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To
The Editor,
Sir,

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I request that the following message may kindly be published in your esteemed daily:

TNAU Price Forecast for Maize

The TN-IAM Project funded Price Forecasting Scheme of the Centre for Agricultural and Rural Development Studies, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore has developed market advisory for Maize.

India produced 31 million tonnes in an area of 9.89 Million hectares in 2020-21 with the productivity of 3.13 t/ha. India has exported 0.36 million tonnes of maize to the world in 2021-22. The major maize producing states of India are Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Rajasthan and Bihar. The major export destinations of Indian maize are Nepal, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Pakistan and Bhutan.

In Tamil Nadu, maize is cultivated in an area of 0.4 million hectare with 2.56 million tonnes of production during 2020-21. The major maize growing districts of Tamil Nadu are Salem, Dindigul, Namakkal, Pudukottai, Tiruppur, Villuppuram, Perambalur and Ariyalur.

According to the trade sources, the crop status is normal in all the major maize producing states. The prevailing price situation for chicken meat and egg would strengthen the maize demand. Further, subsequent price rise may depend on export orders largely from our neighboring countries. The North East Monsoon will also have an impact on maize productivity in the Southern states.

The Price Forecasting Scheme has analyzed the maize prices that prevailed in Udumalpet Regulated Market for the past 27 years. As per the analysis and market survey, the farm gate price of good quality maize during harvest, will be Rs.1900-2000 per quintal. Hence, farmers are advised to take up appropriate marketing decision.

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