

Black gram Outlook – January 2022

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 Rabi 2021-22, as on 03rd December 2021 black gram area is down by 8.1% at 3.26 lakh ha (8.06 lakh acres) as against 3.55 lakh ha (8.77 lakh acres) last year. The major rabi blackgram growing states are Tamil Nadu 1.65 lakh ha (4.08 lakh acres), Andhra Pradesh 0.82 lakh ha (2.03 lakh acres). Odisha 0.41 lakh ha (1.01 lakh acres), Telangana 0.26 lakh ha (0.64 lakh acres) and West Bengal 0.07 lakh ha (0.17 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
Tamil Nadu	2.23	5.51	62.82	1.65	4.08	50.61
Andhra Pradesh	0.67	1.66	18.87	0.82	2.03	25.15
Odisha	0.4	0.99	11.27	0.41	1.01	12.58
Telangana	0.11	0.27	3.10	0.26	0.64	7.98
West Bengal	0.09	0.22	2.54	0.07	0.17	2.15
Others	0.05	0.12	1.41	0.05	0.12	1.53
All India	3.55	8.77	100.00	3.26	8.06	100.00

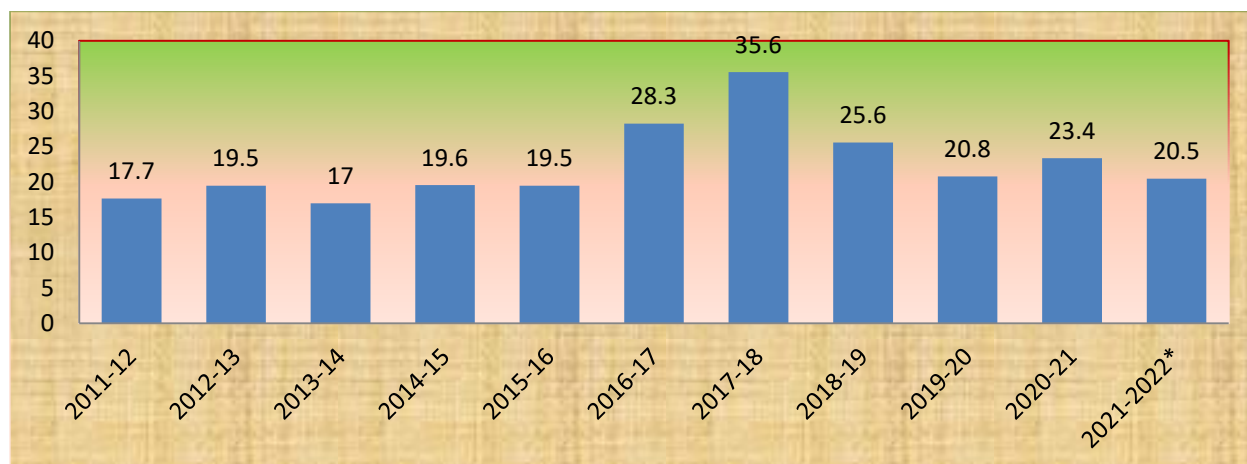
Source: www.agricoop.nic.in

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
Wanaparthy	4195.38	10367	39.33	9992.51	24692	38.81
Nagarkurnool	969.63	2396	9.09	7313.49	18072	28.40
Gadwal	3150.08	7784	29.53	2756.72	6812	10.71
Jagityal	803.30	1985	7.53	1274.36	3149	4.95
Nizamabad	16.19	40	0.15	573.85	1418	2.23
Yadadri	27.11	67	0.25	531.76	1314	2.07
Others	1356.51	3352	12.72	3173.95	7843	12.33
Telangana State	10667.53	26360	100.00	25749.38	63628	100.00

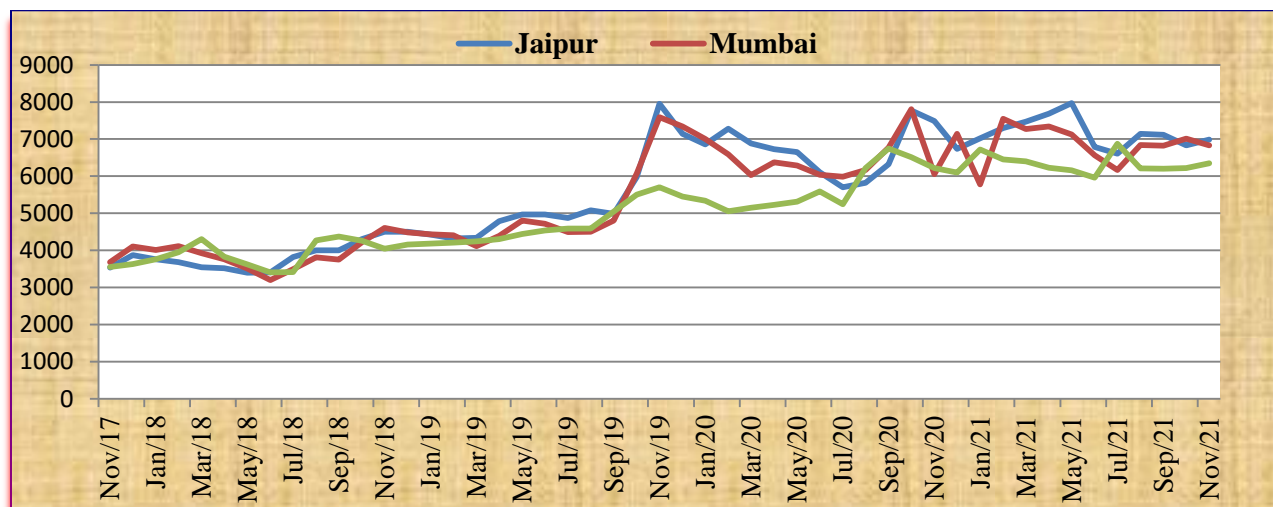
Source: www.agritelangana.gov.in

In Telangana area coverage under black gram during Yasangi (Rabi) 2021-22 was 25749.38 ha (63628 acres) and major growing districts are Wanaparthy 9992 ha (24692 acres), Nagarkurnool 7313 ha (18072 acres), Gadwal 2756 ha (6812 acres), Jagityal 1274 ha (3149 acres), Nizamabad 573 ha (1418 acres) and Yadadri 531 ha (1314 acres).



Source: Directorate of Economics and Statistics (DES), *1st Advance Estimates

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



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. 6000-6600 per quintal.

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

State	Prices December, 2021	Prices November, 2021	Prices December, 2020	% Change (Over Previous Month)	% Change (Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	4604.35	5789.43		-20.47	—
Chattisgarh	5265.52	5046.13	5694.35	4.35	-7.53
Gujarat	5934.46	5762.3	6331.04	2.99	-6.26
Karnataka	7244.87	6740.14	6665.69	7.49	8.69
Kerala	10694.89	10731.99	7939.01	-0.35	34.71
Madhya Pradesh	4872.58	5028.02	5646.75	-3.09	-13.71
Maharashtra	5854.81	5976.21	6008.99	-2.03	-2.57
Odisha	6123.26	6472.94	6439.22	-5.4	-4.91
Rajasthan	5392.68	5444.16	6139.75	-0.95	-12.17
Tamil Nadu	4567.23	4260.94	6332.25	7.19	-27.87
Telangana	5820.59	5877.55	6520.26	-0.97	-10.73
Uttar Pradesh	6677.06	6748.48	6667.5	-1.06	0.14
Average	6087.69	6156.52	6432.57		

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

Government of India has extended the free import policy of black gram with bill of landing dated on or before 31st Mar 2022 and import should be cleared from customs on or before 30th June 2022. This may help to check the spiraling prices in the domestic market to some extent. Expectation of higher import volume from Myanmar from the new crop, hardly one and a half month away from now and decreased quoted there by \$40 - 45 within a week may put pressure on the domestic markets.

Black gram FAQ and SQ are being quoted at \$775 & \$875 per MT. It may decrease further by \$40-50 in the coming months. Prices of black gram in Mumbai have decreased by 3.17% to Rs. 6633. Import flow may continue to June-2022 and it would ease supply side. So, weak tone may prevail in the cash black gram market.

Table 7: Arrivals and Prices of Black gram for the Month of December 2021 in Tandur Market

Date	Arrival (Quintals)	Minimum price (Rs/quintal)	Maximum price (Rs/quintal)	Modal price (Rs/quintal)
2	240	3,006	7,159	3,877
3	64	3,339	7,359	4,555
6	58	3,132	6,669	4,855
7	43	3,807	7,229	4,277
8	119	3,677	7,159	4,815
9	56	3,231	5,004	5,004
10	18	3,877	6,561	3,877
11	1	4,200	6,000	4,227
13	29	3,501	5,661	5,661
14	4.5	4,311	4,311	4,311
15	41	3,827	6,517	4,427
16	7	3,616	6,004	3,616
17	9	4,301	4,608	4,608
20	0.5	6,109	6,109	6,409
21	4	4,200	4,200	4,200
29	1	5,954	5,954	5,954
30	38	3,011	3,321	3,109
31	6	5,535	5,535	5,535

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

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expects that Black gram may trade in price range between Rs. 6000 - 6200 per quintal in the month of January 2022.