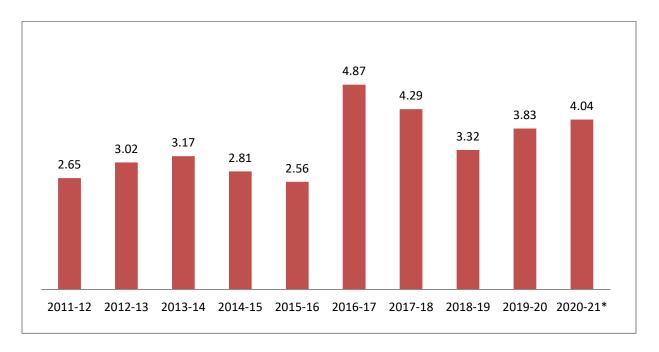
Redgram Outlook - January 2021

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 48.24 lakh ha (119.20 lakh acres) as against 45.45 lakh ha (112.31 lakh acres) during the same period in 2019-20. In India, major redgram producing states are Karnataka 12.80 lakh ha (31.63 lakh acres), Maharashtra 12.46 lakh ha (30.79 lakh acres), Telangana 4.34 lakh ha (10.72 lakh acres), Madhya Pradesh 4.12 lakh ha (10.18 lakh acres) and Uttar Pradesh 3.53 lakh ha (8.72 lakh acres). According to Government 1st advance estimates, all India redgram production in 2020-21 is at 4.04 million tonnes.



Source: Directorate of Economics and Statistics (DES).

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

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

	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21*
Opening Stocks	8.49	6.66	7.71
Production	33.20	38.30	40.4
Imports	5.30	5.00	5
Total Supply	46.99	49.96	53.11
Exports	0.33	0.25	0.4
Consumption	40.00	42.00	43.5
Total Demand	40.33	42.25	43.9
Ending Stocks	6.66	7.71	9.21

Source: www.agriwatch.com *Estimated based on 1st Advance Estimates of GoI

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 0.74 lakh ha (1.84 lakh acres), Narayanpet 0.56 lakh ha (1.38 lakh acres), Sangareddy 0.44 lakh ha (1.08 lakh acres), Mahabubnagar 0.29 lakh ha (0.71 lakh acres), Rangareddy 0.28 lakh ha (0.69 lakh acres), Adilabad 0.25 lakh ha (0.61 lakh acres) and Yadadri 0.18 lakh ha (0.45 lakh acres). According to State Government 1st advance estimates, redgram production in 2020-21 is at 8.44 lakh tonnes with a productivity of 1976 Kg/ha (800 Kg/acre).

Pressure continues on redgram cash market from import flow and new arrivals in states like Karnataka and Maharashtra. Crop condition in all producing states is good. NAFED is not accepting bids below Rs. 5500 / q while, arrival pressure is low as farmers are interested to sell their produce to government agencies at MSP. NAFED has already started preparations for procurement drive in Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expects that redgram is likely to trade in price range between Rs. 5200 - 5400 per quintal in the month of January 2021.

Table 2: State wise wholesale prices of Redgram during December, 2020.

State	Prices December, 2020	Prices November, 2020	Prices December, 2019	% Change (Over Previous Month)	% Change(Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	4894.41	5453.02	5168.74	-10.24	-5.31
Chattisgarh	2001.18	5057.37	4506.52	-60.43	-55.59
Gujarat	5246.17	5493.4	4839.38	-4.5	8.41
Karnataka	5522.57	5965.96	5230.72	-7.43	5.58
Kerala	10020.72	10563.41	8678.6	-5.14	15.46
Madhya Pradesh	4762.08	4657.22	3140.64	2.25	51.63
Maharashtra	5299.28	5756.42	4950.53	-7.94	7.04
Rajasthan	3642.38	4500	3271.8	-19.06	11.33
Telangana	5330.25	5151.31	5479.12	7.36	0.93
Uttar Pradesh	5676.25	5697.17	5022.79	-0.37	13.01
Average	5239.52	5829.52	5028.88		

Source: agmarknet.gov.in

Table 3: Prices and Arrivals of Redgram in Suryapet Market during December 2020

Date	Arrivals (Quintals)	Maximum price (Rs/quintal)	Minimum price (Rs/quintal)	Modal price (Rs/quintal)
1	5	5569	4426	4426
2	1	4366	4366	4366
3	5	5594	4793	4793
4	2	5416	5416	5416
5	5	5601	5486	5486
7	8	5729	5576	5576
9	5	5792	4694	4694
10	1	5409	5409	5409
11	4	5522	4095	4095
12	13	5921	4293	5742
15	10	5391	4691	5112
16	12	5274	3526	5013
17	4	5196	5056	5196
19	3	5175	4739	5175
21	10	5136	4106	5072
22	14	5171	4649	4833
23	1	4973	4973	4973
28	8	5234	3393	4793
29	5	5321	4109	5321
30	3	5391	5112	5112
31	5	5361	4379	5221

Source: http://tsmarketing.in