand in last couple of months may help it continue to regain some of the recent decline. Soy meal, Indore is expected to be in the range of 31,000 – 32,000/MT levels during the week.

Outlook - Rapeseed-Mustard (Spot, Jaipur basis): Rapeseed-mustard is expected to feature range-bound movement with weak bias, on expectation of higher acreage under the seed and the sharp rise in the mustard oil prices, leading demand diversion to other edible oils to some extent. The seed prices are likely to witness the price levels between 5,750 - 6,000/Qtl; levels during the week.

International Highlights

- ❖ In the December'20 report, the USDA has kept US 2020/21 soybean production unchanged to 113.5 million tonnes compared to previous month. It has also kept Brazil's soybean production unchanged at 133.0 million tonnes compared to the last month. Similarly for India the estimates are unchanged at 10.5 million tonnes from previous month. However, it has slashed the Argentina's 2020/21 soybean production to 50.0 million tonnes from 51.0 million tonnes last month.
- ❖ The global 2020/21 soybean production is estimated at 362.1 million tonnes vs 362.6 million tonnes in the last report.
- ❖ In a survey before NOPA's US soybean crush report, it is found that the US soybean crush in November 2020 could be down from the all-time high in October 2020. According to the survey US the average November soybean crush is estimated at 180.025 million bushels.
- ❖ If the average estimated figure is realized, it would be down 2.8% October's record crush of 185.245 million bushels, however up 9.2% from November 2019. NOPA will shortly release its official crush data.
- ❖ World soymeal exports is expected to decline by 3.1 Mn T in 2020. Deficient Argentine export supplies will be offset only partly by other countries.
- ❖ USDA attache has projected China's 2020/21 soybean imports at 95 million tonnes which is lower than 98.5 million tonnes imported in 2019/20 by the country. The reason cited is the higher beginning stocks in the new marketing season following a buying spree in 2019/20.
- ❖ **According to the Safras and Mercado, an agribusiness consultancy, Brazil's soybean farmers have sold 56.5% of their soybean in advance through 4th December 2020. Considering the crop output of 133.517 Mn T this season the volume of pre-sold soybean stands to an estimated 75.403 million tonnes.**
- ❖ Argentina's 2020/21 soybean output is pegged at 50 million tonnes by Rosario Grain Exchange. The country harvested 50.7 million tonnes in 2019/20. The Buenos Aires Grains Exchange has estimated the soy crop at 46.5 million tonnes vs 49.6 million tonnes last season and increase the area under bean by 0.6% this year vs 17.3 million hectares last year.

Sown Area – *Rabi* Oilseeds, India 2020-21

In the latest official rabi oilseeds planting report, by the Ministry of Agriculture, the total coverage area under rabi oilseeds is reported at 73.80 lakh hectares, up 7.1 % from 68.93 lakh ha in the corresponding period of last year. Of the major oilseeds, rapeseed-mustard sowing is reported up by 9% at 67.67 lha compared to 62.20 lha during the corresponding period of last year. Groundnut at 2.52 lha vs 2.77 lha, safflower at 0.45 lha vs 0.35 lha, sunflower at 0.64 lha vs 0.69 lha, sesamum 0.26 lha vs 0.33 lha and linseed at 2.10 lha vs 2.34 lha during the same period last year.

Area in Lakh Hectares

Crop	Normal Area (5 Year Avg.)	As on 11 Dec. 2020	As on 11 Dec. 2019	% Change
Rapeseed/Mustard	59.44	67.67	62.20	8.8
Groundnut	7.28	2.52	2.77	-9.0
Safflower	1.18	0.45	0.35	28.6
Sunflower	2.41	0.64	0.69	-7.2
Sesamum	0.00*	0.26	0.33	-21.2
Linseed	2.75	2.10	2.34	-10.3
Others	0.13	0.16	0.25	-36.0
Total Oilseeds	73.19	73.80	68.93	7.1

Source: MoA, GOI

Soybean

Soybean extended losses after the oilseed crushers and stockists are done with adequate buying in the bean and with comfortable stock in hand.

Further, market talks that the Indian government may slash import duty from soybean oil and sunflower seed oil, after duty cuts on crude palm oil, lead to cautious buying in the bean and bargain hunting by the soybean millers. Any such move could further lead to cheaper import of soyoil.

However, Soybean Processors Association has requested the government to maintain the existing duty structure on soybean oil and sunflower seed oil in the interest of Indian oilseed farmer, as reduction will benefit only the importers and exports of the edible oil. SOPA has cited the recent case where Indonesia has raised the export duty on CPO by US \$30 per tonne immediately after Indian government reduced the import duty by 10% on CPO.

The average weekly soybean plant delivery prices at Indore cash market fell by -2% to Rs. 4,328 a quintal from Rs. 4,404 a quintal in the previous week.

The improvement of local edible oil demand during winter, the bullish global soy supply scenario, lean soybean season in Latin America will limit any sharp fall in domestic soybean and eventually increase the soymeal exports opportunity in recent days.

However, improvement of the local edible oil demand during winter, bullish global soy supply outlook on downward revision of soybean production estimates in South America (-2.0 MnT), reduction in US soybean production estimate by USDA in past couple of months and likely fall in the US soybean inventories (7- year low) by August 2021 and expected world soybean consumption to exceed production in 2020/21 has created the soymeal exports opportunities for India which will limit the downside.

CONAB, in its December 2020 report, has forecast Brazil's 2020/1 soybean production estimate to 134.451 Mn T vs 134.953 Mn T in November 2020 and 124.845 Mn T in 2019/20.

The agency cites dryness as the major factor which has hit the soybean yield this season.

The soybean yield projected at 3,522 kg/ha vs 3,528 kg/ha in November forecast and 3,379 kg/ha last year.

According to China's custom data, China's total soybean imports in 2020 will likely range between 101-105 million tonnes, compared to last year's 88.6 million tonnes.

Agriwatch has estimated its India's 2020/21 soybean output estimate to 10.7 million tonnes, up 22% from 8.74 million tonnes in 2019/20. USDA has pegged it at 11.2 million tonnes,

SOPA has pegged India's 2020 soybean estimate at 10.45 million tonnes down from 9.31 million tonnes estimated for 2019. The yield is estimated at 883 kg/ha vs 865 kg/ha for the same period.

India is expected to reduce the soybean imports in near-term after the local crushing is in full swing and the oilseed crushers are with ample stock of soybean in hand. India had imported 2,77,955 metric tonnes of soybean in October 2020 to meet the supply gap but the figure is, down 29%, compared to 3,94,086 metric tonnes in September 2019.

Besides, during the oil year (Nov-Oct), India's edible oil imports for the year is down by 12% at 13,175,446 metric tonnes compared to 14,913,407 metric tonnes.

The decline in imports will support to the domestic soybean crushing, but this seems short lived as import parity for soybean may lose the opportunity after peak soybean crushing window.

The average weekly soybean plant delivery prices at Indore cash market fell by -2% to Rs, 4328 a quintal (Rs 4200-4400/Qtl) from Rs. 4404 a quintal (Rs 4300-4520/Qtl) a week ago.

The arrivals of bean fell to 5,50,000 bags in the cash market yards of Madhya Pradesh, during the week against 5,60,000 bags a week ago.

The major buyers are as follows: Agrawal, Neemuch, Shanti Overseas, Living Food, Goyal Protein, Bansal-Bhopal, Viprey-Dewas, ABIS, Sneha, Ruchi Soya, Shalimar Katol, Viprey Dewas, Dhanuka Neemuch, Avi Agri Ujjain, M.S. Neemuch, RH Seoni, Prakash, Kriti Dewas, Mahakali, Prestige Dewas, Itarsi Oil, Sanwaria Itarsi, MS Solvex Neemuch, MS Soya Pachore, during the week.

The domestic soybean prices are likely to recover on improved winter edible oil demand and possible soybean exports opportunities for India, in near-term.

International:

Brazil eliminated import tariffs for soybean and corn on 16th October 2020, seeking to maintain the supply balance amid record domestic prices for both commodities. For soybean, tariff-free imports are valid until 15 January 2021, while for corn the license goes until 31 March 2021.

According to Safras & Mercado the tariffs suspension in Brazil is likely to push soy imports to a maximum of 1 million tonnes this year, as compared with a current projection of 850,000

Argentina has temporarily slashed soybean export duty by 3% points to 30% to help stimulate trade, as the country struggles with recession and declining foreign reserves.

Soybean and soybean export taxes, which had been at 33%, will fall to 28% in October, then rise to 29.5% in November, 30% in December and 31% in January, as planned by the Economy Ministry.

Argentina's 2019/20 soybean yield is estimated an average of 2.96 tonnes per hectare and the country's soybean production is pegged at 49.5 million tonnes, said the Buenos Aires Grains Exchange. The reduction is mainly due to the dry weather during the crop development phase.

Revised September'20: Brazil's 2020/21 soybean output is forecast up by around 5-6% between 127.3 million tonnes to 133.5 million tonnes by various agribusiness consultancies like Rabobank (127.3 Mn T), Abiove (131.5

Mn T), Datagro (131.69 Mn T), Celeres (131.4 Mn T), AgRural (131.3 Mn T) and Conab (133.7 Mn T) and USDA has pegged it at 133 Mn T currently.

These agencies have pegged the Brazil's 2020/21 planted area to 37.9 - 38.2 million hectares which is up 1.3 – 2.5 million hectares estimated by these agencies for 2019/20.

Industry estimates suggest this year's Brazilian soybean export may reach 80 million tonnes or more, which means another 12 million tonnes could be exported over the next few months.

China's domestic soybean production is seen at 18.81 million tonnes in 2020, up 3.9% from the previous year, according to forecasts of the agriculture ministry. The country's soybean crushing volumes were pegged at 85.98 million tonnes this year.

The strong Chinese demand will continue to lend support to the international soy prices during the season.

The international soybean prices are expected to feature range bound movement with firm bias on bullish supply outlook on dry weather condition in South America and strong Chinese soybean demand.

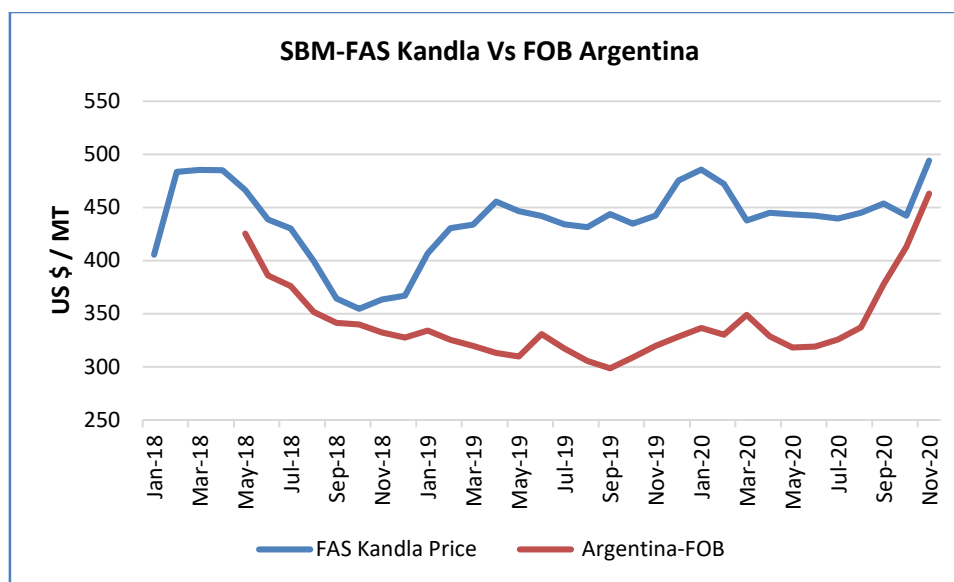
Soymeal

The domestic soymeal fell by 3% compared to the previous week in sync with soybean as need based buying featured among the feed manufacturers and poultry units in anticipation of further fall in the soy.

Further, the local demand for soymeal continues to be weak on dull demand from poultry sector which is below pre-COVID levels.

However, we feel India's soymeal exports to improve by 50-60% year-on-year for a short period with improved seasonal crushing and reduced Brazil and Argentine crushings.

The Argentine soymeal prices have got dearer in last couple of months due to lean season, this has narrowed down the price spread of India vs Argentina, opening some exports window for India.



World exports of soymeal are estimated to fall by 0.4-0.5 Mn T from a year ago in Oct-Dec 2020. Shipments from South America are even seen declining by 1.1 Mn T, mainly due to reduced crushings in Brazil and Argentina.

The international soy market is strong on bullish global supply scenario due forecast to lower than expected soybean production and likely fall in the US soy inventories in August 2021 followed by the spree Chinese buying.

India's October 2020 soymeal exports improved by 89% to 120,290 metric tonnes compared to 63,800 metric tonnes in the same period last year. Further, it improved by 2.5% to 438,205 metric tonnes in aggregate, during the last six months (Apr.-Oct.) of financial year 2020-21 compared to 427,701 metric tonnes during the corresponding period last year.

India's export of oilmeals for the month of October 2020 is reported at 317,394 metric tonnes compared to 238,992 metric tonnes in October 2019 i.e. up by 33%.

The overall export of oilmeals during April to October 2020 is also reported up by 6% at 1,617,528 metric tonnes compared to 1,526,471 metric tonnes during the same period last year.

US has turned out to be potential market for Indian organic soymeal. US was the largest importer of soymeal of Indian origin. In October 2020 India has shipped 131,394 metric tonnes of soymeal to the country. US is the largest producer of Genetically Modified (GM) soybean in the world, looking to India for supply of organic soybean meal.

In spite of tough competition in world market, export of rapeseed meal and ricebran extraction performed well, during the last seven months of financial year 2020-21.

The export of rapeseed meal is reported at 729,799 metric tonnes against last year 607,786 metric tonnes during the same period i.e. up by 20%, and ricebran extraction is reported at 229,712 metric tonnes against last year 108,160 metric tonnes i.e. more than doubled (112%), higher processing of rapeseed oilcake and de-oiled ricebran increased availability for the export. The export of soybean meal is stagnant, while export of castorseed meal is still suffering.

The domestic weekly average soymeal prices at Indore fell to Rs 31,917/MT and was quoted between Rs 31,500 – 32,500/MT compared to the weekly average of Rs 33,033/MT traded between the price ranges of Rs 32,500 – 33,300/MT previous week.

At Latur soymeal prices fell to Rs 34,000 – 34,700/MT from Rs 34,500 – 36,000/MT a week ago and in Nanded it was quoted low at Rs. 34,000 – 34,500/MT compared to Rs. 34,000 – 35,000/MT a week ago. Besides, in Kota, the meal too fell to Rs 33,000 – 3,000/MT compared to Rs 34,000 – 36,500/MT previous week.

India's Y-o-Y soy meal prices, Indore, are currently lower. Soy meal Indore was quoted higher between Rs 31,500 – 32,500/MT during the week compared to Rs 32,500 – 33,000/MT during the corresponding period last year.

The soy meal prices (Indore) are likely to feature range-bound movement between Rs. 31,000 – 32,000/MT on slack in demand.

Previous updates:

In a major blow to the domestic soymeal market, which was already reeling under pressure, DGFT has blocked the online registration of Merchandise Export from India Scheme Claims (MEIS), this week, on its portal from exports undertaken 01.04.2020 onwards.

This will result in further decline in soymeal exports from India, as MEIS benefit of 5% is a significant incentive to compete in the world market. SOPA has made a representation to the government to revoke the suspension of the MEIS benefit immediately.

The revenue department have argued against continuing the MEIS, calling it wasteful and inefficient.

Instead of extending the Merchandise Exports of India Scheme, which cost Rs 43,500 crore in 2019-20, the NITI Aayog and the Ministry of Finance have called for putting financial resources into new Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes in select sectors with core competency and potential for global exports.

However, SOPA has sought a stimulus package from the Centre to support the soybean industry, which has been hit by the lockdown and the collapse of poultry sector. It has asked the Center to increase the import duty in edible oils.

Besides, the SOPA members have addressed to Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare have demanded exemption of GST on soybean and soymeal, the same time.

The poultry sector consumes 60% of the soymeal in India and there are no takers for it leading around half of the processing units being shut.

Technical Analysis:

NCDEX Soybean Futures



Soybean Spot, Indore



*Note: Daily Chart

Support & Resistance NCDEX Soybean - Jan. contract

S1	S2	PCP	R1	R2
3950	3874	4269	4571	4800

- Soybean extended losses on selling pressure in the market.
- Prices closed below 9-day EMA.
- RSI and stochastic are easing in the neutral zone.
- MACD is falling in the positive territory.
- The prices are expected to feature losses in the coming week.
- Trade Recommendation (NCDEX Soybean – Jan.) Week: **SELL** Below 4270. Levels: T1 – 4170; T2- 4070, SL - 4230.

Rapeseed - Mustard Seed

Rapeseed-mustard continued downtrend followed by reports of higher acreage under the seed this season and some demand diversion from mustard oil to other oils due to sharp rise in the oil, in recent months.

Many households have partially started to divert their demand to the other cheaper edible oil alternates from mustard oil after it got dearer.

In the latest official rabi oilseeds planting report dated 11 December 2020, by the Ministry of Agriculture, the rapeseed-mustard sowing is reported up by 9% at 67.67 lha compared to 62.20 lha during the corresponding period last year.

We expect the final acreage under the seed to increase by 10% to around 76 lakh hectares, this season from 69 lakh hectares last year.

Indian importers couldn't get the desirable benefit of the government of India's recent decision of import duty cut on crude palm oil as Indonesia had raised the export duty on CPO by US \$30 per tonne immediately after Indian government reduced the import duty by 10% on CPO.

Hence, the event should limit the fall in the seed to some extent despite some fall in the mustard oil demand, at the same time we can't ignore the improved rapeseed meal exports.

Further, India didn't import rape oil (canola) in the month of October 2020 in anticipation of decline in the demand while the imports of the same during April-October 2020 were down by 7% at 55,036 metric tonnes compared to 59,171 metric tonnes during the same period in the previous season.

Again, of the total oilmeals' exports from India, rapeseed meal contributed the highest in volume.

India's rapeseed extract exports in October 2020 surged by 6% to 1,01,909 metric tonnes compared to 96,442 metric tonnes during the corresponding period last year.

Besides, India's exports for rapeseed meal during April-October 2020 was up 20% at 7,29,799 metric tonnes compared to 6,07,786 metric tonnes during the same period previous marketing season.

NAFED and HAFED have been gradually disposing rapeseed-mustard. The Nafed has sold about 10.0 lakh tonnes of old and new stocks while Hafed has offloaded around 3.5 lakh tonnes of the seed of the total 5.30 lakh tonnes procured by the agency this year.

The all India rapeseed-mustard arrivals fell week-on-week and were reported at 4.10 lakh bags during the week compared to around 5.05 lakh bags, previous week. The supplies for the same were 9.05 lakh bags during the corresponding period last year.

RM seed prices fell by -2% to Rs 5,845 – 6,130 a quintal from Rs 6,000 – 6,200 a quintal previous week and Rs 4,595 – 4,650 a quintal during the corresponding period last year in Jaipur.

The rapeseed-mustard meal fell by -1% to the weekly average price of Rs. 2558/qtl compared to the the weekly average price of Rs. 2595/qtl previous week.

At NCDEX futures, the January contract rapeseed-mustard declined to 5,527/Qtl compared to 5,813/Qtl previous week.

Previous Updates

Director, Indian Council of Agricultural Research – Directorate of Rapeseed Mustard Research, expects productivity of the rapeseed-mustard to improve in 2020-21 from last year's level of 1.42-1.48 tonnes per ha, on adequate soil moisture and better package of practices.

The MSP for rapeseed-mustard has been increased in line with the recommendations of Swaminathan Commission to Rs. 4,650 per quintal for marketing season 2021-22 from Rs. 4,425 per quintal in 2020-21 an increase of Rs. 225 a quintal.

India had imported rapeseed oil (canola) of about 20,801 metric tonnes in August for the first time in last four months.

The total procurement of rapeseed-mustard by Nafed under PSS in 2020/21 from major seed producing states (Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Haryana and Madhya Pradesh) stands at 8,03,853.33 metric tonnes with a total value of Rs. 3,55,705.10 Lakh and the total number of farmers benefiting from the scheme so far stands at 3,18,540.

Total procurement of the seed by Hafed in 2020/21 stands at 5,30,000 metric tonnes.

Agriwatch has projected India's MY 2020/21 rapeseed production at 7.2 million tonnes while Solvent Extractors of India has estimated the seed production at 7.7 million tonnes.

Recent and expected favorable weather have raised 2020/21 Australia rapeseed outturn by above 2% to 3.4 from 3.0 million tons earlier.

Strategie Grains expects the planted area for the 2021 rapeseed crop in the European and Britain down compared with the current year harvest.

The farmers in Europe once again faced dry planting conditions during the late-summer sowing window for rapeseed, mainly in France.

Strategie Grains has kept this year's weather-hit rapeseed outturn for EU plus Britain unchanged at 17.1 million tonnes, slightly below 17.3 million tonnes estimated for 2019.

The consultancy has estimated EU and Britain rapeseed 2020-21 import to record 6.3 million tonnes, after estimating 6.2 million tonnes a month ago. EU had imported 6.0 million tonnes of rapeseed in 2019/20 season.

Outlook: *The rapeseed-mustard is expected to stay strong and feature range-bound movement with weak bias, as the stockists and the solvent extractors refrained from aggressive buying after mustard oil demand witnessed gradual fall followed by steep rise in the prices in the cash market.*

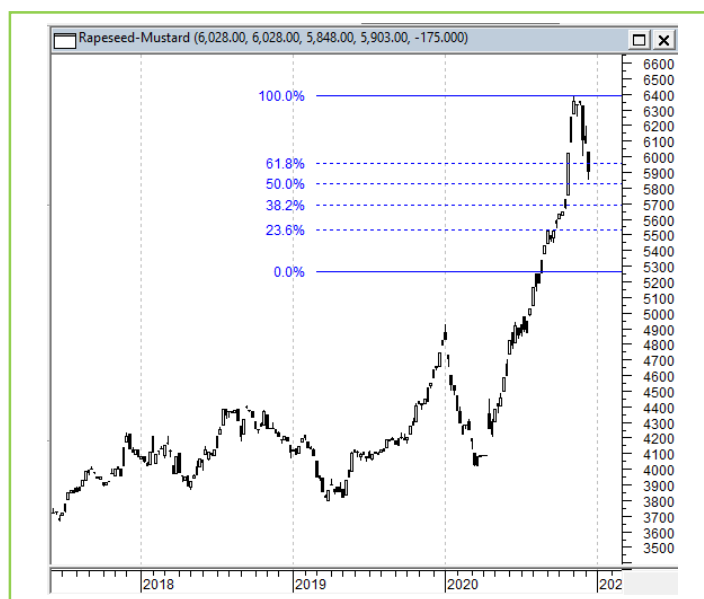
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5200	5100	5527	5970	6100

- RM seed fell on selling pressure, during the week.
- Prices closed below 18-day EMA.
- RSI and stochastic are falling in the neutral zone.
- MACD is falling in the positive territory.
- The prices are expected to feature losses during the week.
- Trade Recommendation (NCDEX Rapeseed-Mustard – Jan.) Week: **SELL** Below 5530. Levels: Target – 5430; T2- 5330, SL – 5590.

Annexure

Oilseed Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity / Centre	Prices (Rs/Qtl)				Change
Soybean	10-Dec-20		04-Dec-20		
	Low	High	Low	High	
Indore –Plant	4250	4350	4350	4400	-50
Indore–Mandi	4050	4300	4100	4350	-50
Nagpur-Plant	4330	4380	4300	4325	55
Nagpur – Mandi	3800	4170	3800	4220	-50
Latur – Mandi	3975	4075	4000	4085	-10
Akola – Mandi	3500	4125	3300	4225	-100
Kota-Plant	4205	4275	4325	4375	-100
Kota – Mandi	4000	4200	4200	4325	-125
Bundi-Plant	4150	4200	4300	4350	-150
Bundi-Mandi	3900	4150	4025	4275	-125
Baran-Plant	4135	4175	4300	4350	-175
Baran-Mandi	3975	4155	4250	4300	-145
Bhawani Mandi Jhalawar–Plant	4175	4250	4325	4400	-150
Jhalwar-Mandi	4070	4120	4175	4225	-105
Rapeseed/Mustard					
Jaipur-(Condition)	5845	5850	6125	6130	-280
Alwar-(Condition)	5400	5500	5650	5750	-250
Sri Ganganagar-(Non-Condition)	5150	5250	5225	5350	-100
New Delhi–(Condition)	5525	5550	5875	5900	-350
Kota-(Condition)	5300	5400	5300	5400	Unch
Agra-(Condition)	5762	5952	5952	6143	-190
Neewai-(Condition)	5450	5550	5675	5775	-225
Hapur (UP)-(Condition)	5750	5800	5850	5900	-100
Groundnut Seed					
Rajkot	850	850	900	900	-50
Sunflower Seed					
Gulbarga	3000	4000	3000	4500	-500

Latur	NA	NA	0	0	-
Sholapur	4700	5200	4900	5400	-200
Soybean Prices are in INR/qtl. (1 bag=90 kg). Mandi prices – Loose, Mustard Seed Prices are in INR/qt (1 bag=85 kg) C – Condition (42%), *Groundnut seed in Rs/20 kg, Sunflower Seed in Rs/qtl.					

Oilseed Arrivals in Key Centers:

Commodity / Centre	Arrivals in Bags/Qtl		Change
Soybean	10-Dec-20	04-Dec-20	
Madhya Pradesh	90000	100000	-10000
Maharashtra	175000	80000	95000
Rajasthan	40000	35000	5000
Bundi (Raj)	400	600	-200
Baran (Raj)	2000	5000	-3000
Jhalawar (Raj)	3000	2500	500
Rapeseed/Mustard			
Rajasthan	35000	40000	-5000
Alwar	500	500	Unch
Sri Ganganagar	400	300	100
Kota	500	400	100
Groundnut Seed			
Rajkot (Gujarat)	3350	3300	50
Sunflower Seed			
Sholapur (Maharashtra)	800	800	Unch

Other Oilseed Prices at Mumbai (INR/100 Kg):

Oilseeds	10-Dec-20	4-Dec-20	Change
Groundnut Kernel	6800	6950	-150
Gr. Bolds 60/70	7550	7650	-100
Gr. Javas 60/70	8450	8550	-100
Gr Javas 70/80	NA	0	-
Gr.Javas 80/90	7450	7550	-100
KardiSeed 2% Exp Qly	4150	4150	Unch
Sesame White 98/2/1 FM	9800	9800	Unch
Whitish 95/5/FFA/1FM	9500	9500	Unch

Brown 48/2 FFA/4 FM	9000	9000	Unch
Brown 48/3 FFA/4 FM	8400	8400	Unch
Brown 48/4 FM/* No FFA Guarantee	8000	8000	Unch
Sunflower Seed	5200	5200	Unch
Niger Seed (4% FM)	7200	7200	Unch

MSP of Rabi Oilseeds for Marketing Season 2021-22- GOI

Sl. No	Crops	MSP for Rabi 2021-22	MSP for Rabi 2020-21	Increase in MSP (Absolute)
1	Rapeseed-mustard	4,650	4,425	225
2	Safflower	5,327	5,215	112

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) chaired by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the increase in the Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) for all mandated Rabi crops for marketing season 2021-22.

Government has increased the MSP of Rabi crops for marketing season 2021-22, to ensure remunerative prices to the growers for their produce. This increase in MSP is in line with the recommendations of Swaminathan Commission.

Among the Rabi oilseeds the MSP for rapeseed-mustard has been increased to Rs. 4,650 per quintal for marketing season 2021-22 from Rs. 4,425 per quintal in 2020-21 an increase of Rs. 225 a quintal.

The MSP of safflower to Rs. 5,327 a quintal from earlier Rs. 5,215 per quintal an increase of Rs 112 per quintal.

MSP of Kharif Oilseeds for Marketing Season 2020-21 - GOI

Sl. No	Crops	MSP for Kharif 2020-21	MSP for Kharif 2019-20	Increase in MSP (Absolute)
1	Groundnut	5275	5090	185
2	Sunflower seed	5885	5650	235
3	Soybean (yellow)	3880	3710	170
4	Sesamum	6855	6485	370
5	Nigerseed	6695	5940	755

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) chaired by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the increase in the Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) for all mandated Kharif crops for marketing season 2020-21.

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Among the Kharif oilseeds the MSP for groundnut has been increased to Rs. 5275 per quintal for marketing season 2020-21 from Rs.5090 per quintal in 2019-20 an increase of Rs.185 a quintal.

The MSP of sunflower to Rs. 5885 a quintal from earlier Rs. 5650 per quintal an increase of Rs 235 per quintal, Soybean-yellow to Rs. 3880 a quintal to Rs. 3710 per quintal last season, an increase of Rs. 170 a quintal, Sesamum to Rs. 6855 a quintal from 6485 earlier, an increase of Rs. 370 a quintal and the MSP of Nigerseed have been increased to Rs. 6695 a quintal from Rs. 5940 a quintal earlier, increase of Rs 755 per quintal.

Among all the Kharif crops, the highest increase in MSP is proposed for Nigerseed (Rs 755 per quintal) followed by Sesamum (Rs 370 per quintal), Urad (Rs 300 per quintal) and Cotton (long staple) (Rs 275 per quintal). The differential remuneration is aimed at encouraging crop diversification.

India's Oilseeds Production Seen at 25.73 Mn T vs 22.32 Mn in 1st Adv Est. for 2020-21- GOI

The 1st Advance Estimates of production of oilseeds for 2020-21 have been released by the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare on 22nd September, 2020. The assessment of production of different crops is based on the feedback received from States and validated with information available from other sources.

The estimated production of major Kharif Oilseeds during 2020-21 is as under:

Kharif Oilseeds – 257.29 lakh tonnes in 2020-21 vs 223.16 lakh tonnes in 2019-20

- Groundnut – 95.35 lakh tonnes vs 83.67 lakh tonnes in the 4th Advance Estimate.
- Castorseed – 17.24 lakh tonnes vs 18.49 lakh tonnes
- Sesamum – 7.49 lakh tonnes vs 7.50 lakh tonnes
- Nigerseed – 0.63 lakh tonnes vs 0.42 lakh tonnes
- Soybean – 135.83 lakh tonnes vs 112.15 lakh tonnes
- Sunflower – 0.75 lakh tonnes vs 0.94 lakh tonnes.

The production estimates does not include the Rabi oilseeds' (rapeseed-mustard, safflower, rabi groundnut, rabi sunflower and Linseed) output estimates as its marketing season starts from February.

Sown Area – *Kharif* Oilseeds, India

In the last official Kharif oilseeds planting report by the Ministry of Agriculture, the total coverage area under Kharif oilseeds is reported at 197.18 lakh hectares, an increase by 9.8% from 179.63 lakh ha in the corresponding period of last year. Of the major oilseeds, soybean sowing is reported up by 6.4% at 121.24 lha compared to 113.95 lha during the corresponding period of last year, groundnut at 50.98 lha vs 39.48 lha, sesamum 14.14 lha vs 13.73 lha, castor seed at 7.92 lha vs 9.44 lha and niger at 1.67 lha vs 2.04 lha, during the same period last year. We feel country's final area under oilseeds to be above normal by 8-9% this season.

Area in Lakh Hectares				
Crop	Normal Area (5 Year Avg.)	2020-21	2019-20	% Change
Groundnut	42.43	50.98	39.48	29.1
Soybean	111.49	121.24	113.95	6.4
Sunflower	1.84	1.23	0.99	24.2
Sesamum	14.13	14.14	13.73	3.0
Niger	2.41	1.67	2.04	-18.1
Castor	9.65	7.92	9.44	-16.1
Total Oilseeds	181.95	197.18	179.63	9.8

Source: MoA, GOI

Sown Area – *Rabi* Oilseeds, India 2019-20

In the final official Rabi oilseeds planting report, by the Ministry of Agriculture, the total coverage area under Rabi oilseeds is reported at 80.3 lakh hectares, slightly down 0.1% from 80.37 lakh ha in the corresponding period of last year. Of the major oilseeds, rapeseed-mustard sowing is reported down by 0.4% at 69.51 lha compared to 69.76 lha during the corresponding period of last year. Groundnut at 4.76 lha vs 4.59 lha, safflower at 0.63 lha vs 0.43 lha, sunflower at 1.04 lha vs 1.13 lha, sesamum 0.56 vs 0.71 and Linseed at 3.46 lha vs 3.44 lha during the same period last year.

Area in Lakh Hectares

Crop	Normal Area (5 Year Avg.)	2019-20	2018-19	% Change
Rapeseed/Mustard	60.48	69.51	69.76	-0.4
Groundnut	7.76	4.76	4.59	3.7
Safflower	1.41	0.63	0.43	46.5
Sunflower	2.96	1.04	1.13	-8.0
Sesamum	3.12	0.56	0.71	-21.1
Linseed	2.99	3.46	3.44	0.6
Others	0.14	0.34	0.31	9.7
Total Oilseeds	78.86	80.3	80.37	-0.1

Source: MoA, GOI

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