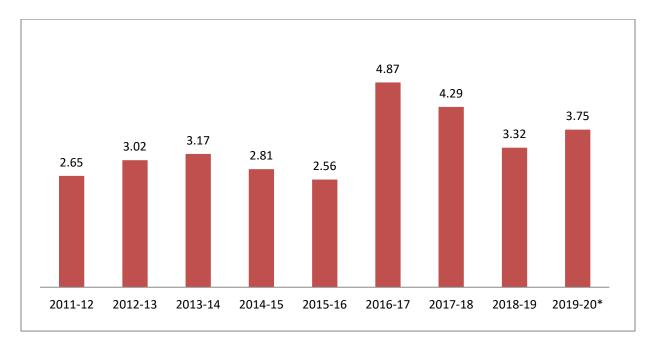
## Redgram Outlook - July 2020

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 16.56lakh ha (40.94 lakh acres) as against 2.79lakh ha (6.89lakh acres) during the same period in 2019-20. In India, major redgram producing states are Maharashtra 7.44 lakh ha (18.88 lakh acres), Karnataka 2.37 lakh ha (5.86 lakh acres), Telangana 2.30 lakh ha (5.68 lakh acres), Madhya Pradesh 1.51 lakh ha (5.86 lakh acres) and Uttar Pradesh 0.87 lakh ha (2.15 lakh acres). According to Government 3<sup>rd</sup> advance estimates, all India redgram production in 2019-20 is at 3.75 million tonnes.



Source: Directorate of Economics and Statistics (DES).\*3<sup>rd</sup> Advance Estimates

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

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

	2018-19	2019-20*
<b>Opening Stocks</b>	8.49	6.66
Production	33.20	37.50
Imports	5.30	5.00
<b>Total Supply</b>	46.99	49.16
Exports	0.33	0.25
Consumption	40.00	42.00
<b>Total Demand</b>	40.33	42.25
<b>Ending Stocks</b>	6.66	6.91

Source: www.agriwatch.com \* Estimated

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 Ongolein 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 Narayanpet 0.43 lakh ha (1.07 lakh acres), Vikarabad 0.34 lakh ha (0.85 lakh acres), Adilabad 0.23 lakh ha (0.57 lakh acres), Sangareddy 0.20 lakh ha (0.50 lakh acres), Mahabubnagar 0.20 lakh ha (0.49lakh acres), Asifabad 0.12lakh ha (0.29 lakh acres) and Gadwal 0.04 lakh ha (0.12 lakh acres). According to State Government 3<sup>rd</sup> advance estimates, redgram production in 2019-20 is at 2.67 lakh tonnes with a productivity of 902 Kg/ha (365 Kg/acre).

Slight recovery in redgram cash market was seen in this month due to active buying by mills and stockiest. Market is well aware that stock of imported redgram is lower at ports and demand is likely to improve in coming weeks. Redgram millers located in Katni region are active and sourcing redgram from Karnataka and Maharashtra right now. Redgram import quantity for millers have not been given as yet despite received applications by DGFT in May 2020. This means delay in import would make supply side tight and push prices up in domestic market. Redgram is being traded at Rs. 5700-5900 per quintal in Gulberga market while, it is traded at Rs. 5650-5850 in Jalgaon and Akola market. Myanmar too has increased quotes from \$ 650 to \$ 675 per MT basis at Indian ports.

Table 2: Prices and Arrivals of Redgram in Tandur Market during June 2020

Date	Arrival s (Quintals)	Maximum price (Rs/quintal)	Minimum price (Rs/quintal)	Modal price (Rs/quintal)
1	793	5410	4000	5391
2	461	5429	4815	5350
3	670	5508	4900	5362
4	579	5629	4675	5265
8	523	5511	4761	5130
10	526	5456	5080	5100
11	173	5454	4900	5265
12	438	5400	4100	5375
13	296	5517	4700	5454
15	300	5760	5121	5418
18	154	5823	4500	5400
19	163	5779	5319	5751
20	33	5805	5508	5701
25	129	5850	5450	5711
26	219	5931	5600	5805
29	286	6406	5805	6159

Source: http://tsmarketing.in

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expect that redgram is likely to trade in price range between Rs. 5500 - 5800 per quintal in the month of July 2020.