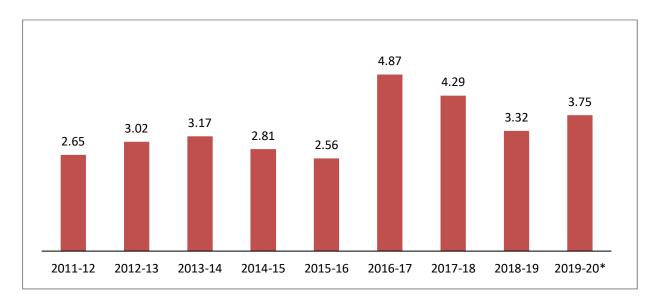
## Redgram Outlook - June 2020

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).

In India area under redgram reported during 2019-20 was 45.82 lakh ha (113.22 lakh acres) as against 45.72 lakh ha (113.02 lakh acres) during the same period in 2018-19.Major redgram growing states are Maharashtra 12.07 lakh ha (29.83 lakh acres), Karnataka 11.93 lakh ha (29.48 lakh acres), Madhya Pradesh 5.06 lakh ha (12.50 lakh acres), Uttar Pradesh 3.51 lakh ha (8.67 lakh acres) and Telangana 2.96 lakh ha (7.30 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)

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 Bagalkotein Karnataka, and Akola, Latur, Jalgaon and Nagpur in Maharashtra.

**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

In Telangana major growing districts are Narayanpet 0.59 lakh ha (1.45 lakh acres), Vikarabad 0.54 lakh ha (1.34 lakh acres), Adilabad 0.22 lakh ha (0.54 lakh acres), Sangareddy 0.17 lakh ha (0.42 lakh acres), Mahabubnagar 0.15 lakh ha (0.38 lakh acres), Gadwal 0.15 lakh ha (0.37 lakh acres), and Asifabad 0.11 lakh ha (0.28 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).

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

Date	Arrival s (Quintals)	Maximum price (Rs/quintal)	Minimum price (Rs/quintal)	Modal price (Rs/quintal)
28	435	5400	4900	5200
29	666	5350	4000	5200
30	1006	5400	4751	5000

Source: http://tsmarketing.in

There is no hope of any spike in Tur price in the near term. Normal course of business still remains disturbed due to lock down. Redgram procurement target has been fixed at 5.45 Lakh MT and as of now around 5.07 lakh MT has been procured. Steady to slightly firm movement may prevail next month.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expect that redgram is likely to trade in price range between Rs. 5200 - 5400 per quintal in the month of June2020.