

Black gram Outlook – September 2021

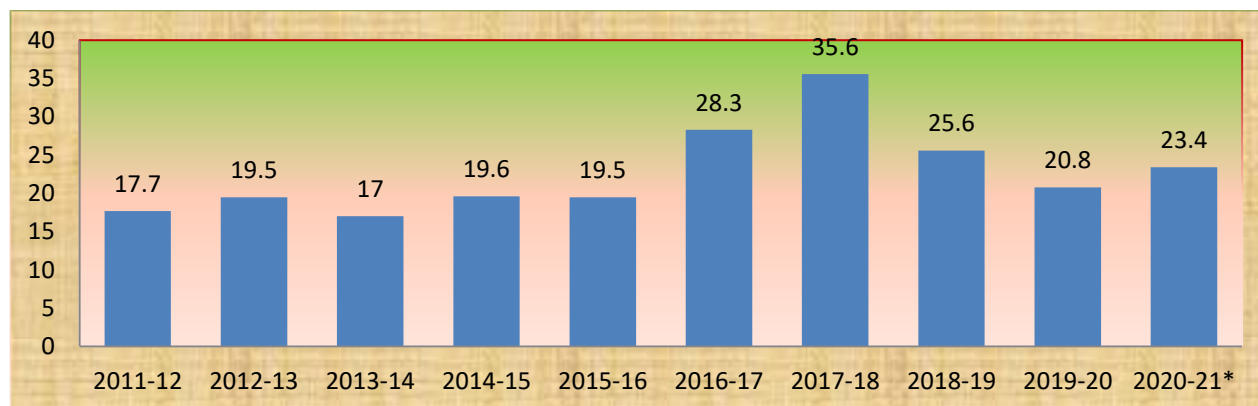
Black gram is a highly priced pulse, very rich in phosphoric acid. India currently represents the largest producer of black gram accounting for more than 70% of the global production. India is followed by Myanmar and Pakistan.

In India during kharif 2021-22, as on 03rd September 2021 black gram area is up by 0.23% to 37.94 lakh ha (93.74 lakh acres) as against 37.84 lakh ha (93.50 lakh acres) last year. The major kharif black gram growing states are Madhya Pradesh 15.37 lakh ha (37.98 lakh acres), Uttar Pradesh 6.87 lakh ha (16.98 lakh acres), Maharashtra 4.30 lakh ha (10.63 lakh acres), Rajasthan 3.97 lakh ha (9.81 lakh acres), Karnataka 0.95 lakh ha (2.36 lakh acres), Telangana 0.17 lakh ha (0.42 lakh acres) and Andhra Pradesh 0.15 lakh ha (0.37 lakh acres).

Table 1: Black gram Growing States in India

State	2020-21			2021-22		
	Area (lakh ha)	Area (lakh acres)	% to total area	Area (lakh ha)	Area (lakh acres)	% to total area
Madhya Pradesh	16.00	39.54	42.28	15.37	37.98	40.52
Uttar Pradesh	6.87	16.98	18.16	6.87	16.98	18.11
Maharashtra	3.80	9.39	10.04	4.30	10.63	11.34
Rajasthan	3.76	9.29	9.94	3.97	9.81	10.47
Karnataka	1.06	2.62	2.80	0.95	2.36	2.52
Telangana	0.18	0.45	0.48	0.17	0.42	0.43
Andhra Pradesh	0.15	0.37	0.40	0.15	0.37	0.40
Others	6.02	14.87	15.90	6.15	15.20	16.22
All India	37.84	93.50	100.00	37.94	93.74	100.00

Source: www.agricoop.nic.in



Source: Directorate of Economics and Statistics (DES), *4th Advance Estimates

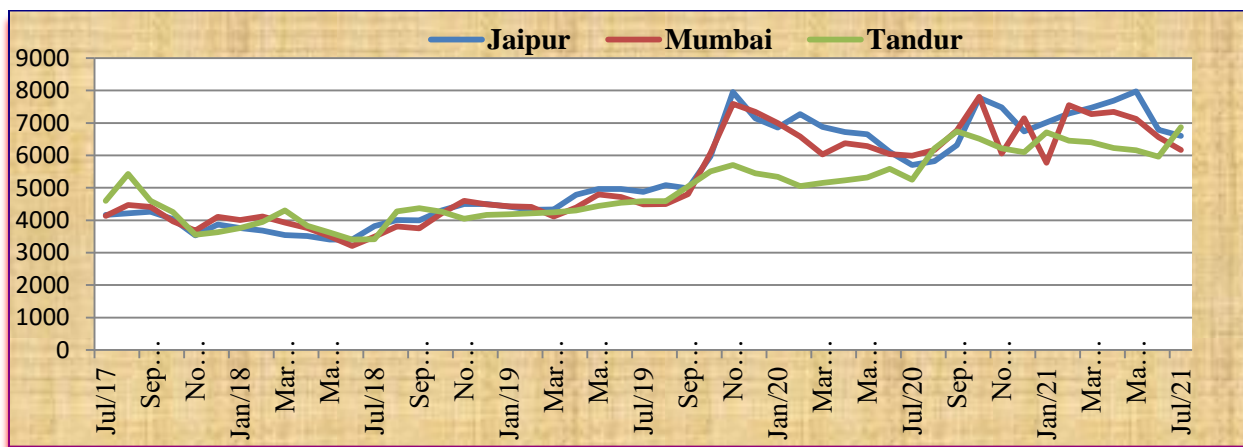
Figure 1: Production of black gram in India (in lakh tonnes)

In Telangana area coverage under black gram during Vanakalam (kharif) 2021-22 was 17066 ha (42173 acres) and major growing districts are Sangareddy 6508.16 ha (16082 acres), Kamareddy 3547.08 ha (8765 acres), Vikarabad 4108 ha (10152 acres), Nirmal 1246 ha (3081 acres), Medak 432 ha (1069 acres) and Adilabad 327 ha (810 acres).

Table 2: Black gram Growing Districts in Telangana State

State	2020-21			2021-22		
	Area (ha)	Area (acres)	% to total area	Area (ha)	Area (acres)	% to total area
Sangareddy	5431.29	13421	29.14	6508.16	16082	38.13
Vikarabad	4405.82	10887	23.64	4108.37	10152	24.07
Kamareddy	4167.05	10297	22.36	3547.08	8765	20.78
Nirmal	1791.14	4426	9.61	1246.84	3081	7.31
Medak	555.23	1372	2.98	432.61	1069	2.53
Adilabad	381.62	943	2.05	327.80	810	1.92
Others	1908.10	4715	10.24	895.98	2214	5.25
Telangana State	18640.25	46061	100.00	17066.83	42173	100.00

Source: www.agritelangana.gov.in



Source: www.agrimarketing.telangana.gov.in

Figure 2: Average monthly prices of black gram in major markets of India (Rs/q)

It is clear from Figure 2 that all major markets of black gram in the country were found to be highly integrated with regard to price movement. The black gram prices which were above Rs. 11000 per quintal in April 2016 observed continuous decline and fluctuating around Rs. 5000-7000 since last one year. Currently black gram in major markets is being traded at a normal price of around Rs. 5900-6500 per quintal.

Table 3: Average Price of Black gram in Major States of India in August, 2021

State	Prices August, 2021	Prices July, 2021	Prices August, 2020	% Change (Over Previous Month)	% Change (Over Previous Year)
Chhattisgarh	4133.73	5219.7	4397.2	-20.81	-5.99
Gujarat	6674.5	6049.98	5565.79	10.32	19.92
Karnataka	8039.95	8275.36	5308.96	-2.84	51.44
Kerala	7543.21	10499.41	10531.53	-28.16	-28.37
Madhya Pradesh	5972.37	5620.92	5183.44	6.25	15.22
Maharashtra	6857.74	5501.42	5582.34	24.65	22.85
Odisha	7974.45	7665.61	7438.8	4.03	7.2
Rajasthan	6167.04	5909.05	4146.97	4.37	48.71
Tamil Nadu	4933.49	5918.95	6007.54	-16.65	-17.88
Telangana	6821.45	6049.95	4732.94	12.75	44.13
Uttar Pradesh	6728.43	6677.54	6339.65	0.76	6.13
Average	6531.49	6671.63	5930.47		

Source; <https://agmarknet.gov.in/>

Table 4: Arrivals and Prices of Black gram in Tandur Market in August 2021

Date	Arrival (Quintals)	Minimum price (Rs/quintal)	Maximum price (Rs/quintal)	Modal price (Rs/quintal)
18	5	7,002	7,002	7,002
25	11	6,400	7,101	6,921
26	25	6,009	7,101	6,709
27	13	6,758	6,868	6,831
28	39	6,087	6,868	6,868
30	27	6,738	6,910	6,900

Source: <http://tsmarketing.in/>

In Chennai and Mumbai markets, Black gram prices moved up by Rs.100-150 to Rs.7800-7900 and Rs.7800-7850 respectively. The uptrend is likely to continue as rains expected this week may damage standing crop ready to be harvested. The low stock at port and limited volume of import too is pushing prices up. As prices of Black gram are already up and harvesting has commenced, so limited scope is for any spike at this level. Weather remains crucial and stakeholders need to have a close eye on weather condition in major growing belt. Some damage has already been reported from Kota, Baran and Ashok Nagar region. India would import 2.5 lakh MT Black gram from Myanmar as a MoU has been signed between the two governments for next five years starting from April-2021. The ongoing rains have potential to damage crop ready to be

harvested. India imported around 83000 MT black gram from April to June-2021. Import is free now, so when parity turns in favor of India, the volume of import may increase.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expects that Black gram may trade in price range between Rs. 6200 - 6600 per quintal in the month of September 2021.