## **Groundnut Outlook – August 2020**

Groundnut (*Arachis hypogaea L.*) is an important oilseed crop in India which occupies first position in terms of area and second position in terms of production. China ranks first in groundnut production with 17.39 million tonnes followed by India 6.70 million tonnes, Nigeria 2.89 lakh tonnes, Sudan 2.88 million tonnes and Myanmar 1.60 million tonnes accounting for 37, 14, 6, 2 and 1 percent of total world production of 46.01 million tonnes during 2018-19.

Table 1: State wise area under groundnut in India

State	2019-20			2020-21		
	Area (lakh ha)	Area (lakh Acres)	% to total area	Area (lakh ha)	Area (lakh Acres)	% to total area
Gujarat	13.87	34.27	45.43	20.37	50.34	44.83
Rajasthan	5.25	12.97	17.20	7.06	17.45	15.54
Andhra Pradesh	2.43	6.00	7.96	6.77	16.73	14.90
Karnataka	2.28	5.63	7.47	3.05	7.54	6.71
Madhya Pradesh	1.92	4.74	6.29	2.63	6.50	5.79
Others	4.78	11.81	15.66	5.56	13.74	12.24
All India	30.53	75.44	100.00	45.44	112.28	100.00

Source: www.agricoop.com

According to the all India kharif crop coverage report, Government of India, as on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020, groundnut was sown in around 45.44 lakh hectares as compared to last year (30.53 lakh ha). Among the states, Gujarat stood first in area coverage with 20.37 lakh ha followed by Rajasthan (7.06 lakh ha), Andhra Pradesh (6.77 lakh ha), Karnataka (3.05 lakh ha) and Madhya Pradesh (2.63 lakh ha).

Table 2: State wise Wholesale Prices Monthly Analysis for Groundnut July, 2020

State	Prices July, 2020	Prices June, 2020	Prices July, 2019	% Change (Over Previous Month)	% Change (Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	4925.11	4996.74	5758.74	-1.43	-14.48
Chattisgarh	4759.49	4022.44	4388.51	18.32	8.45
Gujarat	5526.01	5659.94	5326.68	-2.37	3.74
Karnataka	5504.76	5203.15	5081.77	5.8	8.32
Madhya Pradesh		4636.4	4524.64	_	
Maharashtra	5488.89	4617.34	5390.96	18.88	1.82
Odisha	2724	5078.12	4942.86	-46.36	-44.89
Rajasthan	3874.07	4348.77	4638.73	-10.92	-16.48
Tamil Nadu	7467.21	7131.69	7292.83	4.7	2.39
Telangana	4209.93	4517.45	4299.72	-6.81	-2.09
Uttar Pradesh	4742.64	4837.61	4838.77	-1.96	-1.99
West Bengal	7255.33	6656.09	5522.76	9	31.37
Average	5134.31	5178.83	5507.89		

Source: https://agmarknet.gov.in/PriceTrends/SA\_Pri\_MonthRep.aspx

Table 3: District wise area under groundnut in Telangana State

District		2	019-20		2020-21	
	Area (ha)	Area (Acres)	% to total area	Area (ha)	Area (Acres)	% to total area
Gadwal	2339.90	5782	37.78	5186.46	12816	44.00
Warangal (Rural)	1872.08	4626	30.23	2488.82	6150	21.11
Nagarkurnool	12.14	30	0.20	939.28	2321	7.97
Wanaparthy	312.82	773	5.05	853.48	2109	7.24
Suryapet	517.19	1278	8.35	547.95	1354	4.65
Others	1139.60	2816	18.40	1772.53	4380	15.04
Total	6193.72	15305	100.00	11788.51	29130	100.00

Source: www.agritelangana.gov.in

In Telangana, groundnut has been sown in around 29,130 acres as on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2020. Among the districts, Gadwal stood first in groundnut sown area with 12,816 acres followed by Warangal (Rural) (6150 acres), Nagarkurnool (2321 acres), Wanaparthy (2109 acres) and Suryapet (1354 acres).

Table 4: Arrivals and Prices of Groundnut at Suryapet Market in the Month of July 2020

Date	Arrivals (Quintals)	Minimum Price (Rs/quintal)	Maximum Price (Rs/quintal)	Modal Price (Rs/quintal)
2	2	5,205	5,205	5,205
3	10	4,166	4,750	4,750
8	3	5,125	5,125	5,125
13	1	3,556	3,556	3,556
22	1	3,356	3,356	3,356
24	2	4,625	4,625	4,625

Source: http://agrimarketing.telangana.gov.in/indexnew.jsp

In Suryapet market about 19 quintals of groundnut was traded in price range of Rs. 3,356 - 5,205 per quintal during July 2020.

## **Groundnut Price Outlook**

The Gujarat state's groundnut exports surged to 4.7 lakh metric tonnes (MT) in fiscal year 2020 from 3 lakh MT in the previous year. The exports in volume terms rose to a 3-year high. The same in value terms reached a record high level with groundnut worth Rs. 3,600 crore being shipped in fiscal year 2020. As against this, the exports had been at Rs. 2,098 crore in the financial year 2019.

The maximum quantity of groundnut was exported to Vietnam, Indonesia, Philippines and China. Sharp increase in exports from Gujarat, the largest producer of the oilseed in India, pushed up overall groundnut exports from the country to 6.6 lakh MT (Rs 5,096 crore) in 2019-20 as compared to 4.9 lakh MT (Rs 3,298 crore) in the previous fiscal year.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expects that groundnut may trade in a range of **Rs. 4900** –**5100** per quintal during the month of August 2020.