

## PRICES OF SORGHUM 2002

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Zaheerabad Grain Market, Medak District, Andhra Pradesh

(Prices in rupees per 100 kgs)

	March 01 to May 01	June 01 to November 01	December 01 to January 02
1. Improved Sorghum	400	450	450
2. Hybrid Sorghum	---	400	350
3. Kharif Yellow Sorghum	450	400	350
4. Moulded Sorghum	---	---	250
5. Rabi White Sorghum	700	750	850
6. BPT Rice	1400	1600	1290
7. Hamsa Rice	850	900	750

This year in Medak, Adilabad and Mahaboobnagar districts there were heavy rains during end October, just before harvesting sorghum. Because of these untimely rains sorghum grain has become black/moulded. Farmers are not able sell this spoiled sorghum because of low price. Mostly, farmers are using this sorghum for self-consumption. Those who got large quantity are selling it to poultry feed industry.

Zaheerabad market stopped getting sorghum from Maharashtra. Daily one truck of sorghum is coming from Proddutur in Cuddapah district. Since the first week of December there is not much demand for sorghum because of paddy harvesting and availability of cheap rice under draught relief programme, and also because of availability of lower priced rice in the market.

### Proddutur Market

	March 01 to May 01	June 01 to November 01	December 01 to January 02
1. Hybrid Sorghum	400	350	300
2. Yellow Sorghum	450	500	780
3. Improved Sorghum	---	---	650
Raichur Market, Karnataka			
1. Rabi Sorghum	600	550	650

