

APPENDICES

APPENDIX-I

METHODOLOGY FOR COLLECTION OF FARM HARVEST PRICES

1. Farm Harvest prices of a commodity as reported in this publication is defined as the average wholesale price, at which the commodity is disposed of by the producer to the trader at the village site during the specified marketing period after the commencement of harvest.
2. The following procedure is followed for systematising the collection and compilation of these statistics:-
 - a) A certain number of representative villages are selected in each district at the rate of one, two or three villages from each Tehsil, depending upon the extent to which the crop is grown in the Tehsil. The total number of villages to be selected in each district should, however, not be less than ten.
 - b) In each selected village, the price at which the commodity is sold by the producer is recorded in the specified form (p.160), by the price reporter on every Friday during the peak period of marketing after the commencement of the harvesting season. If no sales take place on that Friday, the price at which the commodity was sold last during the week is recorded instead.
 - c) In cases, where village site transactions do not take place, the price reported relate to what the farmer receives for his produce, and is obtained by subtracting transport and other marketing charges from the wholesale prices quoted at the mandi where produce is disposed of.
 - d) The price recorded is the wholesale price of the specified variety of the commodity and is expressed in terms of Rupees and paise per quintal (net weight) exclusive of gunnybags / container.
3. The existence of different varieties and qualities of commodities with a wide variation in prices makes the task of giving a single harvest price for a commodity for the State as a whole difficult. In each district, however, it may be possible to determine a particular variety which is grown to the largest extent, and that variety is specified for the purpose of noting the farm harvest prices. In some cases, it may be necessary to give the farm harvest prices of two varieties separately if the difference in price is large, as for instance, in the case of prices of American and Deshi cotton.
4. It is also necessary to fix the reference period of harvest and the subsequent peak period of marketing for each crop, as these tend to vary widely depending upon the variety of the crop and the nature of cultivation. In some cases, it is even difficult to define strictly the harvesting period, as for instance, in the case of cotton where there are more than four pickings in a year. These periods, however, are fixed in respect of each crop and each State by the State Governments having due regard to the local conditions. Usually, in case of most commodities, six to eight weeks during the peak period of marketing after the commencement of the harvest season is taken to be the period during which farmers are generally expected to dispose of their produce.

5. Data on farm harvest prices are viewed as an integral part of agricultural statistics. They need to be collected through the same agency employed for the collection of statistics of area and yield. The Supervisors, Kanungos, Revenue Inspectors or the equivalent officials, who are generally employed by the state government for the collection of statistics of area and yield are also entrusted with the task of collecting these statistics. However, in view of the wide divergences in the revenue machinery of different States, the choice of the reporting agency is left to the decision of the State Government. The price reporters are required to visit the selected villages on the appointed dates, enquire personally the prices at which the commodity has been sold by the farmer and record them in the specified form.

6. The method of arriving at the average price of a commodity for the State as a whole is the method of weighted average, with the district production figures for the concerned year as weights. However, the average price for the district for each week may be obtained as a simple arithmetic average of the Tehsil prices which in turn, are the simple arithmetic average of village prices. The average price for the season is the simple arithmetic average of the district prices for each week. The computation of the district average price is done at the district headquarters while the prices for the State as a whole is worked out at State headquarters.

7. The farm harvest prices are required to be collected in respect of all the important crops and, in any case, they are required to be submitted for all the forecast crops. As the final estimate of every crop is published at least one month after the completion of harvesting, it may be feasible to get the farm harvest prices ready by the time of the final estimate.

8. The farm harvest prices when multiplied by the production figures of the crops give an estimate of the income of the producers of the commodity, which is equivalent to the contribution of that particular commodity to the National Agricultural Income.

FORM

VILLAGE

CIRCLE

TALUKA

DISTRICT

PRICE PREVAILING ON

COMMODITY	QUALITY	WHOLESALE PRICE (RS. PER QUINTAL)
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3.

NAME OF THE REPORTER

DUE DATE

DESIGNATION

DATE OF DESPATCH

REASON FOR DELAY

DATE OF RECEIPT

SIGNATURE OF REPORTER

DEPTT. HEADQUARTES.

APPENDIX-II

Harvesting: Seasons of Principal Crops in Major Growing States

State	RICE (AUTUMN)	RICE (WINTER)	RICE (SUMMER)
Andhra Pradesh	June-Sept.	Nov-Mar.	Mar—May
Assam	June -Aug.	Nov-Jan	----
Bihar	Sept-Oct.	Nov-Jan.	May-June
Gujarat	Oct.-Dec	-----	----
Haryana	Sept-Nov.	----	----
Himachal Pradesh	Sept-Nov.	----	-----
Jammu& Kashmir	----	Sep-Dec.	-----
Karnataka	Sep-Dec.	Nov-Mar.	April-July
Kerala	Aug-Oct.	Dec-Feb.	Mar.-May
Madhya Pradesh	15 th Sept.	-----	----
	15 th Dec.	-----	----
Maharashtra	Oct.-Dec.	-----	----
Meghalaya	June-Aug.	Nov-Jan.	----
Nagaland	June-Aug.	Nov-Jan.	----
Orissa	Sept-Oct.	Dec-Jan.	May-June
Punjab	Sept-Nov.	-----	-----
Rajasthan	Oct-Dec.	-----	-----
Tamil Nadu	Sept-Feb.	Jan-April	May-June
Uttar Pradesh	Sept-Nov.	Nov-Dec.	April-June
West Bengal	July-Nov.	Nov-Dec.	April-May
ALL-INDIA	June-Dec.	Sept.-April	March-July

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State	JOWAR (KHARIF)	JOWAR (RABI)	BAJRA
Andhra Pradesh	Jan-April	March-April	Sept-Dec.
Assam	-	-	-
Bihar	Sept-Dec.	-	Sept-Dec.
Gujarat	Nov-Dec.	Feb.	Sept-Nov.
Haryana	Sept-Nov.	-	Sept-Nov.
Himachal Pradesh	-	-	-
Jammu & Kashmir	-	-	Sept-Oct.
Karnataka	Oct-Dec.	Jan-March	Sept-Jan.
Kerala	-	-	-
Madhya Pradesh	Nov-15 th Jan.	Jan-March	10 th Oct-Dec
Maharashtra	Nov-Jan.	Jan-March	Oct-Nov.
Meghalaya	-	-	-
Nagaland	-	-	-
Orissa	Sept-Oct.	-	-
Punjab	Sept-Nov.	-	Sept-Nov.
Rajasthan	Oct-Dec.	-	Sept-Nov.
Tamil Nadu	Sept-Jan.	Feb-July	Sept-March
Uttar Pradesh	Oct-Dec.	-	Sept-Nov.
West Bengal	-	-	-
ALL-INDIA	Sept.-Jan.	Jan.-April	Sept.-Dec.

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State	MAIZE	RAGI	WHEAT
Andhra Pradesh	Sept.-Oct.-(K) Jan.-March (R)	Sept.-Jan. (K) Jan.-May (R)	-- --
Assam	Aug.-Sept.	--	March-April
Bihar	Sept.-Oct.	Sept.-Oct.	Feb.-May
Gujarat	Sept.Oct.	Oct.	Feb.-May
Haryana	Sept-Nov.	-	April-May
Himachal Pradesh	Sept-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	April-June
Jammu& Kashmir	Aug-Oct	-	April-June
Karnataka	July-Nov. Feb.(R)	Sept-Jan. May (R)	Jan-March ----
Kerala	----	Aug-Oct. Dec-Jan.	----
Madhya Pradesh	15 th Aug-Sept.	15 th Sept.-Nov.	15 th Feb-Apr.
Maharashtra	Aug-Nov. (K) March-April(R)	Oct.-Nov. -	Feb-March -
Meghalaya Nagaland	Aug-Sept. -	- -	- -
Orissa	Sept-Oct.	Oct-Nov.	March-April
Punjab	Sept-Nov.	-	April-May
Rajasthan	Sept-Nov.	-	March-May
Tamil Nadu	-	Sept-March	-
Uttar Pradesh	Aug-Oct.	Sept-Oct.	March-May
West Bengal	July-Aug.	-	March-April
ALL-INDIA	Aug-Nov. (K) Jan-April	Sept-March	Feb-May

K:- Kharif Crops, R:-Rabi Crops

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State	BARLEY	GRAM	TUR
Andhra Pradesh	-	Feb-March	Jan-
Assam	-	-	-
Bihar	Feb-May	Feb-May	March-May
Gujarat	-	Feb-March	Jan.-March
Haryana	April-May	March-April	-
Himachal Pradesh	April-May	April-May	-
Jammu & Kashmir	April-June	-	-
Karnataka	-	Dec-April	Dec-Feb
Kerala	-	-	-
Madhya pradesh	20 th Feb-April	Feb-March	Nov-April
Maharashtra	-	Jan-April	Feb-March
Mehgalaya	-	-	-
Nagaland	-	-	-
Orissa	-	-	-
Punjab	April-May	March-April	-
Rajasthan	March-April	Feb-April	Nov.-March
Tamil Nadu	-	-	Nov.-Feb.(K) Feb-April(R)
Uttar Pradesh	March-May	March-April	Dec.-Jan. March-April
West Bengal	March-April	March-April	Dec-May
ALL-INDIA	Feb-May	Feb.-May	Nov.-April

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State	POTATO (WINTER)		POTATO (SUMMER)	
	HILLS	PLAIN	HILLS	PLAIN
Andhra Pradesh	-	Jan-Feb.	-	-
Assam	Jan-Feb.	Jan-Feb.	May-June	-
Bihar	-	Dec-March	-	-
Gujarat	Feb.-March	Feb.-March	-	-
Haryana	Jan.-Feb. June-Oct.	Nov.-Jan. April-May	June Dec-July	Dec-July -
Himachal Pradesh	June-July	-	Sept.-Oct.	-
Jammu & Kashmir	Oct.-Jan.	Dec.-Feb. Oct.	Sept.-Oct. -	Sep-Apr -
Karnataka	-	Sept.-June	Aug.-Sept.	Sep-Apr
Kerala	-	-	-	-
Madhya Pradesh	15 th Feb.-March	March-15 May 21	Sept-15 Nov	Sep-Dec
Maharashtra	-	Feb.	-	Oct.
Meghalaya	Jan.-Feb.	Jan.-Feb.	May-June	-
Nagaland	-	-	-	-
Orissa	-	Jan.-Feb.	-	Sep-Oct.
Punjab	Jan.-Feb. June-Oct.	Nov.-Jan. April-May	June Dec.-July	Dec.-July -
Rajasthan	-	Dec.-March	-	-
Tamil Nadu	Dec.-May	Feb-March	July-Nov.	Aug-Sept
Uttar Pradesh	March	Nov.-Feb.	Nov.-Dec.	Nov-Dec
West Bengal	-	Jan.-April	-	-

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State	SUGARCANE	TOBACCO	GROUNDNUT
Andhra pradesh	Dec-April	Feb.	Sept-Jan
Assam	Nov.Jan.	Feb.-Mar.	-
Bihar	Nov.-Mar.	-	Dec.-Jan.
Gujarat	Dec.-Mar	Nov.-Feb	Sept.-Nov.
Haryana	Dec.-Mar.	May-June.	Nov.-Dec.
Himachal Pradesh	Oct.-Dec.-	Oct.-Nov	Oct.
Jammu & Kashmir	Oct.-Dec.	June-July Sept.-Nov.	-
Karnataka	Nov.-Mar.	Aug.-Feb.	Sept.-Dec.
Kerala	Oct.-Dec Dec.-Feb.	-	-
Madhya Pradesh	Oct.-Mar.	Nov.-15Mar.	21Sept.-15Nov.
Maharashtra	Oct.-Feb.	Jan.-Mar.	Sept.-Dec.
Meghalaya	-	Feb.-Mar.	-
Nagaland	-	-	-
Orissa	Nov.-Feb.	Nov.-Jan.	Nov.-Dec.
Punjab	Dec.-Mar.	May-June	Nov.-Dec.
Rajasthan	Nov.-Feb.	Oct.-Dec April-May	Oct.-Dec
Tamil Nadu	Dec.-Aug.	Feb.-April	April-May Oct.-Jan.
Uttar Pradesh	Oct.-June	Jan.-May.	Oct.-Dec.
West Bengal	Dec.-Mar.	Feb.-Mar.	—
ALL INDIA	Oct.-April	Jan.-May	Sept.-Jan.

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State	CASTERSEED	SESEMUM	RAPE AND MUSTARD	LINSEED
Andhra pradesh	Jan.-Mar	Aug.-Oct. .	-	Feb.-Mar.
Assam	-	Dec.-Oct	Feb.-Mar.	Feb.-Mar.
Bihar	April-May	Sept.-Nov.	Jan.-Mar.	Jan.-May
Gujarat	Oct.-Apr.	Sept.-Dec.	Feb.-Mar.	-
Haryana	-	-	Feb.-Apr.	-
Himachal Pradesh	-	Aug.-Nov.	Mar.-Apr.	Mar.-May
Jammu & Kashmir	-	Nov.-Dec. Apr.-July	May-June -	Mar.-May Oct.-nov.
Karnataka	-	Aug.-Dec	Dec.-Feb.	Jan.-Mar.
Kerala	-	-	-	-
Madhya Pradesh	15thOct.-25Apr.	15Oct.-10Dec.	Jan.-Mar.	Feb.-15Apr.
Maharashtra	Feb.-Mar.	Sept.-Dec	Feb.-Mar.	Feb.-Mar.
Meghalaya	-	-	Feb.-Mar.	-
Nagaland	-	-	-	-
Orissa	Dec.-Jan.	Aug.(K) Feb.-May(R)	Feb.-Mar.	-
Punjab	-	-	Feb.-Apr.	Feb.-Apr.
Rajasthan	-	Oct.-Dec	Feb.-Apr.	Feb.-Apr.
Tamil Nadu	Dec.-Mar.	May-Aug. Nov.-Mar.	-	-
Uttar Pradesh	Jan.-Apr.	Oct.-Nov. Nov.-Mar.	Dec.-May Jan.-Mar.	Mar.-May -
West Bengal	-	May-July	-	-
ALL INDIA	Oct.-Apr.	Aug.-Dec.(K) May-Aug.(R)	Jan.-Apr.	Jan.-May

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State	COTTON	JUTE	MESTA
Andhra Pradesh	Jan.-May	-	Dec.-Jan.
Assam	Jan.-Mar.	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
Bihar	Nov.-dec.	July-Sept.	Aug.-Sept.
Gujarat	Dec.-Mar.	-	-
Haryana	Sept.-Dec.	-	-
Himachal Pradesh	-	-	-
Jammu & Kashmir	-	-	-
Karnataka	Oct.-Apr.	-	Dec.-Jan.
Kerala	Feb.-Mar.	-	-
Madhya pradesh	15 Oct.-Feb	-	25 Oct.-Jan.
Maharashtra	Nov.-Apr.	-	Oct.-Nov.
Mehgalaya	Jan.-Mar.	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
Nagaland	-	-	-
Orissa	-	Aug.-Sept.	Nov.-Dec
Punjab	Sept.-Dec.	-	-
Rajasthan	Oct.-Dec. Jan.-Aug.	-	-
Tamil Nadu	Oct.-Dec.	-	-
Uttar Pradesh	Sept.-Jan.	July-Nov.	-
West Bengal	-	July-Oct.	Nov.-Jan.
ALL-INDIA	Sept.-April	July-Nov.	Nov.-Jan.

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State	PEPPER	CHILLIES(DRY)	TERMERIC
Andhra Pradesh	-	Feb.-Mar.	Feb.-Mar.
Assam	-	-	-
Bihar	-	-	Dec.-Feb.
Gujarat	-	Oct.-Mar.	-
Haryana	-	-	-
Himachal Pradesh	-	Sept.-Dec.	Oct.-Dec.
Jammu & Kashmir	-	Sept.-Jan.	-
Karnataka	Jan.-Feb.	oct.-Jan.	Jan.-Apr.
Kerala	Nov.-Jan.	-	Dec.-Jan.
Madhya pradesh	-	Sept.-15 th .Mar.	15 Dec.-Feb.
Maharashtra	Oct.-Mar.	Jan.	-
Manipur	-	-	Oct.-Nov.
Orissa	-	-	-
Punjab	-	Jan.-Dec. Sept.-Dec.	—
Rajasthan	-	Nov.-Jan.	Nov.-Dec.
Tamil Nadu	Dec.-Feb.	Apr.-Dec.	Jan.-Feb.
Tripura	-	Sept.-Oct. Feb.-Apr.	—
Uttar Pradesh	-	July-Nov.	Jan.-Feb.
West Bengal	-	Jan.-Dec.	-
Delhi	-	Jan.-Feb.	-
ALL-INDIA	Nov.-Feb.	Sept.-Mar.	Oct.-Feb.

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State	SANNHEMP	NIGERSEED	GINGER
Andhra Pradesh	Oct.	Oct.-Dec.	Oct.-Dec.
Assam	-	-	-
Bihar	Oct.-Nov.	-	-
Gujarat	Sept.-Nov.	-	Nov.-Feb.
Haryana	-	-	-
Himachal Pradesh	Sept.-Nov.	-	Oct.-Dec.
Jammu & Kashmir	Aug.-Nov.	Oct.	Dec.
Karnataka	July-Dec.	Sept.-Dec.	—
Kerala	-	-	Nov.-Jan
Madhya pradesh	Dec.-15thMar.	Nov.-Dec.	15thSept.-Feb.
Maharashtra	Oct.-Jan.	-	-
Manipur	-	-	-
Meghalaya	-	-	-
Orissa	-	Dec.-Jan.	-
Punjab	Oct.-Dec.	-	Nov.-Dec.
Rajasthan	Oct.-Nov.	-	-
Tamil Nadu	June-Oct.	-	-
Tripura	-	-	Sept.-Oct.
Uttar Pradesh	Oct.-Nov.	Sept.-Oct.	Sept.-Oct. Feb.-Mar.
West Bengal	-	-	Nov.-Mar.
Delhi	-	-	-
ALL-INDIA	Sept.-Nov.	Sept.-Dec.	Sept.-Feb.