

## Turmeric Outlook – June 2020

Turmeric is an important spice grown in India since ancient times. It is referred as Indian saffron and commonly called as Haldi. India is the largest producer, consumer and exporter of turmeric in the world. The global production of turmeric is around 11 lakh tonnes per annum. India dominates the world production scenario contributing 80% followed by China (8%), Myanmar (4%), Nigeria (3%) and Bangladesh (3%). Major turmeric importing countries from India are Bangladesh (15,888.88 tonnes), Iran (11,859.50 tonnes), Morocco (7,225.72 tonnes), USA (6,318.45 tonnes) and UAE (5,938.10 tonnes).

In India during 2019-20, about 2.54 lakh ha (6 lakh acres) area was covered under turmeric. The important turmeric growing states in India are Telangana 55,443 ha (1,37,000 acres), Odisha 27,864 ha (68,852 acres), Tamil Nadu 18,296 ha (45,209 acres), West Bengal 17,711 ha (43,764 acres), Karnataka 17,598 ha (43,895 acres), Assam 16,550 ha (40,895 acres), Maharashtra 14,511 ha (35,857 acres) and Andhra Pradesh 13,223 ha (32,674 acres).

In Telangana during the year 2019-20, area covered under turmeric was 0.55 lakh hectares (1.37 lakh acres ) as against 0.53 lakh hectares (1.31 lakh acres ) in the corresponding period of last year. Major turmeric growing districts in Telangana are Jagtial 13,707 ha (33,870 acres), Nizamabad 13,549 ha (33,480 acres), Nirmal 8,005 ha (19,780 acres), Warangal (Rural) 4,612 ha (11,396 acres) and Mahabubabad 4,424 ha (10,932 acres). According to Telangana State Government 3<sup>rd</sup> advance estimates, turmeric production in 2019-20 is at 3.07 lakh tonnes with productivity of 5543 Kg/ha (2243 Kg/acre).

**Table 1: Turmeric Arrival Scenario in India (in bags of 65 Kg each)**

Market	% Change Over Previous month	May-2020	Apr-2020	May-2019
Nizamabad	--	25,000	Closed	153,000
Duggirala	--	Closed	Closed	70,500
Salem	-12.38	1040	1187	73
Erode	1336.36	47,400	3,300	97,700
Sangli	--	17,605	Closed	226,000
Warangal	--	131,800	Closed	198,170
<b>Total</b>	<b>4866.46</b>	<b>222,845</b>	<b>4,487</b>	<b>745,443</b>

Source: www.agriwatch.com

Table 2: Turmeric Spot Prices (Rs/q)

State	Centre	Grade	% Change Over Previous Week	28-May-20	21-May-20	28-Apr-20	29-May-19	
Telangana	Nizamabad	Nizam quality	-	5400	Closed	Closed	6700	
		Double polish finger	-	6300	Closed	Closed	7700	
		Gattah (unpolished)	-	6400	Closed	Closed	6400	
		Gattah (double polished)	-	6000	Closed	Closed	7500	
	Warangal	Finger			Closed	Closed	Closed	-
		Round			Closed	Closed	Closed	-
Tamil Nadu	Erode	Finger	Unchanged	6200	6200	7000	7000	
		Gattah	-5.08	5600	5900	6200	6500	
		Sellem	-5.71	6600	7000	7000	8200	
	Coimbatore	Bulb	-	NR	NR	5500	-	
		Finger	-	NR	NR	6500	-	
	Salem	Bulb	-	NR	NR	NR	-	
Finger		-	NR	NR	NR	7500		
Andhra Pradesh	Duggirala	Bulb	9.00	5450	5000	Closed	5900	
		Bilty	-	NA	NA	Closed	6431	
		Finger	10.66	5450	4925	Closed	5900	
		Bilty	-	NA	NA	Closed	6431	
Maharashtra	Sangli	Rajpuri/Salem Finger	Unchanged	7000	7000	Closed	8700	
		Rajpuri Medium	Unchanged	5500	5500	Closed	8700	
		DesiKadappa	Unchanged	4800	4800	Closed	6100	
	Basmat	Salem Powder	-	Closed	Closed	Closed	-	
		Mini Salem	-	Closed	Closed	Closed	-	
		Super Salem	-	Closed	Closed	Closed	-	
		Gattah Powder	-	Closed	Closed	Closed	-	
		Gattah Premium	-	Closed	Closed	Closed	-	
Nanded	Turmeric Finger Polished	-1.82	5400	5500	Closed	7000		
	Turmeric Bulb Polished	-2.00	4900	5000	Closed	6400		
	Turmeric Mix	-2.00	4900	5000	Closed	6200		

Source: Agriwatch.com

**Table 3: Turmeric (Bulb and Finger) Prices at Nizamabad Market in May 2020**

Date	BULB				FINGER			
	Arrivals (Qtls)	Maximum Price (Rs/q)	Minimum Price (Rs/q)	Modal Price (Rs/q)	Arrivals (Qtls)	Maximum Price (Rs/q)	Minimum Price (Rs/q)	Modal Price (Rs/q)
27	1429	5855	4500	5050	3345	6121	4500	5150
28	1845	5849	4506	5060	3828	6011	4500	5202
29	3156	5100	3800	4211	5480	6118	4500	5150

Source: <http://tsmarketing.in>

Andhra Pradesh Government started Turmeric procurement in Kadapa and Duggirala spot market from 4<sup>th</sup> May onwards. As per trade information, till 4<sup>th</sup> June around 18,855 tonnes were procured. Government is procuring minimum quantity of 40 quintals from each farmer.

Last year total Turmeric supply in Nizamabad market from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019, stands at around 97,342 MT as compared to 86,842 MT in the corresponding period of previous year, supply up by 12.09%. During current year (2020), Turmeric arrivals reported around 41,328 MT from 2<sup>nd</sup> January till 20<sup>th</sup> March compared to last year same period 36,008 MT, i.e., up by 14.77%. Weak sentiment witnessed in Turmeric spot market during last month. No major development reported due to lockdown situation.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expect that Turmeric is likely to trade in price range between **Rs. 5600 – 5700** per quintal during June 2020.