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#### MARKET NEWS/UPDATES

- Farmers in Andhra Pradesh have sown crops over 1.98 mln ha as of Wednesday, up 3% from a year ago, according to data provided by the state's agricultural department. Around 80% of the normal acreage of 2.5 mln ha has been covered so far. The area under food grains was 1.3 mln ha as of Wednesday, up from 1.2 mln ha a year ago. The acreage of course grains rose to 153,000 ha from 125,000 a year ago, according to the data. The area under paddy was up at 956,000 ha compared to 949,000 ha a year ago, while that under maize was 105,000 ha, up from 86,000 ha a year ago. The area under pulses was 191,000 ha, up from 123,000 ha a year ago, the report showed. Under pulses, the area under redgram, or tur, rose to 170,000 ha from 109,000 ha a year ago. The acreage of total oilseeds fell to 308,000 ha from 324,000 ha a year ago. Under oilseeds, the area under groundnut was 263,000 ha as of Wednesday, down from 280,000 ha a year ago. Groundnut acreage accounts for nearly 86% of the total oilseed acreage in the state. Cotton acreage was 350,000 ha as of Wednesday, the state received 433.3 mm of rain this monsoon season, up 17.2% from the normal of 369.6 mm for the period, according to the data.
- The water level in 155 key reservoirs of the country as of Thursday was 130.800 bcm, 72% of the total live storage capacity of 180.852 bcm, according to data from the Central Water Commission. The current water storage is up 14% from a year ago and 12% from the average for the past 10 years. In the northern region, the water level in the reservoirs was 10.538 bcm, 53% of the live storage capacity, compared with 84% a year ago. In the eastern region, the water level was 12.550 bcm, 60% of the live storage capacity, against 43% a year ago. In the western region, the water level was 27.526 bcm, 74% of the live storage capacity, against 69% a year ago. In the central region, the water level was 36.691 bcm, 76% of the live storage capacity, against 73% a year ago. In the southern region, the water level was 43.495 bcm, 80% of the live storage capacity compared with 52% a year ago. Of the 155 reservoirs, 128 reported more than 80% of normal storage, while 27 reported storage levels at 80% of normal or below that. Of the 27 reservoirs, 14 had storage up to only 50% of the normal level. Since Jun 1, India has received 657.3 mm rainfall, 3% above the normal of 635.4 mm for the period, according to the India Meteorological Department.
- Farmers in Telangana sowed kharif crops over 10.1 mln acres as of Wednesday, down 7% from a year ago, according to data provided by the state's agricultural department. The acreage so far is around 78% of the normal area of 13 mln acres for the entire season. Kharif crops are sown at the beginning of the southwest monsoon season in June, and harvested at the end of the season around October. One acre is around 0.4 ha. The area under paddy, Telangana's largest kharif crop, fell to 4.1 mln acres from 4.3 mln acres a year ago, according to the report. The area under maize was 444,167 acres as of Wednesday, down from 502,303 acres a year ago. Sowing of rain-fed crops such as jowar, bajra, maize, ragi, pulses, groundnut, soybean, and cotton, as well as the transplantation of paddy, is under progress, according to the report. Paddy nurseries are being set up with the help of irrigation facilities, the report stated. The acreage of pulses was 527,288 acres as of Wednesday, against 527,327 acres a year ago. Under pulses, the acreage of redgram or tur was 442,837 acres, down from 455,636 acres a year ago, while the area under greengram, or moong, rose to 64,057 acres from 49,522 acres a year ago. The area under blackgram, or urad, was up at 19,817 acres compared with 19,095 acres a year ago. The area under oilseeds fell to 392,778 acres from 452,248 acres. Under oilseeds, the acreage of soybean was 376,986 acres, down from 443,449 acres a year ago. Ground-nut acreage doubled to 12,673 acres as of Wednesday from 6,027 acres a year ago. The area under cotton, the state's second largest kharif crop, fell to 4.2 mln acres from 4.5 mln acres a year ago, according to the report. Sugarcane acreage rose sharply to 19,424 acres as of Wednesday from 102 acres a year ago.
- Farmers across the country have sown kharif crops over 103.1 mln ha as of Tuesday, up 2% from a year ago with notable increase in acreage of paddy and pulses, data from the farm ministry showed. The sowing improved since July due to increased rainfall after a slow start in June. The area under rice, one of the most important kharif crops, rose nearly 6% on year to 36.9 mln ha as of today. Progress in sowing of paddy and rice stocks with the Centre has led the government to allow graindeficient states to buy rice from Food Corp of India through open market sales, without participating in electronic auctions. After deficient production last year, the acreage under pulses was also up 6% on year at 12 mln ha as of Tuesday. Within pulses, acreage under tur was significantly up by 12% on year at 4.5 mln ha, the ministry data showed. The sharp increase in tur acreage was mainly due to the early onset of monsoon in top tur-producing states such as Karnataka. During the last kharif season, the sowing of crops was delayed due to erratic monsoon. This also weighed on production of tur and maize and delayed the sowing of rabi crops as well. Tur acreage in Karnataka was up 23% on year at 1.6 mln ha as of Saturday, the state's sowing data showed. The increase in water levels in the state's reservoirs and above normal rainfall so far has boosted the production of this pulse. Similarly, the area under maize in Karnataka was up at 1.53 mln ha as of Saturday from 1.48 mln haa year ago. Maize acreage across the country was up 7% at 8.7 mln ha as of Tuesday. The area under oilseeds was 18.6 mln ha as of today, up 1% from the corresponding period a year ago. Soybean acreage rose 1% on year to 12.5 mln ha. The acreage under cotton was 11.1 mln ha, down 9% from a year ago. Earlier this month, India Meteorological Department said rainfall in India is likely to be above normal in the second half of the Jun-Sep monsoon season as La Nina conditions are expected to set in by the end of August. The forecast of above-normal southwest monsoon bodes well for the agricultural sector as most kharif crops are heavily reliant on rainfall. Staggered withdrawal of the monsoon would benefit kharif crops and improve the soil moisture for the rabi season too. The water level in key reservoirs in the country was 69% of the total live capacity as of Thursday, up 11% from a year ago and 14% higher than the 10-year average. So far in the southwest monsoon, the country has received 4% above-normal showers at 642.9 mm.





| TECHNICAL LEVELS |          |        |        |        |        |            |       |            |       |       |       |       |
|------------------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------|-------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Commodity        | Exchange | Open*  | High*  | Low*   | LTP*   | <b>S</b> 3 | S2    | <b>S</b> 1 | Pivot | R1    | R2    | R3    |
| JEERAUNJHA SEP4  | NCDEX    | 25395  | 25795  | 25050  | 25200  | 24157      | 24603 | 24902      | 25348 | 25647 | 26093 | 26392 |
| TMCFGRNZM OCT4   | NCDEX    | 15290  | 15290  | 14400  | 14540  | 13307      | 13853 | 14197      | 14743 | 15087 | 15633 | 15977 |
| DHANIYA SEP4     | NCDEX    | 6780   | 6816   | 6760   | 6770   | 6692       | 6726  | 6748       | 6782  | 6804  | 6838  | 6860  |
| CASTORSEED SEP4  | NCDEX    | 6211   | 6220   | 6113   | 6149   | 5994       | 6113  | 6101       | 6161  | 6208  | 6268  | 6315  |
| GUARSEED10 SEP4  | NCDEX    | 5175   | 5235   | 5137   | 5185   | 5038       | 5088  | 5136       | 5186  | 5234  | 5284  | 5332  |
| GUARGUM5 SEP4    | NCDEX    | 10051  | 10200  | 9950   | 10063  | 9692       | 9821  | 9942       | 10071 | 10192 | 10321 | 10442 |
| MENTHAOIL AUG4   | MCX      | 963.0  | 967.4  | 950.0  | 950.1  | 927        | 938   | 944        | 956   | 962   | 973   | 979   |
| COCUDAKL SEP4    | NCDEX    | 3373   | 3410   | 3330   | 3345   | 3233       | 3282  | 3313       | 3362  | 3393  | 3442  | 3473  |
| KAPAS APR5       | NCDEX    | 1599.0 | 1605.0 | 1595.0 | 1597.0 | 1583       | 1589  | 1593       | 1599  | 1603  | 1609  | 1613  |
| COTTONCNDY SEP4  | MCX      | 57670  | 57670  | 57670  | 57670  | 57670      | 57670 | 57670      | 57670 | 57670 | 57670 | 57670 |
| SUNOIL AUG4      | NCDEX    | 909    | 916    | 909    | 914    | 903        | 906   | 910        | 913   | 917   | 920   | 924   |

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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| Commodities     | Exchange | Intraday    | Mediun     | n term     | RSI        |          | Volatility |            |
|-----------------|----------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|------------|
|                 |          | View        | 13 day EMA | 22 day EMA | Condition  | Trending | 1 day      | Annualised |
| JEERAUNJHA SEP4 | NCDEX    | NEGATIVE    | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Neutral    | Strong   | 2.02%      | 32.1%      |
| TMCFGRNZM OCT4  | NCDEX    | NEGATIVE    | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Oversold   | Strong   | 1.82%      | 28.9%      |
| DHANIYA SEP4    | NCDEX    | FLAT/CHOPPY | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Oversold   | Strong   | 0.98%      | 15.6%      |
| GUARSEED10 SEP4 | NCDEX    | NEGATIVE    | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Oversold   | Strong   | 1.11%      | 17.7%      |
| GUARGUM5 SEP4   | NCDEX    | NEGATIVE    | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Oversold   | Strong   | 1.46%      | 23.2%      |
| CASTORSEED SEP4 | NCDEX    | NEGATIVE    | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Neutral    | Strong   | 0.67%      | 10.6%      |
| KAPAS APR5      | NCDEX    | NEGATIVE    | POSITIVE   | POSITIVE   | Neutral    | Strong   | 0.39%      | 6.3%       |
| COTTONCNDY SEP4 | MCX      | POSITIVE    | POSITIVE   | POSITIVE   | Overbought | Weak     | 0.77%      | 12.3%      |
| COCUDAKL SEP4   | NCDEX    | POSITIVE    | POSITIVE   | POSITIVE   | Overbought | Strong   | 2.02%      | 32.0%      |
| MENTHAOIL AUG4  | MCX      | NEGATIVE    | NEGATIVE   | NEGATIVE   | Oversold   | Strong   | 1.30%      | 20.7%      |
| SUNOIL AUG4     | MCX      | POSITIVE    | POSITIVE   | POSITIVE   | Neutral    | Strong   | 0.58%      | 9.2%       |

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

Weak bias or bearish





Mild bullish bias



Mild bearish bias





Choppy with positive note

Choppy with negative note



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