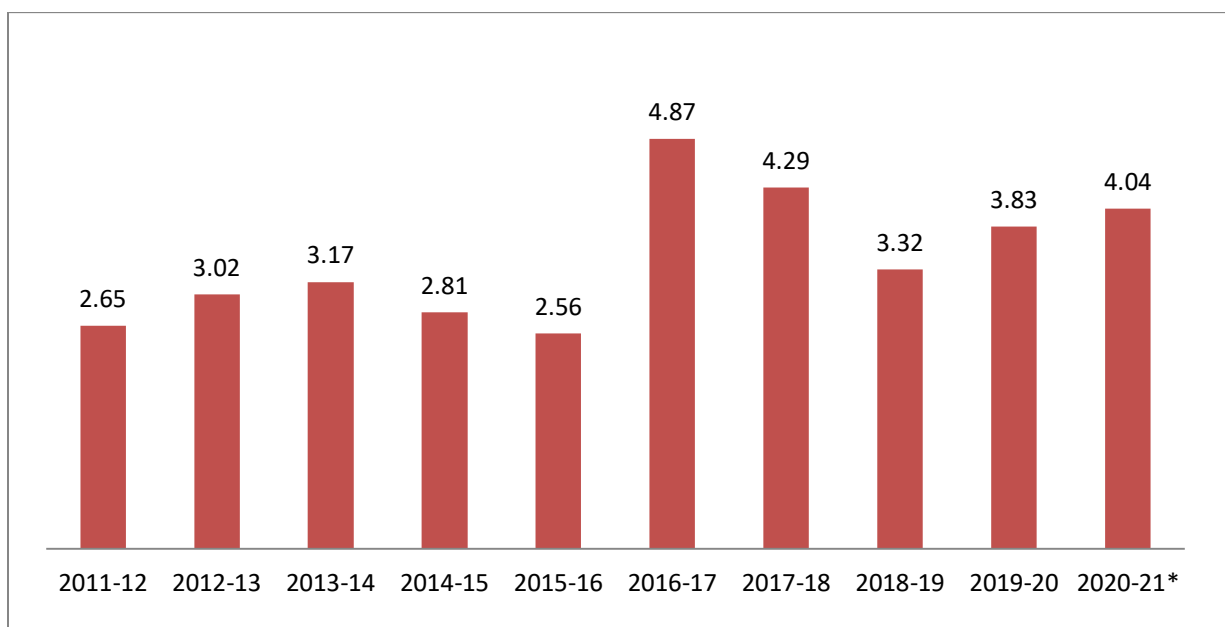


Redgram Outlook – December 2020

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 dry land agriculture. World major redgram producing countries are India (37.50 lakh tonnes), Myanmar (6.76 lakh tonnes), Malawi (4.34 lakh tonnes), Tanzania (3.15 lakh tonnes) and Haiti (0.87 lakh tonnes).

Area under redgram reported during 2020-21 was 48.24 lakh ha (119.20 lakh acres) as against 45.45 lakh ha (112.31 lakh acres) during the same period in 2019-20. In India, major redgram producing states are Karnataka 12.80 lakh ha (31.63 lakh acres), Maharashtra 12.46 lakh ha (30.79 lakh acres), Telangana 4.34 lakh ha (10.72 lakh acres), Madhya Pradesh 4.12 lakh ha (10.18 lakh acres) and Uttar Pradesh 3.53 lakh ha (8.72 lakh acres). According to Government 1st advance estimates, all India redgram production in 2020-21 is at 4.04 million tonnes.



Source: Directorate of Economics and Statistics (DES).

Figure 1: Production of Redgram in India (in million tonnes)

Table 1: Redgram Domestic Supply & Demand (in lakh tonnes)

	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21*
Opening Stocks	8.49	6.66	7.71
Production	33.20	38.30	40.4
Imports	5.30	5.00	5
Total Supply	46.99	49.96	53.11
Exports	0.33	0.25	0.4
Consumption	40.00	42.00	43.5
Total Demand	40.33	42.25	43.9
Ending Stocks	6.66	7.71	9.21

Source: www.agriwatch.com *Estimated based on 1st Advance Estimates of Government of India

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, Bidar, Bijapur, Bellary and Bagalkote in Karnataka, and Akola, Latur, Jalgaon and Nagpur in Maharashtra.

In Telangana major redgram growing districts are Vikarabad 0.74 lakh ha (1.84 lakh acres), Narayanpet 0.56 lakh ha (1.38 lakh acres), Sangareddy 0.44 lakh ha (1.08 lakh acres), Mahabubnagar 0.29 lakh ha (0.71 lakh acres), Rangareddy 0.28 lakh ha (0.69 lakh acres), Adilabad 0.25 lakh ha (0.61 lakh acres) and Yadadri 0.18 lakh ha (0.45 lakh acres). According to State Government 1st advance estimates, redgram production in 2020-21 is at 8.44 lakh tonnes with a productivity of 1976 Kg/ha (800 Kg/acre).

Supply of imported tur from Mozambique and Myanmar is likely to increase in coming weeks. New crop is hardly one month away now. NAFED has started accepting bids at Rs 6300-6350 in Maharashtra and Karnataka and offloading from central pool through NAFED is likely to continue. So fundamentals for tur remain weak now. Stockiest too have started offloading tur stocks. Demand from millers too has decreased after Diwali. So pressure may build up on price. And import time line has been extended till 31st December.

Table 2: State wise wholesale prices of Redgram during November, 2020

State	Prices November, 2020	Prices October, 2020	Prices November, 2019	% Change(Over Previous Month)	% Change(Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	5453.02	6000.9	5518.69	-9.13	-1.19
Chhattisgarh	5057.37	6784.42	4962.62	-25.46	1.91
Gujarat	5493.40	6470.49	4354.07	-15.1	26.17
Karnataka	5944.34	7131.36	5431.78	-16.65	9.44
Kerala	10563.41	9786.16	7996.95	7.94	32.09
Madhya Pradesh	4657.22	4536.28	3752.91	2.67	24.1
Maharashtra	5757.33	7339.24	5304.55	-21.55	8.54
Rajasthan	4500.00	4500.00	3744.03	0	20.19
Telangana	5142.15	5280.2	5174.28	-2.61	-0.62
Uttar Pradesh	5697.17	5558.85	4613.02	2.49	23.5
Average	6154.62	6338.79	5657.17		

Source: www.agriwatch.com

Table 3: Prices and Arrivals of Redgram in Suryapet Market during November 2020

Date	Arrivals (Quintals)	Maximum price (Rs/quintal)	Minimum price (Rs/quintal)	Modal price (Rs/quintal)
2	14	6293	5594	6293
3	16	5993	5326	5993
4	22	5646	4696	5094
5	7	5675	4793	5031
6	12	5796	4566	5796
7	20	5673	4419	5673
9	2	5594	5072	5594
10	10	5876	5636	5636
11	14	5945	3659	5945
12	11	6046	3636	5049
13	8	6134	3749	6134
16	4	5729	4653	4653
17	4	5751	5096	5096
18	1	5594	5594	5594
20	18	5895	3739	5742
21	10	5762	4491	5472
23	4	5292	3294	5066
24	3	5716	5094	5716

Source: <http://tsmarketing.in>

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expect that redgram is likely to trade in price range between Rs. 5300 - 5500 per quintal in the month of December 2020.