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THE TREND

India produced 78,000 tonnes of natural rubber (NR) during November 2019, up 20% from the same month a year ago. The total quantity of NR produced during the eight months ended November 2019 was at 451,000 tonnes, up 10.3% from the same period in the previous year. The production preliminarily estimated for December 2019 is 90,000 tonnes. Rubber goods manufacturing industry in the country consumed a total quantity of 97,000 tonnes of NR during November 2019, up 9% from a month ago. However, the total quantity consumed during April to November 2019 was down by 7.8% year over year at 753,120 tonnes. This represents 11.7% decrease in the dominant auto-tyre manufacturing sector and 2.3% increase in general rubber goods sector. The consumption estimated for December 2019 is 100,500 tonnes.

The country imported 36,907 tonnes of NR during November 2019 making the total volume of NR import during the period from April to November 2019 at 339,247 tonnes as against 422,178 tonnes imported during the same period last year. The total volume of NR export during April to November 2019 was 6,458 tonnes compared to 3,203 tonnes exported during the corresponding period of the previous year. It is estimated that growers, traders, processors and consumers in the country held a total stock of 307,000 tonnes of NR at the end of November 2019.

Coming to synthetic rubber (SR) sector, the domestic production rose 2.5%, year on year to 255,993 tonnes during the period from April to November 2019. SR consumption during the same period decreased by 5.3% on year to 438,270 tonnes.

PRICE OF NATURAL RUBBER (Rupees per 100 Kg)

Month/year		RSS 5	RSS 4	RSS 3	Latex (60% drc)		ISNR 20	SMR 20
		Domestic		International	Domestic	International	Domestic	International
January	2019	12018	12466	11202	14622	11435	11657	9568
February	"	11820	12433	11554	13880	12140	11600	9903
March	"	12433	12802	12248	13747	13695	12329	10273
April	"	12561	12828	12229	14513	14157	12313	10522
May	"	13341	13604	12563	15432	13710	12572	10626
June	"	14717	15029	14003	15822	14038	13061	10581
July	"	14726	14956	12555	16312	13442	12389	9836
August	"	13972	14336	10766	16582	12568	11760	9315
September	"	12913	13317	10908	17697	12653	10990	9551
October	"	11906	12140	10280	16835	12208	10784	9234
November	"	12577	12817	10799	15222	12797	11762	9866
December	"	12744	13140	11372	14798	13222	11683	10379
January	2020	13010	13512	11468	14287	13597	11702	10480

Note: Domestic price refers to Kottayam market, international RSS 3 refers to Bangkok market and international price of latex and SMR 20 to Kuala Lumpur market.

PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF NR & SR

(Metric Tonnes)

Type-wise Production & Consumption of NR & SR	November 2019	November 2018	April 2019 to November 2019	April 2018 to November 2018	April 2018 to March 2019	Percentage increase (+)/ decrease(-) of (3) & (4)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
PRODUCTION						
Natural Rubber (NR)						
Ribbed Smoked Sheet (RSS)	57100	44720	314830	270840	430570	
Solid Block Rubber	10500	10610	73745	75130	119085	
Latex Concentrates (drc)	7650	7490	47555	48375	78970	
Others	2750	2180	14870	14655	22375	
Total	78000	65000	451000	409000	651000	10.3
Synthetic Rubber (SR)^P						
Styrene Butadiene (SBR)	16712	22951	161912	162176	253859	
Poly Butadiene(BR)	9779	11070	84254	84424	122081	
Others	3448	450	9827	3262	4832	
Total	29939	34471	255993	249862	380772	2.5
Total NR & SR	107939	99471	706993	658862	1031772	7.3
CONSUMPTION *						
Natural Rubber (NR)						
Ribbed Smoked Sheet (RSS)	43420	43975	326460	338725	521495	
Solid Block Rubber	44750	46550	359220	399445	575115	
Latex Concentrates (drc)	6530	7195	50290	60130	88330	
Others	2300	2140	17150	18160	27000	
Total	97000	99860	753120	816460	1211940	-7.8
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	60896	70620	515190	583769	864022	-11.7
Synthetic Rubber (SR)^P						
Styrene Butadiene (SBR)	30175	28865	241125	236620	357180	
Poly Butadiene(BR)	15380	16155	123225	133925	195835	
Others	8605	9810	73920	92475	133310	
Total	54160	54830	438270	463020	686325	-5.3
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	35515	37111	291719	317101	468086	-8.0
Total NR & SR	151160	154690	1191390	1279480	1898265	-6.9
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	96411	107731	806909	900870	1332108	-10.4

*: indigenous and imported

PRODUCTION CONSUMPTION AND STOCK OF RR

(Metric Tonnes)

Production Consumption and stock of RR	November 2019	November 2018	April 2019 to November 2019	April 2018 to November 2018	April 2018 to March 2019
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Reclaimed Rubber (RR)					
Production @	11675	11450	92625	95360	142605
Consumption	11535	11520	92570	94380	141165
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	3476	4092	30062	35563	52376
Stock with Manufacturers (end of month/year)	13360	12845			
@: indigenous purchase by manufacturers					
IMPORT/EXPORT & STOCK OF NR & SR					
Import (p)					
Natural Rubber	36907	51576	339247	422178	582 351
Synthetic Rubber	31500	23680	216755	223429	330148
Total NR & SR	68407	75256	556002	645607	912499
Export (p)					
Natural Rubber	340	1157	6458	3203	4551

STOCK AT THE END OF NOVEMBER 2019

(Metric tonnes)

Natural Rubber			
With Growers	99000	Ribbed Smoked Sheet	187350
With Dealers & Processors	97500	Solid Block Rubber	72250
With Auto Tyre units©	85500	Latex(drc)	17900
With other manufacturing units	25000	Others	29500
Total	307000	Total	307000
©: including transit			
Synthetic Rubber**			
With Producers ^(d)	33940		
With Auto Tyre units	32360	SBR	59745
With other manufacturing units	24790	Others	31345
Total	91090	Total	91090

p : provisional

(d) : including their accredited stockists

** : including export

IMPORT OF DIFFERENT FORMS OF NR DURING NOVEMBER 2019 ^p (Tonnes)		
TYPE	Quantity	% Share
RSS Grades	4,705	12.7
Solid Block Rubber	31,052	84.2
Latex Concentrates (drc)	900	2.4
Others	250	0.7
Total	36,907	100

p: provisional

TYPE-WISE EXPORT OF NR DURING NOVEMBER 2019 ^p (Tonnes)		
Type	Quantity	% share
RSS Grades	51	15.0
Solid Block Rubber	202	59.4
Latex Concentrates (drc)	80	23.5
Others	7	2.1
Total	340	100

p: provisional