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Dear

After a long monsoon spell, with hardly any days of heat in between, we have moved into an early winter this season. Night time temperatures have dropped across several parts of the country and during the latter part of the day we are 3 – 5 degrees below the normal range that prevails at this time of the year.

With cold weather comes the increased demand for sesame seeds in the domestic markets. This phase is what many in the trade were waiting for. Ever since it was established earlier this month that the Indian winter crop is going to be miniscule in size, the mood has changed at our end and we have seen the markets rise by more than USD. 60 - 75 per ton in the last few days. Even with this jump, we are not seeing a larger supply at the market / auction yards as should be the case. This leads us to believe that practically the whole hulling industry will be forced to work with imported seed and the domestic seed will be used for local consumption.

With the current market being what it is, we are fairly expensive by global standards and export trade in natural seed could possibly slow down, including for the Korean tenders. At the same time, we continue to remain competitive for the hulled sesame business.

Black sesame continues to be a premium item even today.

Current price ideas on FOB basis for Dec – Jan shipments from India –

Natural 99/1/1 – USD. 1375.00 pmt

Natural Sortex, 99.95 % Purity – USD. 1550.00 pmt

Hulled Sesame, 99.95 % - USD. 1550.00 pmt (from brazil raw material)

Hulled Sesame, 99.95 % - USD. 1575.00 pmt (from Indian raw material)

Hulled Sesame, 99.97 % - USD. 1585.00 pmt

Hulled Sesame, 99.98 % - USD. 1595.00 pmt

Hulled Sesame, 99.98 % - USD. 1640.00 pmt (from Nigeria raw material)

Hulled Sesame, 99.98% - USD. 1650.00 pmt - For EU / USA

Black Sesame, Sortex – USD. 3350.00 pmt

Jet Black, Sortex – USD. 3575.00 pmt

We await your best inquiries.

Regards – Sanjiv Sawla

