# **AGRI PICKS**

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#### MARKET NEWS/UPDATES

- The area under rabi crops in Maharashtra has risen 41% on year to 314,352 ha in the current season as of Oct 20, according to data published by the state agriculture department. Oilseed acreage was down 35% at 627 ha from 962 ha a year ago, according to the report. Safflower and sunflower were sown over 584 ha and 17 ha, down from 725 ha and 204 ha last year, respectively. Wheat, a key rabi crop, was sown over 384 ha, up from 33 ha a year ago. The area under jowar was up 46.4% on year at 277,495 ha. The total area covered under cereals was up 41% on year at 301,888 ha. The area under pulses was 61.3% higher at 11,836 ha. Also, gram acreage was up at 11,721 ha from 7,091 ha a year ago, the data showed. The area under food grains was 313,725 ha, up 41.4% from a year ago.
- According to the IMD, Northeast monsoon rains commenced over south India on Oct 21. Rainfall in the month of October for country as a whole was at 50.8 mm, 33% below normal, while over south peninsula it stood at 58.7 mm, 60% below norma. Rainfall over south peninsula 6th-lowest since 1901 in Oct. India Nov rains is seen normal at 77-123% of long period average and for south peninsula too it is seen at 77-123% of the long period average. In the meantime, El Nino conditions to prevail till early summer next year.
- The Cotton Association of India today, in its preliminary estimate, pegged the country's cotton output for 2023-24 (Oct-Sep) 7.5% lower on year at 29.5 mln bales. One cotton bale equals 170 kg. India's cotton production in 2022-23 (Oct-Sep) was 31.9 mln bales, according to the final estimates of the association. Production of cotton in the north zone, which comprises Punjab, Haryana, and Rajasthan, is estimated steady at 4.3 mln bales, the association said in a release today. The estimate for the central zone, which comprises Gujarat, Maharashtra, and Madhya Pradesh, is seen down at 18.0 mln bales from 19.5 mln bales last year. The estimate for the south zone is also seen lower at 6.8 mln bales from 7.5 mln bales last year. Other states account for the rest of the output. The total supply of cotton for the 2023-24 season is estimated at 34.6 mln bales, down 940,000 bales from last year. The association has estimated imports in 2023-24 at 2.2 mln bales, 950,000 bales higher than in 2022-23. Cotton consumption in the Oct-Sep period was retained at 31.1 mln bales. Export shipments have been estimated lower at 1.40 mln bales, from 1.55 mln bales last year. The ending stock for the 2023-24 season has now been estimated at 2.10 mln bales from 2.89 mln bales, the release said.
- The area under rabi crops in Rajasthan has risen 25% on year to 2.6 mln ha in the current season as of Monday, according to a release by the state agriculture department. The state has set a target of 11.7 mln ha for this season. Mustard, the key rabi crop grown in the state, was sown over 1.8 mln ha, a rise of 28% on year. At 4.1 mln ha, the target set for mustard this year is nearly 10% lower than 4.55 mln ha, the actual area sown during 2022-23. The area under oilseeds was at 1.9 mln ha, against 1.5 mln ha a year ago and the target has been set at 4.36 mln ha for this season. The acreage of gram, also known as chana, was up 21% at 602,324 ha. The target for gram acreage has been set higher by 8.4% on year at 2.1 mln ha for the current rabi season. The acreage of rabi pulses is up 21.3% at 607,667 ha from the previous year. Sowing for wheat, the major foodgrain in the state, was at 6,996 ha, down from 8,150 ha a year ago as of Friday. The acreage of rabi cereals was down 38% at 12,936 ha from a year ago.
- The Securities and Exchange Board of India announced extending the suspension of trading in derivative contracts in seven agricultural commodities by one year till Dec 20, 2024. Currently, commodity derivatives contracts in non-basmati paddy, wheat, chana, mustard seeds and its derivatives, soya bean and its derivatives, crude palm oil, and moong, are under trading suspension till Dec 20. These seven commodities first came under trading suspension by SEBI in Dec 2021. It was meant to be in effect till Dec 20 last year, but near to that date SEBI extended the trading suspension by one year. Trading was suspended in the specified seven commodities due to concern about price manipulation in futures and options segment, affecting the spot prices. Since the seven commodities have vital significance in the agricultural sector and the economy, it was felt necessary to suspend trading in their futures and options contracts. SEBI's move also means that the National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange will not be able to resume derivatives trading in the seven specified commodities. NCDEX has a dominant share in agri commodity derivatives trading in the country. In Apr-Aug, NCDEX's agri commodities futures average daily turnover was 9.97 bln rupees and that in agri commodities options turnover was negligible, data from latest SEBI monthly bulletin showed. On the Multi Commodity exchange, agri commodities futures average daily turnover was 246 mln rupees in Apr-Aug, and there were no options contracts in agri commodities available for trading. The BSE Ltd had negligible trades in agri commodities futures and had no options contracts in them. NCDEX offers futures contracts in 19 agri commodities and options contracts in six. MCX offers futures contracts in three agri commodities, while BSE offers in two.
- The National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange has revised the maximum order size of all coriander futures and options contracts to 500 tn from 100 tn earlier, with effect from Nov 6. The revised maximum order size is applicable to all the existing and yet-to-be launched orders. According to trade sources, volatility in coriander derivatives market has come down in recent weeks, encouraging the exchange to hike the upper limit of the contract size.







| TECHNICAL LEVELS |          |        |        |        |        |            |           |            |       |       |       |       |
|------------------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------|-----------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Commodity        | Exchange | Open*  | High*  | Low*   | LTP*   | <b>S</b> 3 | <b>S2</b> | <b>S</b> 1 | Pivot | R1    | R2    | R3    |
| JEERAUNJHA NOV3  | NCDEX    | 43690  | 44900  | 42200  | 42700  | 38933      | 40567     | 41633      | 43267 | 44333 | 45967 | 47033 |
| TMCFGRNZM DEC3   | NCDEX    | 13682  | 14132  | 13470  | 13990  | 12934      | 13202     | 13596      | 13864 | 14258 | 14526 | 14920 |
| DHANIYA NOV3     | NCDEX    | 7228   | 7390   | 7228   | 7372   | 7108       | 7168      | 7270       | 7330  | 7432  | 7492  | 7594  |
| CASTORSEED NOV3  | NCDEX    | 5924   | 5925   | 5880   | 5897   | 5831       | 5880      | 5876       | 5901  | 5921  | 5946  | 5966  |
| GUARSEED10 NOV3  | NCDEX    | 5695   | 5804   | 5695   | 5718   | 5565       | 5630      | 5674       | 5739  | 5783  | 5848  | 5892  |
| GUARGUM5 NOV3    | NCDEX    | 11437  | 11630  | 11435  | 11500  | 11218      | 11327     | 11413      | 11522 | 11608 | 11717 | 11803 |
| MENTHAOIL NOV3   | MCX      | 924.8  | 926.0  | 912.2  | 920.0  | 899        | 906       | 913        | 919   | 927   | 933   | 940   |
| COCUDAKL DEC3    | NCDEX    | 2865   | 2960   | 2854   | 2941   | 2771       | 2812      | 2877       | 2918  | 2983  | 3024  | 3089  |
| KAPAS APR4       | NCDEX    | 1615.0 | 1631.5 | 1606.0 | 1621.0 | 1582       | 1594      | 1608       | 1620  | 1633  | 1645  | 1659  |
| COTTONCNDY NOV3  | MCX      | 58260  | 58260  | 58060  | 58100  | 57820      | 57940     | 58020      | 58140 | 58220 | 58340 | 58420 |

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

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| Common Pittor   |          | Intraday    | Medium     | n term     | RS        | ı        | Volatility |            |
|-----------------|----------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|------------|
| Commodities     | Exchange | View        | 13 day EMA | 22 day EMA | Condition | Trending | 1 day      | Annualised |
| JEERAUNJHA NOV3 | NCDEX    | NEGATIVE    | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Oversold  | Strong   | 2.86%      | 45.5%      |
| TMCFGRNZM DEC3  | NCDEX    | POSITIVE    | POSITIVE   | POSITIVE   | Neutral   | Weak     | 2.76%      | 43.7%      |
| DHANIYA NOV3    | NCDEX    | POSITIVE    | POSITIVE   | POSITIVE   | Neutral   | Strong   | 1.99%      | 31.6%      |
| GUARSEED10 NOV3 | NCDEX    | FLAT/CHOPPY | NEGATIVE   | POSITIVE   | Neutral   | Strong   | 1.53%      | 24.3%      |
| GUARGUM5 NOV3   | NCDEX    | FLAT/CHOPPY | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Neutral   | Strong   | 1.54%      | 24.4%      |
| CASTORSEED NOV3 | NCDEX    | NEGATIVE    | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Neutral   | Strong   | 1.01%      | 16.1%      |
| KAPAS APR4      | NCDEX    | NEGATIVE    | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Neutral   | Strong   | 0.78%      | 12.4%      |
| COTTONCNDY NOV3 | MCX      | NEGATIVE    | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Neutral   | Strong   | 3.41%      | 54.2%      |
| COCUDAKL DEC3   | NCDEX    | POSITIVE    | POSITIVE   | POSITIVE   | Neutral   | Strong   | 2.15%      | 34.2%      |
| MENTHAOIL NOV3  | MCX      | POSITIVE    | POSITIVE   | POSITIVE   | Neutral   | Strong   | 1.00%      | 15.9%      |
|                 |          |             |            |            |           |          |            |            |

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

Trading strategies mentioned in the report is mainly based on 3, 5, 13, 22, 45 & 60 days exponential Moving Averages. 3 and 5 day EMA has taken for developing Intraday trading strategy, 13 days and 22 days EMA for Short term and Medium term, while 45,60 days EMA for Long term. Here, we use EMAs for POSITIVE and NEGATIVE signals. POSITIVE signal is formed when a short-term moving average (eg: 30 day) crosses from below a longer-term average (eg: 60 day), which is considered bullish. Likewise, NEGATIVE signal is formed when a short-term moving average (eg: 30 day) crosses from above a longer-term moving average (eg: 60 day), which is considered bearish.

| Ailliadilaca |       | Ratings        | Risk %    | Ratings   | Risk %    | Ratings       | Risk %    | Ratings  | Risk %   | Ratings       |
|--------------|-------|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-----------|----------|----------|---------------|
| Volatility > | > 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 |

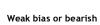
Source: Informist (Cogencis), Reuters, e-News , NCDEX, MCX, and other International exchanges.







Strong bias or bullish







Mild bullish bias



Mild bearish bias



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Choppy with negative note



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