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A BRIEF REPORT ON GARLIC PRODUCTION AND AVAILABILITY IN THE COUNTRY

Total area under garlic during the year 2013-14 is estimated around 6.84% less i.e. 2.31 lakhs ha compared to previous year's area of 2.47 lakhs ha. Total production of garlic estimated less by around 0.60% i.e. 12.52 lakhs MT compared to previous year's production of 12.59 lakhs MT.

During the current year 2014-15 planting of garlic is completed in all the states. Harvesting of early planted garlic crop expected from February 2015 onwards from Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan states. Present modal prices of garlic are ranging in between Rs. 3000 to Rs. 5000 per quintal in different markets.

Present arrivals of garlic in different markets are from stored stock. Garlic stored stock is little less compared to last, due to less production particularly in Gujarat and Rajasthan during 2013-14. Garlic is mostly stored in Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh and Tamilnadu. Till December 2014 around 80-85% stock is arrived in different markets and rest will be available till January / February 2015.