

## Groundnut Outlook – April 2021

Groundnut (*Arachis hypogaea* L.) is an important oilseed crop in India which occupies first position in terms of area and second position in terms of production. China ranks first in groundnut production with 17.39 million tonnes followed by India 6.70 million tonnes, Nigeria 2.89 lakh tonnes, Sudan 2.88 million tonnes and Myanmar 1.60 million tonnes accounting for 37, 14, 6, 2 and 1 percent of total world production of 46.01 million tonnes during 2018-19.

**Table 1: State wise area under groundnut in India**

State	2019-20			2020-21		
	Area (lakh ha)	Area (lakh acres)	% to total area	Area (lakh ha)	Area (lakh acres)	% to total area
Karnataka	1.07	2.64	22.20	1.32	3.26	27.73
Telangana	1.15	2.84	23.86	0.87	2.15	18.28
Tamil Nadu	0.93	2.30	19.29	0.87	2.15	18.28
Odisha	0.78	1.93	16.18	0.72	1.78	15.13
Andhra Pradesh	0.66	1.63	13.69	0.67	1.66	14.08
Others	0.23	0.57	4.77	0.31	0.77	6.51
<b>All India</b>	<b>4.82</b>	<b>11.91</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>4.76</b>	<b>11.76</b>	<b>100.00</b>

Source: [www.agricoop.gov.in](http://www.agricoop.gov.in)

According to the all India rabi crop coverage report, Government of India, as on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021, groundnut was sown in around 4.76 lakh hectares as compared to last year (4.82 lakh ha). Among the states, Karnataka stood first in area coverage with 1.32 lakh ha followed by Telangana (0.87 lakh ha), Tamil Nadu (0.87 lakh ha), Odisha (0.72 lakh ha), and Andhra Pradesh (0.67 lakh ha).

**Table 2: State wise Wholesale Prices Monthly Analysis for Groundnut**

State	Prices March, 2021	Prices February, 2021	Prices March, 2020	% Change (Over Previous Month)	% Change (Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	5932.7	5560.54		6.69	—
Gujarat	5643.54	5470.76	5312.63	3.16	6.23
Karnataka	6028.73	5806.33	5476.78	3.83	10.08
Madhya Pradesh	5117.28	5104.55	4411.73	0.25	15.99
Maharashtra	5013.88	4977.96	5298.43	0.72	-5.37
Rajasthan	5415.78	5076.39	4349.99	6.69	24.5
Tamil Nadu	8393.97	7971.03	6788.07	5.31	23.66
Telangana	5657.14		5082.43	—	11.31
Uttar Pradesh	5408.74	5254.11	4771.36	2.94	13.36
Average	5573.88	5533.48	5325.51		

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

Table 3: District wise area under groundnut in Telangana State

Districts	2019-20			2020-21		
	Area (ha)	Area (acres)	% to total area	Area (ha)	Area (acres)	% to total area
Nagarkurnool	45737.24	113019	50.42	55101.68	136159	48.95
Wanaparthy	17587.26	43459	19.39	13420.61	33163	11.92
Gadwal	5187.67	12819	5.72	8933.04	22074	7.94
Nalgonda	3283.62	8114	3.62	7055.30	17434	6.27
Vikarabad	2641.79	6528	2.91	3344.73	8265	2.97
Others	16279.31	40227	17.95	24702.86	61042	21.95
<b>Total</b>	<b>90716.90</b>	<b>224166</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>112558.22</b>	<b>278137</b>	<b>100.00</b>

Source: [www.agritelangana.gov.in](http://www.agritelangana.gov.in)

In Telangana, groundnut has been sown in around 2,78,137 acres as on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Among the districts, Nagarkurnool stood first in groundnut sown area with 1,36,159 acres followed by Wanaparthy (33,163 acres), Gadwal (22,074 acres), Nalgonda (17,434 acres) and Vikarabad (8,265 acres).

Table 4: Arrivals and Prices of Groundnut at Mahbubnagar Market in the Month of March 2021

Date	Arrivals (Quintals)	Minimum Price (Rs/quintal)	Maximum Price (Rs/quintal)	Modal Price (Rs/quintal)
1	2,890	2,500	7,092	6,970
2	3,067	2,530	7,364	6,690
3	2,542	2,542	6,949	6,689
4	1,944	2,503	7,010	6,789
5	2,371	2,526	7,040	6,262
6	1,841	3,216	7,052	6,539
8	2,255	3,880	6,939	6,800
9	2,289	3,812	6,854	6,487
15	1,713	4,401	6,929	6,929
16	1,854	2,501	7,062	6,489
17	2,100	2,816	7,129	7,109
18	1,033	3,009	7,027	5,562
19	1,024	3,600	7,009	6,363
20	682	4,059	6,849	6,190
22	989	2,620	6,872	6,486
23	689	3,569	6,579	6,289
24	523	3,509	6,439	6,189
25	475	2,516	6,455	6,053
26	465	2,503	6,339	5,000
27	139	3,200	7,212	6,298

Source: <http://agrimarketing.telangana.gov.in>

### **Groundnut Price Outlook**

Groundnut market prices are still ruling above MSP i.e., Rs. 5275. The price increase is partly due oil demand and more of the new crop peanut going to crushing. Price of oil crushing peanuts has increased by about 30% between 19<sup>th</sup> January to 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021 from Rs. 58 to Rs. 75 per kilogram.

The international peanut market is also facing firmness. Brazil is completely out of current crop, and Argentina has little inventory available until their new crop is harvested. Significant price increase in consecutive weeks could impact Indian bold peanut destinations such as Russia, Europe and Middle East.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expects that groundnut may trade in price range of **Rs. 6250 – 6550** per quintal during the month of April 2021.