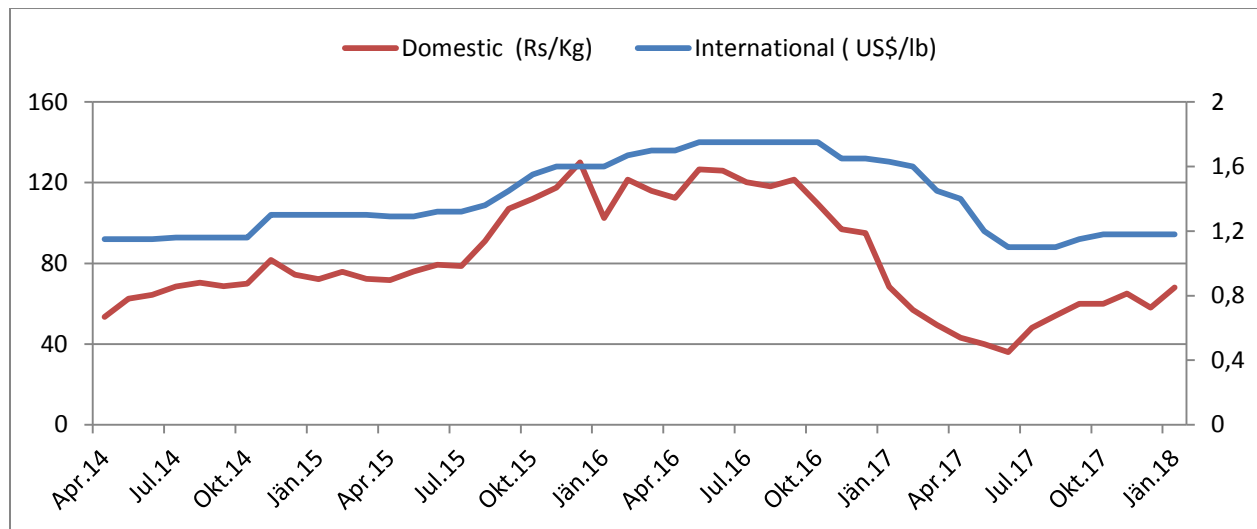


Chilli Outlook – March 2018

India is the world's largest producer, consumer and exporter of chillies in the world. India also has the largest area under chillies in the world. India is the world leader in chilli production followed by China. Indian chilli is considered to be world-famous for two important commercial qualities color and pungency levels. India contributes 36 per cent to total world's production and remained in first position in terms of international trade by exporting nearly 30 per cent from its total production. Indian chilli is mainly exported to Asian countries like Vietnam, Thailand, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and U.A.E.



Source: <http://www.indianspices.com>

Fig.1 Monthly Average Domestic and International Spot Prices of Chilli

The trend in average monthly domestic and international chilli prices from April 2014 to January 2018 presented in Fig 1 clearly indicates that the domestic prices are highly influenced by international prices. The domestic price of chilli is almost following the international price trend. The domestic price that was nearly 120 per Kg during February 2016 has fallen down by 60% i.e., Rs. 36 / Kg during June 2017. After June 2017 prices are showing increasing trend in both domestic as well as international markets. The average domestic and international market price of chilli is around Rs. 68.12 per Kg and \$ 1.18 per lb respectively during January 2018.

Table 1: Prices and Arrivals of Chilli at Khammam market in the month of February 2018

Date	Arrivals (Tonnes)	Min Price (Rs/quintal)	Max Price (Rs/quintal)	Modal Price (Rs/quintal)
5	850.8	8000	10125	9700
6	763.8	7300	9900	9500
7	946.9	7200	9900	9500
8	1049	7400	9900	9400
9	804.9	7200	9925	8900
12	722.7	7500	9950	9200
14	354.6	8000	9800	8800
19	1210.1	8200	9850	9400
20	951.7	8200	9825	9200
21	1028	8200	9800	9300
22	1022	8000	9702	9100
23	536.3	7900	9400	9000
26	1125.7	7600	9125	8800
28	563	7800	9200	8900

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Table 2: Prices and Arrivals of Chilli at Warangal market in the month of February 2018

Date	Arrivals (Tonnes)	Min Price (Rs/quintal)	Max Price (Rs/quintal)	Modal Price (Rs/quintal)
5	126.7	7000	10100	9000
6	162.2	7000	10350	9000
7	232.5	7000	9700	8500
8	241.6	7000	9600	8200
9	253.8	7000	9500	8200
12	283.0	7000	9700	8500
16	361.3	7200	9400	8800
19	533.4	7000	9500	8800
20	312.8	7000	9500	8800
21	333.5	7000	9550	8500
22	245.8	7000	9300	8100
23	571.0	7000	9100	8600
26	458.0	7300	8900	8400
27	404.6	7000	9100	8500
28	339.2	7600	9100	8700

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In Telangana, Khammam is the major chilli market followed by Warangal based on arrivals. Chilli prices at Khammam and Warangal markets are ranging between Rs. 8800 – 9700 and Rs. 8100 – 9000 respectively during February 2018 (Table 1 and 2). Chilli prices in Khammam market are comparatively more than the prices at Warangal (Fig 2).

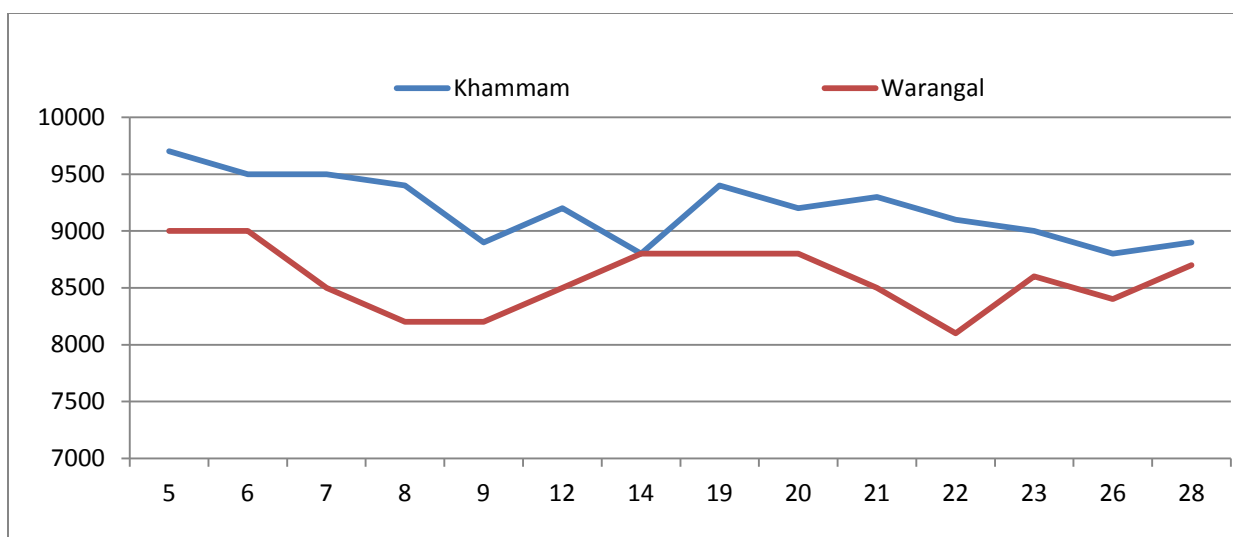


Figure 2: Daily modal prices of Chilli in Khammam and Warangal markets in February 2018 (Rs/q)

Table 3: Red Chilli Spot Market Prices (Rs/q) in India

Centre	Variety	22-Feb-18	29-Jan-18	Year Ago 1-Mar-17
Guntur (Andhra Pradesh)	Teja	9200	10500	8400
	No. 273	9600	10200	7200
	No. 5	9100	10000	7700
	Fatki	5500	6500	5000
	Byadgi	9500	10000	7800
	US 341	10700	11500	8200
	Denvor Delux	10300	10800	7300
	Indam 5	9500	NA	NA
Warangal (Telangana)	Teja	9300	10800	8300
	Wonder Hot	11500	9900	8800
	341	10800	12000	7900
	Denvor Delux	10800	11700	7400
	No. 12	NA	NA	11000
Bedia (Madhya Pradesh)	Indu 2070	NA	NA	NA
	MICO (Teja)	11500	11600	12000
	Jhankar	NA	NA	NA
	Ganesh	NA	NA	NA
	Teja	12000	11500	10100
New Delhi	MICO (Teja)	NA	NA	NA
	Pala 12	NA	NA	NA
	LCA 334	10000	9000	7600
	Fatki	6000	5500	5500

Source: www.agriwatch.com

Red chilli spot market prices presented in Table 3 reveals that prices have crashed down as compared to last 3 weeks though they were raised over last year. Arrivals of red chilli at the Khammam market yard, one of the biggest chilli markets in the country, have increased, on average, to 50,000-60,000 bags (of 40-50 kg each) a day.

Agricultural Market Intelligence Centre, PJTSAU expect that Chilli is likely to trade in price range between Rs.7000 – 8000 per quintal in the month of March 2018. We expect that prices may fluctuate from current levels.