

## **YASANGI (RABI) 2021-22 PRE-HARVEST PRICE FORECAST OF GROUNDNUT**

### **Groundnut Price per Quintal will be around Rs. 5600-5800 at the Time of Harvesting (January to March 2022)**

Groundnut is an important oilseed crop in India which occupies first position in terms of area and second position in terms of production after soyabean. China ranks first in groundnut production with 17.57 million tonnes followed by India 6.73 million tonnes, Nigeria 4.45 million tonnes, Sudan 2.83 million tonnes and United States of America 2.49 million tonnes accounting for 36.01, 13.79, 9.12, 5.80 and 5.11 percent of total world production of 48.80 million tonnes in 2019-20. In India major groundnut growing states are Gujarat, Rajasthan, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

According to the Department of Commerce, India shipped 5.34 lakh tonnes of groundnut for the marketing year 2020-21(Oct-Sep) up from 5.29 lakh tonnes in last marketing year 2019-20. Indian groundnuts are exported to Vietnam, Indonesia, Philippines, China, Malaysia, Russia, Ukraine and United Kingdom.

According to the 1<sup>st</sup> advance estimates, groundnut production estimate (kharif) was 82.54 lakh tonnes for 2021-22 as against 85.56 million tonnes in 2020-21 (kharif). Solvent Extractor Association of India (SEA) has estimated Gujarat's Kharif Groundnut crop production up by 8.74% at 38.55 lakh tons from an acreage of 19.10 lakh ha as compared to 35.45 lakh tonnes previous year.

According to the all India rabi crop coverage report, Government of India, as on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021, groundnut was sown in around 2.70 lakh hectares (6.67 lakh acres) as compared to last year 2.15 lakh ha (5.31 lakh acres). Among the states, Telangana stood first in area coverage with 1.14 lakh ha (2.82 lakh acres) followed by Karnataka 1.01 lakh ha (2.50 lakh acres), Andhra Pradesh 0.23 lakh ha (0.57 lakh acres), Odisha 0.15 lakh ha (0.37 lakh acres) and Tamil Nadu 0.15 lakh ha (0.37 lakh acres).

In Telangana during rabi 2021-22, as on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021 groundnut has been sown in around 2,93,807 acres (1,18,899.66 ha) as compared to 1,72,739 acres (69,905.10 ha). Among the districts, Nagarkurnool stood first in groundnut sown area with 1,37,310 acres (55,567.47 ha) followed by Wanaparthy 32,798 acres (13,272.90 ha), Mahabubnagar 22,429 acres (9,076.71 ha), Vikarabad 19,918 acres (7,904.74 ha) and Nalgonda 19,533 acres (7,904.74 ha). MSP for groundnut has been increased by Rs. 275 to Rs. 5550 per quintal for marketing season 2021-22 from Rs. 5275 per quintal in 2020-21.

The Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre established under a research project for development of price forecasting mechanism in the Department of Agricultural Economics, College of Agriculture, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad at Professor Jayashankar Telangana State Agricultural University with the financial support of Agricultural Marketing Department, Telangana State has assessed 2021-22 rabi pre-harvest price forecast of groundnut. Under normal weather and crop conditions, it is expected that the groundnut price per quintal will be around **Rs. 5600-5800** at the time of harvesting (January to March 2022). This price forecast is based on the monthly modal price of groundnut obtained for 19 years from Gadwal regulated market using econometric models like ARIMA, SARIMA, ARCH, GARCH and ANN and also the market survey. Gadwal and Wanaparty are the two major groundnut markets in Telangana.

*Note: There may be any possible deviation of the actual prices from the predicted prices in light of tentative developments in the commodity markets such as change in international prices, export or import restrictions, etc. And these price forecasts are based on past market price data & different econometric models and that actual market price may not turn out to be the same as forecasted.*