

## Groundnut Outlook – May 2024

Groundnut is an important oilseed crop in India which occupies first position in terms of area and second position in terms of production after soyabean. China ranks first in groundnut production with 18.38 million tonnes followed by India 10.13 million tonnes, Nigeria 4.28 million tonnes, United States of America 2.53 million tonnes and Sudan 2.50 million tonnes accounting for 34, 19, 8, 5 and 5 percent of total world production of 54.29 million tonnes in 2022.

According to the second advance estimates 2023-24, Government of India groundnut (kharif and rabi) crop is estimated at 86.54 lakh tonnes as compared to 102.87 lakh tonnes in 2022-23. Among the states, Gujarat is leading in groundnut production with 36.74 lakh tonnes followed by Rajasthan (20.86 lakh tonnes), Madhya Pradesh (9.09 lakh tonnes), Tamil Nadu (7 lakh tonnes), Karnataka (3.69 lakh tonnes) and Telangana (1.98 lakh tonnes).

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

State	2022-23			2023-24		
	Area (lakh ha)	Area (lakh acres)	% to total area	Area (lakh ha)	Area (lakh acres)	% to total area
Karnataka	1.65	4.08	29.05	1.11	2.74	22.75
Odisha	1.10	2.72	19.37	1.00	2.47	20.49
Tamil Nadu	0.95	2.35	16.73	0.96	2.37	19.67
Telangana	0.93	2.30	16.37	0.84	2.08	17.21
Andhra Pradesh	0.81	2.00	14.26	0.72	1.78	14.75
Others	0.24	0.59	4.23	0.25	0.62	5.12
All India	5.68	14.04	100.00	4.88	12.06	100.00

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

According to the all India rabi crop coverage report, Government of India, as on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024, groundnut was sown in around 4.88 lakh hectares as compared to last year (5.68 lakh ha). Among the states, Karnataka stood first in area coverage with 1.11 lakh ha followed by Odisha (1.00 lakh ha), Tamil Nadu (0.96 lakh ha), Telangana (0.84 lakh ha) and Andhra Pradesh (0.72 lakh ha).

**Table 2: District wise area under groundnut in Telangana State**

Districts	2022-23			2023-24		
	Area (ha)	Area (acres)	% to total area	Area (ha)	Area (acres)	% to total area
Nagarkurnool	48188.42	119076	49.05	42294.98	104513	49.78
Wanaparthy	9136.20	22576	9.30	8614.15	21286	10.14
Nalgonda	8411.00	20784	8.56	7401.31	18289	8.71
Vikarabad	8745.27	21610	8.90	5440.60	13444	6.40
Mahabubnagar	4694.36	11600	4.78	4465.71	11035	5.26
Others	19074.89	47135	19.41	16745.11	41378	19.71
Total	98250.14	242781	100.00	84961.86	209945	100.00

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

In Telangana, groundnut has been sown in around 2,09,945 acres as on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024. Among the districts, Nagarkurnool stood first in groundnut sown area with 1,04,513 acres followed by Wanaparthy (21,286 acres), Nalgonda (18,289 acres), Vikarabad (13,444 acres) and Mahabubnagar (11,035 acres). MSP for groundnut has been increased by Rs. 527 to Rs. 6377 per quintal for marketing season 2023-24 from Rs.5850 per quintal in 2022-23.

**Table 3: State wise Wholesale Prices Monthly Analysis for Groundnut April, 2024**

State	Prices April, 2024	Prices March, 2024	Prices April, 2023	% Change (Over Previous Month)	% Change (Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	6435	6511	6586	-1.17	-2.29
Chhattisgarh	6285	5317	2390	18.21	162.97
Gujarat	6168	6214	7074	-0.74	-12.81
Karnataka	6314	6343	5999	-0.46	5.25
Madhya Pradesh	5540	5228	5861	5.97	-5.48
Maharashtra	5441	5716	5941	-4.81	-8.42
Odisha	7200	7500	7500	-4	-4
Rajasthan	5582	5280	6625	5.72	-15.74
Tamil Nadu	8127	8987	9278	-9.57	-12.41
Telangana	6114	6385	6494	-4.24	-5.85
Uttar Pradesh	5390	5453	6059	-1.16	-11.04
West Bengal	11400	10698	8890	6.56	28.23
Average	6666.33	6636	6804.38		

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

**Table 4: Arrivals and Prices of Groundnut at Gadwal Market in the Month of April, 2024**

Date	Arrivals (Quintals)	Minimum Price (Rs/quintal)	Maximum Price (Rs/quintal)	Modal Price (Rs/quintal)
1	25	5,521	6,929	6,929
2	39	5,889	6,868	6,868
6	16	6,409	7,020	6,409
13	26	6,089	6,819	6,819
15	26	4,068	7,189	7,189
16	15	6,209	6,809	6,809

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

### Groundnut Price Outlook

Groundnut weekly average prices in Rajkot declined marginally by 0.7% at INR 6,091/Qtl and made low of 6,025 and high of 6,175 amid stable groundnut oil prices. Over the past month, prices went down by 1%, over the last three months up by 1%.

Additionally, prices have decreased by 3% over the past six months, while showing loss of 7% in the last year. Furthermore, Groundnut oil average prices at Rajkot remained stable at INR 1458/10 Kg.

As per trade sources, cumulative groundnut exports from October 2023 to March 2024 remained lower by 9%, totaling 4.29 lakh tonnes compared to 4.73 lakh tonnes during the same period last year.

Additionally, groundnut exports declined in March 2024 by 22% to 0.68 lakh tonnes compared to 0.88 lakh tonnes in the corresponding period last year. Indonesia (35%) and Vietnam (17%) remained the top importers. The decline in exports is putting pressure on domestic prices.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expects that groundnut may trade in a range of **Rs. 6650–7050** per quintal during the month of May 2024.