
NATIONAL COMMODITY & DERIVATIVES EXCHANGE LIMITED

Circular to all Members of the Exchange

Circular No. : NCDEX/TRADING-044/2024

Date : October 08, 2024

Subject : Modification in contract specifications – Coriander (DHANIYA) Futures Contract

The Members hereby are requested to note that the Exchange, as per SEBI Master circular for Commodity Derivatives Segment dated August 04, 2023, specifically clause 10.2, regarding modifications and review of advance intimation timelines for modifications in the contract specifications of commodity derivatives contracts, has modified the contract specifications of Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) Futures contract from April 2025 expiry onwards **w.e.f November 01, 2024**.

Currently, Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) Futures Contracts expiring in the months of October 2024, November 2024, December 2024, and January 2025 are available for trading and would continue to be traded as per the existing contract specification. The changes will be applicable for Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) Futures contracts from April 2025 expiry onwards **w.e.f November 01, 2024**.

The running futures contracts and contracts to be launched further shall be additionally governed by the Product Note as is notified on the Exchange Website under the Tab — “Products”. Members and Participants are requested to kindly go through the same and get acquainted with the product launched and its trading and related process put in place by the Exchange.

The Members are requested to take note of the following:

1. Summary of modifications in contract specifications for Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) Futures contracts expiring in the month of **April 2025** and thereafter with effect from **November 01, 2024** is given in **Annexure I**.
2. Existing contract specifications applicable for Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) Futures contracts expiring in the month of October 2024, November 2024, December 2024, and January 2025 is given in **Annexure II**.
3. Modified contract specifications for Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) Futures contracts expiring in the month of **April 2025** and thereafter with effect from **November 01, 2024** is given in **Annexure III**.
4. Premium/Discount for delivery location difference for contracts expiring in the month of **April 2025** and thereafter with effect from **November 01, 2024** is given in **Annexure IV**.

The contracts and the transactions therein will be subject to Bye Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Exchange and circulars issued by the Exchange as well as directives, if any, issued from time to time by SEBI.

It is clarified that it is the sole obligation and responsibility of the Members and market participants to ensure that apart from the approved quality standards stipulated by the Exchange, the commodity deposited / traded / delivered through the approved warehouse of the Clearing Corporation either on their own or on behalf of them by any third part acting on behalf of the Market Participants/Constituents is in due compliance with the applicable regulations laid down by authorities like BIS, Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA), Orders under Packaging and Labelling etc., and other State/Central laws and authorities issuing such regulations in this behalf from time to time, including but not limited to compliance of provisions and rates relating to GST, APMC Tax, LBT, Stamp Duty, etc. as applicable from time to time on the underlying commodity of any contract offered for deposit/trading/delivery and the Exchange/Clearing Corporation shall not be responsible or liable on account of any non- compliance thereof.

For and on behalf of
National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange Limited

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Encl: Annexures

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Annexure I: Summary of modifications in contract specifications for Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) Futures contracts
(Applicable for contracts expiring in the month of **April 2025** and thereafter with effect from **November 01, 2024**)

Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) Futures contracts

Parameter	Earlier Quality Specification		Modified Quality Specification		Rationale
Additional Delivery Centre	Kota and Ramgunjmandi (up to the radius of 60 Kms from the municipal limits). Location Premium/Discount as notified by the Exchange from time to time		Kota (up to the radius of 60 Kms from the municipal limits). Location Premium/Discount as notified by the Exchange from time to time		As per the feedback received from market participants.
Premium/Discount for Delivery Location Difference	Ramgunjmandi	+ ₹ 300/Quintal	Kota At par		In order to align the contract with the current market dynamics.
	Kota	+ ₹ 300/Quintal			

Annexure II: Existing Contract Specifications for Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) Futures contracts

(Applicable for contracts expiring in the month of **October 2024, November 2024, December 2024, and January 2025**)

Type of Contract	Futures Contract
Name of commodity	Coriander
Ticker symbol	DHANIYA
Trading system	NCDEX Trading System
Basis	Badami Whole Dhaniya ex warehouse Gondal exclusive of GST
Unit of trading	5 MT
Delivery unit	5 MT
Maximum order size	500 MT
Quotation/ Base value	Rs. Per Quintal
Tick size	Rs. 2
Quality specification	Coriander of Indian origin with following specifications Coriander to be necessarily machine cleaned - Moisture – Basis 8% and acceptable upto 9%(Max) with moisture adjusted weight (MAW) of 1:1 - Foreign Matter – Max 0.90% - Damaged & Discolored Seeds– Max 1.90% - Shriveled Seeds- Basis 1% Acceptable upto 1.5 % with 1:1 discount - Weevil seeds – Max 0.5% - Coriander splits (Dal) – Basis 5% and acceptable upto 9.50% with 1:0.5 discount - Live infestation – Not allowed (Foreign matter includes dust, dirt, stones, lumps, earth, chaff, stalk, stem/straw, edible seeds of fruits other than Coriander)
Also Deliverable	All grades superior to Badami can be delivered
Quantity variation	+/- 2%
Delivery center	Gondal (up to the radius of 60 Kms from the municipal limits)
Additional delivery centers	Kota and Ramgunjmandi (up to the radius of 60 Kms from the municipal limits) Location Premium/Discount as notified by the Exchange from time to time
Hours of Trading	As notified by the Exchange from time to time, currently: Mondays through Fridays: 10:00 A. M. to 05:00 P.M. The Exchange may vary the above timing with due notice
Delivery Logic	Compulsory delivery

Opening of contracts	Trading in any contract month will open on the 1 st day of the month. If 1 st happens to be a non-trading day, contracts would open on the next trading day
Tender Period	Tender Date –T Tender Period: The tender period would be the last 3 trading days (including expiry day) of the contracts. Pay-in and Pay-out: On a T+2 basis. If the tender date is T, then pay-in and pay-out would happen on T+2 day. If such a T+2 day happens to be a Saturday, a Sunday or a holiday at the Exchange, Clearing Corporation, clearing banks or any of the service providers, pay-in and pay-out would be effected on the next working day.
Closing of contract	Clearing and settlement of contracts will commence with the commencement of Tender Period by compulsory delivery of each open position tendered by the seller on T+2 to the corresponding buyer matched by the process put in place by the Exchange. Upon the expiry of the contract all the outstanding open position shall result in compulsory delivery.
Due date/Expiry date	Expiry date of the contract: 20th day of the delivery month. If 20th happens to be a holiday, a Saturday or a Sunday then the due date shall be the immediately preceding trading day of the Exchange, which is other than a Saturday. The settlement of contract would be by a staggered system of Pay-in and Pay-out including the Last Pay- in and Pay-out which would be the Final Settlement of the contract.
Delivery Specification	Upon expiry of the contracts all the outstanding open positions shall result in compulsory delivery. During the Tender period, if any delivery is tendered by seller, the corresponding buyer having open position and matched as per process put in place by the Exchange, shall be bound to settle by taking delivery on T+2 day from the delivery center where the seller has delivered same. The penalty structure for failure to meet delivery obligations will be as per circular no. NCCL/CLEARING-010/2021 dated March 24, 2021 and NCCL/CLEARING-029/2021 dated August 18, 2021.
No. of active contracts	As per launch calendar
Daily Price Limit (DPL)	Daily price limit is (+/-) 4%. Once the 4% limit is reached, then after a period of 15 minutes this limit shall be increased further by 2%. The trading shall be permitted during the 15 minutes' period within the 4% limit. After the DPL is enhanced, trades shall be permitted throughout the day within the enhanced total DPL of 6%. The DPL on the launch (first) day of new contract shall be as per the circular no. NCDEX/TRADING-010/2021 dated March 22, 2021.

Position limits	Member-wise: 41,000 MT or 15% of market wide open interest in the commodity, whichever is higher Client-wise: 4,100 MT Bona fide hedger clients may seek exemption as per approved Hedge Policy of the Exchange notified vide Circular No. NCDEX/TRADING-026/2021 dated August 30, 2021. For near month contracts The following limits would be applicable from 1st of every month in which the contract is due to expire. If 1st happens to be a non-trading day, the near month limits would start from the next trading day. Member-wise: 10,250 MT or one-fourth of the member's overall position limit in that commodity, whichever is higher Client-wise: 1,025 MT																																																				
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Final Settlement Price	FSP shall be arrived at by taking the simple average of the last polled spot prices of the last three trading days viz., E0 (expiry day), E-1 and E-2. In the event the spot price for any one or both of E- 1 and E-2 is not available; the simple average of the last polled spot price of E0, E-1, E-2 and E-3, whichever available, shall be taken as FSP. Thus, the FSP under various scenarios of non-availability of polled spot prices shall be as under: <table><tr><th rowspan="2">Scenario</th><th colspan="4">Polled spot price availability on</th><th rowspan="2">FSP shall be simple average of last polled spot prices on:</th></tr><tr><th>E0</th><th>E-1</th><th>E-2</th><th>E-3</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Yes</td><td>Yes</td><td>Yes</td><td>Yes/No</td><td>E0, E-1, E-2</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Yes</td><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>Yes</td><td>E0, E-1, E-3</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>Yes</td><td>Yes</td><td>E0, E-2, E-3</td></tr><tr><td>4</td><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>No</td><td>Yes</td><td>E0, E-3</td></tr><tr><td>5</td><td>Yes</td><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>No</td><td>E0, E-1</td></tr><tr><td>6</td><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>E0, E-2</td></tr><tr><td>7</td><td>Yes</td><td>No</td><td>No</td><td>No</td><td>E0</td></tr></table>	Scenario	Polled spot price availability on				FSP shall be simple average of last polled spot prices on:	E0	E-1	E-2	E-3	1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/No	E0, E-1, E-2	2	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	E0, E-1, E-3	3	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	E0, E-2, E-3	4	Yes	No	No	Yes	E0, E-3	5	Yes	Yes	No	No	E0, E-1	6	Yes	No	Yes	No	E0, E-2	7	Yes	No	No	No	E0
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Commodity Specifications	Basis	Deliverable range	Tolerance Limit
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Damaged & Discolored Seeds	1.90%	1.90% Max	0.10%
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Weevil seeds	0.50%	-	0.10%
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Max Loss (for all the characteristics)		+/-1.01 %	

Note: Tolerance limit is applicable only for outbound deliveries. Variation in quality parameters within the prescribed tolerance limit as above will be treated as good delivery when members/clients lift the materials from warehouse. These permissible variations shall be based on the parameters found as per the immediate preceding test certificate given by NCCL empaneled assayer.

Contract Launch Calendar

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June 2024	October 2024
July 2024	November 2024
August 2024	December 2024
September-2024	January-2025
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Annexure III: Modified Contract Specifications for Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA)
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Annexure IV: Premium/Discount for delivery location difference for Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) Futures Contracts

(Applicable for contracts expiring in the month of April 2025 and thereafter with effect from November 01, 2024)

Commodity(Symbol)(Base centre)	Additional Delivery Centre	(+) Premium / (-) Discount
Coriander (Symbol: DHANIYA) (Gondal)	Kota	At Par