

OIL AND OIL SEEDS COMPLEX

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Oil & Oil Seeds	Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	% Change
Soybean NCDEX	MAY10	2007	2044	2005	2039.5	1.14
Soybean NCDEX	JUN10	1998	2002	1968	1997	1.17
Soyoil NCDEX	MAY10	448.5	453.5	447.7	453	0.68
Soyoil NCDEX	JUN10	450.8	455.6	450.5	455.15	0.64
Palmoil MCX	APR10	365.1	366.7	364.5	366	0.11
Palmoil MCX	MAY10	367.1	369.3	366.2	368.7	0.05
Castor NCDEX	MAY10	3095	3130	3089	3103	-0.32
Castor NCDEX	JUN10	3130	3160	3130	3145	-0.62
Cottonseed Oil Cake NCDEX	MAY10	1020.5	1023	1009	1019.5	0.25

OPEN INTEREST AND VOLUME

	Open Int	% Change	Volume	% Change
Soybean NCDEX	138040	-2.11	57610	12.52
Soybean NCDEX	107400	3.83	47100	66.31
Soyoil NCDEX	66890	-6.96	30300	-2.29
Soyoil NCDEX	89110	6.83	33660	16.11
Palmoil MCX	670	-27.88	317	117.12
Palmoil MCX	2393	3.06	436	83.19
Castor NCDEX	540	-6.90	60	0.00
Castor NCDEX	390	-2.50	20	-66.67
Cottonseed Oil Cake NCDEX	51430	0.84	22580	-40.09

FUNDAMENTAL OUTLOOK

We expect refined oil and Palm oil to trade up today; buying at dips is recommended. RM seed too looks strong today; buying at every dip is recommended. Over strong complex is likely to support the prices of Soybean as well.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Oilseed complex traded sideways to up tracking international bourses. Soybean rose by more than 1% on soaring overseas demand for Oilseeds. Soy oil and Palm oil too managed to end up on short covering. Cottonseed oil cake traded tad higher yesterday.

IN FOCUS

Brazil's soy crushing industry raised its outlook slightly for the 2009/10 (Oct/Sept) soybean crop that is now close to ending harvest to a record 67.95 million tonnes, the Vegetable Oils Industry Association (Abiove) said on Thursday.

Argentina's 2009/10 soy crop is seen at a record 54.8 million tonnes, even higher than the previous estimate for 54.5 million tonnes, the Buenos Aires Grains Exchange said on Thursday. Argentina is the world's No. 3 soybean supplier and top exporter of soyoil and soymeal, and production has soared this year due to a record sowing area and favorable weather that has boosted crop yields.

Argentina's 2009/10 soy harvest is expected to reach a record 53.9 million tonnes, up from the last estimate for 52.5 million tonnes, Rosario grains exchange said on Wednesday. The exchange held its outlook for 2009/10 corn production at 20.4 million tonnes.

USDA's weekly export sales report on Thursday showed U.S. export sales of soymeal last week at 57,500 tonnes, below estimates for 75,000 to 200,000 tonnes. USDA's weekly export sales report on Thursday showed U.S. export sales of soyoil last week at 2,000 tonnes, below estimates for 5,000 to 15,000 tonnes.

Pakistani importers have booked orders for 300,000 bales in recent days, after India stopped registering new contracts for exports from April 19, to control soaring prices, said Naseem Usman, chairman of the Karachi-based Cotton Brokers Forum.

GUAR, PULSES AND GRAINS COMPLEX

GUAR, PULSES AND GRAINS MARKET WATCH

Pulses & Grains Complex	Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	% Change
Guarseed NCDEX	MAY10	2425	2470	2414	2440	0.54
Guarseed NCDEX	JUN10	2442	2476	2429	2455	0.45
Guargum NCDEX	MAY10	4920	5000	4859	4958	0.65
Guargum NCDEX	JUN10	4976	5065	4961	5019	0.70
Wheat NCDEX	MAY10	1162.2	1175	1161.2	1174	0.82
Maize NCDEX	MAY10	889	890.5	886	888.5	-0.28
Maize NCDEX	JUN10	909.5	910	904	908	-0.16
Chana NCDEX	MAY10	2150	2170	2131	2162	0.56
Chana NCDEX	JUN10	2242	2263	2223	2257	0.49

OPEN INTEREST AND VOLUME

	Open Int	% Change	Volume	% Change
Guarseed NCDEX	142700	-7.35	230750	-40.47
Guarseed NCDEX	81240	2.55	107690	-45.43
Guargum NCDEX	15860	0.89	4640	-47.48
Guargum NCDEX	28760	0.63	5365	-53.55
Wheat NCDEX	12520	-7.81	4560	11.22
Maize NCDEX	15980	0.06	760	24.59
Maize NCDEX	8050	5.37	970	61.67
Chana NCDEX	131200	-1.80	104850	-32.73
Chana NCDEX	75480	5.26	71510	-12.58

FUNDAMENTAL OUTLOOK

Outlook for Wheat and Chana remains bullish today; buying at dips is recommended. Guar may trade side-ways today.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Wheat and Chana rose by almost 1% on robust spot demand yesterday. Guar complex witnessed some bargain buying and ended positive.

IN FOCUS

Wheat prices are up by about 5-10 percent in India's biggest wheat producing state, Uttar Pradesh, following withdrawal of stock limit, traders said. "Wheat prices were between 990-1080 rupees per 100 kg on April 29 in Allahabad, Varanasi, Shahjahanpur, Kanpur and Meerut markets.

Wheat rose the most in a week on speculation that a weaker dollar will boost demand for supplies from the U.S., the world's biggest exporter. Wheat is the fourth-biggest U.S. crop, valued at \$10.6 billion in 2009, behind corn, soybeans and hay, government data show.

Monsoon is likely to be normal this year, the government said on Friday, allaying fears over an event crucial to the economic fate of the world's second-most populous nation. India's state-run firms had procured 18.01 million tonnes of wheat in the 2009/10 marketing season that began in April, a government release said on April 26. The procurement during the same period the previous year was 17.68 million tonnes.

Churi and korma, the byproducts of guar seed, are used as cattle feed and demand generally picks up in summer with the shortage of green grass. Demand is good in physical market. But traders are now focusing on monsoon forecast.

SPICES COMPLEX

SPICES MARKET WATCH

Spices Complex	Contract	Open	High	Low	Close	% Change
Cardamom MCX	MAY10	1355.5	1390	1355.5	1381	1.58
Cardamom MCX	JUN10	1340	1362	1338.1	1355.1	1.80
Menthol Oil MCX	APR10	787	789	766.8	768.5	-2.78
Menthol Oil MCX	MAY10	694.4	713	683	689	-1.01
Pepper NCDEX	MAY10	15790	16200	15680	16077	1.97
Pepper NCDEX	JUN10	16089	16500	15970	16362	1.84
Jeera NCDEX	MAY10	12575	12725	12322	12366	3.26
Jeera NCDEX	JUN10	12799	12960	12441	12525	3.26
Turmeric NCDEX	MAY10	14100	14515	13765	14397	2.62
Turmeric NCDEX	JUN10	14050	14418	13667	14269	2.57
Chilli NCDEX	JUN10	4570	4587	4520	4574	0.95

OPEN INTEREST AND VOLUME

Spices Complex	Open Int	% Change	Volume	% Change
Cardamom MCX	1242	-0.40	656	18.63
Cardamom MCX	603	4.15	164	-22.64
Menthol Oil MCX	3364	-4.40	1029	-29.57
Menthol Oil MCX	3453	0.70	3366	-25.20
Pepper NCDEX	8199	-3.03	8919	-20.88
Pepper NCDEX	4597	14.10	3909	-10.12
Jeera NCDEX	7905	1.39	8475	-6.70
Jeera NCDEX	16467	9.34	9663	23.74
Turmeric NCDEX	13390	3.16	25010	0.64
Turmeric NCDEX	10100	0.90	11930	6.52
Chilli NCDEX	5030	1.31	650	-44.92

FUNDAMENTAL OUTLOOK

We expect Spices may extend their upward rally today; buying at dips is recommended. Pepper and Turmeric in particular looks strong today.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Spices witnessed sharp buying in yesterday's trading session with Cardamom, Pepper, Jeera and Turmeric ended up. Mentha oil plunged by almost 3% on the back of lesser export demand.

IN FOCUS

Cardamom futures prices rose by Rs 15.30 or 1.23 per cent at Rs 1,260 per kg in futures trade today largely on the back of pickup in demand in the spot markets.

In order to curb speculation, leading commodity bourse MCX on Wednesday increased the amount (margin) investors need to deposit for trading in mentha oil futures by 10%. With this hike, effective from Wednesday, investors need to deposit 19% of the value of mentha oil they intend to take in. Earlier, the margin was only 9%. "As a risk management measure, the exchange has decided to levy a special margin of 10% on buy side in all mentha oil contracts," MCX said.

Unexpected rain in second largest growing country Turkey after India may damage major part of the Crop of Jeera this year. That may tighten the total supply in the market by almost 15-20%.

Pepper exports in February 2010 fell 3.22 percent to 1,500 tonnes on year, the Spices Board said. India's pepper output in 2010 is expected around last year's levels, but prices are unlikely to fall sharply in coming months due to low carry-over stocks.

Shortage of Pepper in domestic and International market and Less carry forward stock tend to increase the prices of Pepper in medium term.

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