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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 Small Onion

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 small onion.

Small onion is mainly cultivated in Southern India. According to the First Advance Estimates of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (2022-23), the area under small onion is 0.46 lakh hectares with a production of 5.53 lakh tonnes. Dindigul, Tirupur, Perambalur, Trichy and Namakkal are the major shallot producing districts in Tamil Nadu. Small onion accounts for nearly 80 percent of the total onion produced in Tamil Nadu with a productivity of 12 tonnes per hectare.

According to the trade sources, the price of small onion will be stable in the coming months. Currently, Tamil Nadu markets received arrivals from Chamrajnagar from Karnataka. It is expected that market arrivals from Kollegal of Karnataka and Udumalpet region of Tamil Nadu in another couple of weeks.

The price forecasting team has analyzed the past 10 year historical prices that prevailed in Dindigul Market for small onion. As per the results of the time series analysis, the farm gate prices of good quality small onion during October'2023 would be around Rs. 45-48 /kg and subsequent price fluctuation would be subjected to the onset of monsoon and arrivals from Karnataka. Hence, farmers are advised to take appropriate marketing decisions accordingly.

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