

Turmeric Outlook – January, 2026

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 2024-25, India had exported 1.37 lakh tonnes of Turmeric. Major Turmeric importing countries from India are Bangladesh (26,285 tonnes), UAE (22,062 tonnes), Malaysia (6,419 tonnes), USA (6,689 tonnes), Morocco (6,288 tonnes) and Iran (6,094 tonnes).

In India, area under turmeric reported during 2024-25 was 3.18 lakh ha (7.85 lakh acres). Major turmeric cultivating states are Maharashtra 0.89 lakh ha (2.19 lakh acres), Odisha 0.30 lakh ha (0.75 lakh acres), Tamil Nadu 0.24 lakh ha (0.58 lakh acres), Madhya Pradesh 0.26 lakh ha (0.65 lakh acres), West Bengal 0.20 lakh ha (0.49 lakh acres) and Telangana 0.16 lakh ha (0.41 lakh acres).

According to Central Government 3rd advance estimates, all India turmeric production in 2024-25 is at 11.48 lakh tonnes. Major turmeric producing states are Maharashtra (3.34 lakh tonnes), Tamil Nadu (1.45 lakh tonnes), Karnataka (1.36 lakh tonnes), Telangana (1.33 lakh tonnes), Madhya Pradesh (0.96 lakh tonnes), Odisha (0.60 lakh tonnes) and Assam (0.58 lakh tonnes).

Major turmeric growing districts in Telangana in 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 1st advance estimates, turmeric production in 2024-25 is at 1.33 lakh tonnes from 0.16 lakh ha (0.41 lakh acres) with productivity of 8100 Kg/ha (3278 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
Nizamabad	8357	20650	47.73	9284	22941	54.49
Jagtial	4617	11409	26.37	3931	9714	23.07
Nirmal	3166	7824	18.08	2243	5542	13.16
Vikarabad	817	2020	4.67	629	1555	3.69
Warangal	146	362	0.84	340	841	2.00
Mahabubabad	146	360	0.83	149	369	0.88
Others	260	642	1.48	460	1136	2.70
Telangana State	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 December, 2025

State	Prices 24-31 Dec 2025 (Rs./Quintal)	Prices 16-23 Dec 2025 (Rs./Quintal)	Prices 24-30 Nov 2025 (Rs./Quintal)	Prices 24-31 Dec 2024 (Rs./Quintal)	Change (Over Previous Week)	Change (Over Previous Month)	Change (Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	12,198.13	11,399.01	11,105.86	11,228.81	↑ 7.0%	↑ 9.8%	↑ 8.6%
Chhattisgarh	-	-	-	14,133.89	-	-	-
Karnataka	15,000.00	13,053.96	12,500.00	14,057.97	↑ 14.9%	↑ 20.0%	↑ 6.7%
Kerala	19,100.00	19,266.67	-	16,400.00	↓ 0.9%	-	↑ 16.5%
Madhya Pradesh	16,211.40	15,638.00	16,907.84	13,463.87	↑ 3.7%	↓ 4.1%	↑ 20.4%
Maharashtra	15,696.90	15,040.38	13,820.62	12,127.22	↑ 4.4%	↑ 13.6%	↑ 29.4%
Odisha	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	-	-	-
Telangana	13,431.65	13,314.33	12,769.21	12,578.15	↑ 0.9%	↑ 5.2%	↑ 6.8%
Uttar Pradesh	18,000.00	-	-	20,625.00	-	-	↓ 12.7%
West Bengal	-	-	-	14,922.46	-	-	-
Average	14,954.76	13,958.91	12,850.59	14,393.04	-	-	-

Source: www.agriwatch.com

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

State	Prices December, 2025 (Rs./Quintal)	Prices November, 2025 (Rs./Quintal)	Prices December, 2024 (Rs./Quintal)	Change (Over Previous Month)	Change (Over Previous Year)
Andhra Pradesh	11,669.58	11,625.56	11,053.67	↑ 0.4%	↑ 5.6%
Chhattisgarh	-	-	14,133.89	-	-
Karnataka	13,278.47	11,382.11	12,088.10	↑ 16.7%	↑ 9.8%
Kerala	19,098.36	-	18,004.43	-	↑ 6.1%
Madhya Pradesh	15,541.44	13,943.24	12,564.08	↑ 11.5%	↑ 23.7%
Maharashtra	14,499.50	13,858.47	12,468.38	↑ 4.6%	↑ 16.3%
Meghalaya	29,000.00	29,000.00	14,805.26	-	↑ 95.9%
Nagaland	1,500.00	-	2,557.58	-	↓ 41.4%
Odisha	10,000.00	10,000.00	-	-	-
Telangana	13,168.44	12,866.08	12,116.34	↑ 2.4%	↑ 8.7%
Uttar Pradesh	13,081.25	17,968.25	20,202.05	↓ 27.2%	↓ 35.2%
West Bengal	-	16,630.27	14,873.74	-	-
Average	14,083.70	15,252.66	13,169.77	-	-

Source: www.agriwatch.com

Table 4: Turmeric (Bulb and Finger) Prices at Nizamabad Market in December, 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	37	13,489	12,806	8,006	43	14,123	13,780	14,123
2	68	14,004	11,000	12,700	230	14,851	9,501	13,800
3	17	10,506	10,000	10,506	168	13,150	12,900	12,900
4	146	14,209	9,809	12,836	569	14,240	11,530	13,400
5	196	13,400	10,506	12,626	155	13,689	10,350	13,189
8	109	13,231	12,389	12,836	210	13,859	12,015	13,689
9	20	13,050	11,502	12,860	186	13,890	10,500	13,577
10	168	13,769	8,500	12,060	206	13,888	9,800	12,809
11	89	14,411	11,030	11,530	198	13,751	13,289	13,695
12	98	13,560	11,630	12,060	458	14,575	13,255	13,937
15	331	13,929	9,900	12,310	1,156	14,866	9,527	14,025
16	249	14,466	11,389	12,189	680	15,076	10,000	13,866
17	685	14,012	10,000	12,700	885	15,012	10,000	14,050
18	288	14,012	8,800	12,270	659	14,812	12,530	13,859
22	79	13,688	8,016	12,527	370	14,301	11,009	14,037
24	381	14,719	10,500	12,500	465	14,799	9,806	14,195
29	258	14,327	11,506	12,900	426	13,730	9,501	13,300
31	68	13,700	10,319	13,160	265	14,162	10,879	13,750

Source: Department of Agricultural Marketing, Govt. of Telangana

The turmeric market maintained a steady to firm sentiment last week. Buying activity remained largely confined to routine, short-term requirements, with buyers refraining from building positions. This cautious procurement kept overall demand subdued and the market tone muted. Concerns over lower yield prospects due to unseasonal rainfall provided some support to domestic prices. However, adequate inventory levels across the supply chain were sufficient to meet current demand, thereby limiting any significant upward price movement. The continued arrival of low-quality turmeric at the Duggirala market weighed on sentiment and capped gains. Market participants highlighted the need for farmers in the Duggirala region to improve post-harvest handling and quality management to achieve better price realizations. Looking ahead, turmeric prices are expected to trade within a narrow range in the near term, with a mildly bearish bias unless demand improves materially or supply dynamics change. Any meaningful shift in market direction will largely depend on the timing, volume, and quality of forthcoming new-crop arrivals.

Under these circumstances, Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTAU expects that Turmeric may trade in price range between **₹ 12,900 – 13,300** per quintal during January, 2026.