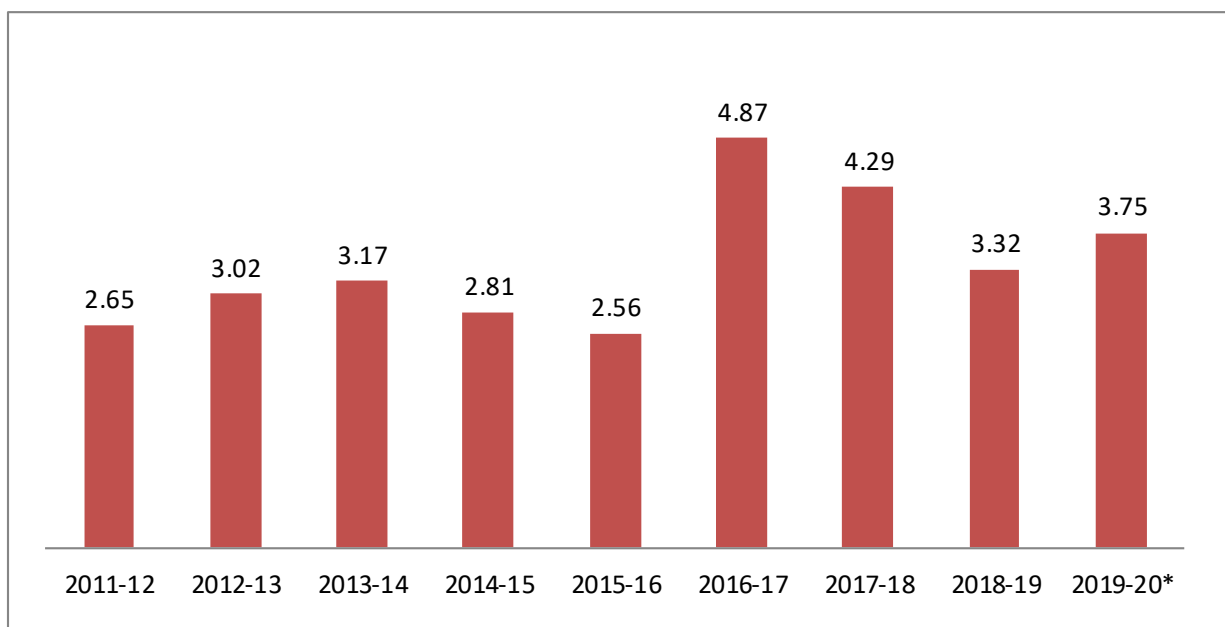


Redgram Outlook – August 2020

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 40.04 lakh ha (98.94 lakh acres) as against 37.09 lakh ha (91.65 lakh acres) during the same period in 2019-20. In India, major redgram producing states are Maharashtra 11.95 lakh ha (29.52 lakh acres), Karnataka 9.60 lakh ha (23.72 lakh acres), Telangana 3.86 lakh ha (9.54 lakh acres), Madhya Pradesh 3.88 lakh ha (9.58 lakh acres) and Uttar Pradesh 2.97 lakh ha (7.33 lakh acres). According to Government 3rd advance estimates, all India redgram production in 2019-20 is at 3.75 million tonnes.



Source: Directorate of Economics and Statistics (DES). *3rd Advance Estimates

Figure 1: Production of Redgram in India (in million tonnes)

Table 1: Redgram Domestic Supply & Demand (in lakh tonnes)

	2018-19	2019-20*
Opening Stocks	8.49	6.66
Production	33.20	37.50
Imports	5.30	5.00
Total Supply	46.99	49.16
Exports	0.33	0.25
Consumption	40.00	42.00
Total Demand	40.33	42.25
Ending Stocks	6.66	6.91

Source: www.agriwatch.com * Estimated

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 0.68 lakh ha (1.69 lakh acres), Narayanpet 0.54 lakh ha (1.35 lakh acres), Sangareddy 0.38 lakh ha (0.96 lakh acres), Mahabubnagar 0.26 lakh ha (0.66 lakh acres), Adilabad 0.24 lakh ha (0.60 lakh acres), Asifabad 0.17 lakh ha (0.43 lakh acres) and Gadwal 0.12 lakh ha (0.30 lakh acres). According to State Government 3rd advance estimates, redgram production in 2019-20 is at 2.67 lakh tonnes with a productivity of 902 Kg/ha (365 Kg/acre).

With increasing area under tur amid favourable planting conditions, tur cash market could not move up as expected last week. Around 50,000 MT tur is expected to hit Indian ports from Myanmar by the end of this month. It too would help to cap any attempts of uncertain rise. Under prevailing conditions cash market may either trade steady or slightly weak this month.

Table 2: Prices and Arrivals of Redgram in Tandur Market during July 2020

Date	Arrivals (Quintals)	Maximum price (Rs/quintal)	Minimum price (Rs/quintal)	Modal price (Rs/quintal)
1	73	6163	3569	5612
2	124	5769	4095	5436
3	88	5712	5156	5536
6	82	5668	5092	5662
7	113	5693	5032	5586
8	101	5661	5096	5619
9	40	5653	4973	5425
10	80	5674	4709	5582
11	33	5661	4896	5243
13	87	5653	4793	5552
14	51	5606	5181	5606
15	30	5639	3309	4681
18	37	5539	5192	5463
21	60	5582	3311	5292
22	91	5559	4392	5297
24	65	5544	3766	5454
25	37	5562	4729	5342
27	83	5495	2309	4946
28	53	5551	4761	4761
29	53	5549	4784	5292
31	26	5631	5004	5202

Source: <http://tsmarketing.in>

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expect that redgram is likely to trade in price range between Rs. 5200 - 5300 per quintal in the month of August 2020.