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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 Oilseeds

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 oilseeds.

A. Groundnut

According to the Second Advance Estimates of Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare (2022-23), the area under groundnut is nearly 60.15 lakh hectares with a production of 85.82 lakh tonnes. The major groundnut growing states are Gujarat (45%), Rajasthan (18%), Tamil Nadu (9%), Madhya Pradesh (6%), Andhra Pradesh (6%) and Karnataka (5%). The above states together contribute nearly 89 per cent of the total groundnut production in India.

Tamil Nadu is one of the major groundnut growing states of the country accounting for a production of nearly 9.49 lakh tonnes annually. Tiruvannamalai, Villupuram, Vellore, Kanchipuram, Thiruvallur, Cuddalore, Namakkal, Krishnagiri, Salem and Dharmapuri are the major growing districts in Tamil Nadu.

Price Forecasting Scheme team has analyzed the past 12 year historical prices that prevailed in Tindivanam Regulated Market for groundnut. As per the results of the analysis and market survey, the farm gate price of good quality groundnut during harvest (May'2023) would be around Rs.75-80 per Kg. The price may subject to change based on the arrivals of the summer irrigated crop. Hence, farmers are advised to take up the selling decision accordingly.

B. Sesame

According to the Second estimation of Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare (2022-23), the area under sesame is nearly 17.23 lakh hectares with a production of 7.49 lakh tonnes. The major sesame growing states are Madhya Pradesh, West Bengal, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat and Tamil Nadu in India. It is grown in an area of 0.52 lakh hectares with a production of 0.34 lakh tonnes normally in Tamil Nadu. Sesame is largely grown in Villupuram, Erode, Thanjavur, Karur, Salem, and Cuddalore district in the following seasons: Chithiraipattam, Aadipattam, Karthigaipattam and Masipattam.

Red gingelly varieties are used for oil purpose and black gingelly varieties are mainly used in confectionaries. White Gingelly mainly used for export. India exports most of sesame seeds to United States, Vietnam, South Korea and Netherlands and is the largest exporter of sesame seeds in the World. The stable demand for sesame seeds and sesame related products is due to the healthy eating trend.

Price forecasting team has analyzed the past 12 year prices for sesame that prevailed in Sivagiri Regulated Market of Erode district. As per the results of the time series analysis, the farm gate price of good quality of sesame during harvest (May'23) would be Rs. 120-125 per kg. Hence, the farmers are advised to take appropriate selling decision.

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