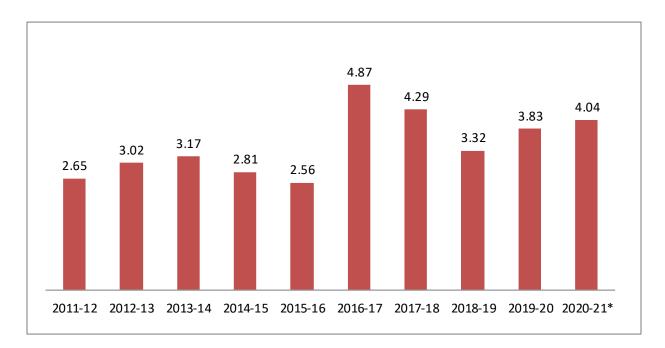
Redgram Outlook – November 2020

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)

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	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21*		
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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		
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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).

Green signal to 4 lakh MT Redgram import this week with time limit 31st Dec-2020 had a cooling impact on cash market. Buyers restricted buying and it may decrease further if stockiest decide to offload stock now. New crop is only two months away and crop condition is good so far. NAFED has around 3.5 Tur stock in its godowns. Supply of Tur would increase in physical market now. In a bid to check the increasing prices of pulses the government has planned to release 40,000 MT tur dal from buffer stock into retail markets.

Date	Arrivals (Quintals)	Maximum price (Rs/quintal)	Minimum price (Rs/quintal)	Modal price (Rs/quintal)
1	57	7006	2656	6909
3	37	7211	3689	7052
5	73	7614	2394	7542
6	30	8211	6735	8211
7	27	8312	6066	8312
8	113	7905	2359	7756
9	48	8036	5891	7816
12	86	7753	3033	7753
14	8	7362	6337	6337
19	68	7763	5873	7475
20	68	7531	4914	7439
22	31	7456	4023	7371
23	19	7394	4086	7236
27	16	7126	5202	6009
28	11	6866	5193	6264
29	12	6633	5639	6408
31	20	6539	5166	5562

Table 2: Prices and Arrivals of Redgram in Suryapet Market during October 2020

Source: http://tsmarketing.in

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expect that Redgram is likely to trade in price range between Rs. 6100 - 6400 per quintal in the month of November 2020.