

## **RABI PRE-HARVESTING PRICE FORECAST FOR 2016-17**

### **BLACKGRAM PRICE PER QUINTAL WILL BE AROUND Rs. 6200-6900/q, AT THE TIME OF HARVESTING (JANUARY – FEBRUARY 2017)**

India imported pulses worth \$3.90 billion in 2015-16, as against \$2.78 billion in the previous financial year. In quantity terms, pulses imports in 2015-16 stood at 5.79 mt as against 4.58 mt in 2014-15.

In Telangana during rabi 2016-17 blackgram is covered in 0.12 lakh hectares, while the same in Andhra Pradesh is 1.52 lakh hectares. Area under blackgram has increased this year in both the states.

To know rabi 2016 - 17 harvest prices of blackgram, an econometric analysis of modal prices of blackgram in Tandoor market for a period of 14 years was undertaken by the Network Project on Market Intelligence (NPMI) in the Department of Agricultural Economics, College of Agriculture, Prof. Jayashankar Telangana State Agricultural University, Hyderabad. The outcome of the analysis along with traders' survey has indicated that the blackgram price per quintal will be around Rs. 6200 - 6900 by the time of harvesting (January – February 2017).

**Note:** There are any possible deviations of the actual prices from the predicted prices in the light of tentative developments in the commodity markets such as change in international prices, export or import restrictions etc.

**These forecasts are based on past data & different models and that actual market price may or may not turn out to be the same as forecasted.**