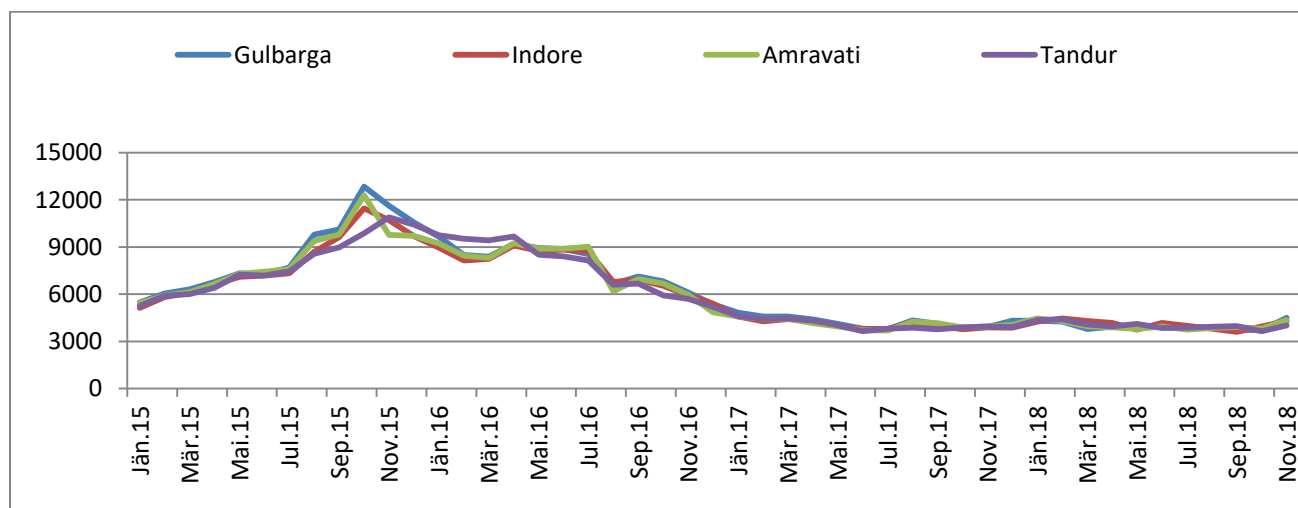


## Redgram Outlook – December 2018

Redgram is commonly known as Tur or Arhar in India and is the second important pulse crop in the country after gram (chana). The ability of redgram to produce high economic yields under soil moisture deficit makes it an important crop in rainfed and dryland agriculture. India contributes for nearly 90% of world's total redgram production.

All India kharif pulses sown area was reported as 137.93 lakh ha on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018 as against 139.49 lakh ha in the corresponding period of last year. Redgram area was reported as 45.82 lakh ha as against 45.11 lakh ha during the same period of last year. In India, major redgram producing states are Maharashtra (12.34 lakh ha), Karnataka (9.92 lakh ha), Madhya Pradesh (6.35 lakh ha), Uttar Pradesh (3.46 lakh ha), Telangana (2.77 lakh ha) and Gujarat (2.52 lakh ha).



Source: [www.agriwatch.com](http://www.agriwatch.com), [agrimarketing.telangana.gov.in](http://agrimarketing.telangana.gov.in)

**Figure 1: Average monthly prices of redgram in major markets of India (Rs/q)**

It is evident from Figure 1 that all major markets of redgram in the country were found to be highly integrated with regard to price movement. Currently redgram in major markets is being traded at a higher price compared to previous month i.e., around Rs. 4000-4500 per quintal.

The major markets for this crop in Telangana are Badepalli, Devarakadra, Gadwal, Mahabubnagar, Narayanpet, Sadasivpet, Zaheerabad, Suryapet, Tandur and Warangal. The major markets in neighboring states are Kadiri, Narsaraopet, Tiruvuru, Kurnool, Yeminiganur and Ongole

in Andhra Pradesh, Gulbarga, Sedam, Yadgiri, Bidhar, Bijapur, Bellary and Bagalkote in Karnataka, and Akola, Latur, Jalgaon and Nagpur in Maharashtra.

**Table 1: Prices and arrivals of redgram in Suryapet market during November 2018**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Arrival (Tonnes)</b>	<b>Minimum price (Rs/quintal)</b>	<b>Maximum price (Rs/quintal)</b>	<b>Model price (Rs/quintal)</b>
<b>1</b>	32	2592	3791	3744
<b>2</b>	92	3222	3824	3809
<b>3</b>	15	3195	3996	3942
<b>5</b>	31	3929	4129	4099
<b>8</b>	52	2163	4203	4164
<b>9</b>	17	3096	4109	4109
<b>10</b>	6	4041	4073	4041
<b>12</b>	39	3709	4023	3861
<b>13</b>	22	3512	3823	3663
<b>14</b>	9	3522	3843	3792
<b>15</b>	9	3433	4019	3433
<b>16</b>	15	3762	3959	3939
<b>17</b>	10	3893	3983	3979
<b>19</b>	12	3812	4023	4001
<b>20</b>	36	3482	4031	4031
<b>22</b>	18	4063	4131	4063
<b>24</b>	4	4032	4194	4046
<b>26</b>	37	2235	4428	4395
<b>27</b>	14	3996	4473	4464

Source: [tsmarketing.in/DailyArrivalsnPricesCommodityMonth.aspx](http://tsmarketing.in/DailyArrivalsnPricesCommodityMonth.aspx)

Redgram prices have continued upward momentum as bulk buyers are active sensing lower crop size in India and lower stock in Myanmar. Quotes are continuously increasing while stock of old crop is decreasing fast. Domestic buyers are buying at current rate for stock purpose. If dry weather conditions continue, redgram price may move up to the level of Rs. 4800-5000. Stockiest are unwilling to sell sensing uptrend in domestic market. Burma offers redgram at \$520 per MT basis at Indian port. Both the crop likely to arrive and old stock are offered at same price. Exporters in Myanmar are well aware of the fact that standing redgram crop situation in India is not good and hence, they may increase their quotes further for forward delivery.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expect that redgram is likely to trade in price range between Rs. 4000 - 4400 per quintal in the month of December 2018.