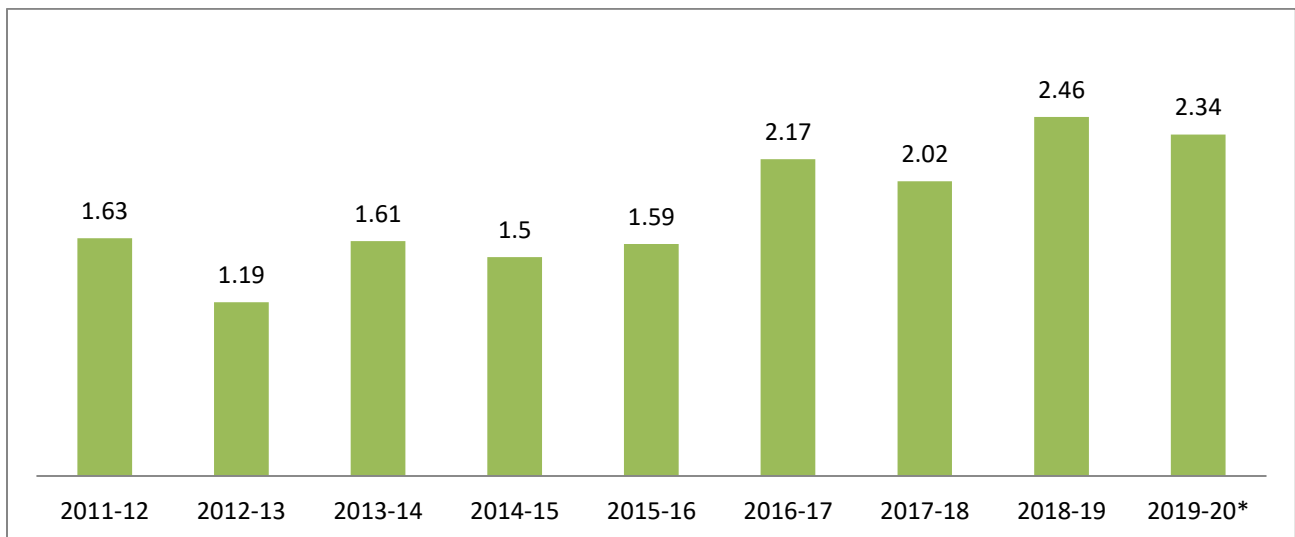


Greengram Outlook – July 2020

Greengram is an important pulse crop in India and believed to be originated from India. It is short duration legume crop grown mostly as a fallow crop in rotation with rice. Similar to the leguminous pulses, greengram enriches soil nitrogen content. It is grown mostly in Asian region traditionally, while its cultivation has spread to Africa and America relatively in the recent times. India contributes more than 70% of world's greengram production.

Kharif sowing of pulses is running smoothly and is much higher than normal area coverage till date. Good rainfall, better prices for pulses like tur, urad and moong at the time of sowing and higher MSP has encouraged farmers to grow more pulses in this kharif season. Farmers have covered 36.82 lakh ha area under kharif pulses as on 3rd July-2020. It is much higher than 9.46 lakh ha covered last year in the corresponding period.

In India during 2020-21, about 9.40 lakh ha (23.23 lakh acres) area was covered under greengram against 3.14 lakh ha (6.89 lakh acres) during the same period in 2019-20. The states of Rajasthan 3.18 lakh ha (7.76 lakh acres), Karnataka 2.49 lakh ha (6.15 lakh acres), Maharashtra 2.47 lakh ha (6.10 lakh acres), Madhya Pradesh 0.50 lakh ha (1.24 lakh acres), Odisha 0.04 lakh ha (0.11 lakh acres) and Telangana 0.30 lakh ha (0.75 lakh acres) are the major producers of greengram in India. According to Government 3rd advance estimates, greengram production in 2019-20 is at 2.34 million tonnes.



Source: Directorate of Economics and Statistics (DES), *3rd Advance Estimates

Figure 1: Production of Greengram in India (in Million tonnes)

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

	2018-19	2019-20*
Opening Stocks	7.26	9.86
Production	24.6	23.4
Imports	1.5	1.5
Total Supply	33.36	34.76
Exports	1	0.75
Consumption	22.5	23
Total Demand	23.5	23.75
Ending Stocks	9.86	11.01

Source: www.agriwatch.com * Estimated

Table 2: Prices and arrivals of Greengram in Warangal market during June 2020

Date	Arrival (Tonnes)	Minimum price (Rs/quintal)	Maximum price (Rs/quintal)	Modal price (Rs/quintal)
1	4	7416	7416	7416
2	6	7506	7002	7411
3	3	7550	6606	7515
4	6	7923	5500	6855
5	13	7826	4855	7526
8	2	7222	6666	7222
9	3	7333	7333	7333
11	1	6922	6922	6922
13	1	7622	7622	7622
15	6	7929	5519	6019
17	5	7020	5005	7020
18	1	7801	7801	7801
19	1	6322	6322	6322
20	3	6755	6755	6755
22	3	7222	6755	7222
23	5	7200	6802	6902
24	4	7222	6855	7222
25	6	7803	7506	7512
26	27	6433	6433	6433
29	6	7722	6136	7122
30	12	7222	6159	6022

Source: agrimarketing.telangana.gov.in

The major greengram growing districts in Telangana are Sangareddy 6,536 ha (16,151 acres), Mahbubabad 2,295 ha (5,672 acres), Suryapet 2,221 ha (5,488 acres), Khammam 4,036 ha (9,973 acres), Vikarabad 4,532 ha (11,200 acres) and Kamareddy 3,885 ha (9,600 acres). According to State Government 3rd advance estimates, greengram production in 2019-20 is at 0.53 lakh tonnes with productivity of 798 Kg/ha (323 Kg/acre).

New arrivals of summer moong from Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Jharkhand have started. It is being traded at Rs. 6400 to 6600 per quintal, depending on quality of the crop. Arrival from Madhya Pradesh too continues, however, quality is not as good as expected. Prices are ruling higher even though summer moong production was increased in this year.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expect that greengram is likely to trade in price range between Rs. 6500 - 6700 per quintal in the month of July 2020.