



Domestic Fundamentals:

- Edible oil prices noticed mostly weak tone at various market centers on Monday.
- Imports of edible oil fell 8.85 percent in February compared to year ago on higher imports of CPO and sunflower oil. Palm oil imports rose on higher imports of CPO y-o-y. Imports of CPO fell m-o-m on high inventory at ports. RBD palmolein imports fell y-o-y but rose in February compared to January on restocking on lower imports of RBD palmolein in last 3 months and stocks at ports were also low.
Sunflower saw rapid rise in imports compared to January while it rose marginally compared to February 2018. Lower import duty on sunflower oil compared to palm oil and soy oil led to rise in imports of sunflower oil in oil year 2017-18 (Nov 2017-Feb 2018). Imports of sunflower oil will show steady rise in coming months if government fails to take adequate measures control imports.
However, this fall in imports of edible oil is before hike in import duty on palm oil in March 1 whose impact will only be seen from March. GOI took extreme step to hike import duty on palm oil in March after hike in November 2017 to contain adulteration of edible oils due to discount of palm oil prices compared to domestic crushed edible oils.
- Palm oil- Palm oil prices are expected be underpinned by weak demand from India after hike in import duty on palm oils, expectation of slow fall in stocks of palm oil in Malaysia, rise in production of palm oil in Malaysia in March and fall in competitive oils.
India hiked import duty on imports of palm oil in order to slow the rise in palm oil imports and protects its crushing industry Agriwatch expects that there will be incremental palm oil import fall of 1-3 lakh tons in oil year 2017-18. Palm oil stock in Malaysia is expected to register fall slowly due to rise in production of palm oil in March and slow rise in production of palm oil.
Production of palm oil is expected to rise in March in Malaysia as seasonal downtrend of production ends. Competitive oils like CBOT soy oil and DALIAN RBD palmolein on higher supply of respective oil in their countered on weak demand.
- Soy oil- Soy oil prices are underpinned by weak demand in India, rise in end stocks of soy oil in US, pickup in harvest of soybean in Brazil and firm dollar.
Demand of soy oil has weakened in India as Holi festival is over and rise in prices of soy oil in 2018 bites into demand especially when rapeseed oil and sunflower oil trades at slight premium.
Soy oil stocks rose in US in March as reported by NOPA on higher crush of soybean and slowdown of demand.
- According to National Oilseed Processors Association (NOPA), U.S. February soybean crush fell 5.75 percent to 153.719 million bushels from 163.111 million bushels in January 2018. Crush of soybean in February 2017 was 142.792 million bushels. Soybean February crush is record since 2010. Soy oil stocks in U.S. at the end of February rose 7.4 percent m-o-m to 1.865 billion lbs compared to 1.728 billion lbs in end January 2018. Stocks of soy oil in end February 2018 was higher by 11.8 percent compared to end February 2017, which was reported at 1.668 million lbs.

Outlook: Edible oil basket is expected to feature range –bound to weak sentiment in near term.

NCDEX Soy Refined Oil:

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Apr-18	-6.40	786.00	786.00	780.30	782.50
May-18	-3.95	785.00	789.10	785.00	788.00

Prices are taken at 5:05 PM

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Apr-18	17,070	2710	64750	1280
May-18	4,500	-4590	26490	1770

Vol-OI are taken at 5:05 PM

Spread	Apr-18	May-18
Basis	-7.50	
Apr-18		5.50
Apr-18		

MCX CPO:

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
Mar-18	-2.40	639.40	640.40	638.30	640.10
Apr-18	-3.10	648.00	648.00	645.30	647.00

Prices are taken at 5:05 PM

Contract	Volume	Change	OI	Change
Mar-18	492	-150	3529	-275
Apr-18	391	-352	3084	189

Vol-OI are taken at 5:05 PM

Spread	Mar-18	Apr-18
Basis	0.9	
Mar-18		6.9
Apr-18		

* CPO Kandla prices taken for spread calculated as at 6:30 PM

CBOT Soy Oil Futures (Projections):

(Values in US cents/lb)

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
15-May	0.08	32.06	32.1	31.87	32.06
15-July	0.08	32.28	32.33	32.11	32.3
15-Aug	0.05	32.4	32.45	32.23	32.39
15-Sep	0.07	32.43	32.56	32.38	32.53
15-Oct	0.04	32.57	32.65	32.48	32.61

BMD CPO Futures:

(Values in MYR/tonnes)

Contract	+/-	Open	High	Low	Close
15-Apr	-5	2434	2442	2426	2433
15-May	8	2428	2439	2420	2435
15-June	11	2414	2428	2407	2425
15-July	5	2400	2422	2400	2414

Forex:

Date/Currency	Chinese Yuan	Indonesian Rupiah	Malaysian Ringgit	Argentine Peso	Indian rupee	Brazilian Real	Dollar Index	Crude Oil WTI (\$/barrel)
19/03/2018	6.33	13764	3.916	20.18	64.93	3.28	90.17	62.12

Edible Oil Prices at Key Market

Commodity	Centre	Prices(Per 10 Kg)		Change
		19-Mar-18	17-Mar-18	
Refined Soybean Oil	Indore	775	775	Unch
	Indore (Soy Solvent Crude)	735	735	Unch
	Mumbai	780	780	Unch
	Mumbai (Soy Degum)	735	735	Unch
	Kandla/Mundra	760	755	5
	Kandla/Mundra (Soy Degum)	725	724	1
	Kolkata	780	780	Unch
	Delhi	800	800	Unch
	Nagpur	770	770	Unch
	Rajkot	750	750	Unch
	Kota	760	765	-5
	Hyderabad	NR	NR	-
	Akola	769	771	-2
	Amrawati	769	771	-2
	Bundi	765	771	-6
	Jalna	762	762	Unch
	Alwar	NA	NA	-
	Solapur	752	752	Unch
	Dhule	765	765	Unch
Palm Oil*	Kandla (Crude Palm Oil)	673	674	-1
	Kandla (RBD Palm oil)	709	709	Unch
	Kandla RBD Pamolein	751	751	Unch
	Kakinada (Crude Palm Oil)	NR	NR	-
	Kakinada RBD Pamolein	746	746	Unch

	Haldia Pamolein	748	748	Unch
	Chennai RBD Pamolein	756	756	Unch
	Chennai RBD Pamolein (Vitamin A&D Fortified)	791	791	Unch
	KPT (krishna patnam) Pamolein	746	746	Unch
	Mumbai RBD Pamolein	782	772	11
	Mangalore RBD Pamolein	756	761	-5
	Tuticorin (RBD Palmolein)	754	754	Unch
	Delhi	765	770	-5
	Rajkot	746	751	-5
	Hyderabad	NR	NR	-
	PFAD (Kandla)	436	436	Unch
	Refined Palm Stearin (Kandla)	488	488	Unch
	Superolien (Kandla)	772	772	Unch
	Superolien (Mumbai)	793	793	Unch
* inclusive of GST				
Refined Sunflower Oil	Chennai	760	760	Unch
	Mumbai	800	800	Unch
	Mumbai(Expeller Oil)	715	715	Unch
	Kandla (Ref.)	790	790	Unch
	Kandla/Mundra (Crude)	NA	NA	-
	Hyderabad (Ref)	NR	NR	-
	Latur (Expeller Oil)	750	750	Unch
	Chellakere (Expeller Oil)	727	727	Unch
	Erode (Expeller Oil)	795	785	10
Groundnut Oil	Rajkot	810	810	Unch
	Chennai	860	860	Unch
	Delhi	900	900	Unch
	Hyderabad *	880	880	Unch
	Mumbai	850	855	-5
	Gondal	790	810	-20
	Jamnagar	800	820	-20
Rapeseed Oil/Mustard Oil	Jaipur (Expeller Oil)	780	780	Unch
	Jaipur (Kacchi Ghani Oil)	785	801	-16
	Kota (Expeller Oil)	760	765	-5
	Kota (Kacchi Ghani Oil)	788	788	Unch
	Neewai (Expeller Oil)	757	767	-10
	Neewai (Kacchi Ghani Oil)	771	785	-14
	Bharatpur (Kacchi Ghani Oil)	790	790	Unch
	Alwar (Expeller Oil)	NA	NA	-
	Alwar (Kacchi Ghani Oil)	NA	NA	-



	Sri-Ganga Nagar(Exp Oil)	770	770	Unch
	Sri-Ganga Nagar (Kacchi Ghani Oil)	795	795	Unch
	Mumbai (Expeller Oil)	760	760	Unch
	Kolkata(Expeller Oil)	NA	NA	-
	New Delhi (Expeller Oil)	790	790	Unch
	Hapur (Expeller Oil)	NR	NR	-
	Hapur (Kacchi Ghani Oil)	NR	NR	-
	Agra (Kacchi Ghani Oil)	795	795	Unch
Refined Cottonseed Oil	Rajkot	730	730	Unch
	Hyderabad	NR	NR	-
	Mumbai	760	750	10
	New Delhi	720	725	-5
Coconut Oil	Kangayan (Crude)	1800	1800	Unch
	Cochin	1930	1920	10
	Trissur	NA	NA	-
Sesame Oil	New Delhi	1000	1000	Unch
	Mumbai	NA	NA	-
Kardi	Mumbai	830	830	Unch
Rice Bran Oil (40%)	New Delhi	540	545	-5
Rice Bran Oil (4%)	Punjab	620	620	Unch
Rice Bran Oil (4%)	Uttar Pradesh	NA	NA	-
Malaysia Palmolein USD/MT	FOB	655	655	Unch
	CNF India	678	670	8
Indonesia CPO USD/MT	FOB	645	648	-3
	CNF India	665	660	5
RBD Palm oil (Malaysia Origin USD/MT)	FOB	655	Closed	-
RBD Palm Stearin (Malaysia Origin USD/MT)	FOB	655	Closed	-
RBD Palm Kernel Oil (Malaysia Origin USD/MT)	FOB	1210	Closed	-
Palm Fatty Acid Distillate (Malaysia Origin USD/MT)	FOB	597	Closed	-
Crude palm Kernel Oil India (USD/MT)	CNF India	NA	Closed	-
Ukraine Origin CSFO USD/MT Kandla	CIF	810	810	Unch
Rapeseed Oil Rotterdam Euro/MT	FOB	930	930	Unch
Argentina FOB (\$/MT)		17-Mar-18	16-Mar-18	Change
Crude Soybean Oil Ship		NA	NA	-
Refined Soy Oil (Bulk) Ship		NA	NA	-
Sunflower Oil Ship		NA	NA	-

Cottonseed Oil Ship	NA	NA	-
Refined Linseed Oil (Bulk) Ship	NA	NA	-
* indicates including VAT			

Note - Domestic edible oil prices are in Indian rupees per 10 Kg, CNF/FOB/CIF prices are in USD per tons except Rapeseed oil Rotterdam (Euro per tons).

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