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News, Views & Statistics

IEA Says OPEC's Unplanned Supply Losses Could Double Its Cut

Unplanned supply losses from members Iran and Venezuela could effectively double the intended cutback of 800,000 barrels a day the cartel pledged last week, according to the International Energy Agency. There's a precedent for this: It was the Latin American country's collapsing oil industry that accelerated OPEC's effort to clear a supply glut in 2017. This time, U.S. sanctions on the Persian Gulf nation could amplify that effect. OPEC production may decline by 1.4 million barrels a day from October levels to 31.5 million a day during the first quarter and then slip further to 31.2 million in the second, according to the IEA's monthly oil market report. The reduction, which the agency says is an assumption rather than a forecast, includes both the planned OPEC cutback of 800,000 barrels a day, plus involuntary losses of 600,000 barrels day in the first quarter from Iran and Venezuela -- both of whom are exempt from making voluntary cuts. In the second quarter, the pair's reduction will rise to 900,000 barrels a day, the IEA said. If the agency's assumptions are correct, global oil inventories could shrink substantially in the second quarter, a phenomenon that's often accompanied by rising prices.

Govt procures 33.14 lakh tons of Pulses so far in 2018-19

Government has procured about 13.14 lakh tons, 18.32 lakh tons, and 33.14 lakh tons of pulses from the farmers at Minimum Support Price (MSP) during 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 (upto 03.12.18) respectively, according to data from the ministry of State for Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution. Of the total stock of pulses procured by the Union Government, 34.88 lakh tons is offered to States/ Union Territories for utilization under various welfare schemes like Mid-day-Meal (MDM), Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS), Public Distribution System (PDS), etc. with the Central Subsidy of Rs 15/- per Kg. This subsidy will be available to States/ Union Territories on the aforesaid stock up to September 2019 or till this stock lasts, whichever is earlier. Some of the States/ Union Territories have indicated their requirement of pulses under this scheme, the ministry said. As of now, the discounted price offered by the Union Government is below the procurement cost. The discount offered on the stock would entail a subsidy outgo of Rs 5232 crores on 34.88 lakh tons of pulses. Based on the requests of the States/ Union Territories, the Union Government procures up to 25% of the actual production of pulses from the farmers at MSP in the respective States/ Union Territories under the Price Support Scheme (PSS), the ministry said.

COMMODITY	CLOSE	S2	S1	PIVOT	R1	R2	TREND
SILVER	38327	38060	38193	38358	38491	38656	Up
GOLD	31518	31358	31438	31568	31648	31778	Up
CRUDE OIL	3697	3578	3638	3675	3735	3772	Reversal
COPPER	442.80	439.10	441.00	444.10	445.90	449.00	Down
NATURAL GAS	306.80	283.90	295.30	301.70	313.10	319.50	Up
JEERA	18365	18045	18205	18435	18595	18825	Reversal
TURMERIC	6764	6384	6574	6670	6860	6956	Up
SOYBEAN	3373	3347	3360	3382	3395	3417	Reversal
RM SEED	4008	3978	3993	4020	4035	4062	Down
GUAR SEED	4417	4388	4403	4428	4443	4468	Up

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COMMODITY	CLOSE	%	
		CHANGE	
LONDON SPOT GOLD	\$1242.81	-0.21	
LONDON SPOT SILVER	\$14.75	+0.14	
NYMEX CRUDE OIL	\$51.80	+0.78	
NYMEX NATURAL GAS	\$4.163	+4.08	

Economic Data

Data	Previous	Forecast	Time
Core Retail Sales	0.7%	0.2%	7:00pm
Retail Sales m/m	0.8%	0.1%	9:00pm

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