

## **Turmeric Outlook – March, 2025**

Turmeric is an important spice grown in India since ancient times. It is referred as Indian saffron and commonly called as Haldi. India is the largest producer, consumer and exporter of turmeric in the world. The global production of turmeric is around 11 lakh tonnes per annum. India dominates the world production scenario contributing 80% followed by China (8%), Myanmar (4%), Nigeria (3%) and Bangladesh (3%).

In 2023-24, India had exported 1.62 lakh tonnes of turmeric compared to 1.70 lakh tonnes in the previous year. Major turmeric importing countries from India are Bangladesh (37,577 tonnes), UAE (17,316 tonnes), Malaysia (8,465 tonnes), USA (8,602 tonnes), Morocco (7,826 tonnes) and Iran (5,443 tonnes).

In India, area under turmeric reported during 2023-24 was 2.97 lakh ha (7.35 lakh acres). Major turmeric cultivating states are Maharashtra 0.90 lakh ha (2.22 lakh acres), Odisha 0.33 lakh ha (0.82 lakh acres), Tamil Nadu 0.23 lakh ha (0.57 lakh acres), Madhya Pradesh 0.25 lakh ha (0.61 lakh acres), West Bengal 0.20 lakh ha (0.49 lakh acres) and Telangana 0.14 lakh ha (0.35 lakh acres).

According to Central Government 3<sup>rd</sup> advance estimates, all India turmeric production in 2023-24 is at 10.42 lakh tonnes. Major turmeric producing states are Maharashtra (3.30 lakh tonnes), Telangana (1.14 lakh tonnes), Tamil Nadu (1.04 lakh tonnes), Karnataka (1.02 lakh tonnes), Madhya Pradesh (0.91 lakh tonnes), Odisha (0.74 lakh tonnes) and West Bengal (0.53 lakh tonnes).

Major turmeric growing districts in Telangana during 2024-25 are Nizamabad 9284 ha (22941 acres), Jagtial 3931 ha (9714 acres), Nirmal 2243 ha (5542 acres), Vikarabad 629 ha (1555 acres), Warangal 340 ha (841 acres) and Mahabubabad 149 ha (369 acres). According to Telangana State Government 3<sup>rd</sup> advance estimates, turmeric production in 2023-24 is at 1.14 lakh tonnes from 0.14 lakh ha (0.35 lakh acres) with productivity of 8024 Kg/ha (3247 Kg/acre).

**Table 1: Major Turmeric Growing Districts in Telangana**

District	2023-24			2024-25		
	Area (ha)	Area (acres)	% to total area	Area (ha)	Area (acres)	% to total area
<b>Nizamabad</b>	8357	20650	47.73	9284	22941	54.49
<b>Jagtial</b>	4617	11409	26.37	3931	9714	23.07
<b>Nirmal</b>	3166	7824	18.08	2243	5542	13.16
<b>Vikarabad</b>	817	2020	4.67	629	1555	3.69
<b>Warangal</b>	146	362	0.84	340	841	2.00
<b>Mahabubabad</b>	146	360	0.83	149	369	0.88
<b>Others</b>	260	642	1.48	460	1136	2.70
<b>Telangana State</b>	17510	43267	100.00	17036	42098	100.00

Source: Horticulture department, Telangana State

**Table 2: State wise wholesale prices weekly analysis for turmeric fourth week of February, 2025**

State	Prices 24-28 Feb 2025	Prices 16-23 Feb 2025	Prices 09-15 Feb 2025	Prices 24-28 Feb 2024	% Change (Over Previous Week)	% Change (Over Previous Week)	% Change (Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	9535	9612	10417	11576	-0.8	-8.47	-17.63
Karnataka	12500	13249	13283	19000	-5.65	-5.89	-34.21
Kerala	14339	6640	16614		115.95	-13.69	—
Madhya Pradesh	9309	17538	9529		-46.92	-2.31	—
Maharashtra	17651	16738	15410	13240	5.45	14.54	33.32
Manipur			8750		—	—	—
Meghalaya			24000		—	—	—
Nagaland				2200	—	—	—
Tamil Nadu				12129	—	—	—
Telangana	10178	10089	10074	10271	0.88	1.03	-0.91
Uttar Pradesh		19891	19975		—	—	—
West Bengal	15875	15868	15897	10880	0.04	-0.14	45.91
<b>Average</b>	<b>12769.57</b>	<b>13703.12</b>	<b>14394.9</b>	<b>11328</b>			

Source: [www.agriwatch.com](http://www.agriwatch.com)

**Table 3: State wise Wholesale Prices Monthly Analysis for Turmeric February, 2025**

State	Prices February, 2025	Prices January, 2025	Prices February, 2024	% Change (Over Previous Month)	% Change (Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	9970	10284	10802	-3.05	-7.7
Chhattisgarh	5000	7583		-34.06	—
Karnataka	12810	12600	14397	1.67	-11.02
Kerala	8453	3173		166.4	—
Madhya Pradesh	11063	14067		-21.35	—
Maharashtra	15917	13267	16240	19.97	-1.99
Manipur	8750			—	—
Meghalaya	25250	24000		5.21	—
Odisha			3000	—	—
Tamil Nadu			11961	—	—
Telangana	10191	11247	10303	-9.39	-1.09
Uttar Pradesh	19357	19806	14176	-2.27	36.55
West Bengal	15890	14963	10858	6.2	46.34
<b>Average</b>	<b>12968.27</b>	<b>13099</b>	<b>10444.89</b>		

Source: [www.agriwatch.com](http://www.agriwatch.com)**Table 4: Turmeric (Bulb and Finger) Prices at Nizamabad Market in February, 2025**

Date	BULB				FINGER			
	Arrivals (Qtls)	Maximum Price (₹/q)	Minimum Price (₹/q)	Modal Price (₹/q)	Arrivals (Qtls)	Maximum Price (₹/q)	Minimum Price (₹/q)	Modal Price (₹/q)
1	970	9,429	8,056	8,678	30	11,455	10,000	10,019
3	2,756	11,378	9,001	9,800	5,438	12,888	10,000	11,200
5	2,835	9,000	9,888	11,400	5,478	13,347	10,000	11,500
6	1,850	11,520	9,000	9,778	4,144	13,321	10,000	11,505
10	6,306	11,511	9,000	9,889	8,506	13,137	10,000	11,388
11	2,085	10,718	9,000	9,655	4,608	12,988	10,000	11,200
12	1,738	11,320	9,000	9,595	3,502	12,345	10,000	11,000
14	1,457	11,105	9,000	9,389	4,608	12,339	10,000	11,005
15	2,585	9,465	8,000	8,500	5,868	11,439	9,000	9,550
19	2,938	10,727	8,000	9,372	6,350	12,388	10,000	11,070
20	2,898	10,310	8,000	9,339	6,465	12,717	10,000	11,000
21	3,193	10,389	8,000	9,300	8,005	12,389	10,000	11,000
24	6,950	10,598	8,000	9,335	15,710	12,388	10,000	11,050

Source: Department of Agricultural Marketing, Govt. of Telangana

Duggirala spot market reported arrivals of medium-quality produce and the good quality new stocks are expected around 20<sup>th</sup> March. Current prices for low-quality arrivals are standing at Rs. 9,200 - Rs. 9,300 per quintal. Nizamabad spot market has reported new arrivals with a moisture content ranging from 18% to 20%. It is anticipated that a total of 85 lakh bags (1 bag = 70 kg) of new arrivals will be received this season. In the Warangal turmeric spot market, there were no arrivals reported due to low stocks with farmers. In the Marathwada region, the new arrivals are expected to be in full swing after Holi. According to trade sources, overall, the new crop yields are anticipated to be 10-15% lower. Despite concerns over lower yields, demand remains weak, limiting significant upward price movement.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTAU expects that Turmeric may trade in price range between ₹ 10,900 – ₹ 11,200 per quintal during March 2025.