

AGRI PICKS

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TODAY'S PICKS



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AGRI BUZZ

- Indonesia will lift its ban on exports of palm oil from Monday, President Joko Widodo said today. The world's largest producer and exporter of the commodity had banned export of palm oil and other cooking oils on Apr 28 in a bid to stabilise rising domestic prices.
- Tomato prices have soared in major markets across the country as unfavourable weather has affected the crop in key growing areas, causing a supply shortage, market participants said.
- Conditions are favourable for the southwest monsoon to advance into some more parts of south and central Bay of Bengal, and some parts of south Arabian Sea in the next two days, the India Meteorological Department said .
- Sugar mills are likely to purchase record-high sugarcane worth 1.1 trln rupees in 2021-22 (Oct-Sep), an official release said.
- A meeting convened by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Wednesday to discuss problems faced by cooperative sugar mills failed to decide on any concrete steps for the sector, a senior government official said.
- The government, in its third advance estimates, released today, cut production of food grain to 314.51 mln tn in 2021-22 (Jul-Jun), from 316.06 mln tn estimated in the second advance estimate.

Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	JEERA - MAY22	Unjha
Rate	21500	21701.7
% chg	-1.65	-1.1
1 week low	21400	21701.7
1 week High	22315	22026.95
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	CHANA	Bikaner
Rate		4807.15
% chg		0.17
1 week low		4798.85
1 week High		4862.1
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	SOYABEAN - MAY22	Indore
Rate	7364	7287.8
% chg	0.07	-1
1 week low	7222	7213.4
1 week High	7364	7375.8
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	CASTOR SEED - MAY22	Deesa
Rate	7450	7553.6
% chg	0.22	0.46
1 week low	7322	7423.2
1 week High	7578	7581.35
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	RUBBER - JUN22	Kottayam
Rate	17839	17500
% chg	3.01	0
1 week low		
1 week High		

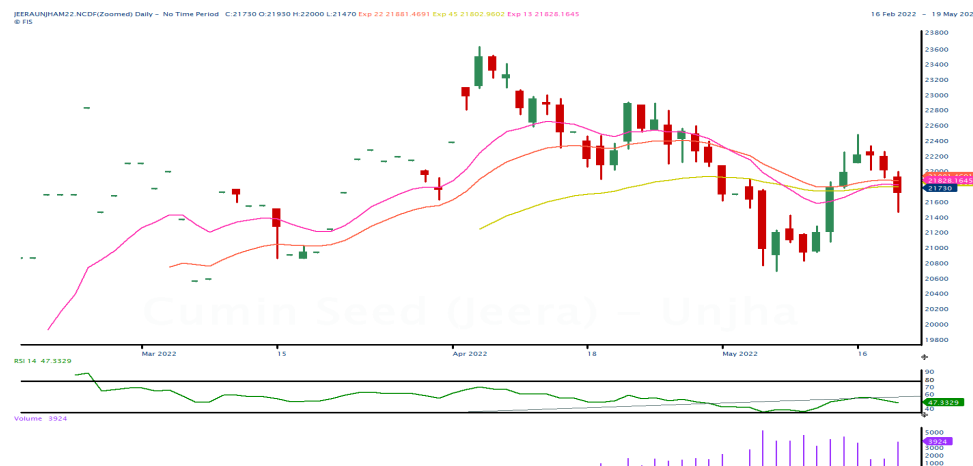
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	TURMERIC - MAY22	Nizamabad
Rate	8090	8319.2
% chg	-0.37	-0.58
1 week low	7928	8319.2
1 week High	8510	8541.2
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	GUAR SEED10 - MAY22	Jodhpur
Rate	5943	6025
% chg	-1.38	-1.42
1 week low	5918	6025
1 week High	6150	6196.2
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	REFINED SOYA OIL - MAY22	Kandla
Rate	1569.3	1555.5
% chg	0.07	-0.85
1 week low	1568.2	1555.5
1 week High	1574.5	1574.4
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	KAPAS - NOV22	Rajkot
Rate	1786	2382.25
% chg	0	0.07
1 week low	1786	2314.05
1 week High	1786	2388.6
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	MAIZE - Feed/Industrial Grade	Gulabghagh
Rate	2298	2295.45
% chg	3.28	-0.06
1 week low	2225	2257.15
1 week High	2298	2300

Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	CORIANDER - MAY22	Kota
Rate	11154	11350.35
% chg	-2.23	-1.16
1 week low	11154	11350.35
1 week High	12060	11872.2
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	Guar Gum Refined Splits - MAY22	Jodhpur
Rate	11460	11675
% chg	-1.9	-1.53
1 week low	11450	11675
1 week High	11800	11948.25
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	RAPE MUSTARD SEEDS	Jaipur
Rate		7136.3
% chg		-0.89
1 week low		7136.3
1 week High		7300.3
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	COTTON SEED OIL CAKE AKOLA - MAY22	AKOLA
Rate	2769	3026.95
% chg	-1.18	-0.87
1 week low	2710	3026.95
1 week High	2881	3101
Futures		Spot
Contract/spot	BARLEY - MAY22	Jaipur
Rate	3173.5	3190.75
% chg	-0.22	0.58
1 week low	3167	3164
1 week High	3180.5	3224

SPICES COMPLEX

Market Buzz

- Spices complex on NCDEX stretched losses on Thursday. Jeera futures declined the most, by over one per cent, on tepid demand. However, lower production lend support. Turmeric and coriander futures were under pressure from sluggish demand, but losses were limited due to fall in supplies in the spot market.
- The export of spices from India during Apr-Dec declined 7.5% on year to 1.2 mln tn, according to data from the Spices Board India. In terms of value, exports rose marginally to 230.7 bln rupees. Sluggish demand for chilli, jeera, turmeric, coriander and fenugreek weighed on exports.
- The exports of jeera during Apr-Dec declined 24.5% on year to 173,796 tn, from 230,120 tn a year ago.
- India exported 116,408 tn of turmeric in Apr-Dec, down 20.6% on year. Coriander exports were down 12.8% on year at 37,566 tn, data showed.
- Exports of small cardamom rose 68.3% on year to 7,337 tn. The huge rise was also seen in ginger exports, which rose 57.5% on year at 130,091 tn.
- Exports of chilli in Apr-Dec were down 7.6% on year at 435,725 tn, while mint product exports were at 21,386 tn, up 4.8% on year, according to the data.
- According to the second advance estimates by Gujarat state agriculture department, jeera production is seen declining to 236980 tons in 2021-22, down 41 per cent year on year. Area is seen at 289000 ha as against 473800 ha a year ago. Coriander production is seen declining as well to 211680 tons compared to 221240 tons in 2020-21.
- Government sees 2020-21 coriander output at 720000 tons compared to 701000 tons a year ago.
- Government sees 2020-21 turmeric output at 1.11 million tonnes compared to 1.15 million tons a year ago.
- Output of small cardamom is seen rising by 100% on year to 22520 tons according to the Spices Board.



TECHNICAL VIEW

JEERA NCDEX JUN	With support near 21500 being held downside, pullbacks to 21860/22050 ranges may not be ruled out. A direct fall below 21500 may intensify weakness.	
DHANIYA NCDEX JUN	Pullbacks to 11580-11700 ranges seems likely. On the downside, fall below 11100 may see weakness intensifying.	
TURMERIC NCDEX JUN	Pullback to 8170-8300 may be seen. A direct fall below 7900 may intensify weakness.	




COTTON COMPLEX

Market Buzz

- The International Cotton Advisory Committee has raised its estimate of global cotton prices for 2021-22 (Aug-Jul) by 2 cents per pound from the previous month's projection to 115 cents per pound. The committee estimated global consumption at 26.2 mln tn in the 2021-22 season, the highest since 2018-19. Global consumption was at 25.7 mln tn in the previous season. The higher estimate is because of firm demand from Pakistan, Turkey, Bangladesh and Vietnam. Bangladesh and Vietnam have limited domestic production of cotton and thus require imports to support almost all their manufacturing needs. The committee estimated global ending stocks at 20.9 mln tn, slightly higher than 20.6 mln tn in the previous season. Global cotton export for the season is estimated at around 10.1 mln tn, as against 10.6 mln tn a year ago. Global production for the ongoing season is estimated higher at 26.4 mln tn, compared with 24.4 mln tn in the previous season. The rise has largely been attributed to higher production in Pakistan, Brazil and the US. In the US, cotton production is estimated at 3.8 mln tn, as against 3.2 mln tn a year ago. However, in India, cotton output is expected to fall to 5.8 mln tn, compared with 6.0 mln tn in the previous year.
- The UK-based Cotton Outlook has revised upward its estimate for global cotton production in 2021-22 (Aug-Jul) by 15,000 tn to 25.54 mln tn, the agency said in a report. The revision has been made as production in African Franc zone is expected to be slightly higher. Cotton production in India, is seen at 5.5 mln tn. The production in China is seen at 5.8 mln tn, while the US is likely to produce 3.8 mln tn. The agency has raised its estimate for global consumption in 2021-22 by 25,000 tn to 25.8 mln tn due to rise in demand from Indonesia. Global cotton ending stocks for the ongoing 2021-22 season are estimated at 229,000 tn.
- The US Department of Agriculture has revised its estimate for cotton ending stock in India to 8.3 mln bales (1 US bale = 218 kg) for 2021-22 (Aug-Jul), from 8.0 mln bales projected a month ago. The increase in India's ending stock estimate is attributed to lower exports in the current season. The country's exports are projected at 5.2 mln bales, as against 5.5 mln bales a month ago. Persistently high prices in the domestic market have made India's cotton uncompetitive, weighing on exports of the commodity. According to trade sources, in the ongoing marketing year, around 3.5 mln bales (1 bale = 170 kg) of Indian cotton were exported till March, sharply lower than a year ago. In Oct-Mar of 2020-21, India had shipped 4.3 mln bales. The agency maintained its estimate for India's production and domestic consumption for 2021-22 at 26.5 mln bales and 26.0 mln bales, respectively. Further, the agency has scaled up its global production estimate to 120.2 mln bales from 119.9 mln bales a month ago. Global cotton consumption is seen lower at 124.1 mln bales in 2021-22, compared with 124.5 mln bales a month ago. Exports are estimated at 45.8 mln bales, as against 46.3 mln bales a month ago. The agency has raised its 2021-22 global ending stocks estimate to 83.4 mln bales from 82.6 mln bales estimated a month ago.
- The Cotton Association of India has cut its production estimate for the 2021-22 (Oct-Sep) marketing season to 33.5 mln bales (1 bale = 170 kg), from 34.3 mln bales projected a month ago. The cut in estimate can be attributed to some crop loss because of excess rain in November in the key producing states that impacted quality of crop. Of the total crop, 26.3 mln bales had arrived in markets across India till March. Estimate for exports in the ongoing marketing year has been maintained at 4.5 mln bales. India shipped around 3.5 mln bales of cotton till March. The association has also maintained its estimate for domestic cotton consumption at 34.0 mln bales, and imports at 1.5 mln bales. The ending stock for the 2021-22 season has been estimated at 4.0 mln bales, as against 4.8 mln bales projected a month ago.
- Cotton farmers in the US intend to plant the fibre over 12.2 mln acres in the 2022-23 (Aug-Jul) season, up by 9% from the previous year, the USDA said in its initial planting survey report for the season. The largest increase in sowing area is expected in Texas. A rise in acreage in the coming season is attributed to high cotton prices.
- Persistently high prices in the domestic market have made India's cotton uncompetitive, weighing on exports of the commodity in 2021-22 (Oct-Sep) season. In the ongoing marketing year, around 3.4 mln bales of cotton were exported till mid-March, a consignment of another 200,000-300,000 bales is expected to ship in coming days. Along with these consignments, by the end of March, exports may touch 3.6 mln bales so far this year, which is sharply lower than a year ago. In Oct-Mar of 2020-21, India had shipped 4.3 mln bales. Most consignments have been shipped to Bangladesh, followed by China, Indonesia and Vietnam. Of the total shipped quantity, Bangladesh bought around 2.5 mln bales so far this season. Domestic prices are at a record high level due to the tight supply situation in the market. A rise in domestic mill consumption and a decline in production due to untimely rains have led to a drop in ending stock estimates. Exports during Apr-Sep is seen declining further because of the elevated domestic prices as it makes overseas sales economically unviable, said Dharmendra Jain, director of Ahmedabad-based D.P. Cotton. Furthermore, exports to Bangladesh, has also slowed down because they have already booked their consignments. Now, they are only buying to meet immediate requirements in case of a delay in shipments from regions such as the US and Brazil. Industry experts say cotton exports this season might stand at 4.0-4.5 mln bales. In 2020-21 (Oct-Sep), India exported 7.5-7.8 mln bales of cotton, with Bangladesh, China and Vietnam being the major buyers.
- The government has increased the maximum sale price of genetically modified Bollgard-II Bt cotton seed for 2022-23 (Apr-Mar) by 43 rupees to 810 rupees for a 450-gm packet, according to a notification.
- The US Department of Agriculture has scaled down its estimate for cotton production in India to 26.5 mln bales (1 US bale = 218 kg) for 2021-22 (Aug-Jul), from 27.0 mln bales projected a month ago. The cut in India's output estimate is attributed to some crop loss because of excess rains in November in most key growing states. On the global front, the agency has scaled down its production estimate to 119.9 mln bales from 120.2 mln bales a month ago. The downward revision is mainly due to a likely smaller crop in India. The agency has lowered its 2021-22 global ending stocks estimate to 82.6 mln bales from 84.3 mln bales estimated a month ago. Global cotton consumption is seen a tad higher at 124.5 mln bales in 2021-22, from the previous month's estimate of 124.4 mln bales.
- The US Department of Agriculture's Foreign Agricultural Service has further scaled down its estimate for cotton output in India in 2021-22 (Aug-Jul) to 27.4 mln bales (1 US bale = 218 kg) from 27.7 mln bales projected in January. The reduction in cotton output estimate is attributed to crop damage due to rains in late September in key producing regions of Telangana. Meanwhile, the agency has raised its estimate for India's cotton consumption in 2021-22 to 26.5 mln bales from 26.0 mln bales estimated a month ago. Trade sources indicate that mill consumption is being supported by robust textile and apparel exports. Mills are reporting good margins and making investments in additional spinning capacity for the long-term. Exports during the season are maintained at 5.9 mln bales with Bangladesh, Vietnam, China, and Indonesia being the top export destinations. Bangladesh continues to be the major buyer of Indian cotton with almost 60% export market share. The estimate for imports into India in the 2021-22 crop year has been maintained at 1.0 mln bales. The closing stock of cotton for the country has been pegged at 9.7 mln bales, compared with 10.8 mln bales estimated the previous month.
- The new season for cotton which started on Oct 1, is expected to be good for farmers as the market price of the fibre is currently more than the minimum support price, due to firm demand and a rise in global prices.
- Sowing of cotton across the country has ended and farmers have sown the crop across 12 mln ha in the 2021-22 (Jul-Jun) kharif season, down 6% from a year ago, data from the farm ministry.
- India's cotton output in the 2021-22 (Oct-Sep) marketing year is seen at 36.2 mln bales (1 bale = 170 kg), as per the median of estimates of 13 prominent players in the cotton value chain polled by Informist.
- In the ongoing 2021-22 (Jul-Jun) season, cotton acreage across the country was 11.9 mln ha as on Thursday, down



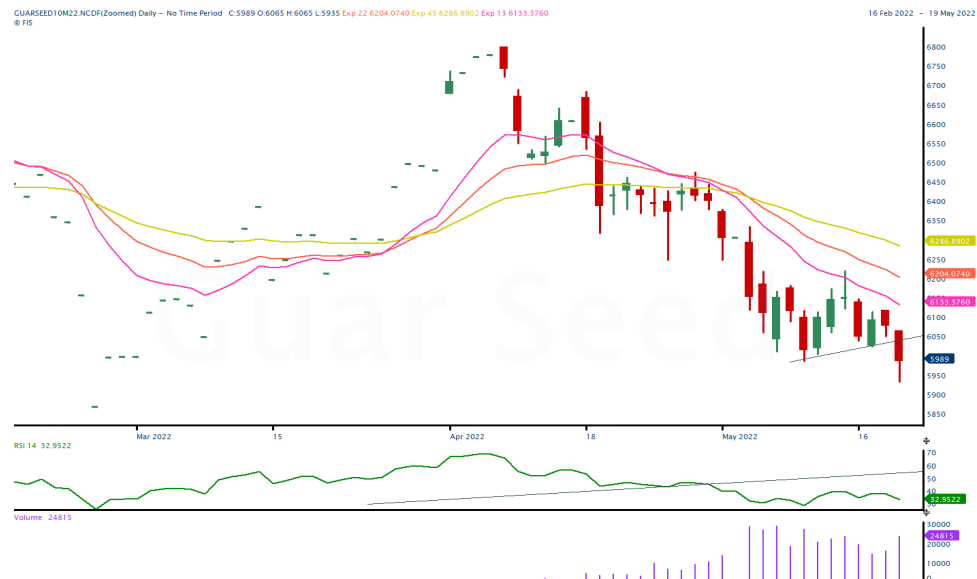
TECHNICAL VIEW

<p>KAPAS NCDEX APR23</p>	<p>Sideways to positive trading session is more expected.</p>	
<p>COTTON MCX MAY</p>	<p>Inability to move above 50000 could see downside corrective moves towards 49000/48000 levels. Else, could see upside momentum.</p>	
<p>COCUDAKL NCDEX JUN</p>	<p>As prices stays below 2850 expect to see downside moves targeting 2775/2700 levels.</p>	





OTHERS

Market Buzz

- Procurement of chana in the ongoing 2022-23 (Apr-Mar) rabi marketing season is sharply up by 176% on year at 495,851 tn as of 6 April, in anticipation of a bumper crop this season, a government official said. Last year, during this time, the government procured 179,523 tn of chana from 139,898 farmers across 1,195 centres from key producing states such as Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Telengana, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Karnataka, said the official.
- Recent report from U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) reveals that Chickpea area is likely to fall by 18 percent to 303,600 acres as growers are not less interest to sow Chickpea in a big way. However, small Chickpea area is estimated to increase from 2021 by 5 percent to 62,100 acres. Area under the large Chickpea in 2022 is estimated to be at 241,500 acres down by 22 percent from previous year.
- Canada's farm agency has revised downward its average price forecast of dry peas, lentils and chickpeas for 2021-22 (Aug-Jul), despite a sharp fall in the ending stocks, it said in a report for February. Citing information from Statistics Canada, the agriculture body sees the country's chickpea production in 2021-22 declining 64% on year to 76,000 tn due to poor yields, despite higher area. The average chickpea, or chana, price estimate for the season has been revised downwards to \$1,000 from \$1,065 projected a month ago. With an estimated production of 76,000 tn this year, the country's total chickpea supply is forecast to fall to 371,000 tn from 506,000 tn projected in the previous year. Carryover stocks in 2021-22 are forecast to decline to 150,000 tn, compared with 275,000 tn a year ago, the report said.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India has asked the National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange to not launch any new chana contracts on its platform till further notice, the market regulator said in a release on August 16, 2021.
- India's guar export in Oct'21-Feb'22 is up by 28% to 1,25,921 MT as compared to 98,379 MT previous year same period. Russia bought 3,579 tonne (17.44%) of the total guar gum exports in Feb'22 as compared to 3,519 tonne (16.47%) previous months
- India's guar gum exports decreased in the month of February 2022 by 4% to 20,518 tonne compared to 21,373 tonne during previous month at an average FoB of US \$2,326 per tonne as compared to US \$2,171 per tonne previous month. However, the gum shipments were up by 14.53% in Feb'2022 compared to the same period last year. Of the total exported quantity, around 6,406 tonne (31.22%) bought by US, Russia bought 3,579 tonne (17.44%), Germany bought 2,356 tonne(11.48%), China bought 1,230 tonne (5.99%), and Canada bought 897 tonne(4.37%). Additionally, India's guar split exports increased in the month of Feb'2022 by 35.60% to 5,485 tonne compared to 4,045 tonne previous month at an average FoB of US \$ 1,815 per tonne compared to US \$ 1,780 per tonne previous month. However, the guar split shipments gone up by 85.03 % in Feb'22 compared to the same period last year. Of the total exported quantity, around 3,460 tonne (72.20%) bought by China, US bought 760 tonne (13.86%), Mexico bought 405 tonne(7.38%) and Switzerland bought (6.56%).
- The global outlook of natural rubber is expected to rise 1.9% to 14.1 mln tn in 2022, the Association of Natural Rubber Producing Countries said in a report. The association expects global consumption to grow 1.2% to 14.2 mln tn during the year. The demand for natural rubber is likely to rise from the healthcare sector and positive auto sale growth in major economies. However, several challenges may hinder the growth of the natural rubber market. On the supply side, it is heavily affected by adverse climate and labour shortage in rubber producing countries amid the rising spread of COVID-19 variant, the association said. Other global events such as a surge in crude oil prices, geopolitical crisis, global supply chain disruption caused by delayed shipping schedule, and the global shortage of semiconductor chipsets may influence the natural rubber market in the near term, the report said.



TECHNICAL VIEW

<p>CASTOR NCDEX JUN</p>	<p>If prices holds the support of 7400 could see bargain buying moves towards 7600/7720 levels.</p>	
<p>GUARSEED NCDEX JUN</p>	<p>Even as there exist weakness, pullbacks to 6030-6100 ranges may not be ruled out.</p>	
<p>GUARGUM NCDEX JUN</p>	<p>With support around 11400 ranges being held down-side, brief bounce to 11720-11800-11900 ranges seems possible. A direct fall below 11400 may intensify weakness.</p>	
<p>RUBBER MCX MAY</p>	<p>Choppy moves expected.</p>	

OILSEED COMPLEX

Market Buzz

- The US Department of Agriculture in its May report has projected global oilseed output for 2022-23 (May-Apr) to rise 8.4% to 647.2 mln tn from 596.9 mln tn recorded last year. The agency attributed the jump to an estimated record soybean harvest in Brazil and Argentina. The agency has projected global soybean output to rise by 45.3 mln tn to 394.7 mln tn. Brazil's soybean crop is estimated at a record 149 mln tn, while Argentina's crop is seen 9 mln tn higher at 51 mln tn. The agency has scaled up its estimate for global ending stocks for 2022-23 to 99.6 mln tn, up 14.4 mln tn year-on-year, with most of the increase in Brazil, Argentina, and the US. Estimate for global soyoil production for 2021-22 has also been revised upwards to 61.4 mln tn from 59.1 mln tn recorded the previous year. Moreover, the estimate for global soyoil exports in 2022-23 has been revised marginally higher to 12.8 mln tn from 12.3 mln tn. The department projected global soymeal output for 2022-23 at 256.5 mln tn, up from 246.1 mln tn on year. The estimate for global exports of soymeal in 2022-23 is higher at 69.8 mln tn, compared with 67.7 mln tn pegged the previous year.
- India's vegetable oil imports in April fell nearly 13% on year to 911,846 tn, The Solvent Extractors' Association of India. The fall in imports is primarily due to supply constraints because of the Russia-Ukraine geopolitical conflict, coupled with Indonesia's ban on the export of palm oil, among other cooking oils, in effect from Apr 28. During Nov-Apr, imports of vegetable oil stood at 6.7 mln tn, as against 6.4 mln tn a year ago. Edible oil imports were at 900,085 mln tn in April, against 1.03 mln tn a year ago. For Nov-Apr, these imports stood at 6.5 mln tn, as against 6.3 mln tn in the year-ago period. In April, 414,829 tn of crude palm oil was imported, as against 689,731 tn during the same month last year. As on May 1, 416,000 tn of edible oil was at ports, against 491,000 tn a year ago, while 1.8 mln tn was in the pipeline, against 1.3 mln tn during the same period last year.
- India's oilmeal exports fell 25% on year to 242,043 tn in March, according to data released by The Solvent Extractors' Association of India For 2021-22 (Apr-Mar), exports of oilmeal were down 36% on year at 2.4 mln tn. The fall in oilmeal exports was mainly attributed to decline in export of soybean meal. Soybean exports plunged to 372,740 tn during 2021-22 from 1.6 mln tn in the year-ago period. "Crushing of soybean is low as farmers are holding stock in anticipation of higher prices as seen by them in last year,". Lower crushing of soybean also led to higher imports of crude soybean oil. Mustard meal exports in 2021-22 fell 22.2% on year to 866,407 tn, and exports of castor meal were down 8.9% at 382,424 tn.
- Soybean exports in March slumped 81.9% on year to 50,000 tn, the Soybean Processors Association of India said in a release. During Oct-Mar, soybean exports fell sharply to 472,000 tn compared with 1.6 mln tn for the same period a year ago. In March, soybean production fell to 519,000 tn from 678,000 tn a year ago, while during Oct-Mar, output was at 3.2 mln tn, lower than nearly 5.0 mln tn during the same period a year ago. However, during Oct-Mar, arrivals declined to 6.1 mln tn from 7.5 mln tn during the same period last year. By the end of March, mills, traders, and farmers were left with around 6.75 mln tn of soybean stock.
- The Centre has extended stockholding limits on edible oils and oilseeds by six months till Dec 31 in a bid to check hoarding and check prices of the commodities in domestic markets, a government release said. In February, the Centre had imposed stockholding limits till Jun 30.
- India's mustard seed production in the crop year 2021-22 (Jul-Jun) is seen 29% higher at an all-time high of 10.95 mln tn, the Central Organisation for Oil Industry & Trade said in a release. In the previous year, mustard seed production was at 8.5 mln tn, according to the release. The area under has been pegged at 8.7 mln ha, and the average yield is estimated at 1.3 tn per ha.
- With the shortage of edible oil supply from imports due to the crisis in Ukraine, the Soybean Processors Association of India has recommended measures to augment the supply and cool down prices. The agency estimates a shortfall of edible oil supply from imports due to the war of approximately 200,000 tn a month of sunflower oil, it said in a note.
- The National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange will launch future contracts in refined castor oil on Mar 21, the bourse said in a circular. According to the contract specification the commodity will have trading unit of 2 tn, with the maximum order size of 200 tn. The contract will be settled in cash. The open interest threshold level to attract concentration margin in the commodity will be 17,900 tn.
- The government cut agriculture cess on crude palm oil and extended the lower customs duty on edible oils by six months till Sep 30 to cool domestic prices. The government cut Agriculture Infrastructure and Development Cess on crude palm oil to 5.0% from 7.5%, a finance ministry notification said. The Centre had in October slashed import duty on key edible oils till Mar 31. This has now been extended till Sep 30, the notification said.
- Farmers have sown mustard across 9.16 mln ha in the country, up 25.3% on year, in the ongoing 2021-22 (Jul-Jun) rabi season as of Friday, according to the farm ministry's data. The government fixed the minimum support price of the crop at 5,050 rupees per 100 kg for the 2022-23 (Apr-Mar) marketing season, as against 4,650 rupees in the previous year.
- The Solvent Extractors' Association has urged the Centre and the Securities and Exchange Board of India to resume futures trade in mustard seed on the National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange.
- The Solvent Extractors' Association has urged the government to exempt soyoil from genetically-modified labelling requirement as it may lead to a rise in prices, it said in a letter. Last year, according to reports, the Centre had asked states to enforce separate labelling for genetically-modified soyoil to help consumers make informed decision.
- The Centre has included soybean under the Essential Commodities Act with immediate effect till Jun 30 to regulate production, stocking, and distribution of the commodity.
- The government has reduced the basic import duty on refined, bleached, and deodorised palm oil, to cool domestic prices, the finance ministry said in a notification. The new duty rates will be in place till Mar 31, the ministry said. The effective basic import duty on refined, bleached, and deodorised palm oil has been reduced to 12.5% from 17.5% earlier. With the new duty cut, the duty difference between crude palm oil, which is a raw material, and refined, bleached, and deodorised palm oil, which is the finished product, has reduced to 5.5% from 11.0% earlier.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India asked exchanges not to launch new contracts of some farm commodities, including those of soybean and its derivatives, and crude palm oil. The restrictions come into effect immediately and shall be applicable for one year.
- The Central Organisation for Oil Industry and Trade has estimated India's mustard output in the 2021-22 (Jul-Jun) rabi season at 10-11 mln tn because of increase in acreage, it said in a release. In 2020-21 the country produced around 8.5 mln tn of mustard, which is a crucial oilseed sown in the rabi season during Sep-Oct and harvested from February.
- India's 2020-21 (Jul-Jun) mustard output is seen rising 22.6% on year to 8.95 mln tn, according to a joint survey by the Central Organisation for Oil Industry and Trade and the Mustard Oil Producers' Association.
- The government reduced the effective import duty on CRUDE PALM OIL to 8.25% from 24.75%, and the effective import duty on REFINED SOYOIL to 19.25% from 35.75%
- India's soybean acreage in the 2021-22 (Jul-Jun) kharif season remained unchanged at 12.2 mln ha, agri ministry.
- The government allowed the import of 1.2 mln tn of genetically-modified soybean meal till Oct 31 to augment supply in domestic markets, the Directorate General of Foreign Trade said in a notification.
- Malaysia's crude palm oil output rose 24.1% on month to over 1.4 mln tn in March, data from the Malaysian Palm Oil Board. Export of palm oil in March rose 14.1% on month to 1.27 mln tn, while outbound shipments of biodiesel fell sharply by 64.6% on month to 15,853 tn, the data. The total palm oil stocks in the country fell nearly 3% on month to around 1.47 mln tn as of Mar 31.
- Malaysia's palm oil exports during the April 1-25 period are estimated to have fallen 13% on month to 897,683 metric tons, cargo surveyor SGS (Malaysia) Bhd.
- Acreage under oil palm in north-eastern states is likely to increase by 50-60% by 2025 depending on the availability of seedlings, a farm ministry source said.

TECHNICAL LEVELS

Commodity	Contract	Open*	High*	Low*	Close*	S3	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	R3
SPICES												
Jeera	JuneNCDEX	21930	22000	21470	21730	20937	21203	21467	21733	21997	22263	22527
Turmeric	JuneNCDEX	8090	8130	7928	8090	7767	7847	7969	8049	8171	8251	8373
Dhaniya	JuneNCDEX	11470	11502	11210	11444	10977	11093	11269	11385	11561	11677	11853
Menthaoil	MayMCX	1142.0	1142.0	1101.5	1105.5	1050	1076	1091	1116	1131	1157	1172
PULSES												
Guarseed	JuneNCDEX	6065	6065	5935	5989	5798	5866	5928	5996	6058	6126	6188
Guargum	JuneNCDEX	11729	11729	11480	11637	11253	11366	11502	11615	11751	11864	12000
OIL & OIL SEEDS												
Castor seed	JuneNCDEX	7456	7556	7440	7554	7361	7440	7477	7517	7593	7633	7709
CEREALS												
Barley	JuneNCDEX	3186	3186	3186	3186	3186	3186	3186	3186	3186	3186	3186
OTHERS												
Cocud^	JuneNCDEX	2783	2810	2745	2793	2690	2718	2755	2783	2820	2848	2885
Kapas	Apr23 NCDEX	1824.5	1838.5	1824.0	1832.0	1810	1817	1825	1832	1839	1846	1854
Cotton	MayMCX	49080	49490	48310	49420	47477	47893	48657	49073	49837	50253	51017
Rubber	MayMCX	17800	17800	17800	17800	17800	17800	17800	17800	17800	17800	17800

Pivot Point: A predictive indicator of the market which is calculated as an average of significant prices from the performance of a market in the prior trading period. An open above the pivot point is generally considered bullish and vice versa.
 S1, S2 & S3 are supports and R1, R2, and R3 are resistances from where a turnaround can be anticipated.
 *Open, High, Low and Close prices of previous trading day / ^ Cottonseed Oil Cake



Strong bias or bullish



Choppy with positive note



Choppy or Sideways

Weak bias or bearish



Mild bearish bias



Choppy with negative note



Mild bullish bias



TRADING SIGNALS

Commodities	Intraday	Overall	Volatility		Short term		Medium term		Long term	
	View	View	1 day	Annual-ised	3 day EMA	5 day EMA	13 day EMA	22 day EMA	45 day EMA	60 day EMA
Pepper June ICEX	POSITIVE	HIGHLY POSITIVE	0.72%	11.5%	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE
Jeera June NCDEX	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	1.31%	20.8%	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE
Turmeric June NCDEX	NEGATIVE	HIGHLY NEGATIVE	1.92%	30.5%	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE
Dhaniya June NCDEX	NEGATIVE	HIGHLY NEGATIVE	2.06%	32.7%	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE
Guarseed10 June NCDEX	NEGATIVE	HIGHLY NEGATIVE	1.05%	16.7%	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE
Guargum June NCDEX	NEGATIVE	HIGHLY NEGATIVE	1.60%	25.4%	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE
Castor June NCDEX	POSITIVE	HIGHLY POSITIVE	0.73%	11.6%	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE
Kapas23 Apr NCDEX	NEGATIVE	POSITIVE	0.94%	15.0%	FLAT	NEGATIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	#N/A	#N/A
Cotton May MCX	POSITIVE	HIGHLY POSITIVE	1.13%	17.9%	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE
Cocudakl June NCDEX	NEGATIVE	HIGHLY NEGATIVE	1.38%	21.9%	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE
Barley June NCDEX	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	0.75%	11.9%	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	NEGATIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE
Menthaoil May MCX	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	1.28%	20.2%	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	FLAT	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE
Rubber May MCX	POSITIVE	HIGHLY POSITIVE	1.40%	22.2%	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE	POSITIVE

Trading signals is prepared based on statistical analysis and is purely on technical indicators like exponential moving averages (EMAs), Relative strength Index (RSI) and stochastic, putting altogether provides an idea about intraday, short, medium and long term trend of the commodities. It also signals the risk of an investment in both agricultural and global commodities as well. Based on all listed indicators above, investors were able to fix a daily, near-term and long term trends. However, must be cautious especially for real-time intraday traders/jobbers.

Trading Strategy based on EMA

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Annualised Volatility >	Risk %	Ratings	Risk %	Ratings	Risk %	Ratings	Risk %	Ratings	Risk %	Ratings
> 35%	> 35%	Very High risk	27 to 34%	High risk	20 to 26%	Moderate risk	11 to 19%	Low risk	1 to 10%	Very Low risk

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