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## Commodity Price Forecast

(for May 2025)

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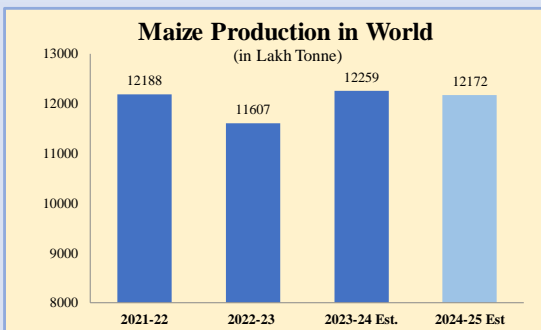
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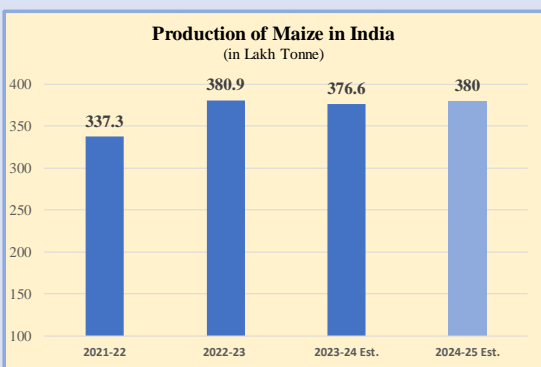
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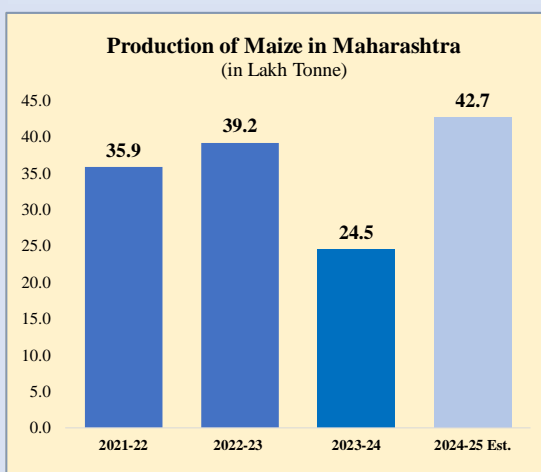
**Maize** is one of the most important cereal crops cultivated globally. In India, maize is cultivated throughout the year in most of states for various purposes including grain, feed, fodder, food and industrial products. The maize prices are determined by supply and demand factors in India.



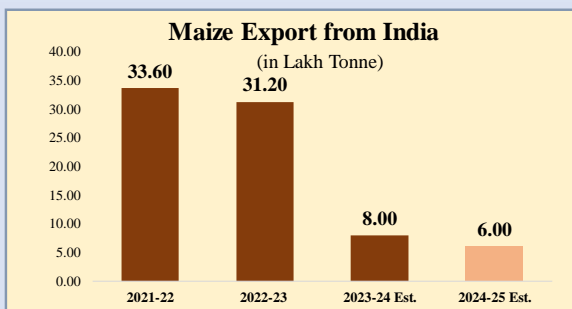
As per the USDA, maize production will decrease by 0.6 percent in 2024-25 compared to last year.



As per the USDA, in the year 2023-24, India's maize production is expected to decrease by 1.5 percent compared to the previous years. The production of maize in 2024-25 is expected to increase by 0.90 percent compared to 2023-24.

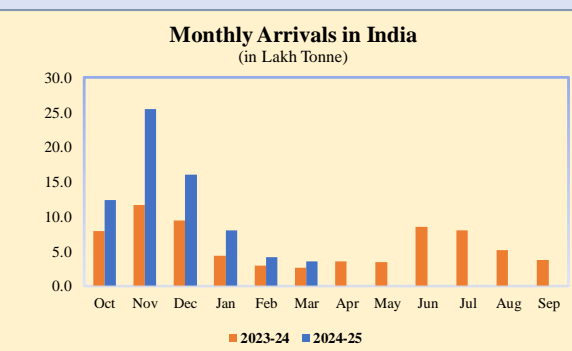


According to the MoA, Government of India (based on 2nd advance estimates), the total maize production in the state is estimated to increase by 74.12 percent in 2024-25 as compared to 2023-24.

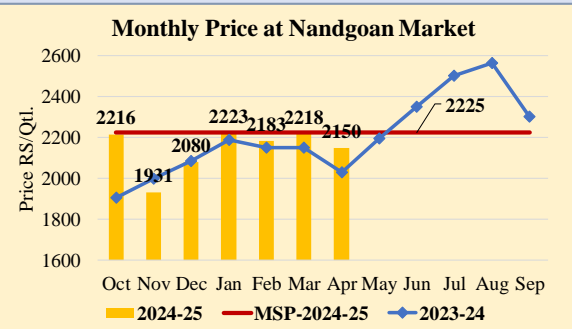


According to the USDA, maize exports are estimated at 6 lakh metric tons in 2024-25, which is a decrease of 25% compared to last year.

India's maize exports fell to a four-year low in the 2023-24 period due to higher domestic prices and a reduced crop. The increased demand from ethanol, poultry, and starch manufacturers also contributed to the decline in exports.



The arrival of maize in the country in March 2025 has increased by 38.20 % compared to the previous year March 2024.



\* Prices of April 2025 (up to 20 April)

During the last three years, the average prices of maize in Nandgoan market for the month of April was as follows:

May 2022 - Rs. 2083 Qtl.

May 2023 - Rs. 1742 Qtl.

May 2024 - Rs. 2197 Qtl.

The Minimum Support Price (MSP) of Maize for 2024-25 is Rs.2225 per qtl.

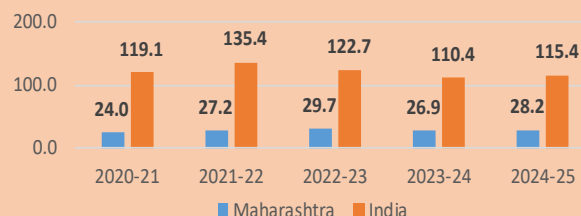
**Forecast of Maize Price in Nandgoan market for May 2025 is Rs. 2100 to 2400 / Qtl.**

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**Gram:** Gram (Harbhara) is one of the major rabi pulse crops cultivated and consumed in India. It is also known as Bengal gram. Gram is second most important pulse crop in the world which accounts for about 20% of the world pulses production. Six countries including India, Australia, Turkey, Myanmar, Pakistan and Ethiopia account for about 90% of world gram production. India is the major producing country of gram, contributing for over 70-75% of total production in the world. Gram accounts for about 40 - 50% of total pulses produced in the country. It is consumed in whole, split (Dal) and floor (Besan) forms, all over the country.

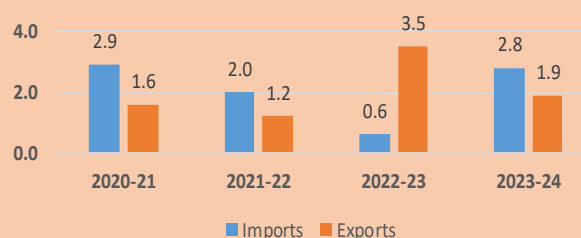
## Gram Production: All India & Maharashtra (Lakh Tonnes)



Gram is a Rabi crop, sown in October - November, harvested in March -April. According to latest Advance estimate released by Government of India, the production of Gram in 2024-25 will be around 115.40 lakh tonnes, higher than the previous year.

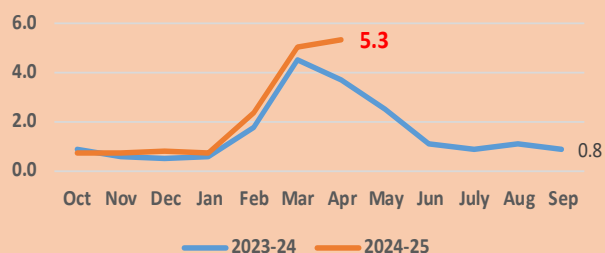
Production in Maharashtra is expected to increase from 26.9 lakh tonnes in 2023-24 to 28.20 lakh tonnes in the Current year (2024-25).

## Imports and Exports of Gram (Lakh tonnes)



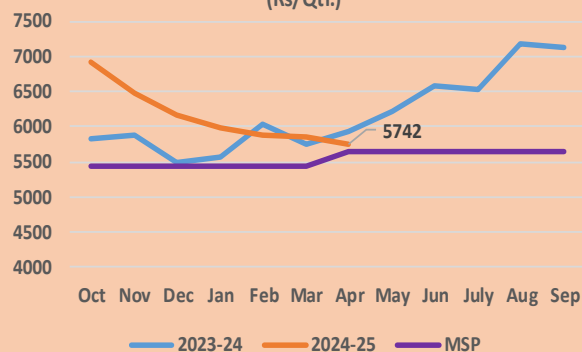
The Export of gram have been decreased during 2023-24 as compared to the previous year (2022 -23), while the import have been increased during 2023-24 as compared to the previous year (2022-23).

## All India Market Arrivals (Lakh tonnes)



The peak marketing season for Gram is between March and May. The arrivals in April (Till 28th April) in the current year (2024-25) are higher than previous year. During April 2025 they are 5.3 lakh tonnes, as compared to 3.7 lakh tonnes in the corresponding period, last year.

## Gram Prices in Latur Market (Rs/Qtl.)



Since October 2024, the prices of Gram have been decreasing; Current gram prices are higher than the Minimum Support Price announced for the current Rabi season (2024-25)

The average prices during May in last three years were:

May 2022 :	Rs. 4,480/quintal
May 2023 :	Rs. 4,781/quintal
May 2024 :	Rs. 6,221/quintal

The Minimum Support Price announced for the Rabi marketing season 2024-25 (Rs. 5,650/Quintal).

## Forecast of Prices for Latur Market

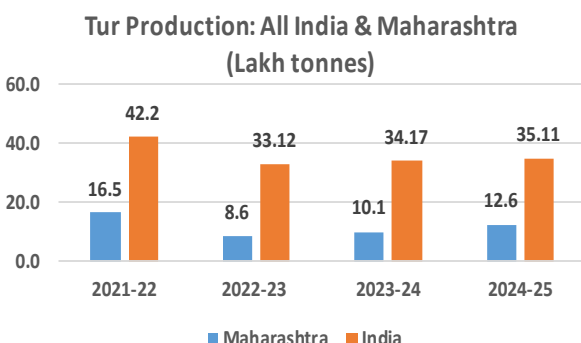
May 2025: Rs. 5,500 to 6,000/Quintal

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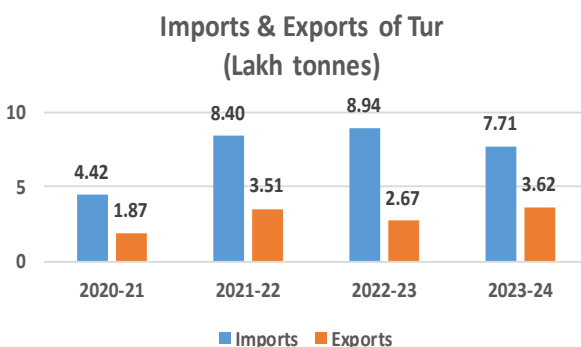
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**Tur:** India is the largest producer and consumer of Tur in the world. Maharashtra, Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh account for more than 60% production of Tur in India. Tur market is influenced by last year's inventory, imported stocks lying in various ports and current year's production. Government has opened up Tur for export and set restrictions on pulses imports.

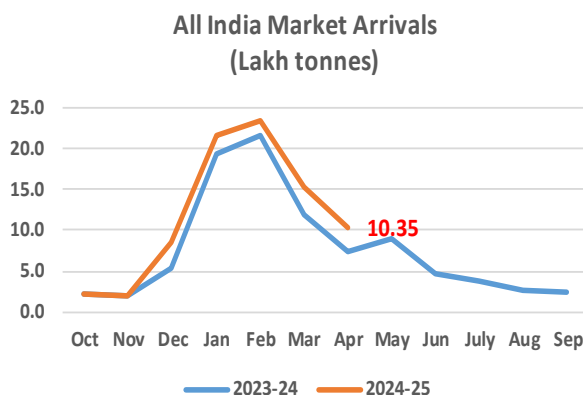


Tur is kharip crop, sown in June-July, harvested in Dec-Jan. According to the latest estimates released by Government of India, the production of Tur in 2024-25 is around 35.11 lakh tonnes, which is higher than the previous year.

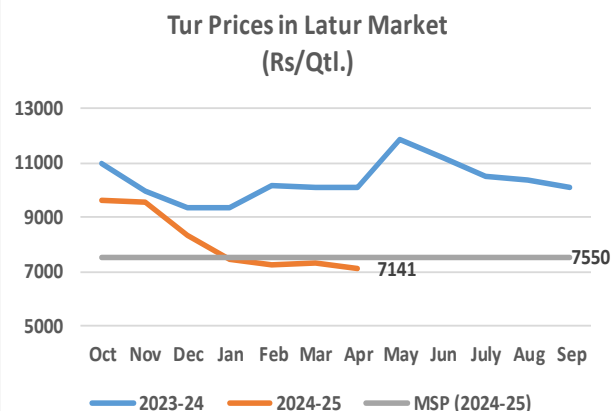
Production in Maharashtra is expected to increase from 10.10 lakh tonnes in 2023-24 to 12.60 lakh tonnes in the Current year (2024-25).



The Imports of tur have been decreased during 2023-24 as compared to the previous year (2022-23), while the export have been increased during 2023-24 as compared to the previous year (2022-23).



The peak marketing season for Tur is between Dec and April. The arrivals in April (Till 28th April) in the current year (2024-25) are higher than previous year. During April 2025 they are 10.35 lakh tonnes, as compared to 7.5 lakh tonnes in the corresponding period, last year.



Since Nov 2024, the prices of Tur have been Decreasing; The prices of tur in current year are lower than the prices in the previous year.

The average prices during May in last three years were:

May 2022 :	Rs. 6,073 /quintal
May 2023 :	Rs. 9,042 /quintal
May 2024 :	Rs. 11,845 /quintal

The Current prices are below than the Minimum Support Price announced for the kharip season 2024-25 (Rs. 7,550/quintal).

## Forecast of Prices for latur Market

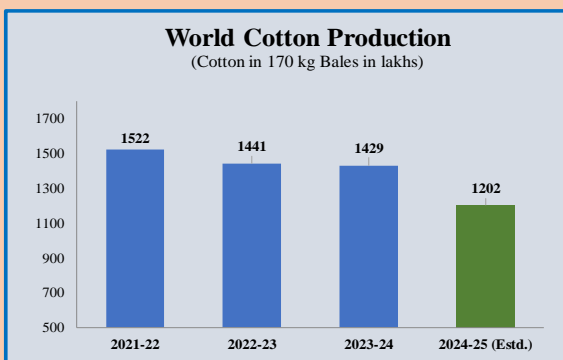
**May 2025: Rs. 7,000 to 7,700/Quintal**

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**Cotton** is one of the most important commercial crop cultivated in India which is known as 'White-Gold'. Globally India is the major producing country of cotton followed by China and U.S.A. It accounts around 25% of the total global cotton production.



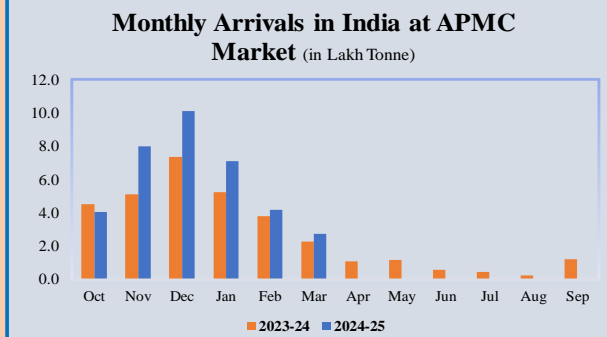
World production is estimated to decrease to 1202 lakh bales in 2024-25. Overall, the outlook for world cotton demand for the 2024-25 marketing year takes on a slightly negative tone as the economic outlook has improved in the past few months.



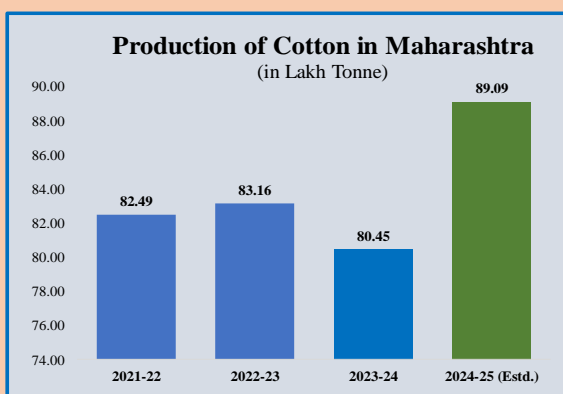
In terms of national imports and exports, imports and exports are projected to increase in 2023-24 over the previous year. The same trend is seen globally, with an average increase of 6% in imports and exports over the previous year.



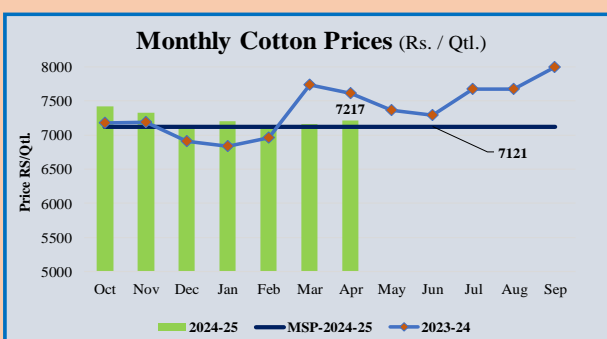
USDA-FAS Mumbai estimates marketing year 2024-25 India cotton production at 25.4 million 480 lb. bales on 12.4 million hectares area planted, a two percent decrease from the previous year due to the expectation that farmers will shift cotton acreage to higher return crops such as pulses, maize, and paddy. (Source: USDA - Cotton Outlook)



The arrival of cotton in the country in March 2025 has increased by 21.20 % compared to the previous year March 2024.



According to the MoA, Government of India (based on 2nd advance estimates), the total cotton production in the state is estimated to increase by 10.73 percent in 2024-25 as compared to 2023-24.



\* Prices of April 2025 (up to 20 April)

During the last three years, the average prices of cotton in Rajkot market for the month of April was as follows:

May 2022 - Rs. 11804 Qtl.

May 2023 - Rs. 7587 Qtl.

May 2024 - Rs. 7361 Qtl.

The Minimum Support Price (MSP) of medium staple cotton for 2024-25 is. Rs. 7121 per qtl.

**Forecast of Cotton Prices for the Month of May 2025 is Rs. 7,200 to 7,800/- Qtl.**

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