



TOBACCO BOARD

**ANNUAL REPORT
2021-22**





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Ministry of Commerce & Industry

Department of Commerce, Government of India



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- ❖ Natural farming initiatives for organic tobacco production
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BOARD COMPOSITION

As on 31/03/2022

For the period under review, the Board was constituted as here under:

Chairman, appointed under section 4 of sub section 4 (a) by the Govt. of India;

Shri Yadlapati Raghunadha Babu, Chairman, Tobacco Board

Members appointed under section 4 of sub section 4 (b) by the Govt. of India;

Shri Bandi Sanjay Kumar, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha)

Shri Vallabhaneni Balashowri, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha)

Shri G.V.L.Narasimha Rao, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha)

Members appointed under section 4 of sub section 4 (c) by the Govt. of India;

Shri Vijay Raj Mohan, Director (Trade- dealing with Agriculture), Govt. of India, Ministry of Agriculture.

Shri Devesh Gupta, Director (dealing with Commerce), Govt. of India, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of Commerce.

Dr.C.Vanlal Ram Sanga, Economic Adviser (dealing with Finance), Govt. of India, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Dept. of Commerce.

Shri Sampa Saha, Director (dealing with Industrial development) Govt. of India, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of Industry.

Dr. D.Damodar Reddy, Director, Central Tobacco Research Institute, Rajamahendravaram

Shri S.J.Solanki, IAS, Director of Agriculture, Govt. of Gujarat.

Shri B.Y Srinivas, Director of Agriculture, Govt. of Karnataka.

Smt Poonam Malakondaiah, IAS, Special Chief Secretary,

Dept., of Food, Agriculture & cooperation, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh.

Members appointed under section 4 of sub section 4 (d) by the Govt. of India;

Shri V.V.Deshmukh, Director of Agriculture, Govt. of Maharashtra

Dr.M. Muthukumar, Director of Agriculture & Food Products, Govt. of Odisha

Members appointed under section 4 of sub section 4 (e) by the Govt. of India;

Shri Kodavati Vasudeva Rao, Vice Chairman

Shri Polisetti Shyam Sundar

Shri Shaffeeq UR Rahaman Khan

Shri Yarlagadda Ankamma Chowdary

Shri Gundala Konda Reddy

Shri Mareddy Subramanyeswara Reddy

Member, appointed under section 4 of sub section 4 (f) - ex-officio by the Govt. of India;

Dr. Nadendla Vijaya Lakshmi, IAS, Agricultural Marketing adviser to the Govt. of India

Member, appointed under section 4 of sub section 4 (g) - ex-officio by the Govt. of India;

Dr.A.Sridhar Babu, IAS, Executive Director, Tobacco Board, Guntur.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

(As on 31/03/2022)

Management and Senior Staff

Chairman	Shri Y. RAGHUNADHA BABU
Executive Director	Dr. ADDANKI SRIDHAR BABU, IAS.,
Director (Auctions)	Mrs. M. ASHWINI NAIDU, IFS
Manager (Auctions) & Secretary i/c.	K. MADHUSUDANA RAO
Manager (Finance & Accounts)	Shri V. VENKATA RAO
Manager (Marketing & Exports)	Shri B. SYAM PRASAD
Manager (Production)	Dr. M.KRISHNA SRI
Manager (Extension)	Shri G.DAMODAR
Manager (Technical)	Shri H.K. GOPAL
Regional Manager (SBS & SLS, Ongole)	Shri D.VENU GOPAL
Regional Manager (NLS Rajamahendravaram) i/c	Shri G.L.K. PRASAD
Regional Manager (Mysuru)	Shri K.V. SATYA PRASAD
Regional Manager(Periyapatna)	Shri B. MARANNA
O.S.D (Vigilance Squad)	Shri G. BULLI SUBBA RAO
Personnel Officer	A.V.S. RAMAKRISHNA REDDY
Asst. Manager (Planning & Coordination)	Shri Y.V. NAMASSIVAYA

Personnel:

Senior Level Management :	78
Middle Level Management :	69
Junior Level Management :	174
Total :	321

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DIRECTOR (AUCTIONS)



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MANAGER (AUCTIONS)
SECRETARY I/C



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MANAGER
(MARKETING & EXPORTS)



Dr. M. KRISHNA SRI
MANAGER
(PRODUCTION)



V. VENKATA RAO
MANAGER
(FINANCE & ACCOUNTS)



G. DAMODAR
MANAGER
(EXTENSION)



K.V. SATYA PRASAD
REGIONAL MANAGER
MYSORE



B. MARANNA
REGIONAL MANAGER
PERIYAPATNA



H.K. GOPAL
MANAGER(TECHNICAL)
Directorate of Auctions,
BENGALURU



D. VENUGOPAL
REGIONAL MANAGER
SBS & SLS - ONGOLE



G.L.K. PRASAD
REGIONAL MANAGER i/c
Rajamahendravaram

Tobacco Board's Activities during 2021-2022 - A Review

Tobacco Board was constituted by the Government of India, under "TOBACCO BOARD ACT, 1975", for overall development of the Tobacco Industry. The Board's primary role is to facilitate smooth functioning of the vibrant farming system; ensure fair and remunerative prices to tobacco farmers and promotion of exports.

Tobacco is one of the important commercial crops grown in India. It provides employment directly and indirectly to 45.7 million people and ₹6,529.30 crore in terms of foreign exchange to the National exchequer. During 2021-22, India has a prominent place in the production of tobacco in the world. During 2021, India stands as 2nd largest country in production and during the period, India stands as 3rd largest exporter of unmanufactured tobacco in the world. India produces different styles of Flue Cured Virginia tobacco, which vary in their physical and chemical characteristics. Indian tobacco is exported to over 121 countries across the globe. India has a fairly diversified base of production for exports and provides a one-stop shop for different styles, qualities and price ranges. FCV tobacco is grown in Traditional Black Soils (TBS), Northern Light Soils (NLS), Southern Light Soils (SLS) and Karnataka Light Soils (KLS). The tobacco produced in India has a wide range in quality such as semi-flavourful to flavourful (NLS & ELS), quality neutral filler (KLS & SLS) and good filler (TBS) styles. During 2021-22 crop season, Tobacco Board has fixed a crop size of 227 million kg for cultivation of FCV tobacco which is more than 24 million kg when compared to previous year of 203 million kg. Tobacco Board incurred an expenditure of ₹320.25 lakh on extension and development schemes for improvement of yield and quality of tobacco. During the year 2021-22, the Board marketed a quantity of 183.049 million kg in its Auction Platforms in both Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka at an average price of ₹153.89 per kg as against 222.02 million kg marketed at an average price of ₹122.25 per kg during the year 2020-21. Indian exports of tobacco and tobacco products during 2021-22 were in the order of 2,19,858 MetricTons valued at ₹6,529.30 crore (US\$ 876.22 million). During 2021-22, the exports have registered a positive growth of 4%, 4% and 3% respectively in terms of quantity, value in rupees and in US dollars as compared to the exports made during 2020-21.

The Board has been conferred with coveted ISO 9001:2015 certificate in recognition of its quality services to growers and its activities related to the development of Tobacco Industry by M/s DNV - GL - Business Assurance and the certificate is valid till 18/03/2025.

The exports of tobacco and tobacco products during 2021-22 were 2.25 lakh MT valued at US\$ 923.40 million as against the exports of 2.22 lakh MT valued at US\$ 876.58 million exported during 2020-21. During 2021-22, the exports of tobacco and tobacco products registered a growth of 1.50% in quantity terms and 5.34% in value terms compared to previous year i.e. 2020-21 (Source: DGCIS, Kolkata)

MEETINGS DURING 2021-2022

(From 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022)

A) Statutory meetings:

Five Board Meetings and four committee meetings were held.

Board Meetings:

1. The 153rd Meeting of the Board was held on 19th April, 2021 (Monday) in Hybrid mode.
2. The 154th Special Board Meeting was held on 23rd June, 2021 (Wednesday) in Hybrid mode.
3. The 155th Special Board Meeting was held on 16th August, 2021 (Monday) in Hybrid mode.
4. The 156th Meeting of the Board was held on 3rd December, 2021 (Friday) in Hybrid mode.
5. The 157th Meeting of the Board was held on 18th February, 2022 (Friday) in Hybrid mode.

Registration Committee for Growers and Others:

1. The 94th meeting of the Registration Committee for growers and others was held at Guntur on 19/04/2021.
2. The 95th meeting of the Registration Committee for growers and others was held on 16/08/2021 in Hybrid mode.
3. The 96th meeting of the Registration Committee for growers and others was held at Auction Platform No.20, Ongole-I on 28/02/2022.

Registration Committee for Traders and Manufacturers:

1. The 46th meeting of the Registration Committee for Traders and Manufacturers was held at Guntur on 30/09/2021.

B) Non Statutory meetings:

1. A meeting was conducted on 12/05/2021 through video conference with Indian Tobacco Association & Trade representatives to discuss on conduct of auctions in view of COVID Pandemic.
2. A meeting was conducted on 20/05/2021 through video conference with Grower Representatives and Indian Tobacco Association & Trade representatives to discuss on conduct of auctions in view of COVID Pandemic.
3. A meeting was conducted on 20/07/2021 through video conference with Indian Tobacco Association and Trade representatives to discuss about the market situation in ongoing auctions and strategy to conclude auctions early.

4. A meeting was conducted on 23/08/2021 through video conference with Grower Representatives, the Indian Tobacco Association and Trade representatives to discuss the issues related to commencement of auctions for sale of 2021-22 Karnataka FCV tobacco crop.
5. A meeting was conducted on 04/10/2021 at Guntur with FCV tobacco dealers to discuss on the problems being faced by the FCV tobacco dealers in the FCV tobacco business.
6. A meeting was conducted on 11/10/2021 at Head Office, Tobacco Board, Guntur with Bankers and FCV tobacco dealers to discuss on the problems in availing bank credit by the FCV tobacco dealers and related issues.
7. A meeting was conducted on 02/02/2022 through video conference with Indian Tobacco Association and Trade representatives to discuss on on-going 2021-22 Karnataka FCV tobacco auctions and to discuss on strategy to conclude auctions early.
8. A meeting was conducted on 15/02/2022 at Guntur with Indian Tobacco Association and Trade representatives to discuss on the issues faced by the tobacco industry.
9. A meeting was conducted on 25/02/2022 at Rythu Bhavan, Tobacco Board, Guntur with the representatives of Growers, the Indian Tobacco Association and Trade representatives to discuss on commencement of auctions for sale of 2021-22 FCV tobacco crop in Andhra Pradesh.

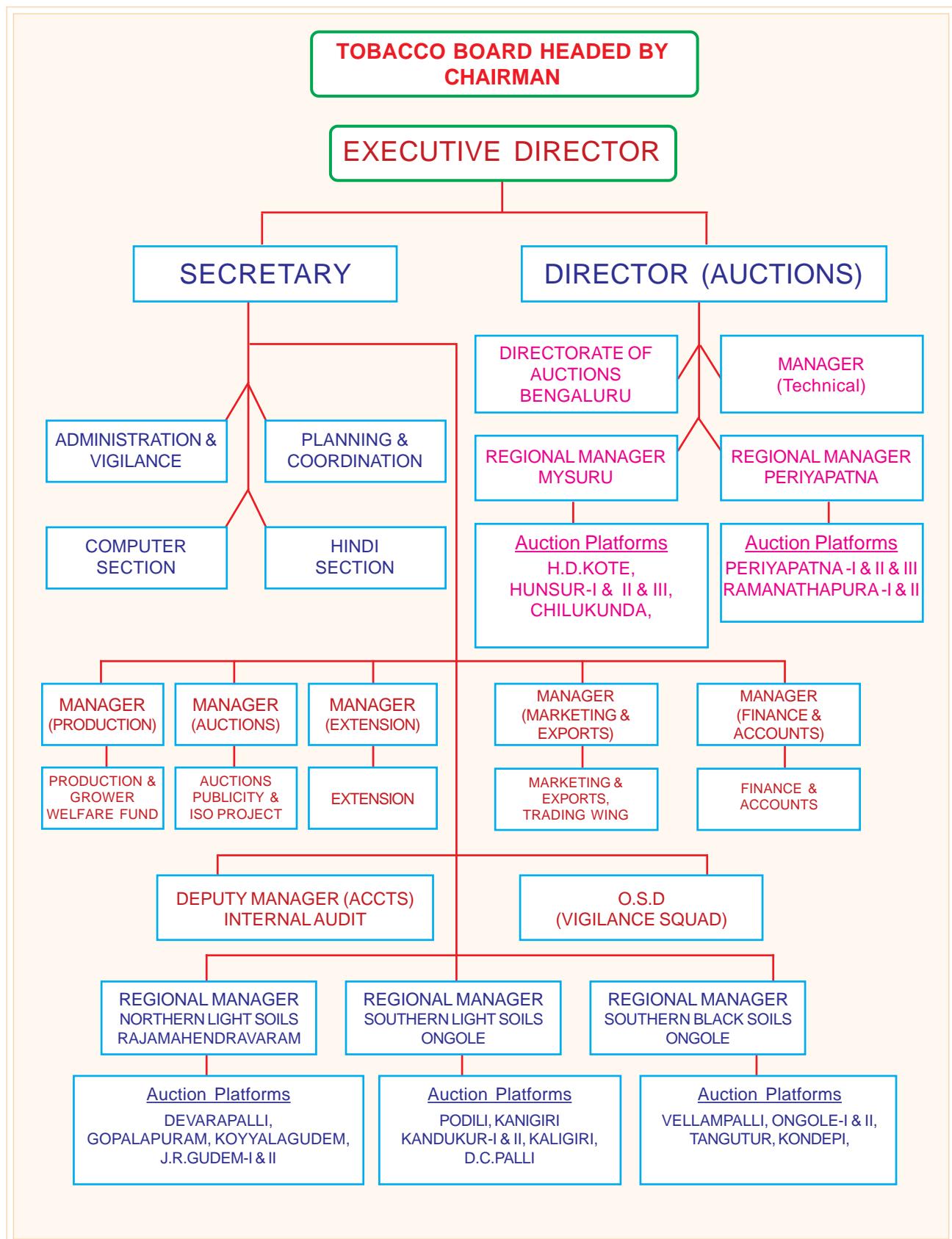


155th Board Meeting held on 16/08/2021 at Guntur

STATEMENT SHOWING THE SANCTIONED & EXISTING STRENGTH AS ON 31/03/2022

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	TOTAL	
		Sanctioned	Existing
GROUP-A - SENIOR LEVEL MANAGEMENT			
1	Chairman	1	1
2	Executive Director	1	1
3	Director (Auctions)	1	1
4	Secretary	1	0
5	Manager / Regional Manager	10	9
6	Deputy Manager(Accts)	1	0
7	Auction Superintendent/SGO	55	50
8	Assistant Manager(Accts)	33	16
9	Statistical Officer	1	0
10	Systems Analyst	1	0
Sub-Total		105	78
GROUP-B - MIDDLE LEVEL MANAGEMENT			
11	Programmer	1	0
12	Hindi Officer	1	0
13	P.S. to Chairman	1	0
14	Field Officer/Tech.Assistant	88	45
15	Senior Translator	1	1
16	Stenographer-Grade-I	1	1
17	Accountant	33	20
18	Senior Investigator	1	0
19	Assistant	13	0
20	Statistical Assistant	1	1
21	Care Taker	1	0
22	Stenographer Grade-II	3	1
23	Special Grade Driver	1	0
Sub Total		146	69
GROUP-C - JUNIOR LEVEL MANAGEMENT			
24	Computer Operator	27	17
25	Stenographer Grade-III	4	3
26	Upper Division Clerk (U.D.C)	43	18
27	Sr. Field Assistant	45	9
28	Field Assistant	158	51
29	Lower Division Clerk (L.D.C)	52	35
30	Hindi Typist	2	1
31	Driver	31	12
32	Gestetner Operator	1	0
33	Multi Tasking Staff	140	28
Sub-Total		503	174
GRAND TOTAL		754	321

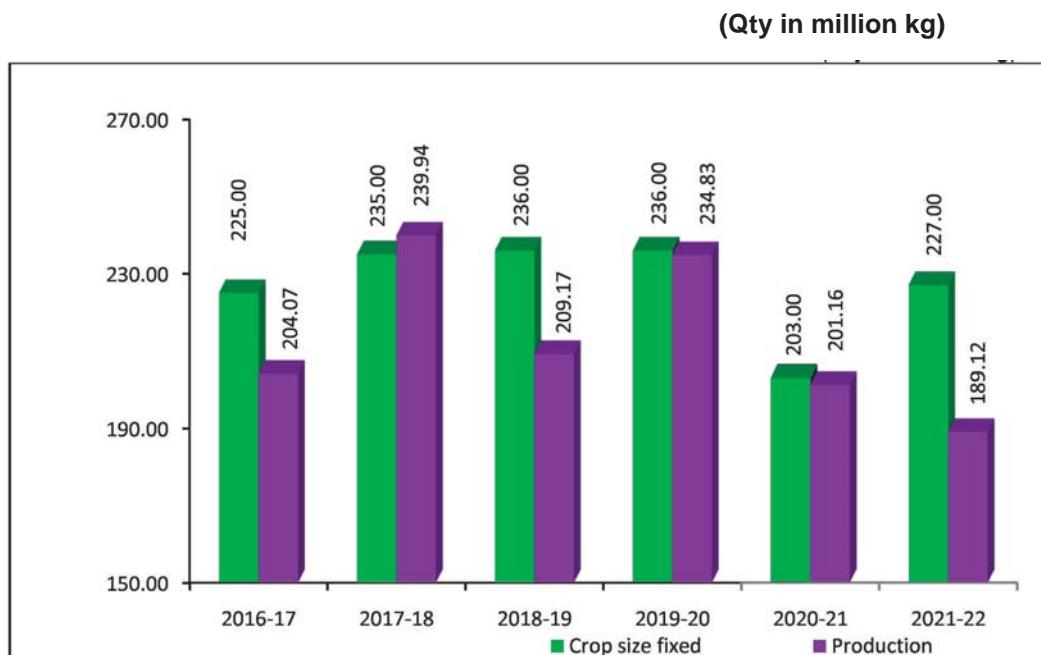
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CROP PLANNING AND REGULATION

I) TRENDS IN PRODUCTION OF FCV TOBACCO IN INDIA

FCV tobacco production in the last six years had been fluctuating from year to year. These wide fluctuations reflect weather impacts on yield as well as market dynamics in terms of price elasticity of supply. FCV tobacco production has registered a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of -0.29% during the last 5 years (i.e., from 2016-17 to 2020-21) and it was -1.26% including the year 2021-22.



II) FCV TOBACCO PRODUCTION POLICY FOR 2021-22:

During 2021-22 crop season, Board in its 153rd meeting held on 19/04/2021 fixed a crop size of 97.00 million kg for Karnataka as against 88 million kg fixed during 2020-21 crop season considering COVID-19 crisis. Board also decided to reallocate the nil planted growers quota to the identified progressive farmers so as to encourage quality tobacco production, which in turn helps to improve returns to the farmers in cultivation of FCV tobacco.

In Andhra Pradesh, Board in its 155th Board meeting held on 16/08/2021 fixed a crop size of 130.00 million kg for cultivation of FCV tobacco during 2021-22 crop season as against 115.00 million kg fixed during 2020-21 considering COVID-19 crisis.

Tobacco Board had fixed a total crop size of 227 million kg for cultivation of FCV tobacco during 2021-22 crop season as against 203.00 million kg fixed during 2020-21 crop season. The soil region wise crop size fixed during 2021-22 crop season in comparison with 2020-21 crop season is given below.

Soil Region	2021-22 crop season (m.kgs)	2020-21 crop season (m.kgs)
NLS Region	44.71	40.45
SLS Region	43.68	37.91
SBS Region	37.46	33.43
NBS Region	4.15	3.21
Sub Total:	130.00	115.00
KLS Region	97.00	88.00
Grand Total:	227.00	203.00

III) PRODUCTION POLICY FOR 2021-22 - HIGHLIGHTS:

The Board's policy framework for regulating production during 2021-22 crop season is as follows:

- I) The objective of the policy is to regulate the area under cultivation of FCV tobacco while concentrating on quality of product with focus on controlling excess and unauthorized cultivation of tobacco.
- II) Area under FCV tobacco cultivation shall be reduced and diverted to other alternate crop/ cropping systems.
- III) The excess production shall be dealt sternly to limit the production strictly to the crop size fixed so as to ensure fair and remunerative prices to the growers.
- IV) The FCV tobacco cultivation shall not be allowed to be taken up in saline areas, paddy fallows and unsuitable soils to avoid quality problems. These areas shall be diverted to other crops.
- V) Stringent action shall be initiated, as per the Board Act and Rules made thereunder, against the growers who are constructing / constructed unauthorized barns and are taking up unauthorized cultivation of tobacco.

IV) REGISTRATION CRITERIA FOR 2021-22 - HIGHLIGHTS:

The following criteria were laid down for renewal of registration or registration of growers during 2021-22 crop season.

- All growers/barns registered with the Board in 2020-21 crop season are eligible for renewal of registration in 2021-22 subject to the condition that the growers shall possess a fit barn and suitable lands for growing Virginia tobacco on his own or taken on lease and should not have violated Tobacco Board Act or Rules made thereunder.
- No new growers will be permitted to take up FCV tobacco cultivation by constructing new barns and no new areas will be allowed for FCV tobacco cultivation. (Construction of new barns will not be licensed).

- Growers registered in 2020-21 but have outstanding dues / to pay penalties / involved in barn disputes / to repair unfit barns / to submit certain documents for transfer of registration shall fulfil these conditions before stipulated date for grant of renewal of registration.
- Grower applicants who are registered in 2020-21 crop season and submitted Form-II & III returns in proof of cultivation and curing of tobacco but have not sold tobacco on the auction platforms will be considered for registration subject to payment of stipulated penalties.
- Grower applicants who are registered in 2020-21 crop season but have sold less than 25% and 50% of the quota than declared quota in Form-III returns will be considered for registration subject to payment of stipulated penalties.
- Registered grower owning an unauthorized barn on his own or on the name of his family members shall have to dysfunction the unauthorized barn and submit the affidavit stating that the barn will not be renovated again in future to be eligible for grant of renewal of registration.
- Grower applicants applied without support of licensed curing facility (barns)/unauthorized barns/barns ineligible for registration/ seeking licence for construction of new barns/having break-in-registration for more than 3 years/indulged in activities which are in violation of Tobacco Board Act, Rules & Regulations are ineligible for registration during 2021-22 crop season.
- Government of India vide letter No. 9/11/2016-EP (Agri-III), dated 14/06/2021 permitted the Tobacco Board to allow shifting of barns within the same soil region in future subject to decision of the Board in its Board meeting as per prevailing rules & subject to certain conditions. Accordingly, the Board had permitted shifting of barns in Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh during 2021-22 crop season.

V) SOIL REGION WISE AREA AND PRODUCTION QUOTA AUTHORIZED FOR 2021-22:

The soil region wise area authorized for cultivation and quota authorized for production per barn in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka during 2021-22 crop season are as follows:

ANDHRA PRADESH:

The Registration Committee in its 95th meeting held on 16/08/2021 at Head Office, Guntur fixed production quota per barn soil region wise in Andhra Pradesh as follows and also decided to allot NIL planted grower quota and left over crop size to the growers of same soil region, who are registered and submitted Form-II returns, planted tobacco during 2021-22 Andhra Pradesh crop season as like 2020-21 crop season. As per the decision of Registration Committee, the quota of nil planted grower's and left over crop size was distributed to the growers who have planted tobacco of same soil region. The soil region wise final quota authorized per barn during 2021-22 Andhra Pradesh crop season after distribution of nil planted grower's quota and left over crop size are as follows:

Soil Region	Area Registered (ha)		Production Quota (Kg/Barn)		
	2021-22	2020-21	2021-22		2020-21
			Initial quota authorized per barn (kg)	Final quota after distribution of Nil Planted growers quota & left over crop size	
Northern Light Soil (NLS)	1.40	1.30	3200	3439	3020
Southern Light Soil (SLS)	2.50	2.30	3350	3879	3050
Southern Black Soil (SBS)	1.70	1.40	3250	3510	3020
Northern Black Soil (NBS)	1.40	1.00	2785	3200	2707

* N.L.S. includes ELS also

Board in its 155th Board meeting held on 16/08/2021 resolved to allocate an additional quota of 100 kg / barn (simplex) to the identified 824 progressive farmers covering 1,188 barns (ITS) from the nil planted growers quota during 2021-22 Karnataka crop season. The Board also resolved to distribute the leftover nil planted growers quota after distribution to identified progressive farmers equally to all the registered growers of Karnataka during 2021-22 crop season.

As per decision of Board an additional quota of 100 kg/barn (simplex) was given to the identified 824 progressive growers covering 1,188 barns for 2021-22 Karnataka crop season from the nil planted growers quota. The leftover nil planted growers quota after distribution to progressive farmers was distributed to 40,342 registered growers covering 52,161 barns (Simplex) @ 9kg / ITS for 2021-22 Karnataka crop season. The area registered and quota authorized per simplex and duplex barn during 2021-22 Karnataka crop season are as follows:

KARNATAKA:

Soil Region	Area Registered (ha)		Production Quota (Kg/Barn)		
	2021-22	2020-21	2021-22		2020-21
			Initial quota authorized per barn (kg)	Final quota after distribution of leftover nil planted growers quota	
Simplex Barn	1.30	1.24	1715	1724	1552
Duplex Barn	2.60	2.48	3430	3448	3104

VI) PRODUCTION REGULATION CAMPAIGN:

The Board had undertaken Production Regulation Campaign during 2021-22 crop season to prevent excess/unauthorized production of FCV tobacco through personal contacts, group meetings in the villages and mass contact programmes. Public communication strategies such as posters, distribution of pamphlets, playing of audio cassettes, electronic and print media were used to appeal to the growers to prevent excess/unauthorized production of FCV tobacco. In

addition to 6 formal meetings prescribed per auction platform, 296 group meetings in Andhra Pradesh and 103 group meetings in Karnataka were conducted by field staff in villages as a part of production regulation campaign during 2021-22.

VII) PARTICULARS OF GROWERS REGISTERED DURING 2021-22:

During 2021-22 crop season, a total of 84,759 growers covering 92,481.35 barns were registered with the Board for cultivation of FCV tobacco. Of them, 43,321 growers covering 38,786.35 barns were registered for cultivation of tobacco in Andhra Pradesh (As on 31/03/2022). An area of 70,836 ha., was authorized for production of FCV tobacco against which an area of 66,265.23 ha., was actually planted. In Karnataka, 41,438 growers covering 53,695 barns were registered for cultivation of tobacco. As against an area of 69,804 ha., authorized for cultivation, an area of 71,877 ha., was planted under FCV tobacco.

The auction platform wise particulars of growers, barns and area registered, quantity authorized and area planted under FCV tobacco in Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh for 2021-22 crop season are furnished at Page No's **25 to 27**.

VIII) REPORT ON 2021-22 KARNATAKA CROP

Nursery:

The sowing of seeds in the nursery beds commenced from first week of March and ended by second week of April 2021. The area sown under Nursery during 2021-22 in Karnataka was 589.96 ha, which is less by 3.15% when compared to previous year (609.17 ha). Majority of the growers have taken up tray nursery to achieve better establishment and uniform growth of seedlings. Few growers have taken up green tech nursery for production of disease free and healthy seedlings. The growth of the nursery was good and was free from pest and diseases.



Kanchan is the major variety sown covering 286.51 ha occupying 48.57 % of the total nursery area sown followed by CH-3 and FCH-222 hybrids which were sown in an area of 292.93 ha. (49.65%) and 10.52 ha. (1.78%) respectively.

Main field:

During this year, plantations have commenced during 2nd week of May and completed during second week of June 2021 in Karnataka. Establishment of seedlings in the main field is good. FCV tobacco was planted in total area of 71,877.09 ha., in Karnataka during 2021-22, which is lower by 2.35% as compared to 73,609 ha., planted during the previous year. Out of the total area planted, about 36,114.07 ha (50.24%) of area planted is under Kanchan variety, 34,865.92 ha. is under CH-3 (48.51%) and 897.10 ha. is under FCH-222 (1.25%).

Plantation Stage	2021-22		2020-21	
Early Plantation (Up to 31 th May)	67256.39	93.57%	72119.00	98%
Middle Plantation (Up to 15 th June)	4330.70	6.03%	1490.00	2%
Late Plantation (After 15 th June)	290.00	0.40%	-	-
Total:	71877.09	100%	73609.00	100%



Crop growth in Karnataka:

The initial crop growth was good due to timely application and intake of fertilizers. Later, the early crop experienced moisture stress during grand growth period due to insufficient rains during the month of June 2021. The crop recovered to some extent on receipt of good amount of rainfall during 1st fortnight of July. However, false ripening of leaves were observed in all the platform areas due to change in weather conditions and some of the farmers left 1 or 2 leaves without harvest in the field. FCV tobacco growing regions again received moderate to heavy rains during first week of September 2021. Due to these rains, 1 or 2 curings were slightly affected which resulted in more number of medium and low grades in curings. The yields are low in early crop. The middle crop growth is good with better leaf expansion and yields are good.

Pests and Diseases:

No incidence of major pests and diseases was noticed in the main field during 2021-22 crop season. Incidence of Tobacco Mosaic virus was noticed in some areas and growers were advised to take up sanitary and preventive measures to avoid further spread. Incidence of Black Shank disease and infestation of Spodoptera were also observed in some fields.

Harvestings & Curings:

Initial three curings were good with more bright grades. Fourth and Fifth curings were affected due to heavy rains and more number of medium and low grades are produced in these curings. On an average 6 to 7 curings were taken up per barn. The cured leaves are lemon in colour. Overall, the quality of tobacco is good with relatively brighter grade outturn compared to previous season. However, the leaf weight is low and hence yields per ha., are reduced during this year compared to previous season.



Yields:

The average yield per ha., during 2021-22 is at around 948 kg/ha as compared to last year productivity of 1,201 kg/ha. A total crop of 68.14 million kg was marketed with a grade out turn of 32:37:31 in terms of Bright, Medium and Low grades as against 88.42 million kg marketed in 2020-21 with a grade out turn of 15:41:44.

IX. REPORT ON 2021-22 ANDHRA PRADESH CROP:

Nursery sowings commenced during the month of August in all the region in Andhra Pradesh during 2021-22 crop season. Total area sown under nursery during 2021-22 in Andhra Pradesh was 804.89 ha. as against 358.81 ha. sown during previous year. No major incidence of pest and disease was observed during this season. The seedling prices were around ₹800/- to ₹1,500/- per bundle (6000 seedlings) in SLS and SBS regions. In NLS region, the prices were around ₹4,000 per bundle.



Varieties:

‘Siri’ is the major variety sown in 490.95 ha. in Southern Light Soils and Traditional Black Soil regions accounting for about 67.98% of the total Nursery area (722.13 ha). Other varieties grown are FCR-15, Sulakshana and N-98. In Northern Light Soils, LV-7 is the major variety sown in an area of about 43.11 ha. accounting for about 52.09% of the total Nursery area (82.76 ha).

Main field:

A total area of 66,265 ha. was transplanted in Andhra Pradesh which is more by 1.72% as against 65,142 ha., planted during 2020-21 crop season. The area planted under Early (before 15th October), Middle(between 15th October to 15th November) and Late(after 15th November) plantation was in the ratio of 4:39:57.

In Southern Light Soil, Southern Black Soil and Northern Black Soil areas, Siri was the dominant variety cultivated in an area of 39,965.06 ha., accounting for 82% of total area planted in these regions. The other varieties grown are FCR-15, Sulakshana and G-11 (Hema) in SLS and SBS regions. In Northern Light Soils, LV-7 Hybrid was grown in an area of 6,398.80 ha. The other varieties were grown in an area of 11,001.12 ha.,.

Plantation Stage	2021-22		2020-21	
Early Plantation (Up to 15 th October)	2,690.10	4%	1,932.60	3%
Middle Plantation (Up to 15 th November)	25,822.86	39%	25,946.10	40%
Late Plantation (After 15 th November)	37,752.27	57%	37,263.70	57%
Total:	66,265.23	100%	65,142.40	100%

Crop growth in Andhra Pradesh:

During 2021-22 crop season in Andhra Pradesh, transplantations have commenced during First week of October 2021 in SLS, SBS & NLS regions and second fortnight of November, 2021 in NBS Region. FCV tobacco growing regions received heavy rains during the last week of November, 2021, due to ‘JAWAD’ cyclone and transplanted crop in an area of 6,161.10 ha., was damaged in Prakasam , Nellore, and East Godavari Districts. Some of the farmers have gone for replantation in their fields after cyclonic rains. Transplantation of tobacco during the season was halted for about 30 days due to cyclonic rains and hence majority of the area was late planted in the month of December 2021. The total plantation is in an area of 66,265.23 ha., and there is only 1.72% increase in area planted this year when compared to last year (i.e., 65,142) even though the crop size was increased by 13% by the Board this year over the last year crop size (i.e., increased from 115.00 million kg to 130.00 million kg).

Nothern Light Soils (NLS) Crop:

Total plantation in Northern Light Soil region this year was **17,562.32** ha., which is more by **6.14%** when compared to **16,546.50** ha., planted in 2020-21. The crop condition was good with good leaf spread. The yields are good and low grade out turn is slighter higher when compared to last year.



Southern Light Soils (SLS) Crop:

Total plantation in Southern Light Soil region this year was **28,339.90** ha., which is less by 3.64% when compared to **29,409.30** ha., planted during 2020-21. The condition of the crop in SLS region is average. The yields are low and low grade production is more this year compared to last year.

Traditional Black Soils (TBS) Crop:

Total plantation in Southern Black Soil region this year was **19,167.81** ha., which is more by 6.56% when compared to **17,988.30** ha. planted during 2020-21. The yields are low and low grade production is more this year compared to last year.

Total area planted in Northern Black Soils (NBS) during 2021-22 is **1,195.20** ha. which is less by 0.26% when compared to **1,198.30** ha. last year. Crop quality this year is rated as average.



Harvestings:

8-9 curings were taken up on an average in Northern Light Soil areas. In Southern Black Soil and Southern Light Soil areas, 6-8 curings were taken up on an average. The grade out turn in terms of Bright, Medium and Low grades is in the ratio of 44:31:25 in SLS region and 49:20:31 in SBS region. In NBS and NLS regions, the grade out turn is in the ratio of 67:25:8 and 61:28:11 respectively.



Yields:

During 2021-22 crop season, FCV tobacco production in Andhra Pradesh is **120.98** million kg. The production in NLS is **42.23** million kg. The production in SLS and SBS regions is **38.55** and **38.01** million kg respectively. The production in NBS region is **2.19** million kg. The average yields are 1,360 kg/ha in Southern Light Soils, 1,983 kg/ha in Southern Black Soils, 2,405 kg/ha in Northern Light soils and 1,832 kg/ha in Northern Black soils.

FCV Tobacco Crop Damage due to 'JAWAD' Cyclonic Rains:

During 2021-22 crop season in Andhra Pradesh, FCV tobacco in an area of 6,161.10 ha. was damaged due to 'JAWAD' cyclonic rains received during the month of November 2021 in Prakasam, Nellore, Guntur, East & West Godavari Districts. The crop damage was reported to Special Chief Secretary to Government, Special Commissioner of Agriculture, State Government of Andhra Pradesh and Concerned District Collectors vide letters No.4(9)/2021-22/PDN, dated 23/11/2021 to provide essential relief to the growers by State Government under State Disaster Response Fund [SDRF]. The item wise expenditure to be incurred by the farmer was also submitted to Special Commissioner of Agriculture, State Government of Andhra Pradesh and concerned Joint Director's of Agriculture vide letters dated 30/11/2021 and 24/12/2021 along with grower wise extent of crop damage.

As per Memo. No. AGC02-260 25/09/2021, dated 15/11/2021 issued by Commissioner of Agriculture, State Government of Andhra Pradesh to all the Joint Directors of Agriculture, State Government of Andhra Pradesh, the Kharif crop damaged more than 33% were only covered for sanction of input subsidy and Rabi crops are covered only for distribution of seed on 80% subsidy basis by State Government.

Board requested the Special Chief Secretary to Government, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh vide letter dated 28/12/2021 to issue directions to concerned officials to include FCV tobacco crop also for providing compensation under SDRF by State Government to benefit the FCV tobacco farming community as being extended to Kharif crops.

As per information provided to the Board vide letter dated 04/01/2022 by the Commissioner of Agriculture, State Government of Andhra Pradesh, it came to know that the proposals for sanction of input subsidy of 4.667 Lakh to tobacco crop damage to 50 farmers of Prakasam District, who have cultivated in late Khariff season was submitted to Government. No Rabi crops were considered for enumeration except Bengalgram crop which was damaged in larger extent.

Board again requested the Special Chief Secretary to Government and Special Commissioner of Agriculture, State Government of Andhra Pradesh vide letters dated: 13/01/2022 and 04/02/2022 to include FCV tobacco crop also for providing compensation under SDRF by State Government to benefit the FCV tobacco farmers as being extended to Rabi crop Bengal gram. FCV tobacco crop was not included for providing compensation under SDRF by State Government.

X. SALE OF EXCESS/UNAUTHORIZED TOBACCO DURING 2021-22:

During 2021-22 crop season in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka, the excess tobacco produced by registered growers over and above the authorized quota was allowed for sale by levying an extra fee of ₹1/- per kg., and 5% of the proceeds of the sale (including normal service charge of 1%) without any limit in excess sales as per Government Notification No.2141, dated 14/06/2021. The tobacco produced by unregistered growers was allowed for sale by levying extra fee @ ₹1/- per kg., and 5% of the proceeds of the sale (including normal service charge of 1%) on par with excess tobacco produced by registered growers as per Government Notification No.85, dated 07/01/2022.

XI. PROMOTION OF ALTERNATIVE CROPS TO TOBACCO:

As a part of Key Result Areas (KRAs) for Tobacco Board, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India vide its communication No.5/2/2018-EP(Agri-VI), dated 20/05/2019 has directed the Board to promote alternative crops by conducting awareness programmes on alternative crops to FCV tobacco in key tobacco areas in coordination with CTRI and implement crop diversification schemes/ take up alternative crop cultivation, in co-ordination with State Agriculture and Horticulture Departments of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.

Tobacco Board had conducted growers awareness meetings during 2021-22 for promoting cultivation of other economically viable alternative crops in place of FCV tobacco in collaboration with CTRI and Agricultural Departments of Andhra Pradesh in key tobacco areas viz., Podili, ADA Office Vinjamur and Kandukur – II of SLS region, Ongole, Kondepi and Tangutur of SBS region, Koyyalagudem, Gopalapuram and Janagareddygudem of NLS region in Andhra Pradesh state. An amount of 0.71 lakhs was spent by Board towards conducting crop diversification programmes.

Shifting of barns from NBS region to other regions in Andhra Pradesh:

Government of India vide letter no.9/11/2016-EP (Agri.III), dated 02/02/2022 permitted the Board for allowing shifting of barns from NBS region to other regions in Andhra Pradesh for 2021-22 crop season. As per permission given by Government ,all the barns of NBS region which are eligible for registration as per the criteria laid down for registration of growers for 2021-22 crop season/ already registered/unfit barns having break-in registration for above 3 years or less and eligible for grant of registration on repair of the barns are allowed for shifting. The growers are allowed to shift their eligible barns from NBS to other soil regions in Andhra Pradesh in 1:1 ratio on their own (self shifting) or by sale to the intending growers. Authorized quota of 3,200 kg of NBS region after distribution of nil planted growers quota was allotted to the barns shifted/ transferred from NBS region for 2021-22 crop season irrespective of soil region where the barn was shifted/ transferred.

Minimizing Regulatory Compliances – Provision of Online option for filing of application for renewal / returns by FCV tobacco growers/Nurserymen – Reg.

A provision was made in Tobacco Board website www.tobaccoboard.com for Online filing of following compliances by FCV tobacco growers / nurserymen as per directions of Ministry of Commerce to Minimize Regulatory Compliance burden and instructions were issued to all the Auction Superintendents vide circular No. 6(1)/2021-22/PDN, dated: 12/07/2021 to propagate among the growers on online provision made in Tobacco website so as to utilize the same for filing of application / returns w.e.f., 2021-22 crop season in Andhra Pradesh and 2022-23 crop season in Karnataka.

- ❖ Renewal of grower registration
- ❖ Submission of Form-II returns
- ❖ Submission of Form-III returns
- ❖ Registration of Nursery Grower
- ❖ Submission of Form 7 returns (Nursery Grower)
- ❖ Submission of Form 8 returns (Nursery Grower)
- ❖ Licence for barn construction

Further, during 2021-22 Andhra Pradesh crop season, grant / renewal of registration was done by using grower and barn modules developed by Coforge Team and also crop monitoring modules were used to back up the grower data collected.

AUCTION PLATFORM WISE GROWERS REGISTRATION AND PLANTATION PARTICULARS FOR 2021-22
CROP SEASON IN ANDHRA PRADESH (AS ON 31/03/2022)

Particulars	No. of growers			No. of barns			Area registered (ha)			Crop size fixed (mkg)			Area planted(ha.)		
	L.S.	B.S.	Total	L.S.	B.S.	Total	L.S.	B.S.	Total	L.S.	B.S.	Total	L.S.	B.S.	Total
NLS Region															
Devarapalli	1713	1301	3014	1979.00	1361.50	3340.50	2770.60	1906.10	4676.70	6.92	4.15	11.07	2278.50	1195.20	3473.70
Eastern Light Soils	46	0	46	52.00	0.00	52.00	72.80	0.00	72.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	56.00	0.00	56.00
Devarapalli	1759	1301	3060	2031.00	1361.50	3392.50	2843.40	1906.10	4749.50	6.92	4.15	11.07	2334.50	1195.20	3529.70
J.R.Gudem-I	2354	0	2354	2867.50	0.00	2867.50	4014.50	0.00	4014.50	9.32	0.00	9.32	3794.90	0.00	3794.90
J.R.Gudem-II	2687	0	2687	2903.09	0.00	2903.09	4064.33	0.00	4064.33	9.68	0.00	9.68	3840.00	0.00	3840.00
Koyyalagudem	2531	0	2531	2865.10	0.00	2865.10	4011.14	0.00	4011.14	9.38	0.00	9.38	3930.52	0.00	3930.52
Gopalapuram	2320	0	2320	2794.50	0.00	2794.50	3912.30	0.00	3912.30	9.41	0.00	9.41	3662.40	0.00	3662.40
Sub total	11651	1301	12952	13461.19	1361.50	14822.69	18845.67	1906.10	20751.77	44.71	4.15	48.86	17570.22	1195.20	18757.52
SBS Region															
Vellampalli	1095	1534	2629	869.10	1455.03	2324.13	2173.74	2473.91	4647.65	3.01	4.79	7.80	1876.50	2360.50	4237.00
Ongole-I	976	1946	2922	633.80	1986.13	2619.93	1453.45	3377.12	4830.57	2.12	6.52	8.64	1820.50	3681.30	5501.80
Ongole-II	0	2064	2064	0.00	2226.25	2226.25	0.00	3785.14	3785.14	0.00	7.40	7.40	0.00	2970.00	2970.00
Tangutur	0	2838	2838	0.00	2747.37	2747.37	0.00	4670.80	4670.80	0.00	9.04	9.04	0.00	4953.10	4953.10
Kondepi	1959	1991	3950	1182.63	1505.81	2688.44	2927.39	2561.36	5488.75	4.06	4.97	9.03	3015.60	2434.00	5449.60
Sub total	4030	10373	14403	2685.53	9920.59	12606.12	6554.58	16868.33	23422.91	9.20	32.72	41.92	6712.60	16398.90	23111.50

Particulars	No. of growers			No. of barns			Area registered (ha)			Crop size fixed (mkg)			Area planted (ha.)		
	L.S.	B.S.	Total	L.S.	B.S.	Total	L.S.	B.S.	Total	L.S.	B.S.	Total	L.S.	B.S.	Total
SLS Region															
Podili	4256	286	4542	2404.68	216.35	2621.03	6011.70	367.79	6379.49	8.59	0.69	9.28	4653.00	320.00	4973.00
Kanigiri	1498	0	1498	1227.78	0.00	1227.78	3069.71	0.00	3069.71	4.37	0.00	4.37	3056.00	0.00	3056.00
Kandukur-I	2548	780	3328	1784.54	631.79	2416.33	4028.46	1072.90	5101.36	5.99	2.08	8.08	4834.60	1361.01	6195.61
Kandukur-II	2104	771	2875	1500.65	544.22	2044.87	3612.13	925.72	4537.85	5.13	1.77	6.90	3480.00	1025.00	4505.00
Kalligiri	1511	56	1567	1254.58	59.75	1314.33	3138.11	101.58	3239.69	4.42	0.19	4.62	2173.70	62.90	2236.60
D.C.Palli	2156	0	2156	1733.20	0.00	1733.20	4332.99	0.00	4332.99	5.98	0.00	5.98	3430.00	0.00	3430.00
Sub Total	14073	1893	15966	9905.43	1452.11	11357.54	24193.10	2467.99	26661.09	34.48	4.74	39.22	21627.30	2768.91	24396.21
Grand Total	29754	13567	43321	26052.15	12734.2	38786.35	49593.35	21242.42	70835.77	88.39	41.61	130.00	45902.22	20363.01	66265.23

**AUCTION PLATFORM WISE GROWERS' REGISTRATION AND PLANTATION PARTICULARS
FOR 2021-22 CROP SEASON IN KARNATAKA**

S No	Name of the APF	Growers	Barns	Area Registered (ha)	Crop size fixed (m.kgs)	Area planted (ha)
Mysore Region:						
1	H.D.Kote	3977	5204.00	6765.20	9.61	6248.50
2	Hunsur-I	3406	4269.00	5549.70	7.61	6900.00
3	Hunsur-II	3219	3899.00	5068.70	6.90	5482.00
4	Hunsur-III	2520	3241.00	4213.30	5.89	5873.00
6	Chilikunda	5762	7556.00	9822.80	13.60	7800.00
	Sub-Total:	18884	24169.00	31419.70	43.61	32303.50
Periyapatna Region:						
7	Periyapatna-I	4875	6917.00	8992.10	12.68	8500.00
8	Periyapatna-II	4849	6325.00	8222.50	11.21	8368.59
9	Periyapatna-III	4986	6447.00	8381.10	11.66	8485.00
10	Ramanathpura-I	4367	5407.00	7029.10	9.78	6870.00
11	Ramanathpura-II	3477	4430.00	5759.00	8.06	7350.00
	Sub-Total:	22554	29526.00	38383.80	53.39	39573.59
	Grand Total:	41438	53695.00	69803.50	97.00	71877.09

EXTENSION AND ADVISORY SERVICES

Tobacco Board implements various extension and developmental schemes for improvement of productivity and quality of Indian FCV Tobacco to make it competitive in the international market. Tobacco Board also extends subsidy to the registered FCV tobacco growers under its various schemes to encourage the farmers to adopt new and improved package of practices. Tobacco Board provides a comprehensive package of technical support and extension services to farmers using a wide network of qualified and trained technical field staff, in collaboration with Central Tobacco Research Institute (CTRI), Rajamahendravaram, National Institute of Plant Health Management (NIPHM), Hyderabad, and Research & Developmental wings of tobacco companies. The extension and developmental activities of the Board broadly include:

- Supply of critical crop inputs (seed, suckerout, fertilizer).
- Extension and Developmental Schemes taken up by Tobacco Board for sustainable tobacco production.
- Transfer of technology.

I. SUPPLY OF CRITICAL CROP INPUTS:

FCV tobacco farmers are required to use standard set of crop inputs for better quality of the crop. To ensure compliance, Tobacco Board is taking the responsibility to provide critical crop inputs seed, fertilizers and suckercide to the farmers.

(a) FCV TOBACCO SEED:

During 2021-22 crop season, Board has facilitated the supply of **6,729.15 Kgs of seed** of approved varieties through CTRI, Rajamahendravaram and ITC Research Division, Rajamahendravaram to FCV tobacco growers in the states of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.

STATE	VARIETY											(Quantity in Kgs)	
	Kanchan (CTRI)	Kanchan (ITC)	CH3 (ITC)	G11	SIRI	FCR15	FCH 222	VT 1158	CTRI Sulakshana	N98	Total		
Karnataka	295.00	250.50	630.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	32.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1207.06		
Andhra Pradesh	0.00	0.00	192.84	4.00	3000.00	2211.00	0.00	11.00	60.50	42.75	5522.09		
Total	295.00	250.00	822.90	4.00	3000.00	2211.00	32.00	11.00	60.50	42.75	6729.15		

(b) FERTILIZERS:

In Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka, Tobacco Board had facilitated the procurement and distribution of fertilizers through Committee of Farmers(COF). This new system of fertilizer distribution was evolved and implemented in Andhra Pradesh during 2017-18 crop season and in Karnataka during 2018-19 crop season. In the new system, registered growers are empowered to procure and distribute fertilizers by themselves. The similar mode of fertilizer distribution was implemented successfully during

2021-22 crop season using the services of the District Cooperative Marketing Society Ltd (DCMS) Eluru in Northern soil region, Andhra Pradesh Tobacco Growers Co-operative Union Limited, Ongole, DCMS, Ongole, DCMS, Nellore in Southern region in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka State Cooperative Marketing Federation Ltd.,(KSCMF) in Karnataka. Tobacco Board provided hand holding support to grower committees in all aspects of fertilizer supply starting from collection of indents and advance amounts; input loan arrangement from banks; providing Tobacco Board godowns to outsourcing agencies on rent free basis. The outsourcing agencies placed orders for supply of fertilizers to the manufacturers, as per the grower indents based on the prices of fertilizers, payment terms and supply schedule agreed upon by the farmers committee. The outsourcing agencies and Farmers committee monitored the quality of fertilizers with the assistance of State Agriculture Departments.

The details of fertilizers supplied in Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh states are as under.

Karnataka (KLS region):

Fertilizer	Manufacturer	Quantity (M.T)	Price (₹/Ton)	Value (₹ in lakh)
Ammonium Sulphate	FACT	6370.00	14680.05	935.12
Di Ammonium Phosphate	CIL	2966.45	28327.50	840.32
Sulphate of Potash	IPL	4868.85	47092.50	2292.86
Sulphate of Potash	Transworld	4030.50	46900.00	1890.30
	Total	8899.35	...	4183.16
Calcium Nitrate	Transworld	1897.00	33800.00	641.19
Grand Total		20132.80		6599.79

Andhra Pradesh:

Fertilizer	Supplier	SLS/SBS region			NLS region			Quantity (M.T)	Value (₹ in lakhs)	Value (₹ in lakh)
		Quantity (M.T)	Price (₹/Ton)	Value (₹ in lakhs)	Quantity (M.T)	Price (₹/Ton)	Value (₹ in lakhs)			
Ammonium Sulphate	FACT	0.00	0.00	0.00	2406.40	16400.00	394.65	2406.40	394.65	394.65
GSFC	998.55	15401.00	153.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	998.55	153.79	153.79
Sub Total (1)	998.55		153.79	2406.40			394.65	3404.95	548.44	548.44
Di Ammonium Phosphate	CIL	291.80	23520.00	68.63	582.00	23520.00	136.89	873.80	205.52	205.52
Sulphate of Potash	IPL	479.00	49900.00	239.02	2197.00	49900.00	1096.30	2676.00	1335.32	1335.32
Floris	0.00	0.00	0.00	363.15	42000.00	152.52	363.15	152.52	152.52	152.52
Transworld	0.00	0.00	0.00	318.15	49600.00	157.80	318.15	157.80	157.80	157.80
Transworld (fertilization mode)		0.00	0.00	546.25	52000.00	284.05	546.25	284.05	284.05	284.05
Sub Total (2)	479.00		239.02	3424.55			1690.68	3903.55	1929.70	1929.70
Calcium Nitrate	Transworld	0.00	0.00	116.15	40000.00	46.46	116.15	46.46	46.46	46.46
Continental	9.63	39600.00	3.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.63	3.81	3.81	3.81
Sub Total (3)	9.63		3.81	116.15			46.46	125.78	50.27	50.27
Grand Total (1+2+3)	1778.98		465.25	6529.10			2268.67	8308.08	2733.92	2733.92



(c) SUCKER CONTROL CHEMICAL:

The Committee of Farmers formed for supply of fertilizers attended to the process of inviting quotations/finalizing vendor/price for supply of Suckericide.

During 2021-22 crop season M/s ITC Ltd-ABD has supplied a quantity of 77,465 lts of Suckerout @ ₹870/- per 2.5 lts can to eligible registered growers.

In Andhra Pradesh, M/s.Highgrow Floris Chemicals Pvt Ltd., has supplied 20,262.50 lts of Sucker control chemical (C-10) to the indented growers @ ₹999/- per 2.5 lts can and M/s. ITC Ltd., has supplied 92,625 lts of Sucker control chemical (Suckerout) @ ₹999/- per can of 2.5 lts.



II. EXTENSION AND DEVELOPMENTAL SCHEMES TAKEN UP BY TOBACCO BOARD FOR SUSTAINABLE TOBACCO PRODUCTION (STP) DURING 2021-22 CROP SEASON:

(a) Production of healthy seedlings - Tray seedlings technology and installation of shade nets:

Tray nursery technique is standardized in FCV tobacco cultivation to produce healthy tobacco seedlings to overcome soil borne disease problem and to preclude transplantation shocks. Tray nursery seedlings offer the unique advantage of ensuring crop uniformity with minimum gap fills and consequently increased cured leaf yield and quality as against the seedlings grown in conventional raised seed bed nursery. During 2021-22 crop season, Board assisted farmer committees in both

Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka States to procure pro trays of better quality and extended subsidy to growers as an encouragement. The details of expenditure incurred by Board towards provision of subsidy on the supply of trays to indented growers during 2021-22 crop season in both states of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka are as follows:

State	No. of growers	No. of trays	Subsidy (₹ in Lakh)
Karnataka	5120	1122810	63.24
Andhra Pradesh	1547	628882	26.80
Total	6667	1751692	90.04

In order to protect the tray seedlings from adverse weather vagaries such as wind, cold, excessive rains, extreme temperatures, insect and disease incidence, the seedlings in trays have to be kept in controlled conditions. In order to promote the adoption of the practice, Board extended subsidy of ₹1.03 lakhs to 260 growers of SLS and SBS regions towards the supply of 265 units of shade nets.



(b) Cocopeat:

Use of Cocopeat as a growth medium in trays for healthy seedling production would prevent incidence of soil borne diseases and also aid in moisture conservation. Tobacco Board has extended subsidy of ₹1.93 lakhs on supply of Cocopeat to FCV tobacco growers of Southern region in Andhra Pradesh as an encouragement.

State	No. of growers	Cocopeat Quantity(Kg)	Subsidy (₹ in lakh)
Andhra Pradesh	302	1,64,832	1.93

(c) Improving soil health - Promotion of green manure crop raising in FCV tobacco growing soils:

The tobacco soils are mostly light textured and are poor in organic carbon content due to continuous tobacco cultivation. Hence Tobacco Board has taken necessary steps to improve the soil fertility through green manuring. Tobacco Board in coordination with Agricultural Departments of State Government of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka is making availability of green manure seed to farmers well in advance of the planting season for taking up the practice of raising green manure crop in their fields. During 2021-22 crop season, green manure crops were raised in an area of **8,927.60 ha.** in Andhra Pradesh and **781.26 ha.** in Karnataka to enrich the soils with organic matter.

State	Soil Region	Area under green manure crop (ha)
Karnataka	KLS Region	781.26
	NLS Region	2,252.20
Andhra Pradesh	SLS Region	3,385.00
	SBS Region	3,290.40
	Andhra Pradesh Total	8,927.60
	Grand Total	9,708.86



(d) Improving Yield & Quality of Tobacco:

i) Integrated Pest Management Practices - Pheromone Traps and Yellow Sticky Traps:

Integrated Pest Management is a concept where effective pest and disease control is achieved through a combination of all pest control methods viz., biological, cultural, mechanical in addition to chemical methods. Integrated Pest Management is intended to minimize the use of chemicals, reduce pesticide residues, protect environment and soil micro-flora and fauna. Under this scheme, Board facilitated supply of Pheromone traps and Yellow Sticky traps for monitoring insect population in tobacco fields and extended subsidies on these inputs for effective implementation of IPM strategies.

Details of expenditure incurred by Board towards extending subsidy to growers for supply of Pheromone Traps and Yellow Sticky Traps during 2021-22 crop season is as follows:

Pheromone Traps:

State	No. of growers	Physical Achievement (No. of traps)	Financial Achievement (₹ in lakh)
Andhra Pradesh	862	19,765	2.80
Karnataka	83	800	0.11
Total	945	20,565	2.91

Yellow Sticky Traps:

State	No. of growers	Physical Achievement (No. of traps)	Financial Achievement (₹ in lakh)
Andhra Pradesh	926	13,990	0.71
Karnataka	98	1,080	0.05
Total	1,024	15,070	0.76



ii) Bio Pesticides:

Bio pesticides such as *Trichoderma harzianum* and *Pseudomonas fluorescens* were supplied to licensed FCV tobacco growers in collaboration with NIPHM, Hyderabad, so as to prevent incidence of soil borne diseases and thereby reduce the use of pesticides. During 2021-22 crop season, **750 lts** of Bio pesticides were supplied to **674 growers in Karnataka** and an amount of **₹0.53 lakh** was extended by Board as subsidy. In Andhra Pradesh, **4,247.2 lts** of bio pesticides were supplied to **1,172 growers** in NLS region and an amount of **₹3.07 lakh** was extended as subsidy.

The Scientists of NIPHM, Hyderabad visited Auction Platforms in Karnataka and imparted training to growers on bio pesticide mass multiplication procedures and use of bio pesticides in FCV tobacco cultivation.



iii) Marigold seedlings:

Marigold can be grown around tobacco field or within field as a trap crop since marigold flowers acts as ovipositional site and attracts Heliothis moths to lay eggs and aids in prevention of the tobacco crop from Heliothis infestation, if eggs and larvae on marigold are collected and destroyed periodically. Board procured and supplied **8,87,500 marigold seedlings** from CTRI Research stations situated at Kandukuru and Jeelugumilli and distributed among FCV tobacco growers in all regions of Andhra Pradesh and incurred an expenditure of **₹6.66 lakh**. In Karnataka, **3,80,000 marigold seedlings** were procured from CTRI Research station, Hunsur incurring an expenditure of **₹2.85 lakh** and distributed among registered growers. The marigold seedlings were supplied to growers of both the states at free of cost.



iv) Sorghum and Bajra seeds:

Sorghum and Bajra sown as border crop in 4 rows around tobacco crop acts as a guard crop from whitefly attack and acts as a refuge for beneficial parasites and predators. Board procured **1,998 kgs** of Bajra seed and **570 kgs** of Jowar seeds from the Karnataka State Seed Corporation, Government of Karnataka and supplied to **1,243 growers** of KLS region at free of cost and incurred an expenditure of **₹1.26 lakh** towards the seed cost.

v) Energy Conservation measures:

To sustain tobacco farmer profitability, and to make the tobacco cultivation eco friendly, it is very critical to reduce the cost of curing which constitutes 30% of total cost of production. To achieve saving in curing costs and conserve wood fuel usage in tobacco curing, it is essential to adopt fuel efficient technologies like barn roof insulation with glass wool / Paddy straw and by installing turbo ventilator on the top of the barn for proper air circulation and modifying the traditional furnace with venturi furnace. Board is facilitating the FCV tobacco growers in implementation of these energy conservation methods. During 2021-22 crop season, Board has spent **₹109.79 lakh** on energy conservation methods.

(a) Scheme for replacing traditional furnace with Venturi Furnace (Improved design of furnace):

Fixing of an improved design of furnace system "Venturi furnace" in barn facilitates better combustion of fuel and heat transfer, ensures adequate supply of oxygen, avoiding soot deposition in the flue pipes and achieves 15 - 20% saving in fuel consumption. The Board had implemented this scheme in Andhra Pradesh in collaboration with trade in **130 barns** covering **157 beneficiaries** during 2021-22 and replaced the old furnaces in these barns with Venturi furnace. An amount of ₹5,000/- per barn was extended towards subsidy to the grower beneficiaries by Board. The expenditure incurred by the Board on this scheme during 2021-22 was **₹6.50 lakh**.



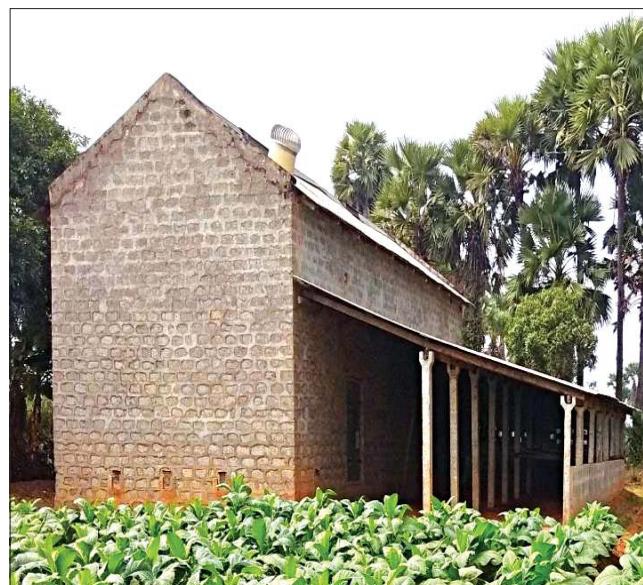
(b) Glass wool Roof Insulation of barns and fitting with Turbo ventilator:

The objective of this scheme is to promote energy conservation in curing of FCV tobacco through glass wool insulation of roof of barns and providing Turbo Ventilator for free air circulation in barn by extending subsidy to the grower beneficiaries. The scheme envisaged fuel wood savings to the extent of 25% to 27% and thereby reduction of the cost of cultivation. In addition, these interventions in barn had resulted in minimizing heat loss from barn and also in improvement of leaf quality in curing by avoiding caramelization and sponging of leaf.

Board had implemented this scheme in a focused mode in Andhra Pradesh in collaboration with trade (M/s ITC Ltd, M/S Godfrey Philips India Ltd) by extending a financial assistance of **₹8,898.72 for 16x20 size barns in SLS/SBS region and ₹7,873.89 for 16x20 size barns in NLS region.** The trade had contributed ₹11,696.15 as financial assistance and the remaining cost of insulation was borne by the grower beneficiary. The total cost of Glass Wool Roof Insulation and fitting of turbo ventilator is in the range of **₹31,495.55 to ₹35,594.87 per barn** of size 16x20 approximately. During 2021-22, **667 barns of 838 registered growers** in Andhra Pradesh were covered and Board had incurred an expenditure of **₹58.71 lakh** towards grower subsidy under this scheme.

Region wise barns insulated with Glass wool roof insulation and fitted with turbo ventilator are as under:

Region	Grower beneficiaries	No. of Barns	Financial assistance (₹ lakh)
NLS	55	56	4.41
SLS/SBS	783	611	54.30
Total	838	667	58.71



(c) Paddy straw roof Insulation with turbo ventilator:

The Objective of this scheme is to promote energy conservation in curing of FCV tobacco through paddy straw insulation of barns and providing Turbo Ventilator for free air circulation in barn by extending subsidy to grower beneficiaries. The total cost of paddy straw insulation approximately will be ₹15,000/- per barn.

The Board implemented this scheme in collaboration with trade (M/s ITC) by extending subsidy of ₹5,000/- per barn in Karnataka. This technology gave on an average a fuel saving of 30%.

(₹ in lakh)

No. of grower beneficiaries	No. of barns	Subsidy
632	648	32.40

(d) Loose leaf barn technology:

Based on tobacco growers experiences and international research, the novel technology of loose leaf tobacco curing is envisaged to reduce the FCV tobacco production costs and aid in environmental protection, in view of the low fuel wood consumption and reduced labour requirement than in conventional barn. Loose Leaf Barn has double the curing capacity of normal barn and uses twin energy sources (wood and electricity).

CTRI has recommended for testing of technology with recording of the data in detail at different locations of FCV tobacco growing regions to overcome the short comings. In this context, Tobacco Board has proposed for installation / construction of four loose leaf barns in different soil regions of Andhra Pradesh on trial basis to evaluate the cost economics and efficacy of technology in reduction of manual labour employment and wood fuel. Tobacco Board has taken up the loose leaf barn installation in collaboration with trade (M/s ITC Ltd) by extending financial assistance to growers @ ₹3.00 lakh per barn.

During 2021-22 crop season, Board has extended financial contribution of **₹6.00 lakh @ ₹3.00 lakh to 2 growers** of NLS region.

Soil region	Grower beneficiaries	No. of barns
NLS Region	2	2



(e) "Grow your own fuel" Scheme - supply of fast growing tree saplings:

The principles of Sustainable Tobacco Production (STP) aim at eliminating the use of coal and non-sustainable sources of fuel wood for tobacco curing. The fuel wood used for curing shall have to be sourced from sustainable wood sources and alternative bio-mass fuels are to be promoted in future. As part of this initiative, Tobacco Board is encouraging the registered tobacco growers to take up planting of fast growing tree saplings to ensure supply of the fuel wood requirement for curing of tobacco from their own plantation without impacting natural wood resources. In fact, Tobacco Board has made it mandatory, that the registered growers of tobacco shall plant a minimum of 10 tree saplings per barn before getting registered/ renewing their registration.

During 2021-22 crop season, mass plantation of **75,000 tree saplings** in 75 tobacco growing villages by FCV tobacco growers in all Auction platforms of Andhra Pradesh was taken up on 26th September-2021 on the eve of "**Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav**", an initiative of Government of India to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of independence of progressive India, an intensive, country wide campaign which focussed on citizen participation. An amount of **₹6.18 lakh** was incurred by Board towards this programme.



Soil Region	APF Name	No. of saplings proposed	Expenditure (₹)
NLS	Devarapalli	6000	38760.00
	J.R.Gudem-I	5000	49235.00
	J.R.Gudem-II	5000	48700.00
	Kooyalagudem	6000	57800.00
	Gopalapuram	5000	43360.00
SBS	Vellampalli-II	4000	19090.00
	Ongole-I	4000	26000.00
	Ongole-II	4000	40000.00
	Tangutur-I	5000	40700.00
	Kondepi	5000	14838.00
SLS	Podili	5000	40000.00
	Kandukur-I	4000	40000.00
	Kandukur-II	4000	36892.00
	Kaligiri	4000	34000.00
	D.C.Palli	5000	50000.00
	Kanigiri	4000	38960.00
	Total	75000	618235.00

vi. Post Harvest Product Management - Measures for product integrity:

(a) Elimination of Non Tobacco Related Materials (NTRMs)- Supply of Canvas Tarpaulins:

Non tobacco related materials (NTRM's) admixture is a critical concern to the tobacco industry. Comprehensive approaches to NTRM source elimination, NTRM detection and removal at all levels of the tobacco supply chain are necessary to protect product integrity. Prevention and elimination of NTRM sources at farm level is cost effective and successful strategy to achieve positive results. Strong partnerships with farmers /farming community and continuous education of farmers are key elements for farm level elimination of NTRMs. Efforts to avoid NTRMs at harvesting, transport, curing and storage by implementing clean handling practices by growers would aid in maintaining the product integrity. To ensure cleanliness of the product at farmer level, Board has supplied **1,622 canvas tarpaulins** to **1,622 growers** in Andhra Pradesh at subsidized cost to help growers to cleanly handle the tobacco during harvesting, transporting, curing, storage and grading to avoid NTRMs. An expenditure of **₹16.76 lakh** was incurred towards extension of subsidy to the licensed growers under this scheme. An amount of ₹1,000/- tarpaulin per grower for other category growers and ₹1,400/- tarpaulin per grower for SC/ST growers was extended as subsidy.



(b) Construction of Bulking sheds/Model Storage Facilities:

Creation of On-Farm Storage is necessary to hold tobacco in good condition from the time it has completed curing, grading, baling until it is ready to be marketed. Better on farm storage facilities will help the farmers in preventing the NTRM's admixture in tobacco and ensure "Cleanliness of the product". Keeping this in view, Board encourage growers towards construction of bulking sheds/storage facilities by extending financial assistance and arranging necessary credit through various commercial banks. In Andhra Pradesh, during 2021-22 crop season, Tobacco Board had proposed for extension of financial assistance @ ₹6,500/- to ₹16,000/- per unit towards construction of bulk sheds depending up on the size of bulk shed. The total expenditure incurred on account of extending financial assistance to **6 growers** under this scheme towards construction of **6 bulking sheds** was **₹0.77 lakh**.

(c) Monitoring and control of CPA (Crop Protection Agents) residues in leaf tobacco:

The indiscriminate use of pesticides i.e., use of pesticides more number of times than required, use of higher doses than recommended, use of pesticide mixtures (mixing more than one insecticide), use of banned pesticides on tobacco or pesticides not recommended for tobacco is leading to CPA residues problem in leaf tobacco. The problem of CPA residues in cured tobacco leaf is assuming serious proportions impacting the export prospects of tobacco, as tobacco importing countries are imposing stringent conditions that CPA residues in leaf tobacco shall be below statutory Maximum Residue limits(MRLs). Though Indian tobacco is known for low CPA residues, in order to strategize and develop action plan for tackling future problems of CPA residues, Tobacco Board has been implementing several measures proactively.

Tobacco Board is undertaking CPA residue testing of tobacco leaf in farmer level samples in order to identify the problematic villages which are CPA hotspots. Based on the analysis results, hot spot specific focused interventions are being taken up to restrict reoccurrence of these CPA residues above GRL. Board has carried out analysis of **108 tobacco leaf samples** from all soil regions of Andhra Pradesh (2020-21 crop season) and **100 tobacco leaf samples** from Karnataka 2021-22 crop season at NIPHM, Hyderabad and specifically **91 samples** of NLS region at M/s. Eurofins Analytical Services India Ltd., Bengaluru to detect CPA residue levels and to take corrective action accordingly, an amount o **₹35.28 lakh** was incurred towards all the analysis charges.

Crop season	AP/KK	No. of samples Analysed	Amount incurred (₹) (including GST+TDS)	Analysed at
2020-21	AP	108	12,74,400	NIPHM, Hyderabad
		91	10,73,800	Eurofins, Bengaluru
2021-22	KK	100	11,80,000	NIPHM, Hyderabad
Total		299	35,28,200	

An amount of ₹2,12,400 was paid as incentives to 45 grower groups, who went for challenged sampling and the residues of pesticides detected are almost near to zero.

(d) Leaf chemistry analysis of leaf tobacco for nicotine, sugars and chlorides:

Tobacco Board undertakes the analysis of leaf tobacco in every crop season for determining Nicotine, Sugars and Chlorides so as to determine the quality of leaf grown during the particular season and establish the crop chemistry. During 2021-22, Tobacco Board had got analyzed **215 leaf samples** collected from all auction platforms of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka at CTRI, Rajamahendravaram before start of auctions for sale of tobacco for determining chemical constituents in leaf tobacco. The total expenditure incurred on this account was **₹4.95 Lakh**.

Crop season	AP/KK	No. of samples Analysed	Amount incurred (₹) (including GST+TDS)	Analysed at
2020-21	AP	115	2,64,615.00	CTRI, Rajamahendravaram
2021-22	KK	100	2,30,100.00	CTRI, Rajamahendravaram
Total		215	4,94,715.00	

III. TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY:

Tobacco Board is helping farmers to grow tobacco efficiently by extending timely advices on latest technology through Personal contacts, Group meetings, Farmer trainings, Exposure visits cum Study tours, Workshops, On-farm trials / Result demonstrations and Model project area schemes.

i) Training programmes to farmers and Technical staff:

Farmers' training is one of the most important elements of extension design and planning for imparting knowledge and skills to the farming community. It has immense potential in transfer and utilization of latest technical knowhow, leadership development and attitudinal changes. Training is thus a crucial and continuous requirement for human resource development. Training makes the farmers proficient in implementing Good Agricultural Practices in tobacco cultivation, thereby ensuring sustainability. Training of extension staff is highly essential for providing latest technical knowhow and also for inculcating competence, professionalism and service morale.

In view of this, as was done during previous crop seasons, Tobacco Board had conducted training programmes to growers involving Scientists from CTRI and trade representatives, at different crop growth stages starting from seed bed preparation to post harvest product management during 2021-22 crop season. Trainings to field staff were also organized.

- The Board had organized **156** training programmes in 2021-22 to the farmers in all soil regions in the States of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka, at different stages of crop growth from Nursery Management to Crop harvesting; curing and on farm storage to create awareness on Good Agricultural Practices. Around **7,776 participants (growers / staff)** have participated in these training programmes. An amount of **₹4.98 lakh** was spent towards conducting grower training programmes in both States.
- NIPHM, Hyderabad organized training to 19 Technical Officers/ Field Officers of Board through virtual mode for 5 days from 20/09/2021 to 24/09/2021. An expenditure of ₹11,210 was incurred by Board towards the training programme.



- Extension programmes undertaken towards control of CPA residues in NLS region - Action plan implemented:**
- Board conducted meetings with all its stake holders in industry i.e. members of trade, growers and Scientists, CTRI, Rajamahendravaram at frequent intervals to address the pesticide residue problem in tobacco.
- A meeting was held through virtual mode on 02/08/2021 with all stake holders of tobacco industry for devising an action to be implemented for control of CPA residue problem in FCV tobacco in NLS region for 2021-22 crop season.
- A meeting to discuss the leaf sampling procedure for CPA residues in leaf of NLS region was conducted on 01/12/2021. CTRI Scientists, representatives from trade, grower representatives, Tobacco Board staff participated in the meeting.
- Auction Superintendents convened awareness meetings at village level focusing on CPA issues.

- Hand bills depicting the information on ill effects of pesticide residues in tobacco along with recommended pesticides and their dosages for control of different pest and diseases, were prepared and distributed to growers.
- An appeal was made to growers through print media to avoid the use of un-recommended pesticides in tobacco and also refrain from the use of Carbendazim, Dithiocarbamate and Pendimethalin.
- Flexis appealing the growers not to use Carbendazim, Dithiocarbamates and Pendimethalin were displayed in auction floors and 90 hot spot villages identified with higher pesticide application.
- Posters/Pamphlets on CPA residue management highlighting economic threshold level of pest and period of pre-harvest interval were given to growers.
- Pest control measures were displayed on black boards at grower gathering places.
- Widely publicized the information of recommended pesticides with dosages and pest control measures recommended by CTRI among the FCV tobacco growers.
- Constantly monitored pesticide sales to tobacco growers and displayed information on recommended pesticides in pesticide shops. Awareness meetings / trainings to pesticide dealers were conducted.
- Testing of the leaf tobacco for CPA residues was done, by following scientific sampling procedure, so as to establish traceability of the produce and thereby identification of high risk villages for taking up further steps for alleviating the CPA residue problem in FCV tobacco of NLS region.
- Educated growers on measures such as need based application of recommended pesticides in recommended doses; avoiding pesticide sprays for false maturity control; restricting the use of nitrogen fertilizers over and above recommended quantities; avoiding use of herbicides for weed control; application of concoctions with natural ingredients for pest control.

ii) Workshops:

Andhra Pradesh:

- Regional Manager, SLS & SBS regions organized a virtual grower workshop on "Good Agricultural Practices in tobacco cultivation" on 25/01/2022 to the growers and staff of SLS / SBS regions. The growers were educated on Spodoptera infestation, false maturity, low grade tobacco, problem of Orobanche infestation, aphids problem and brown spot disease. The growers were also explained on various agronomic practices such as deep summer ploughing, transplantation of tray nursery seedlings, Integrated nutrient management, NTRMs removal and post harvest product management.

- Regional Manager, Rajamahendravaram organized a virtual grower workshop on "Good Agricultural Practices in tobacco cultivation" on 07/02/2022 to the growers and staff of NLS region.

The growers were educated on various concepts such as drip irrigation, black shank disease, false maturity, green manuring, Orobanche parasite management, application of nematicides, Gypsum application.

No amount was booked as the Regional Managers of Andhra Pradesh, organized workshops in virtual mode.

Karnataka:

- Regional Manager, Mysore has organized one day workshop on "Good Agricultural Practices" to growers of Karnataka and field staff on 30/07/2021 at CTRI, Hunsur involving scientists from CTRI, representatives of trade. During the work shop, the growers were educated regarding Good Agricultural Practices in tobacco cultivation; crop management during drought and excess moisture conditions; fertilizer application and Post Harvest Product Management (PHPM). An amount of ₹0.33 lakhs was incurred by Regional Manager, Mysore towards conducting the workshop.

iii) Study tour to growers of Andhra Pradesh.

- Auction Superintendents of 14 Auction platforms in Andhra Pradesh have organized study tour to growers at Acharya N.G.Ranga Agricultural University (ANGRAU), LAM, Guntur on 18/12/2021
- Auction Superintendent, APF 29, D.C.Palli has organized study tour to Kisan Mela, ARS Nellore and Bhoopesh dairy farm on 09/02/2022 and Auction Superintendent, APF 31, Vellampalli has organized study tour to KVK, Darsi on 10/02/2022.
- During 2021-22 crop season, 16 study tours were conducted in Andhra Pradesh and 308 growers have participated.
- An amount of ₹3.04 lakh was incurred towards organization of the study tours.

Region	Study tour expenditure ₹
SBS	98,131.00
SLS	1,22,442.50
NLS	83,689.00
Total	3,04,262.50



iv) Publicity Material:

During 2021-22 crop season, an amount of ₹7,950/- was incurred towards preparation of flexis depicting the benefits of green manure and its availability.

An amount of ₹24,000/- was incurred towards printing of 12,000 no's of multi colour pamphlets on various good agricultural practices for distribution to growers.

v) Field Friends' Teams:

Tobacco Board has constituted Field Friends teams with Scientists from CTRI, field executives of major companies such as M/s. ITC Ltd and M/s.GPI Ltd, AOI, PSS and Board's Technical Officers to extend timely advises and suggestions to FCV tobacco growers on different aspects of tobacco cultivation. The potential extension providers in tobacco industry are identified and made partners in the Field Friend Team programme. Field friends' teams during their visits to fields observed the general crop condition in the areas and advised the Board extension staff and growers on specific interventions to be taken up in fields for improving the crop condition. 5 Field Friend teams were constituted in all the soil regions during 2021-22 crop season in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka states. The teams toured as per the schedule and an expenditure of **₹0.82 lakh** was incurred.



vi) On Farm tests and experimental trials :

An On-Farm Trial aims at testing a new technology, innovation or a novel intervention, in farmers fields, under farmers management in comparison with farmers standard practices as control. Tobacco Board has implemented "On Farm Tests and Experimental Trials" on impact of Natural Farming in the fields of the growers. In natural farming mode of FCV tobacco cultivation, chemical fertilizers and pesticides are not used and natural inputs are only utilized.

During 2021-22 crop season, 100 growers came forward to take up On-farm trials of natural farming in 100 acres (40 ha.) in Karnataka and in Andhra Pradesh 56 growers have taken up trials of natural farming in 177.63 acres (71.05 ha.), 28 growers have taken up varietal trials in 74.88 acres (29.95 ha). Board incurred an expenditure of ₹8.83 lakh for Karnataka and ₹11.20 lakh in Andhra Pradesh towards the financial incentives, extended to these growers as an encouragement for conducting the on farm trials in their fields and also for organizing field day programmes. A total of 897 growers in Andhra Pradesh and 558 growers in Karnataka States attended to field day programmes and were educated on the benefits of natural farming concept and new variety trials.



vii) Model Project Area:

Board has implemented Model Project Area scheme in **16 villages in Andhra Pradesh and 10 villages in Karnataka** to encourage farmers in these areas to adopt Good Agricultural Practices to enhance productivity and quality of tobacco in a focused manner. M/s. ITC Ltd, M/s Godfrey Phillips India Ltd, M/s Deccan Tobacco Company and M/s. Alliance One India Ltd were also involved in developmental activities in MPA villages. An expenditure of **₹9.69 lakh** was incurred towards execution of the scheme.

Research Projects on mechanization taken up by Tobacco Board in Co-ordination with trade and Central Government Research Institutes.

- Tobacco Board executed MOU of project "Development and evaluation of FCV tobacco leaves stringing machine" with ICAR-CTRI (Central Tobacco Research Institute) and ICAR-CIAE (Central Institute of Agricultural Engineering), on 09/11/2021. The proposed project cost of **₹11.055 lakh** is being borne by Tobacco Board with support of trade. An amount of **₹0.22 lakh** was incurred as Boards share in the 1st year and the remaining amount has to be paid by Board as per terms and conditions.
- Tobacco Board entered into MOU with CTRI, Rajamahendravaram on 03/12/2021 for execution of project "Scientific evaluation of Loose Leaf Barn for its efficacy in curing FCV tobacco" and as a part of the project one Loose Leaf Barn was installed in Kandukur Research Station.



EXPENDITURE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF EXTENSION AND DEVELOPMENTAL SCHEMES IN 2021-22

Tobacco Board had incurred a total expenditure of **₹320.25 Lakh** during 2021-22 for implementing various Extension and Developmental schemes.

(₹ in lakh)

Extension Schemes	2021-22
Improving Yield & Quality of Tobacco	153.39
Improvement of Curing Practices	109.79
Elimination of NTRMs and Product Integrity	16.76
Post Harvest Product Management	0.77
Programmes for training of farmers and technical staff	9.60
On Farm Tests & Experimental Trials	20.03
Model Project Area	9.69
Research Project, CIAE, Bhopal	0.22
Total:	320.25

The scheme wise Physical/Financial targets and achievements are given at page Nos. **49 to 53.**



**2021-22 CROP SEASON - EXTENSION AND DEVELOPMENTAL SCHEMES
PHYSICAL AND FINANCIAL ACHIEVEMENTS**

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	No.of beneficiaries			Physical Achievement			Financial Achievement (₹ in lakh)		
		A.P	KK	Total	A.P	KK	Total	A.P	KK	Total
1	Improving yield and quality of FCV Tobacco									
a	Analysis of leaf for pesticide and chemical constituents	359	208	567	359	200	559	28.25	14.10	42.35
b	Integrated Pest Management Practices									
b.1	Pheromone Traps	862	83	945	19765	800	20565	2.80	0.11	2.91
b.2	Yellow Sticky Traps	926	98	1024	13990	1080	15070	0.71	0.05	0.76
c.1	Supply of Trays and Cocopeat	1547	5120	6667	628882	11228101751692	26.80	63.24	90.04	
c.2	Supply of Cocopeat	302	...	302	164832	...	164832	1.93	0.00	1.93
d	Suppl of Bio Pesticides	1172	674	1846	4247.2	750	4997.2	3.07	0.53	3.60
e	Erection of green houses/poly houses for raising nurseries	260	...	260	265	...	265	1.03	0.00	1.03
f	Supply of mari gold seedlings	0	887500	380000	1267500	6.66	2.85	9.51
g	Supply of Bajra & Jowar seeds	...	1243	1243	...	2568	2568	0.00	1.26	1.26
	Sub Total:	5428	7426	12854				71.25	82.14	153.39
2	Improving of curing practices									
a	Energy conservation measures									
a.1	Glass wool roof insulation/Paddy Straw Roof Insulation	838	632	1470	667	648	1315	58.71	32.40	91.11
a.2	Installation of loose leaf barn	2	...	2	2	...	2	6.00	0.00	6.00
a.3	Installation of venturi furnace	157	...	157	130	...	130	6.50	0.00	6.50
b	Raising of fuel for curing of Tobacco/Community Plantation	75000	...	75000	6.18	0.00	6.18
	Sub Total:	997	632	1629				77.39	32.40	109.79
3	Elimination of NTRM and Product Integrity through supply of tarpaulins	1622	0	1622	1622	0	1622	16.76	0.00	16.76
4	PHPM Measures Construction of Bulking Sheds/ Model Storage facilities	6	0	6	6	0	6	0.77	0.00	0.77

**2021-22 CROP SEASON - EXTENSION AND DEVELOPMENTAL SCHEMES
PHYSICAL AND FINANCIAL ACHIEVEMENTS**

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	No.of beneficiaries			Physical Achievement			Financial Achievement (₹ in lakh)		
5	Other Extension Programmes									
a	Training to farmers & staff									
i	Work shops	...	89	89	...	1	1	0.00	0.33	0.33
ii	Trng.progs by Auction Superintendents to growers	4533	3243	7776	96	60	156	2.94	2.04	4.98
iii	Trng.prog to Officers/Staff/ Growers at NIPHM/CTRI	19	...	19	1	...	1	0.11	0.00	0.11
b	Publicity & Extension Literature	12016	...	12016	0.32	0.00	0.32
c	Study Tours	308	...	308	16	...	16	3.04	0.00	3.04
d	Field Friend Teams	0	3	2	5	0.60	0.22	0.82
Sub Total:		4860	3332	8192				7.01	2.59	9.60
6	On Farm Tests & Experimental Trials	100	84	184				11.20	8.83	20.03
7	Model Project Area	867	624	1491	16	10	26	5.77	3.92	9.69
8	Research project, CIAE, Bhopal							0.22		0.22
Grand Total:		13880	12098	25978				190.37	129.88	320.25

**COVERAGE OF SC/ST/WOMEN & OTHER GROWERS UNDER EXTENSION AND
DEVELOPMENTAL SCHEMES DURING 2021-22**

Sl. No	Name of the scheme	Achievements										Financial (subsidy in ₹)			
		Beneficiaries			Physical (units)				S.C			S.T	Women	Others	Total
S.C	S.T	Women	Others	Total	S.C	S.T	Women	Others	Total	S.C	S.T	Women	Others	Total	
1	Improving yield and quality of FCV Tobacco														
a	Analysis of leaf for pesticide and chemical constituents	567	567	4235315.00
b	Integrated pest management practices														
b.1	Pheromone Traps	38	12	209	686	945	473	414	4891	14787	20565	6638.00	5796.00	68924.00	290911.00
b.2	Yellow Sticky Traps	41	16	235	732	1024	393	245	3620	10812	15070	1932.00	1219.00	18091.00	54203.00
c	Supply of Trays and Cocopeat	338	196	1464	4669	6667	76678	50019	399081	1225914	1751692	559406.00	366810.00	1994756.00	9004303.00
	Supply of Cocopeat	8	...	49	245	302	3750	...	25384	135698	164832	6105.00	...	29525.00	157828.00
d	Supply of Bio Pesticides	93	45	479	1229	1846	219	150	1369	3260	4998	24567.00	17113.00	94526.00	360264.00
e	Erection of green-houses/poly houses	6	...	38	216	260	6	...	39	220	265	2334.00	...	15168.00	85545.00
f	Supply of marigold seedlings	1267500	950625.00
g	Supply of Bajra & Jowar seeds	2568	125520.00
	Sub Total:										12854				153388888.00
2	Improvement of Curing Practices														
a	Energy conservation measures														

Sl. No	Name of the scheme	Beneficiaries						Physical (units)						Achievements				Financial (subsidy in ₹)	
		S.C	S.T	Women	Others	Total	S.C	S.T	Women	Others	Total	S.C	S.T	Women	Others	Total			
a.1	Glass wool roof insulation / Paddy Straw Roof Insulation	57	13	329	1071	1470	56	13	306	940	1315	323537.00	65000.00	2152811.00	6569469.00	9110817.00			
a.2	Installation of loose leaf barn	2	2	2	2	600000.00	600000.00		
a.3	Installation of venturi furnace	4	...	40	113	157	3	...	34	93	130	15000.00	...	170350.00	464650.00	650000.00			
b	Raising of fuel for curing of Tobacco/Community Plantation	75000	618335.00		
	Sub Total:						1629										10979152.00		
3	Elimination of NTRM and Product Integrity through supply of tarpaulins	92	33	330	1167	1622	92	33	330	1167	1622	128800.00	46200.00	330000.00	1117000.00	1676000.00			
4	PHPM Measures Construction of Bulking Sheds/Model Storage facilities	6	6	6	6	76500.00	76500		
5	Other Extension Programmes																		
a	Training to farmers & staff																		
i	Work shops	89	1	32958.00		
ii	Trng.progs by Auction Superintendents to growers	7776	156	498457.00		

Sl. No	Name of the scheme	Achievements										Financial (subsidy in ₹)			
		Beneficiaries				Physical (units)				S.C	S.T	Women	Others	Others	
		S.C	S.T	Women	Others	Total	S.C	S.T	Women	Others	Total				
iii	Trng.prog to Officers/ Staff/Growers at NIPHM/C TRI	19	1	11210.00	
b	Publicity & Extension Literature	12016	31950.00	
c	Study Tours	308	16	304262.50	
d	Field Friend Teams	5	81941.00	
	Sub Total :				8192									960778.50	
6	On Farm Tests & Experimental Trials	184	2003177.00	
7	Model Project Area (Ha.)	1491	968647.00	
8	Research Project CIAE, Bhopal	22250.00	
	Grand Total:				25978									32025392.50	

GROWER WELFARE INITIATIVES

I) Tobacco Board Growers Welfare Fund:

Tobacco Board is undertaking various welfare measures, to ensure overall welfare of around 81,500 Tobacco Growers and their families in the states of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Telangana & Odisha by establishing "Tobacco Board's Grower' Welfare Schemes" in 2009-10 with the approval of Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India.

The Welfare Scheme provides financial assistance , in the form of Death Grants and Interest Free Loans, to perform daughters' Marriage, Education of Members Children, Treatment of major illness / Accidents cases requiring surgery and repairs to barns damaged due to Natural Calamities / Fire Accidents. Since the inception of the scheme, Tobacco Board had provided financial relief of ₹69.54 crore to 19,156 growers in terms of Grants and Loans so far i.e. Grants worth ₹57.05 crore were sanctioned to 14,476 beneficiaries and interest free loans of ₹12.49 crore were sanctioned to 4,680 growers.

By the end of 2021-22 since the inception of the scheme, a total amount of ₹64.17 crore was available in Tobacco Board's Growers' Welfare Fund.

During 2021-22 ₹8.55 crore were disbursed in the form of Grants and ₹1.23 crore in the form of Interest Free Loans, totalling to ₹9.78 crore. The details of Grants/Interest Free Loans extended scheme wise during 2021-22 are placed at Page No. 56.

II PRODUCTION RELATED SERVICES TO FARMERS:

A. Soil and Water Analysis:

Every year, Tobacco Board organizes collection and analysis of soil and water samples of registered tobacco growers at free of cost. Basing on analysis results, Board advises growers on suitability of soil and irrigation water for tobacco cultivation and on usage of correct dose of fertilizers for improving quality and yields. During 2021-22 crop season **2,300** soil samples and 600 water samples in Andhra Pradesh state were analyzed by utilizing the services of KVKG, Darsi, CTRI, Rajahmundry and IPL, Tirupathi.

In Karnataka state 4,200 samples for micro nutrients and 180 soil samples for micro nutrients were analyzed utilizing the services of RCF Limited, Gowdahally, Kolar District. The results were communicated to the concerned growers.

State	Soil Samples		Water Samples
	Macro nutrients	Micro nutrients	
Andhra Pradesh	2,295	2,300	600
Karnataka	4,200	180	-
Total	6,495	2,480	600

B. Barn and Stock Insurance for FCV Tobacco Growers:

The Board is facilitating insurance coverage of barns and tobacco stocks during curing and storage through Standard Fire and Allied Perils Policy since 2003 in Andhra Pradesh and from 2019-20 crop season onwards in Karnataka. Registered tobacco growers are also being covered under Group Personal Accident Policy (GPA) every year. During 2021-22 crop season, Oriental Insurance Company Limited provided insurance coverage to 33,493 growers and 32,918.69 barns in Andhra Pradesh and paid an amount of ₹2.10 crore as premium to the insurance company. In Karnataka, the United India Insurance Company Limited provided insurance coverage to 34,165 growers and 43,355.50 barns and paid an amount of ₹2.113 crore as premium to the Insurance Company.

**STATEMENT SHOWING THE FINANCIAL RELIEF IN THE FORM OF GRANTS / INTEREST FREE LOANS SANCTIONED
FROM INCEPTION OF THE SCHEME AS ON DATE 31/03/2022**

Category of the scheme	Since inception of the scheme upto 31/03/2021				During 2021-22 (01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022)			
	Andhra Pradesh		Karnataka		Andhra Pradesh		Karnataka	
	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount (₹) In. Lakh	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount (₹) In. Lakh	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount (₹) In. Lakh	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount (₹) In. Lakh
GRANTS								
Natural death	5716	1961.20	6655	2573.22	12371	4534.42	675	337.50
Accidental death	270	191.50	160	125.00	430	316.50	20	19.50
Total Grants (A)	5986	2152.70	6815	2698.22	12801	4850.92	695	357.00
INTEREST FREE LOANS								
a) Daughter Marriage	81	25.50	1411.00	572.50	1492	598.00	3	1.5
b) Major Illness	40	15.15	66.00	20.24	106	35.39	5	2.5
c) Barn Loan	2228	261.45	228.00	107.90	2456	369.35	0	0
d) Education Loan	248	74.87	131.00	49.00	379	123.87	3	1.5
Total Loans (B)	2597	376.97	1836	749.64	4433	1126.61	11	5.50
Grand Total (A + B)	8583	2529.67	8651	3447.86	17234	5977.53	706	362.50

a) Daughter Marriage	81	25.50	1411.00	572.50	1492	598.00	3	1.5	182	91.00	185	92.50
b) Major Illness	40	15.15	66.00	20.24	106	35.39	5	2.5	2	1.00	7	3.50
c) Barn Loan	2228	261.45	228.00	107.90	2456	369.35	0	0	38	18.30	38	18.30
d) Education Loan	248	74.87	131.00	49.00	379	123.87	3	1.5	14	7.00	17	8.50
Total Loans (B)	2597	376.97	1836	749.64	4433	1126.61	11	5.50	236	117.30	247	122.80
Grand Total (A + B)	8583	2529.67	8651	3447.86	17234	5977.53	706	362.50	1216	614.80	1922	977.30

AUCTIONEERING SERVICES

The Tobacco Board has introduced auction system for sale of Flue Cured Virginia (FCV) tobacco during 1984 in Karnataka and during 1985 in Andhra Pradesh by establishing auction platforms inter-alia to ensure fair and remunerative prices to the tobacco growers by creating an element of competition among the buyers, to ensure prompt payment to the growers and correct weighment of tobacco. Since then, the Board has been implementing the auction system for sale of FCV tobacco successfully.



I. AUCTIONS FOR SALE OF 2020-21 FCV TOBACCO IN ANDHRA PRADESH:

a) Crop size fixed and estimated production:

Tobacco Board has fixed a crop size of 115 million kg for Andhra Pradesh during 2020-21 crop season. This year, farmers in Andhra Pradesh reduced the plantations to 65,142 ha which is lower by 14,152 ha (18%) over previous year. Transplantations delayed all over the state due to cyclones during planting time. Because of late planted crop, the yields were reduced in SLS & SBS Regions. However, the quality of crop was good and more of bright grade tobacco was produced.

b) Commencement of Auction sales:

Auctions for sale of 2020-21 season FCV tobacco crop in Andhra Pradesh have commenced in 2 phases. During the first phase, auctions commenced at 11 auction platforms under SLS & SBS Regions and in second phase auctions commenced at 5 auction platforms under NLS Region.

c) Grade Out-turn:

The grade outturn recorded in terms of Bright, Medium and Low-grade percentages were 53%:29%:18% vis-à-vis 33%:30%:37% during previous year.

The soil region wise bright, medium and low-grade percentages vis-à-vis previous year is given below:

Region	2020-21 Season			2019-20 Season		
	Bright %	Medium %	Low %	Bright %	Medium %	Low %
NBS	62	29	9	48	32	20
SBS	55	20	25	31	19	50
SLS	44	35	21	25	34	41
NLS	59	32	9	42	37	21
OVER ALL	53	29	18	33	30	37

d) Volume and Prices:

The auctions for sale of 2020-21 FCV tobacco crop in Andhra Pradesh commenced in the financial year 2020-21 on 15/03/2021 and concluded in the financial year 2021-22 on 16/09/2021. A total quantity of 112.74 million kg of tobacco was marketed at an average price of ₹147.30 per kg by the end of the auction season, out of which, a quantity of 107.39 million kg of tobacco was marketed at an average price of ₹145.97 per kg during the period from 01/04/2021 to 16/09/2021 i.e., during 2021-22 financial year. Auction platform wise quantity marketed and average price realized during 01/04/2021 to 16/09/2021 are given at page Nos.**67 & 68**.

e) Market trends:

Considering the small size of crop production and difficulties being faced in delivering the mandatory services effectively due to acute shortage of employees, the operations at Thorredu & Tangutur-II auction platforms were closed for this season temporarily. The jurisdiction of Thorredu auction platform was merged with Devarapalli auction platform and the jurisdiction of Tangutur-II auction platform was adjusted to other auction platforms under SBS Region. Out of 18 auction platforms operated previous year, only 16 auction platforms were operated during the 2020-21 auction season.

Auctions for sale of 2020-21 FCV tobacco commenced on 15/03/2021 and were temporarily suspended from 14/05/2021, after marketing of 27.46 mkg due to wide spread of COVID-19 pandemic second wave. Auctions were resumed on 31/05/2021 and concluded by 16/09/2021.

A total quantity of 112.74 mkg was marketed at an average price of ₹147.30 per kg. The average

price realised ₹147.30 per kg was higher by ₹23.35 per kg over the previous year average price and which was the record high in the history of FCV tobacco auctions in India. Overall, it took 137 auction days during 2020-21 auction season to complete the auctions as against 175 days in previous year.

The soil region wise average prices realised during current auctions in comparison with previous year is given hereunder:

Soil Region	Grade	2020-21 Auctions (Final)		2019-20 Auctions (Final)		Difference in Avg. Price of 2021 over 2020 auctions
		Qty. Mkted. (mkg)	Avg. Pri. (₹/kg)	Qty. Mkted. (mkg)	Avg. Pri. (₹/kg)	
(Northern Black Soils)	Bright	1.48	150.81	1.30	158.68	-7.87
	Medium	0.68	127.20	0.87	123.57	3.63
	Low	0.21	76.97	0.56	73.77	3.20
	Total	2.37	137.49	2.73	130.17	7.32
(Southern Black Soils)	Bright	21.49	166.18	13.36	173.02	-6.84
	Medium	7.67	140.77	8.49	130.97	9.80
	Low	9.98	79.53	21.88	75.57	3.96
	Total	39.14	139.11	43.73	116.09	23.02
(Southern Light Soils)	Bright	14.12	168.15	10.00	167.46	0.69
	Medium	11.49	144.25	13.78	130.24	14.01
	Low	6.94	81.81	16.41	71.73	10.08
	Total	32.55	141.30	40.19	115.62	25.68
(Northern Light Soils)	Bright	22.88	177.83	17.84	170.72	7.11
	Medium	12.26	154.96	15.36	142.58	12.38
	Low	3.54	75.65	8.80	71.87	3.78
	Total	38.68	161.23	42.00	139.71	21.52
All Regions	Bright	59.97	170.71	42.50	170.31	0.40
	Medium	32.10	147.15	38.50	135.17	11.98
	Low	20.67	79.60	47.65	73.54	6.06
	Total	112.74	147.30	128.65	123.95	23.35

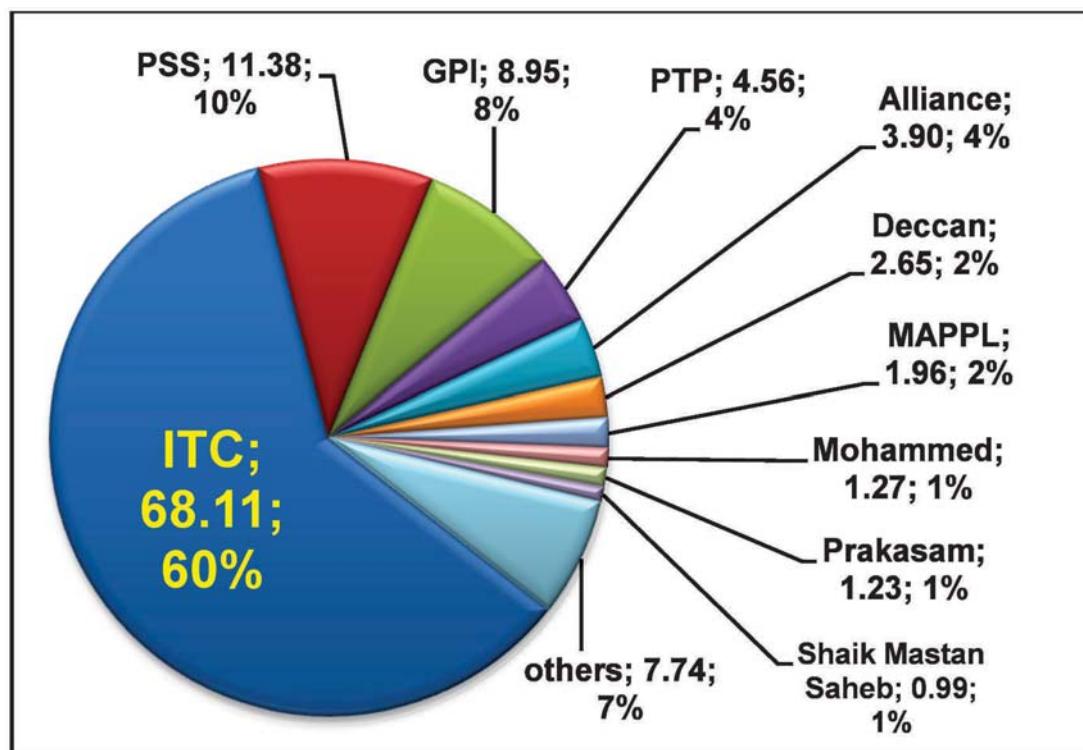
f) Buyers' Performance:

A total of 49 buyers have participated in 2020-21 Andhra Pradesh auctions as against 60 buyers in previous year. The quantities of tobacco purchased and average prices paid by Manufacturers, Exporters and Dealers compared to their previous year purchases is given hereunder:

Sl. No.	Category	2020-21 Auctions			2019-20 Auctions		
		Quantity (mkg)	% share	Average price (₹/kg)	Quantity (mkg)	% share	Average price (₹/kg)
1	Manufacturers	77.06	68.36	157.10	67.21	52.25	140.02
2	Exporters	30.04	26.64	133.40	40.18	31.22	118.01
3	Dealers	5.64	5.00	87.34	21.26	16.53	84.38
Total		112.74	100.00	147.30	128.65	100.00	123.95

The purchases of major buyers during 2020-21 Andhra Pradesh FCV Tobacco auctions is given hereunder:

(Quantity in mkg)



g) Total marketed value:

The total value of the tobacco crop that was realized by the growers was ₹1,660.66 crore during 2020-21 crop season.

h) No. of growers participated in auctions during the 2020-21 auction season:

Sl. No.	Category of the growers	No. of growers	Qty. marketed (mkg)	Avg. Price (₹/kg)
1.	Registered growers	41690	112.74	147.30
2.	Un-registered growers	3	0.002	105.11

II. AUCTIONS FOR SALE OF 2021-22 FCV TOBACCO IN KARNATAKA:

a) Crop size fixed and estimated production:

Board has fixed a crop size of 97 mkg of FCV tobacco for 2021-22 crop season in Karnataka. This year majority of the crop (94%) was transplanted early in the season i.e., upto the end of 1st fortnight of May 2021. Though the crop growth was very good during first few weeks, later it was affected due to non-receipt of sufficient rain during grand growth period. The crop recovered to some extent with the receipt of good amount of rainfall during 1st fortnight of July 2021. However, the crop quality was very good during this year.

b) Grade Out-turn:

The grade out-turn recorded in terms of Bright, Medium and Low-grade percentages for the current crop were 32%; 37%; 31% vis-à-vis 15%; 41%; 44% during previous year.

c) Commencement of Auction sales:

Auctions have commenced on 24/09/2021 at all the 10 auction platforms in Karnataka for sale of 2021-22 Karnataka FCV tobacco.

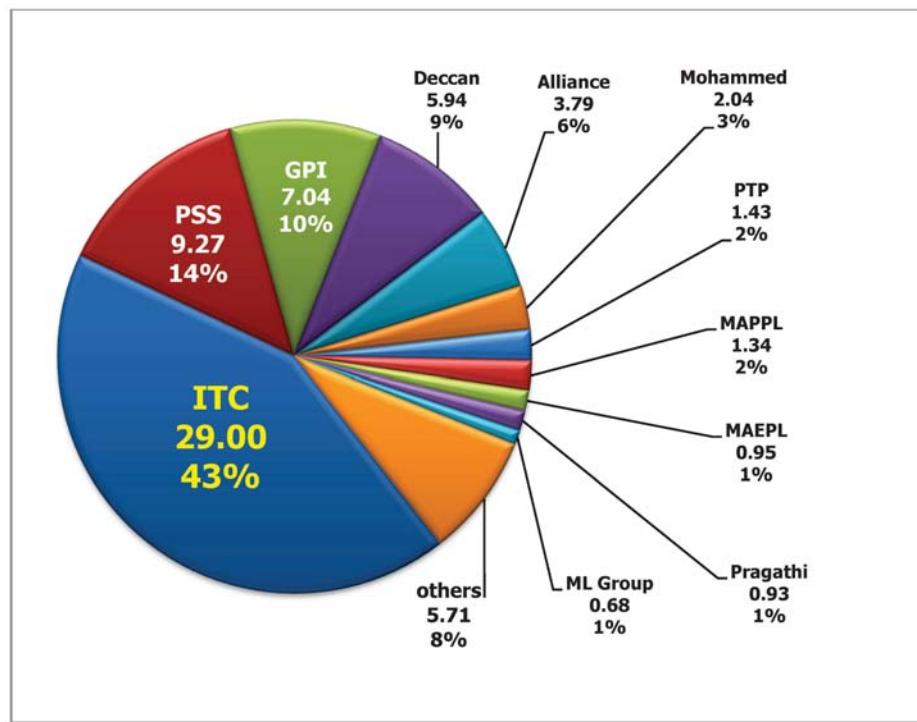
d) Market trends:

A total quantity of 68.14 mkg was marketed and the average price realized to the farmers was ₹163.11 per kg. The average price realised ₹163.11 per kg during the current season was higher by ₹43.24 per kg over the previous year average price. The average price of ₹163.11 per kg recorded for FCV tobacco in Karnataka was the record high in the history of FCV tobacco auctions in India.

Quantity of tobacco marketed and average price realised during the current auction season, for Bright, Medium & Low-grade tobaccos compared to the previous year average prices is given hereunder:

Sl. No.	Grade	2021-22 Auctions		2020-21 Auctions		Difference in Avg. Price of 2021 over 2020 auctions
		Qty. Mkted. (mkg)	Avg. Pri. (₹/kg)	Qty. Mkted. (mkg)	Avg. Pri. (₹/kg)	
1	Bright	21.84	189.41	13.49	182.77	6.64
2	Medium	25.08	170.07	35.81	138.76	31.31
3	Low	21.22	127.84	39.12	80.88	46.96
	Total	68.14	163.11	88.42	119.87	43.24

The purchases of major buyers during 2021-22 Karnataka FCV Tobacco Auctions is given hereunder.



e) Average prices realized by growers in Karnataka auctions for the last 10 years:



Auction sales were concluded on 24/03/2022 in 138 auction days as against 135 days in previous year and the auctions completed smoothly with the buoyancy in the market throughout the auction season.

f) Buyers' Performance:

The purchases made by the Manufacturers, Exporters and Dealers during the current auction season are as given hereunder:

Sl. No.	Category	Quantity purchased (mkg)	% Share	Average Price (₹/kg)
1	Manufacturers	36.05	52.90	166.80
2	Exporters	28.24	41.45	157.21
3	Dealers	3.85	5.65	171.87
	Total	68.14	100.00	163.11

A statement showing auction platform wise quantities of tobacco marketed, average prices realized and highest bids recorded during 2021-22 Karnataka auctions is placed at **Page No.70 to 72**

g) No. of growers participated in auctions during 2021-22 auction season:

Sl. No.	Category of the growers	No. of growers	Qty. marketed (kg)	Avg. Price (₹/kg)
1.	Registered growers	43245	62.51	163.67
2.	Un-registered growers	9798	5.63	156.87

III. AUCTIONS FOR SALE OF 2021-22 FCV TOBACCO IN ANDHRA PRADESH:

a) Crop size fixed and estimated production:

Tobacco Board has fixed a crop size of 130 mkg for Andhra Pradesh during 2021-22 crop season. As against this, a crop of 111.45 mkg was estimated to be produced.

This year, transplantations delayed all over the state due to continuous rain during normal planting time. The delayed transplantations led to poor productivity. Excessive rains during early stages damaged the crop in some parts of SLS & SBS Regions. However, the quality of crop is very good.

Soil region wise crop targeted and estimated production during this year is as follows:

SI. No.	Soil Region	Targeted Crop (mkg)	Estimated Production (mkg)
1	SBS Region	41.92	39.00
2	SLS Region	39.22	29.70
3	NLS Region	44.71	40.75
4	NBS Region	4.15	2.00
Grand Total		130.00	111.45

The soil regions wise estimated production of BML in 2021-22 vis-à-vis 2020-21 crop are given hereunder:

Region	2021-22 Season (Estimated)			2020-21 Season		
	Bright %	Medium %	Low %	Bright %	Medium %	Low %
SBS	43	28	29	55	20	25
SLS	44	33	23	44	35	21
NLS	52	33	15	59	32	9
NBS	67	25	8	62	29	9
Total	47	31	22	53	29	18

b) Commencement of Auction sales:

The auctions were commenced in 2 phases. In 1st phase, auctions commenced on 14/03/2022 at 3 auction platforms in SBS and at 4 auction platforms in SLS Regions and in 2nd phase, auctions commenced on 28/03/2022 at remaining all 9 auction platforms in SLS, SBS & NLS Regions.

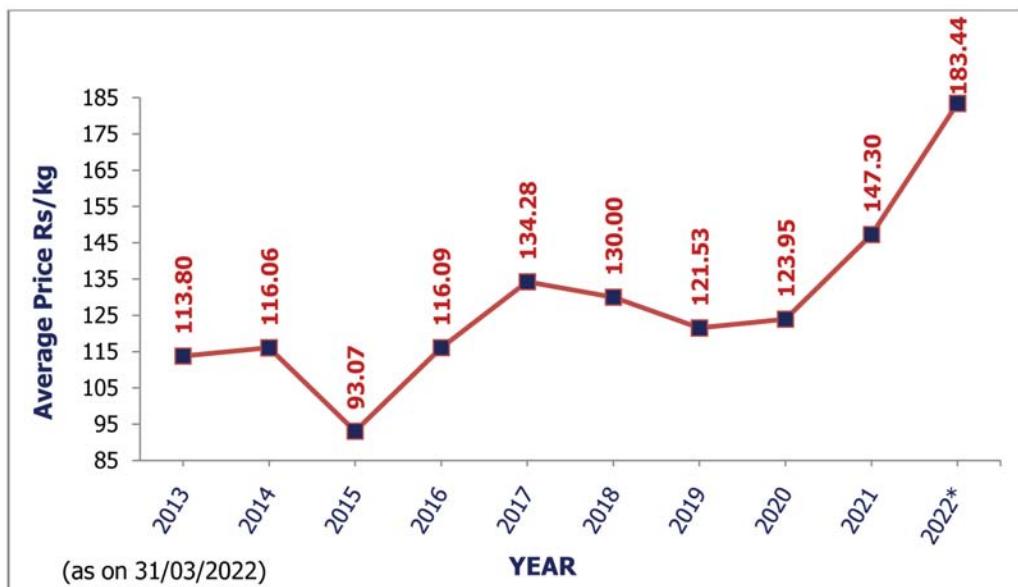
c) Volume and Prices:

Auctions at all the auction platforms have commenced on a positive note. As on 31/03/2022 a quantity of 7.53 mkg was marketed at an average price of ₹183.44 per kg. The average price realised ₹183.44 per kg during 2021-22 auctions was higher by ₹10.85 per kg over the previous year average price for the corresponding volume marketed.

Soil Region wise average prices realized as on 31/03/2022 in comparison with the corresponding volumes marketed previous year are given hereunder:

Soil Region	Qty. mkted. (mkg)	Average price realised ₹/kg)		Diff. in Avg. Price over last year ₹/kg)
		2021-22	2020-21	
SBS	2.94	182.59	172.15	+ 10.44
SLS	4.16	183.80	172.50	+ 11.30
NLS	0.37	186.51	172.68	+ 13.83
NBS	0.06	180.78	167.77	+ 13.01
TOTAL	7.53	183.44	172.59	+ 10.85

d) Average prices realized by growers in AP auctions for the last 10 years:



e) Average prices realized for Bright, Medium and low grades as on 31/03/2022 in comparison with the corresponding volumes marketed previous year is as follows:

Grade	Quantity marketed (mkg)	% Share	Average Price ₹/kg)	Average Price ₹/kg)
Bright	6.55	183.69	174.66	+ 9.03
Medium	0.97	181.71	161.12	+ 20.59
Low	0.01	172.41	139.52	+ 32.89
TOTAL	7.53	183.44	172.59	+ 10.85

A statement showing auction platform wise quantities of tobacco marketed, average prices realized and highest bids recorded as on 31/03/2022 is placed at Page No.69

f) Total quantity of tobacco marketed during financial year 2021-22:

The total quantity of tobacco marketed during the period 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022 at all the auction platforms both in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka was 183.05 mkg and the average price realized was ₹153.89 per kg. The particulars are placed at Page No. 67 & 68.

The details of quantity of tobacco purchased, percentage share and average prices paid by manufacturers, exporters and dealers both in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka during the period 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022 are placed at Page No.**71 & 72**.

Auction Platform wise quantity of tobacco marketed in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka during the period 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022

Sl. No.	Name of the Auction Platform	2020-21 AP Auctions Qty. mkted. during the period 01/04/2021 to 16/09/2021		2021-22 AP Auctions Qty. mkted. during the period 14/03/2022 to 31/03/2022		Total Qty. mkted. during the period 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022	
		Qty. Mkted. (kg)	Avg. Pri. (₹/kg)	Qty. Mkted. (kg)	Avg. Pri. (₹/kg)	Qty. Mkted. (kg)	Avg. Pri. (₹/kg)
I. ANDHRA PRADESH							
1	Ongole - I	8170871.9	141.14	840512.5	181.80	9011384.4	144.93
2	Ongole - II	5837387.9	140.24	104640.4	182.60	5942028.3	140.99
3	Tangutur	8537824.4	129.84	156133.1	182.84	8693957.5	130.79
4	Kondepi	7640030.8	133.30	1194399.7	183.56	8834430.5	140.10
5	Vellampalli	6543866.4	141.88	637839.0	181.73	7181705.4	145.42
TOTAL (SBS)		36729981.4	136.87	2933524.7	182.59	39663506.1	140.25
6	Podili	6387822.2	134.63	963642.8	183.11	7351465.0	140.98
7	Kandukur - I	7420633.9	138.37	1045596.4	184.23	8466230.3	144.03
8	Kandukur - II	5941045.8	140.52	785746.5	184.18	6726792.3	145.62
9	Kaligiri	3018915.1	142.27	95752.9	183.87	3114668.0	143.55
10	D.C. Palli	4064003.6	141.47	1095135.2	183.88	5159138.8	150.47
11	Kanigiri	3166850.5	134.91	174704.9	182.78	3341555.4	137.41
TOTAL (SLS)		29999271.1	138.45	4160578.7	183.80	34159849.8	143.97
12	Devarapalli	7609123.6	154.38	102463.7	180.33	7711587.3	154.72
13	J.R.Gudem - I	8514974.1	159.23	50786.8	185.06	8565760.9	159.38
14	Koyyalagudem	8737611.1	159.51	65616.0	187.01	8803227.1	159.71
15	J.R.Gudem - II	8139300.0	162.12	112982.6	188.87	8252282.6	162.49
16	Gopalapuram	7656104.1	163.33	99225.9	187.12	7755330.0	163.63
TOTAL (NLS)		40657112.9	159.73	431075.0	185.71	41088187.9	160.01
SUB TOTAL		107386365.4	145.97	7525178.4	183.44	114911543.8	148.42

**Auction Platform wise quantity of tobacco marketed in Karnataka
during the period 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022**

Sl. No.	Name of the Auction Platform	2020-21 Karnataka Auctions Qty. mktd. during the period 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022		2021-22 Karnataka Auctions Qty. mktd. during the period 24/09/2021 to 24/03/2022		Total Qty. mktd. during the period 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022	
		Qty. Mkted. (kg)	Avg. Pri. (₹/kg)	Qty. Mkted. (kg)	Avg. Pri. (₹/kg)	Qty. Mkted. (kg)	Avg. Pri. (₹/kg)
II. KARNATAKA							
1	H.D.Kote			5845539.0	159.00	5845539.0	159.00
2	Hunsur-I			6905004.5	163.73	6905004.5	163.73
3	Hunsur-II			5718930.5	162.99	5718930.5	162.99
4	Periyapatna-I			7268852.3	164.12	7268852.3	164.12
5	Periyapatna-II			9009152.0	165.58	9009152.0	165.58
6	Periyapatna-III			7255987.0	165.71	7255987.0	165.71
7	Ramanathapura-I			6434797.9	160.79	6434797.9	160.79
8	Chilkunda			10510311.9	164.06	10510311.9	164.06
9	Ramanathapura-II			4835740.7	158.92	4835740.7	158.92
10	Hunsur-III			4353397.7	162.49	4353397.7	162.49
SUB TOTAL		0.0	0.00	68137713.5	163.11	68137713.5	163.11
GRAND TOTAL (AP & KK)		107386365.4	145.97	75662891.9	165.13	183049257.3	153.89

**2021-22 Andhra Pradesh Auctions - Auction platform wise particulars of
FCV tobacco auctioned as on 31/03/2022**

Sl. No.	Name of the Auction Platform	APF No.	Targeted Quantity (mkg)	Estimated Quantity (mkg)	Date of commencement	No. of bales sold	Highest bid recorded (₹/kg)	Quantity marketed (kg)	Value of tobacco marketed (₹)	Avg. price (₹/kg)
1	Ongole - I	20	8.64	8.80	14.03.2022	6452	185.00	840512.5	152805172.50	181.80
2	Ongole - II	23	7.40	6.10	28.03.2022	804	185.00	104640.4	19107337.04	182.60
3	Tangutur	24	9.04	9.10	28.03.2022	1210	185.00	156133.1	28547376.00	182.84
4	Kondepi	25	9.04	8.10	14.03.2022	9235	185.00	1194399.7	219244008.93	183.56
5	Vellampally	31	7.80	6.90	14.03.2022	4727	185.00	637839	115914481.47	181.73
	TOTAL (SBS)		41.92	39.00		22428	185.00	2933524.7	535618375.95	182.59
6	Podili	22	9.29	5.50	14.03.2022	7248	186.00	963642.8	176452633.11	183.11
7	Kandukur - I	26	8.07	8.10	14.03.2022	7953	185.00	1045596.4	192630224.77	184.23
8	Kandukur - II	27	6.90	6.30	14.03.2022	5943	185.00	785746.5	144718790.37	184.18
9	Kaligiri	28	4.61	2.40	28.03.2022	756	185.00	95752.9	17606085.72	183.87
10	D.C. Palli	29	5.98	4.20	14.03.2022	8265	185.00	1095135.2	201373460.58	183.88
11	Kanigiri	35	4.37	3.20	28.03.2022	1296	185.00	174704.9	31932561.62	182.78
	TOTAL (SLS)		39.22	29.70		31461	186.00	4160578.7	764713756.17	183.80
12	Devarapalli	17	11.07	7.20	28.03.2022	775	195.00	102463.7	18477279.02	180.33
13	J.R. Gudem - I	18	9.32	9.30	28.03.2022	383	195.00	50786.8	9398605.21	185.06
14	Koyyalagudem	30	9.38	9.20	28.03.2022	490	195.00	65616	12270848.16	187.01
15	J.R. Gudem - II	32	9.68	8.85	28.03.2022	845	195.00	112982.6	21339023.66	188.87
16	Gopalapuram	33	9.41	8.20	28.03.2022	740	195.00	99225.9	18567150.41	187.12
	TOTAL(NLS)		48.86	42.75		3233	195.00	431075	80052906.46	185.71
	GRAND TOTAL		130.00	111.45		57122	195.00	7525178.4	1380385038.6	183.44

Auction platform wise particulars of FCV tobacco auctioned in Karnataka as on 31/03/2022 for the year 2021-22

Sl. No.	Name of the Auction Platform	APF No.	Targeted Quantity (mkg)	Estimated Quantity (mkg)	Date of commencement	No. of bales sold	Highest bid recorded (₹/kg)	Quantity marketed (kg)	Value of tobacco marketed (₹)	Avg. price (₹/kg)
1	H.D. Kote	1	8.61	6.57	24.09.2021	58212	205.00	5845539.0	929440701.00	159.00
2	Hunsur - I	2	7.61	7.53	24.09.2021	69586	208.00	6905004.5	1130556386.79	163.73
3	Hunsur - II	3	7.91	6.63	24.09.2021	57538	207.00	5718930.5	932128482.20	162.99
4	Periyapatna - I	4	12.68	9.00	24.09.2021	71142	206.00	7268852.3	1192964039.48	164.12
5	Periyapatna - II	5	11.21	10.30	24.09.2021	86818	207.00	9009152.0	1491735388.16	165.58
6	Periyapatna - III	6	11.66	8.94	24.09.2021	71883	206.00	7255987.0	1202389605.77	165.71
7	Ramanathapura-I	7	10.63	8.30	24.09.2021	65977	206.00	6434797.9	1034651154.34	160.79
8	Chilkunda	62	11.19	11.81	24.09.2021	105109	206.00	10510311.9	1724321770.31	164.06
9	Ramanathapura-II	63	8.61	6.23	24.09.2021	49212	206.00	4835740.7	768495912.04	158.92
10	Hunsur - III	64	6.89	5.29	24.09.2021	43249	208.00	4353397.7	707383592.27	162.49
Grand Total			97.00	80.60		678726	208.00	68137713.5	11114067032.36	163.11

**BUYER WISE PURCHASES IN ANDHRA PRADESH AND KARNATAKA DURING THE PERIOD
01/04/2021 TO 31/03/2022**

Sl. No.	NAME OF THE BUYER M/S.	2020-21 AP CROP		2021-22 AP CROP		2021-22 KARNATAKA CROP		TOTAL (From 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022	
		From 01/04/2021 To 16/09/2021		From 14/03/2022 To 31/03/2022		From 24/09/2021 To 24/03/2022			
		Qty. in kg	Avg. price (₹/kg)	Qty. in kg	Avg. price (₹/kg)	Qty. in kg	Avg. price (₹/kg)	Qty. in kg	Avg. price (₹/kg)
MANUFACTURERS									
1	ITC Limited	65368803.8	157.85	60.87	4280583.1	182.39	56.88	29004590.7	166.21
2	Godfrey Phillips India Limited	8409883.2	145.13	7.83	997150.3	184.62	13.25	70403899.6	169.26
	Sub-Total	73778687.0	156.40	68.70	5277733.4	182.81	70.13	36044980.3	166.81
EXPORTERS									
3	Polisetty Somasundaram	11057993.1	142.58	10.30	751893.3	184.92	9.99	9265733.6	161.73
4	Deccan Tobacco Company	2346085.2	150.47	2.18				5940947.4	175.49
5	Alliance One Industries India Pvt. Ltd.	3775558.7	127.41	3.52	592116.1	184.55	7.87	3789838.4	150.96
6	Premier Tobacco Packers Pvt. Ltd.	3650733.3	148.83	3.40	507484.4	184.88	6.74	1437206.0	167.55
7	Mitrapalli Agro Products Pvt. Ltd.	1957592.1	89.11	1.82				1343425.9	100.47
8	Pragathi Tobacco Traders India Pvt. Ltd.	144015.6	108.67	0.13	40989.5	185.56	0.54	934536.8	164.32
9	Mohammed Enterprises Pvt. Ltd.	1201826.1	133.72	1.12	84998.0	185.91	1.13	2042718.5	168.22
10	Mitrapalli Audinrayana Ent. Pvt. Ltd.	357236.3	70.74	0.33				953105.9	125.93
11	Shalk Masthan Saheb Tobacco Ent.	991507.1	68.01	0.92				406739.2	80.03
12	K.S. Subbiah Pillai & Co. (India) Pvt. Ltd.							684459.9	124.44
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Sl. No.	NAME OF THE BUYER M/S.	2020-21 AP CROP			2021-22 AP CROP			2021-22 KARNATAKA CROP			TOTAL (From 01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022)		
		Qty. in kg	Avg. price (₹/kg)	% share	Qty. in kg	Avg. price (₹/kg)	% share	Qty. in kg	Avg. price (₹/kg)	% share	Qty. in kg	Avg. price (₹/kg)	% share
13	Yadagadda Exports Pvt.Ltd.	810396.4	89.10	0.75				264702.6	158.91	0.39	1075099.0	106.29	0.59
14	Vani Tobaccos							2601.2	130.27	0.00	2601.2	130.27	0.00
15	Teja Tobacco Traders	29138.4	94.99	0.03				295178.6	119.19	0.43	324317.0	117.02	0.18
16	Avinash Tobaccos	142253.9	116.91	0.13				163399.2	154.05	0.24	305653.1	136.76	0.17
17	Cartel Tobaccos							45134.4	123.21	0.07	45134.4	123.21	0.02
18	Panchajanya Tobacco Exports	12751.1	150.46	0.01				164334.0	148.40	0.24	177085.1	148.55	0.10
19	Prapalsha Agros Limited	141900.6	63.03	0.13				18428.9	137.49	0.03	160329.5	71.59	0.09
20	Prakasam Enterprises	1140435.9	129.87	1.06	4139.0	185.00	0.06	295965.9	167.24	0.43	1440540.8	137.71	0.79
21	K.K. Mohan Enterprises	139322.2	164.43	0.13	71763.8	185.45	0.95	157355.1	168.04	0.23	368441.1	170.07	0.20
22	K.R. & Co.	167368.1	40.96	0.16							167368.1	40.96	0.09
23	Sangam Agri Products	31693.0	47.07	0.03							31693.0	47.07	0.02
24	Venkata Sai Tobacco Pvt.Ltd.	101396.8	48.27	0.09				41622.7	135.21	0.06	143019.5	73.57	0.08
	Sub-Total	28199203.9	130.65	26.26	2053384.1	184.88	27.29	28241434.2	157.21	41.45	58494022.2	145.38	31.96
	OTHERS (Dealers)	5408474.5	83.55	5.04	194060.9	185.08	2.58	3851299.0	171.87	5.65	9453834.4	121.61	5.16
	GRAND TOTAL	107386365.4	145.97	100	7525178.4	183.44	100	68137713.5	163.11	100	183049257.3	153.89	100

TRADING WING

The Government of India had created Trading Wing in 1984 with margin money of ₹1.25 crore for its operations. The margin money available with the Board as on 31/03/2022 was ₹27.44 crore. The objective of Trading Wing is to purchase Virginia tobacco from growers on the Auction Platforms at prices fixed by the Government when it is expedient and dispose of the same in India or abroad as per Section 20-A of Tobacco Board Act, 1975. Trading Wing of Tobacco Board had not taken up any price support operations during 2021-2022, as the market was buoyant and the growers received better prices.

REGISTRATION AS PROCESSOR/MANUFACTURER/COMMERCIAL GRADERS OF VIRGINIA TOBACCO/ EXPORTER OF TOBACCO AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS/ PACKERS/DEALERS IN TOBACCO::

Under Sections 11A, 11B (i) and 12 of Tobacco Board Act, 1975, no person shall process Virginia Tobacco, Manufacture Virginia Tobacco Products, take up grading work relating to Virginia tobacco for commercial purposes, export tobacco or any tobacco products, function as a packer, auctioneer, or dealer in tobacco, unless he registers himself with the Board in accordance with the rules made under this Act. Individuals, firms or companies have to obtain Registration/Renewal of registration from the Tobacco Board for each category separately for carrying out the above business operations. The registration or renewal of registration granted by Tobacco Board is valid for one calendar year.

The particulars of Registration / Renewal of registration granted to different categories of traders for the year 2021 and for the year 2022 (as on 31/03/2022) are as follows:

Sl. No.	Category	No. of Companies Registered	
		2021	2022*
1	Processor of Virginia Tobacco	12	9
2	Manufacturer of Virginia Tobacco	31	17
3	Exporter of Tobacco	175	151
4	Exporter of Tobacco Products	436	405
5	Dealer in Tobacco	381	353
6	Packer of Tobacco	22	18
7	Commercial Grader of Virginia tobacco	26	19
Total		1083	972

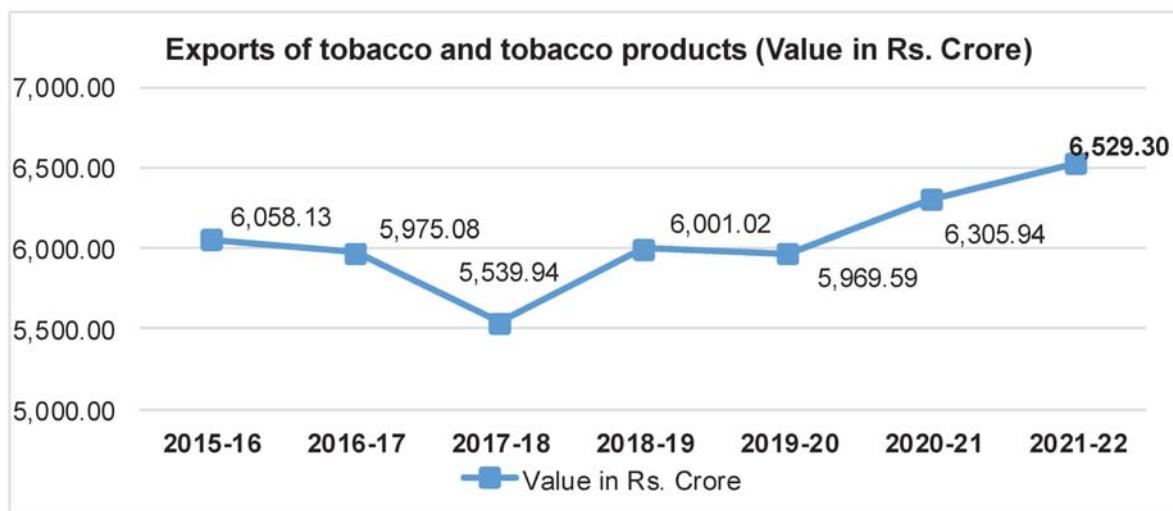
*As on 31/03/2022

In line with the Government of India's initiative on "Digital India", Tobacco Board had introduced online system for e-filing of applications for grant of registration / renewal of registration under various categories of traders to provide a transparent and integrated electronic services to the tobacco trade. E-filing of applications has been made mandatory for obtaining registration/renewal of registration by all categories of traders through Tobacco Board portal www.tobaccoboard.in

EXPORTS OF TOBACCO AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS FROM INDIA

Indian exports of unmanufactured tobacco and tobacco products have registered a record high of ₹6,529.30 Crore during 2021-22. The exports have crossed ₹6,000 crore mark once again during 2021-22, first time during 2013-14 (₹6,092.86 crore), second time during 2015-16 (₹6,058.13 crore), third time during 2018-19 (₹6,001.02 crore) and fourth time during 2020-21 (₹6,305.94).

India is the 2nd largest producer and 3rd largest exporter of unmanufactured tobacco in the world. Indian exports of tobacco and tobacco products comprise of unmanufactured tobacco (HS code: 2401- constituting 67.65% of total value of exports) consisting of Flue Cured Virginia (FCV) tobacco and Non-FCV tobaccos viz., Burley, HDBRG, Sun Cured Country (SCC), Lal Chopadia, Rustica, Dark Fire Cured tobacco, Oriental etc; Cigarettes and Cigarillos (HS Code : 2402 - constituting 7.56% of total value of exports); Other tobacco products (HS Code : 2403 - constituting 24.78% of total value of exports) viz., Chewing tobacco, Cut tobacco, Hookah Tobacco Paste, Snuff and Bidis. The exports of tobacco and tobacco products from India ranged from ₹5,500 crore to ₹6,500 crore during last seven years with slight variations.



1. INDIAN TOBACCO AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS TRADE ANALYSIS

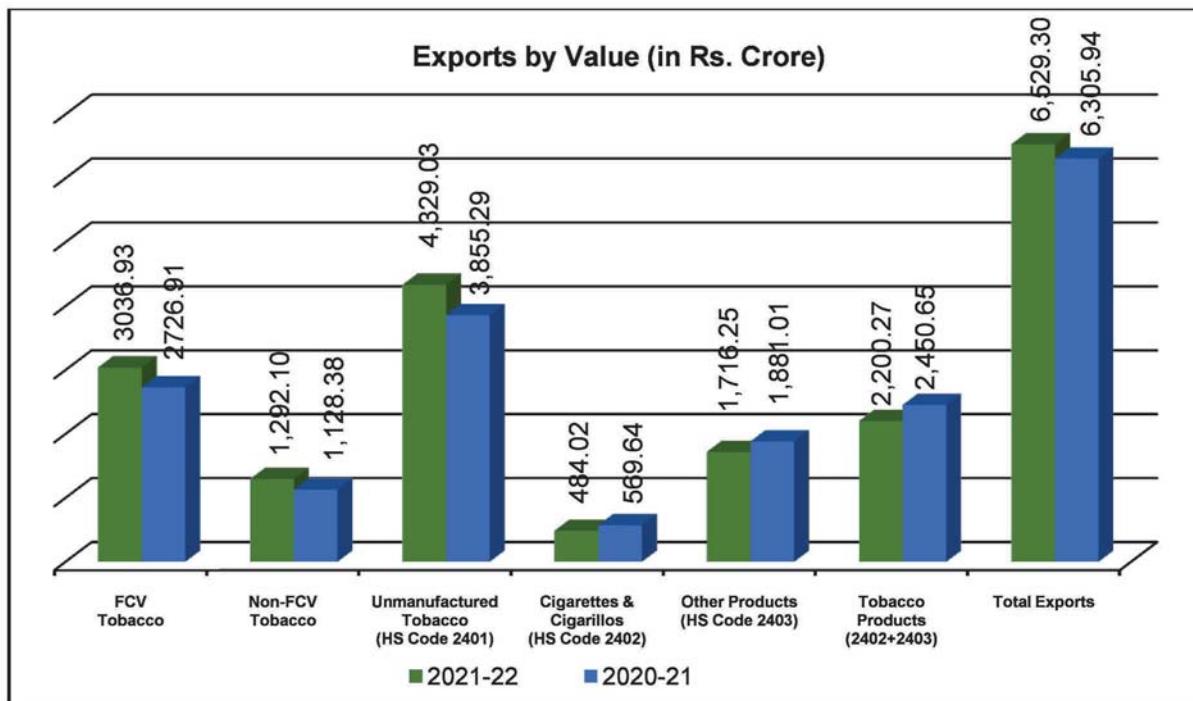
1.1 Overall export performance of tobacco and tobacco products from India:

Indian exports of tobacco and tobacco products during 2021-22 were in the order of 2,19,838 M.Tons valued at ₹6,529.30 crores (US\$ 876.22 million). During 2021-22, the exports have registered a positive growth of 4%, 4% and 3% respectively in terms of quantity, value in rupees and in US dollars as compared to the exports made during 2020-21.

The exports of tobacco and tobacco products during 2021-22 were 2.25 lakh MT valued at US\$ 923.40 million as against the exports of 2.22 lakh MT valued at US\$ 876.58 million exported during 2020-21. During 2021-22, the exports of tobacco and tobacco products registered a growth of 1.50% in quantity terms and 5.34% in value terms compared to previous year i.e. 2020-21 (Source: DGCIS, Kolkata)

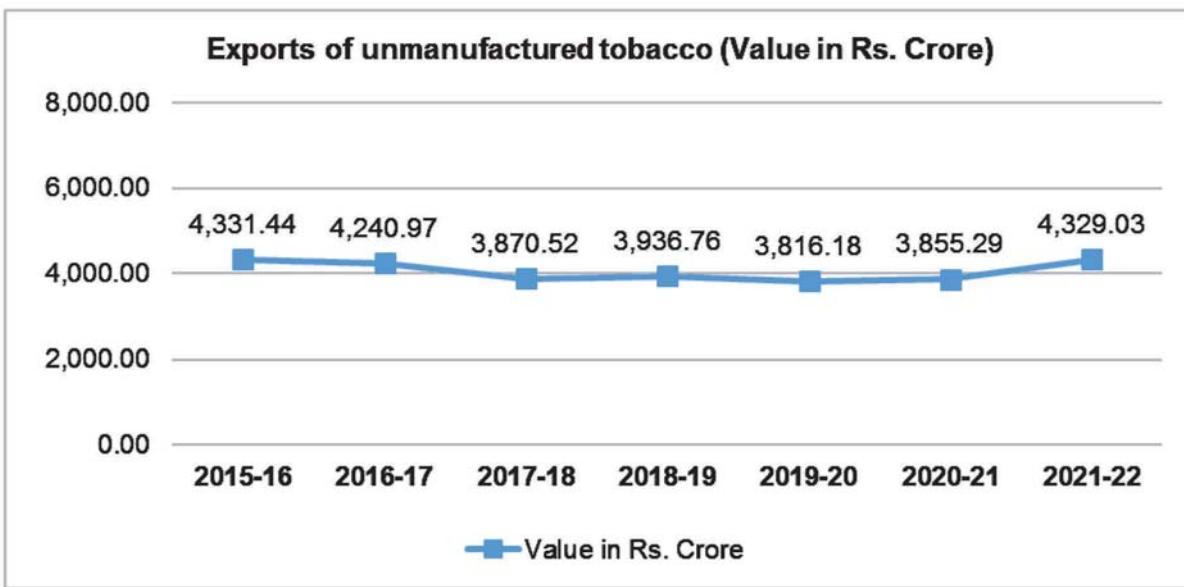
S. No	Categories	April 2021 - March 2022			April 2020 - March 2021			% Change in Value (Million US\$)
		Qty. in Metric Tons	Value in ₹ Crore	Value in Million US\$.	Qty. in Metric Tons	Value in ₹ Crore	Value in Million US\$.	
I Unmanufactured Tobacco (HS Code: 2401)								
a	FCV	1,16,697	3,036.93	407.52	1,05,406	2,726.91	367.43	10.91
b	Non FCV Tobacco	73,406	1,292.10	173.37	68,775	1,128.38	152.28	13.85
	Total	1,90,103	4,329.03	580.89	1,74,181	3,855.29	519.71	11.77
II Tobacco Products								
a	Cigarettes & Cigarillos (HS Code 2402)	7,074	484.02	64.97	9,300	569.64	77.03	-15.66
b	Other Products (HS Code 2403)	22,661	1,716.25	230.36	28,150	1,881.01	254.36	-9.44
	Total Products	29,735	2,200.27	295.33	37,450	2,450.65	331.39	-10.88
	Grand Total	2,19,838	6,529.30	876.22	2,11,631	6,305.94	851.10	2.95
	% Change over 2020-21 (+/-)	4	4	3	-3	6	1	

Source: Tobacco Board Statistics based on the returns submitted by exporters



1.2 Unmanufactured tobacco exports (HS Code 2401):

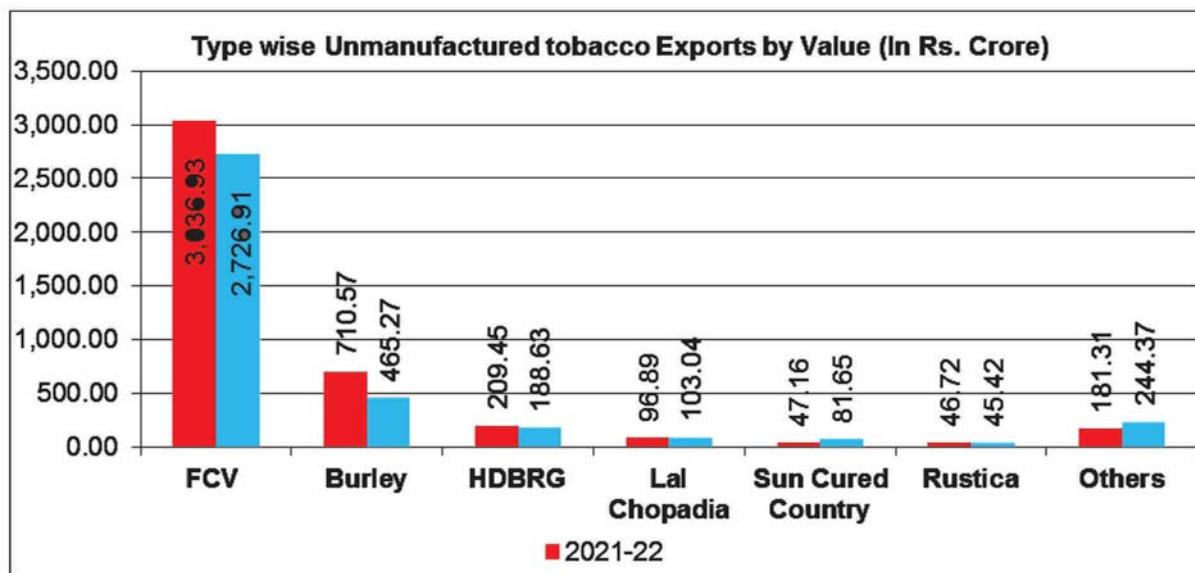
Exports of unmanufactured tobacco during 2021-22 have increased by 9% in quantity terms to 1,90,103 tons, by 12% in terms of rupees to ₹4,329.03 crores and by 12% in dollar terms to US \$580.89. This is against 1,74,181 tons of unmanufactured tobacco exported during 2020-21, valued at ₹3,855.29 crores or US\$ 519.71 million.



1.2.1 Type wise exports of unmanufactured tobacco:

Of the total exports of Indian unmanufactured tobacco during the year 2021-22, FCV tobacco, constituted 61.39% share while Non-FCV tobaccos accounted for 38.61% in terms of volume. Among the Non-FCV tobaccos, Burley accounted for the major share of 19.36% followed by HDBRG (6.63%), Lal Chopadia (3.26%), Sun cured Country (1.29%) and Rustica (1.25%). In value terms, FCV tobacco exports constituted 70.15% of the total unmanufactured tobacco exports while Non-FCV tobacco exports accounted for the balance 29.85%.

Tobacco Type	2021-22				2020-21	
	Quantity	% change Y-o-Y	Value	% change Y-o-Y	Quantity	Value
Flue Cured Virginia (FCV) tobacco	1,16,697	10.71	3,036.93	11.37	1,05,406	2,726.91
Non-FCV Tobaccos						
Burley	36,813	38.05	710.57	52.72	26,666	465.27
HDBRG	12,613	5.92	209.45	11.04	11,908	188.63
Lal Chopadia	6,200	-21.93	96.89	-5.96	7,941	103.04
Sun Cured Country	2,451	-53.24	47.16	-42.24	5,242	81.65
Rustica	2,378	-1.04	46.72	2.86	2,403	45.42
Others	12,951	-11.38	181.31	-25.81	14,614	244.37
Sub-Total (Non-FCV Type)	73,406	6.73	1,292.09	14.51	68,774	1,128.38
Total	1,90,103	9.14	4,329.03	12.29	1,74,181	3,855.29



FCV tobacco exports during 2021-22 were in the order of 1,16,697 Metric Tons valued ₹3,036.93 crores (US\$ 407.52 million) as against the exports of 1,05,406 Metric Tons during 2020-21 valued at ₹2,726.91 crores (US\$ 367.43 million). Exports of FCV tobacco during 2021-22 have increased by 11%, 11% and 11% respectively in terms of quantity, value in rupees and in US dollars respectively over last years' exports.

Year	Exports of FCV tobacco		% Change in Value (₹Crore) Y-o-Y
	Value in ₹ Crore	Value in Million US\$.	
2015-16	3,495.81	534.0	9
2016-17	3,428.45	512.0	-2
2017-18	3,059.60	474.6	-11
2018-19	2,863.87	409.7	-6
2019-20	2,681.81	378.7	-6
2020-21	2,726.91	367.43	2
2021-22	3,036.93	407.52	11

FCV tobacco exports have declined by 13% from 2015-16 to 2021-22 in terms of quantity. However, during 2021-22, the exports have registered a positive growth of 11% in terms of value in rupees and value in dollar terms.

Non-FCV tobacco exports during 2021-22 were in the order of 73,406 metric tons valued at ₹1,292.09 Crores (173.37 million US\$). Non-FCV tobacco exports during 2021-22 have increased by 7%, 15% and 14% respectively in terms of quantity, value in rupees and in US dollars respectively when compared to 2020-21.

1.2.2 Region wise exports of unmanufactured tobacco:

West Europe continues to be the major destination for Indian unmanufactured tobaccos with a share of about 38.32% in total exports in value terms. Exports to this region have increased by 11.98%

over last year. Africa, South and South East Asia and North and South Americas have registered an increase on 55.12%, 37.12% and 8.87% respectively during 2021-22. However, a decline was noticed in the regions of East Europe (17.07%) and Middle East (9.30%). Exports to Australasia are insignificant.

(Quantity in Metric Tons, Value in ₹ crore)

REGION	2021-22				2020-21				% Change in (value)
	Quantity	% share	Value	% share	Quantity	% share	Value	% share	
West Europe	69,118	36.36	1,658.86	38.32	59,092	33.93	1,481.40	38.42	11.98
East Europe	20,133	10.59	559.01	12.91	25,785	14.80	673.67	17.47	-17.02
Middle East	23,551	12.39	478.99	11.06	30,333	17.41	528.12	13.70	-9.30
South & South East Asia	35,351	18.60	853.83	19.72	26,499	15.21	622.68	16.15	37.12
Africa	28,819	15.16	604.90	13.97	22,149	12.72	389.96	10.11	55.12
North & South Americas	13,131	6.91	173.44	4.01	10,318	5.92	159.30	4.13	8.87
Australasia	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	5	0.00	0.15	0.00	-
Total	1,90,103	100.00	4,329.03	100.00	1,74,181	100.00	3,855.29	100.00	12.29

1.2.3 Country wise Exports of unmanufactured tobacco (Top 10 markets)

(Quantity in Metric Tons, Value in ₹ crore)

S. No	NAME OF THE COUNTRY	APRIL-2021 TO MARCH-2022		APRIL-2020 TO MARCH-2021		% change in value in terms of ₹ crore
		QTY	VALUE	QTY	VALUE	
1	BELGIUM	50263.88	1251.64	43599.24	1148.86	8.95
2	EGYPT	17667.20	270.02	16173.18	233.82	15.48
3	UAE	11922.10	210.47	14797.95	249.78	-15.74
4	PHILIPPINES	11741.23	233.72	6301.40	102.54	127.94
5	NIGERIA	7364.50	239.27	3150.95	99.74	139.91
6	INDONESIA	7215.52	197.41	6007.98	157.91	25.01
7	NEPAL	6669.79	179.98	5161.46	132.66	35.67
8	KOREA	6202.50	162.44	6503.18	167.68	-3.12
9	USA	6110.63	62.48	3797.67	48.46	28.94
10	FRANCE	5664.44	131.41	4823.58	96.56	36.09

1.3 Exports of Tobacco Products:

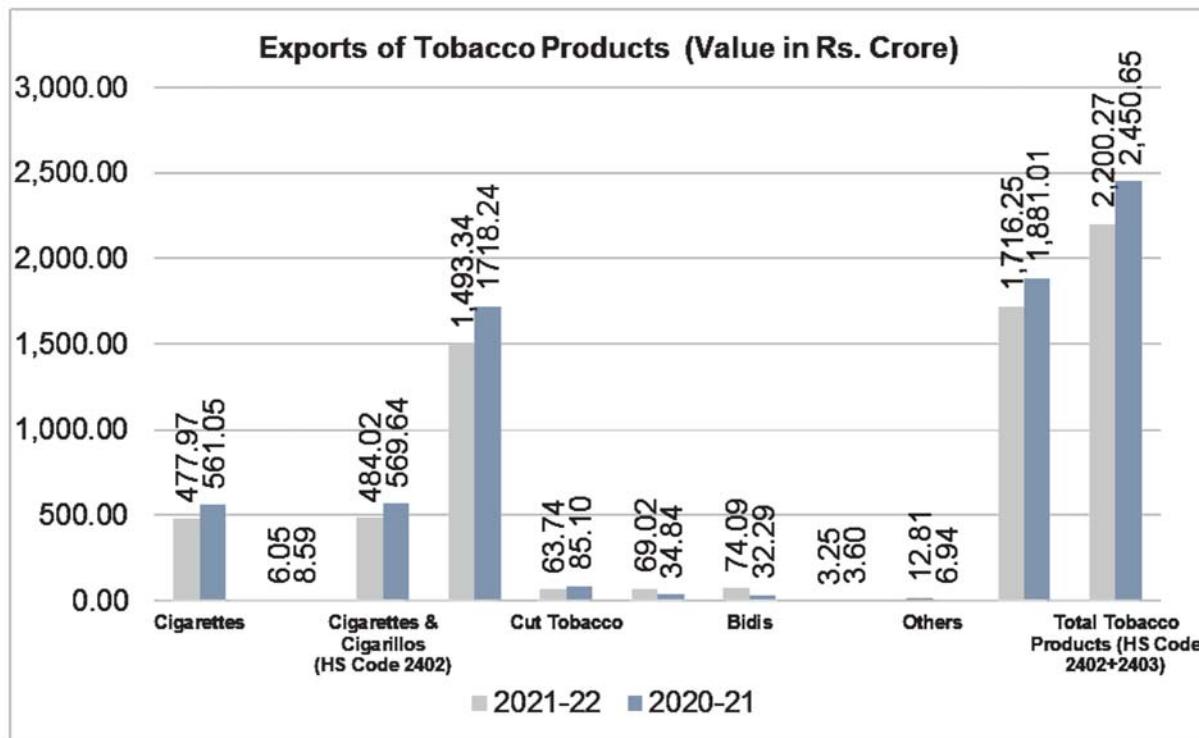
During 2021-2022, the exports of Cigarettes and Cigars (HS Code: 2402) were in the order of 7,074 Metric tons valued at ₹484.02 Crore (US\$ 64.97 million) reflecting a negative growth of 24%, 15% and 16% respectively in terms of quantity, value in rupees and dollar terms as against the exports of 9,300 Metric Tons valued at ₹569.64 Crore (US\$ 77.03) during 2020-21.

The exports of other tobacco products (HS Code: 2403) were in the order of 22,661 Metric Tons valued at ₹1,716.25 Crore (US\$ 230.36) as against 28,150 Metric Tons valued at ₹1,881.01 Crores (US\$ 254.36) exported during 2020-21. The exports of other tobacco products (HS Code : 2403) registered a negative growth of 19%, 9% and 9% respectively in quantity terms, value in rupees and dollar terms.

The total tobacco product exports (HS Code: 2402 & 2403) have decreased by 21%, 10% and 11% respectively in quantity terms, value in rupees and dollar terms when compared with exports made during 2020-21.

(Quantity in Metric Tons, Value in ₹ Crore)

Sl. No.	Product Segment	2021-22				2020-21	
		Quantity	% change Y-o-Y	Value	% change Y-o-Y	Quantity	Value
	Cigarettes, Cigars, Cheroots & Cigarillos (HS Code: 2402)						
1	Cigarettes	7,033	-23.85	477.97	-14.81	9,235	561.05
2	Cigars	41	-36.65	6.05	-29.57	65	8.59
	Sub total	7,074	-23.93	484.02	-15.03	9,300	569.64
	Other Products (HS Code: 2403)						
1	Chewing Tobacco	17,789	-22.89	1,493.34	-13.09	23,071	1718.24
2	Cut Tobacco	2,286	-38.42	63.74	-25.10	3,712	85.10
3	Hookah Tobacco Paste	1,968	82.19	69.02	98.10	1,080	34.84
4	Bidis	432	97.50	74.09	129.42	219	32.29
5	Snuff	107	93.70	3.25	-9.65	55	3.60
6	Others	79	518.34	12.81	84.62	13	6.94
	Sub total	22,661	-19.50	1,716.25	-8.76	28,150	1,881.01
	Grand Total	29,735	-20.60	2,200.27	-10.22	37,450	2,450.65



2. EXPORT PROMOTION ACTIVITIES

2.1 Participation in Tobacco Trade Fairs and Exhibitions :

Due to COVID-19 pandemic, no fairs and exhibitions were organized across the world. Hence, Tobacco Board has not participated in any of the fairs and exhibitions.

2.2 Visit of tobacco trade delegations :

Due to COVID-19 pandemic, during 2021-22, no trade delegations have been taken up by Tobacco Board.

3. Minimising Regulatory Compliance Burden:

As part of the Government of India's initiative to reduce the regulatory compliance burden of the businesses, the following compliance reduction measures were implemented:

A. Reduction in the documentary requirements by the exporters for RCMC renewal/registration:

Tobacco Board has exempted submission of the following document requirements by the exporters for obtaining fresh RCMC registration/renewal of registration:

- I. Self-Certified copy of IEC
- II. Self-Certified copy of PAN card
- III. Self-certified copy of partnership deed / Memorandum & Articles of Association, if applicable for grant of registration/renewal

B. Exemption of filing of quarterly RCMC returns:

The exporters who have RCMC registration with Tobacco Board were exempted from filing of the quarterly RCMC returns since all the exporters are already submitting the monthly returns in Form-18/Form-34/Form-31(32) to Tobacco Board.

4. Electronic Issuance of RCMC for Indian tobacco Exporters:

Tobacco Board is successfully on boarded on the e-RCMC platform of DGFT and issuing digital RCMC from 01/03/2022.

5. Electronic Issuance of Preferential Certificate of Origin (CoO) for India's Exports under various Trade Agreements:

Tobacco Board is successfully on boarded on the e-CoO platform of DGFT and issuing digital CoO in Form - A from 13/02/2021.

IMPLEMENTATION OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

HINDI IMPLEMENTATION:

During the period under report every effort have been made to accelerate the implementation of the Official Language Act.

MEASURES TAKEN FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGE ACT:

- Letters received in Hindi were replied in Hindi.
- General orders were issued bilingually
- Correspondence with the offices situated in Region "A" was made in Hindi. Some of the letters were issued bilingual to offices located in Regions 'B' & 'C'.
- Administrative and other reports of the Board, which are to be placed before Parliament were prepared and submitted both in Hindi and English.
- The forms and applications of different sections of Board were printed in bilingual.
- Standard stationery is printed bilingually on Envelops, File folders, Letter heads etc.
- All rubber stamps were made bilingual and all name plates were made trilingual/bilingual.
- Addresses on envelopes which were sent to the Ministry and other offices situated in Region 'A' were printed in Hindi and in Region 'C' were printed in bilingual.

PROGRAMME OF HINDI TEACHING SCHEME:

Eligible employees of the Board were nominated to the On-line Classes of Hindi Teaching Scheme. During January-May, 2021 session Prabodh (04), Praveen (03) and Parangath (07) employees and during July-November, 2021 session Prabodh (06) and Parangath (10) employees were nominated for on-line classes.

PROPAGATION OF HINDI SCHEME OF LEARN A WORD A DAY:

Every day a Hindi word with its English meaning is being displayed at presto sign board at the entrance of the office. Hindi quotations of Great men were displayed at some important eye-catching places.

HINDI WEEK:

Hindi Week was celebrated from 14th September to 20th September, 2021 in the Tobacco Board. As a part of celebrations, Four Table Hindi workshops (Four Sections) were conducted on 17th & 20th September, 2021 to improve the working efficiency of Hindi trained employees.

HINDI PERIODICALS AND LIBRARY:

One Hindi daily "Hindi Milap" news paper was made available in the Board at present along with some Hindi Periodicals. Some Hindi Books, Novels, Epics like Ramayana, Mahabharat etc., short story books, different dictionaries, Glossaries, etc., were also made available in the Library.

HINDI ON COMPUTERS:

Hindi Software has been installed in all computers and they are being used.

WORKSHOP IN HINDI:

Four Table Hindi Workshops (02 Days- Each day 02 Sections) were conducted during Hindi Week i.e., from 14th September, 2021 to 20th Sep, 2021. It is an innovative idea of the Hindi Department of the Tobacco Board, where in Hindi Staff goes to the employees table and clarify their doubts, so that the work in Hindi is implemented effectively.

Tobacco Board has achieved the targets fixed in implementing the Official Language Policy, during the year under report.

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

The Central Government has to provide funds to the Tobacco Board by way of grants or loans for utilization for the purposes of the Act as per section 16 of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975. However, the Tobacco Board did not draw any grant or loan against the budgeted expenditure and schemes from the Central Government since 1991-92. The internal resources generated by the Tobacco Board are sufficient to meet its expenditure for carrying out its activities as per the Act and for meeting the salaries, allowances and other remuneration of the officers and other employees of the Board.

I) INTERNAL RESOURCES:

As per the provision under Section 14A of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975, the Tobacco Board levies fees in the form of "Service charges" for the services rendered on its auction platforms @ 2% on the value of tobacco marketed. The service charges so levied are equally collected from the grower and buyer @ 1% each on the value of tobacco sold by the grower and purchased by the buyer. Further, as per regulation 13(2) of Tobacco Board (General) Regulations 1984 the Board collects "Authorization fee" from the buyers who participate in the auctions. Apart from the above, the Board collects registration fees from the growers, barn operators, nurserymen, dealers, exporters, packers, processors and manufacturers.

The Board levied contributions on the excess tobacco produced by the registered growers and the tobacco produced by the unregistered growers as fixed by the Government every year through gazette notification. During 2021 Andhra Pradesh auctions, the contributions @ ₹2 per Kg and 5% (including normal service charges 1%) of sale proceeds are levied for the sale of excess tobacco produced by registered growers up to the extent of the 10% of the quota authorized. Further, the contribution @ ₹2 per Kg. and 10% (including normal service charges of 1%) of sale proceeds are levied on sale of tobacco over and above 10% of the quota authorized from the registered growers and unauthorized tobacco produced by the unregistered growers in Andhra Pradesh as per the orders of the Gazette Notification issued by the Central Government.

During 2021 Karnataka auctions, the contributions @ ₹1 per Kg and 5% (including normal service charges 1%) of sale proceeds are levied for the sale of excess tobacco produced by registered growers and unauthorized tobacco produced by the unregistered growers in Karnataka as per the orders of the Gazette Notification issued by the Central Government.

II) BUDGET ESTIMATES:

As per the provision under rule 21 of the Tobacco Board Rules, 1976, the Board shall in each year, prepare Budget Estimates for the ensuing year and Revised Estimates for the current year and shall submit them for the sanction of Central Government on or before such dates as may be fixed by the Government.

The budgeted receipts ie., internal resources of Board are service charges, buyer authorization fee, registration fee from traders & growers, interest on fixed deposits and misc. receipts of demurrage charges, interest on delayed payments etc.

The Budgeted expenditure incurs as capital expenditure for providing infrastructural facilities in the auction platforms and as revenue expenditure on establishment and administrative for conducting auctions and welfare schemes of Extension & Developmental schemes, Production schemes and Trading Wing schemes in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.

Accordingly, the budget proposals for the year 2021-22 have been prepared and submitted to the Government for its approval. The Budget Estimates and Revised Estimates for Receipts of ₹8,659.00 lakh and ₹10,185.00 lakh and expenditure of ₹18,684.00 lakh and ₹16,450.00 lakh respectively.

An amount of ₹11,029.31 lakh has been realized as internal resources against the budget provision of ₹10,185.00 lakh and an amount of ₹11,451.69 lakh has been incurred as expenditure as against the budgeted outlay of ₹16,450.00 lakhs during the financial year 2021-22.

Statement showing the actual funds flow under Plan and Non-Plan since 2010-11 to 2021-22 is placed at Page. No.**123**.

The financial statements of the Balance Sheet, Income & Expenditure account and Receipts & Payments Statement to the accounts of Tobacco Fund of the Tobacco Board for year 2021-22 which includes the earmarked fund accounts of Margin Money for Commercial Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing), Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund, Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund, Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme(Tier-I), Tobacco Board Growers Welfare Fund along with the Notes on accounts are incorporated in the Annual Report for the year 2021-22.

**SEPARATE AUDIT REPORT OF THE COMPTROLLER AND AUDITOR GENERAL OF INDIA ON
THE ACCOUNTS OF THE TOBACCO BOARD, GUNTUR FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH
2022**

We have audited the attached Balance Sheet of Tobacco Board, Guntur as at 31 March 2022 and the Income & Expenditure Account / Receipts & Payments Account for the year ended as on that date under Section 19(2) of the Comptroller and Auditor General's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971 read with Section 19(2) of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975. These financial statements include the accounts of all Auction Platforms, Liaison and Regional Offices and the Directorate of Auctions, Bangalore. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Tobacco Board's Management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

2. This separate Audit Report contains the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) on the accounting treatment only with regard to classification, conformity with the best accounting practices, accounting standards and disclosure norms, etc. Audit observations on financial transactions with regard to compliance with the Law, Rules and Regulations (propriety and regularity) and efficiency-cum-performance aspects etc., if any, are reported through inspection Reports / CAG's Audit Report separately.
3. We have conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in India. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidences supporting the amount and disclosure in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.
4. Based on our audit, we report that:
 - i) We have obtained all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purpose of our audit.
 - ii) The Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account / Receipts & Payments Account dealt with by this report have been drawn up in the format prescribed by the Ministry of Finance.
 - iii) In our opinion, proper books of accounts and other relevant records have been maintained by the Tobacco Board as required under Section 19(1) of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975 read with Rule 22 of the Tobacco Board Rules, 1976 in so far as it appears from our examination of such books.
 - iv) We further report that:

A) Comments On Accounts

Comment A.1

Balance Sheet as at 31.03.2022

A. Current Liabilities

3. Outstanding Liabilities (Revenue) Rs.1113.61 lakh

- (A) The above does not include Rs.478.17 lakh being the tax liability ascertained by the GST Authorities as payable under Section 74(5) of the GST Act, 2017.

The Board has decided not to pay the taxes amounting to Rs.478.17 lakh and requested (23.03.2022) the Dy. Assistant Commissioner (ST), Guntur Division not to invoke Section 74(5) of the GST Act stating that the proposals are not in accordance with law. Pending decision of the GST Authorities, the Board has neither provided for the liability identified by the GST Authorities nor disclosed the fact as contingent liability in the notes forming part of the accounts.

- (B) The above does not include Rs.10.18 lakh being the tax liability ascertained by the GST Authorities as payable under Section 74(5) of the GST Act, 2017 and communicated (February 2022) to the Tobacco Board. The Board decided (March, 2022) to make payments in respect of the above claims by GST Authorities. However, the Board has not provided for the liability in this regard. This has resulted in the understatement of Current Liabilities and Provisions (Schedule-7) by Rs.10.19 lakh and overstatement of surplus for the year by same amount.

Comment A.2

Current Liabilities and provisions (Schedule-7)

B. Provisions

2(a) Liability for Gratuity, Leave Salary and Half Pay Leave (Short Term) - Rs.787.38 lakh

2(b) Liability for Gratuity, Leave Salary and Half Pay Leave (Long Term) - Rs.3385.06 lakh

The above is overstated by Rs.79.06 lakh due to excess provision towards Liability for Gratuity, Leave Salary and Half Pay Leave as on 31.03.2022 as while calculating leave salary, payment towards Half Pay Leave was calculated for full month without restricting the pay to 50 percent of pay.

This has resulted in overstatement of provision of Liability for Gratuity, Leave Salary and Half Pay Leave by Rs.79.06 Lakh - Short term by Rs.1.86 Lakh and Long Term by Rs.77.20 Lakh and understatement of surplus by same amount.

Comment A.3

Fixed Assets (Schedule-8)

Land

The details of land held by the Board as per the title deeds and the land available as per the physical verification reports for the year 2021-22 are not reconciled. In respect of Auction Platforms at Koyyalagudem, Devarapalli, Kanigiri, HD Kote, Hunsur, Admn. Building and Growers Association, the land available as per physical verification reports is more than the land as per title deeds. It is less than the title deed by 18.29 acres at Periyapatna. No physical verification of land located at Bhadrachalam, Kandukur-2, Keesara, Vellampalli-1, Gopalapuram, Tanguturu-1, RM Office, Mysuru, Shimoga and Guddenhalli was conducted. The variation/discrepancies in Head Office records with that of Auction Platform records needs to be reconciled.

B) General

Delay in submission of Accounts:

The Committee on Papers Laid on the Table of the House (COPLOT) recommended in its First Report (5th Lok Sabha) 1975-76 that, after the close of the accounting year, every autonomous body should complete its accounts within a period of three months and make them available for audit and that the Reports and the audited accounts should be laid before Parliament within nine months of the close of the accounting year. These were reiterated by the Ministry of Finance vide its Office Memorandum No.8(II)/E.II-A)/09, dated 17th November, 2009.

The Board did not adhere to the above stipulations of the COPLOT and approved its accounts for the year 2021-22 on 15th July 2022. The same were communicated to Audit on 22 August 2022. The approved copy of accounts was made available to Audit on 01.09.2022 though in the Notes to Accounts no.37(c), it has been stated that the Financial Statements of Tobacco Board for the year ending 31 March 2022 is being submitted to the Indian Audit and Accounts Department Hyderabad within the scheduled time i.e. on 30 June 2022. Hence, notes to accounts in this regard is factually incorrect.

C) Management Letter

Deficiencies which have not been included in the Audit Report have been brought to the notice of the Chairman, Tobacco Board, Guntur through a Management Letter issued separately for remedial / corrective action.

- v. Subject to our observations in the preceding paragraphs, we report that the Balance sheet and Income & Expenditure Account / Receipts & Payments Account dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of accounts.
- vi . In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the said financial statements read together with the Accounting Policies and Notes on Accounts, and subject to the significant matters stated above and other matters mentioned in Annexure to this Separate Audit Report, give a true and fair view in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in India:
 - a. In so far as it relates to the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Tobacco Board as at 31 March 2022 and
 - b. In so far as it relates to Income & Expenditure Account, of the surplus for the year ended as on that date.

For and on the behalf of the
Comptroller and Auditor General of India

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21/11/2022

(M.S.Subrahmanyam)

Director General of Commercial Audit

Hyderabad

Place: Hyderabad

Date: 21 November 2022.

ANNEXURE

1. Adequacy of Internal Audit System

Internal Audit is as an independent appraisal function established within the organization. It can significantly help the management in improving its operational efficiency through improved risk management and control systems and strengthening the overall governance mechanism of the entity.

There is no separate sanctioned strength for Internal Audit Wing is the Tobacco Board. The internal audit of the accounts of the Auction Platforms and Regional Offices in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka is conducted by deploying existing staff of the Board. Though the Board has 33 offices (26 Auction Platforms located in AP and Karnataka, Regional Offices at Ongole-1, Ongole-2, Rajahmundry, Mysuru and Periyapatna, one Directorate Office at Bengaluru and Head Office at Guntur) internal Audit was conducted only for head Office at Guntur and not conducted for 32 units for the year 2021-22. Thus, the existing Internal Audit System Internal Audit System is not adequate and is not commensurate with the size and nature of business of the Board.

2. Adequacy of Internal Control System

Subject to the observations on the deficiencies in Internal Audit System as stated under point no.1 above, the Internal Control system of the Tobacco Board is adequate and commensurate in relation to the size of the organization and nature of business.

3. System of Physical Verification of Fixed Assets

Physical Verification of assets is being conducted regularly by the respective controlling authorities of offices and also by the Head Office by forming special teams. Physical Verification of Fixed Assets for the year 2021-22 was also conducted. As such, the system of Physical Verification of Fixed Assets of Fixed Assets is reasonable and adequate in relation to the size of the organization and nature of business, subject to comment A.3 cited above.

4. System of Physical Verification of Inventory

The Tobacco Board does not have any inventory, but stationery and consumable items were treated as inventory. The Board valued closing stock of stationery on cost basis at the end of each balance sheet date. As such, system of physical verification of inventory of the Tobacco Board is reasonable and adequate in relation to the size of the organization and nature of business.

5. Regularity in payment of statutory dues

The Board has remitted the statutory dues like Property Tax and the Service Tax within the stipulated date, subject to the comment A.1 cited above.

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21/11/2022

(M.S.Subrahmanyam)

Director General

TOBACCO BOARD

MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, GUNTUR

TOBACCO FUND ACCOUNT - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31/03/2022

(₹ In Lakh)

Particulars	Sche- dule	Current Year	Previous Year
CORPUS / CAPITAL FUND AND LIABILITIES			
1. Corpus/Capital Fund	1	66001	65702
2. Reserves and Surplus	2	0	0
3. Earmarked/Endowment Funds:	3		
a) Margin money for Comm. Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing)		2821	2676
b) Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund		1520	1913
c) Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund		13466	16530
d) Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme		27	30
e) Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund Scheme		6417	6445
4. Secured Loans and Borrowings	4	0	0
5. Unsecured Loans and Borrowings	5	0	0
6. Differed Credit Liabilities	6	0	0
7. Current Liabilities and Provisions	7	11825	19771
TOTAL		102077	113067
ASSETS			
1. Fixed Assets	8	11156	10467
2. Investments from Earmarked/Endowment Funds	9		
a) Margin money for Comm. Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing)		2821	2676
b) Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund		1520	1913
c) Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund		13466	16530
d) Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme		27	30
e) Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund Scheme		6417	6445
3. Investments: Others	10	0	0
4. Current Assets, Loans and Advances etc.	11	66670	75006
5. Miscellaneous Expenditure		0	0
TOTAL		102077	113067
Significant Accounting Policies	24	Placed at Schedules	
Contingent Liabilities and Notes on Accounts	25	Placed at Schedules	

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(V. VENKATA RAO)
MANAGER (FINANCE & ACCOUNTS)

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(ADDANKI SRIDHAR BABU)
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

TOBACCO BOARD,
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, GUNTUR

TOBACCO FUND ACCOUNT - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31/03/2022

(₹ In Lakh)

Particulars		Sche- dule	Current Year	Previous Year
1.	INCOME			
II.	Income from Sales/Services	12	5648	5444
II.	Grants/Subsidies	13	0	0
III.	Fees/Subscriptions	14	409	258
IV.	Income from Investments (From earmarked/ endowment fundtransferred to Funds)	15	14	10
V.	Income from Royalty and Publications	16	4	4
VI.	Interest earned	17	3122	3364
VII.	Other Income	18	1826	3253
VIII.	Increase/(Decrease) in stock of Finished Goods and Works in Progress	19	0	0
	Total		11023	12333
2.	EXPENDITURE			
I.	Establishment Expenses	20	8245	7204
II.	Other Administrative Expenses	21	1999	2185
III.	Expenditure on Grants, Subsidies	22	0	0
IV.	Interest	23	0	0
V.	Depreciation (Net Total at the year end - Corresponding to Schedule 8)	8	480	339
	Total		10724	9728
3.	Balance being Excess of Income over Expenditure (1-2)		299	2605
	Transfer of Special Reserve (Specify each)		0	0
	Transfer of General Reserve		0	0
	Previous Years payments		0	0
4.	Balance being surplus/deficit carried to Corpus/ Capital Fund		299	2605
5.	SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES	24	Placed at schedules	
6.	CONTINGENT LIBILITIES AND NOTES ON ACCOUNTS	25	Placed at schedules	

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(V. VENKATA RAO)
MANAGER (FINANCE & ACCOUNTS)

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(ADDANKI SRIDHAR BABU)
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

FUND BALANCES OF EARMARKED FUNDS (BALANCESHEET)

1. Margin Money for Commercial Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing) account

(₹ in Lakh)

S. No.	Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
A	Opening Balance	2676.30	2521.98
B	Additions to the Fund Account		
a)	Income from Investments (Interest on Fixed Deposits & SB a/c)	144.58	154.32
b)	Grants received	0.00	0.00
c)	Other Receipts	0.00	0.00
	Less :		
a)	Withdrawals	0.00	0.00
b)	Other Payments	0.00	0.00
	Total Receipts (A+B)	2820.88	2676.30
C	Utilisation / Expenditure towards objective of Fund		
a)	Capital Expenditure	0.00	0.00
b)	Revenue Expenditure	0.00	0.00
	Total Payments (C)	2820.88	2676.30

2 Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund Account

(₹ in Lakh)

S. No.	Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
A	Opening Balance	1913.46	2271.44
B	Additions to the Fund Account		
a)	Income from Investments (Interest on Fixed Deposits & Savings Bank A/c)	73.66	113.02
b)	Subscriptions	443.96	538.66
c)	Recovery of GPF advance	0.00	0.00
	Less :		
a)	Withdrawals	-911.44	-1009.66
b)	Advances paid	0.00	0.00
	Total (A+B)	1519.63	1913.46
C	Utilisation / Expenditure towards objective of Fund		
a)	Capital Expenditure	0.00	0.00
b)	Revenue Expenditure	0.00	0.00
	Total (C)	0.00	0.00
	Net Balance at the year end (A + B-C)	1519.63	1913.46

3 Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund Account

(₹ in Lakh)

S. No.	Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
A	Opening Balance	16529.63	14963.06
B	Additions to the Fund account:		
a)	Income from investments (Interest on Deposit with LIC & SB a/c)	1152.98	1184.59
b)	Pension Fund Contributions	2500.00	4000.00
Less:			
a)	Pension Annuities purchased by LIC of India	-6717.03	-3618.02
b)	Other payments	0.00	0.00
	Total Receipts (A+B)	13465.58	16529.63
C	Utilisation/Expenditure towards objective of Fund		
i)	Capital Expenditure	0.00	0.00
ii)	Revenue Expenditure	0.00	0.00
	Total (C)	0.00	0.00
	Net Balance at the yearend (A+B-C)	13465.58	16529.63

4 Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme Account

(₹ in Lakh)

S. No.	Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
A	Opening Balance	30.11	36.65
B)	Additions to the Fund account:		
a)	Income from investments (Interest on Fixed Deposits & SB a/c)	1.39	1.48
b)	Pension Fund Contributions	225.55	153.29
Less:			
a)	Pension Contribution remitted NSDL Mumbai (Pension contributions)	-229.89	-161.31
b)	Other payments (Bank Charges)	0.00	0.00
	Total Receipts (A+B)	27.16	30.11
C	Utilisation/Expenditure towards objective of Fund		
i)	Capital Expenditure	0.00	0.00
ii)	Revenue Expenditure	0.00	0.00
	Total (C)	0.00	0.00
	Net Balance at the yearend (A+B-C)	27.16	30.11

5 Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund Scheme account:

(₹ in Lakh)

S. No.	Particulars			Current Year			Previous Year		
	A Opening Balance	B Additions to the Fund account:		Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Total	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Total
	3868.72	2576.16		6444.88	3721.33		2546.21	2546.21	6267.54
a)	Income from investments (Interest on Fixed Deposits & SB a/c)	221.77	110.95	332.72	213.84		116.63	116.63	330.47
b)	Growers Contribution	12.33	12.19	24.52	13.02		22.15	22.15	35.17
c)	Tobacco Board's Contribution	21.61	24.38	45.99	29.11		44.30	44.30	73.41
d)	Renewal of Membership Fee	182.62	206.52	389.14	187.45		194.84	194.84	382.29
e)	Growers Share of Sweepings	14.06	9.64	23.70	0.00		7.74	7.74	7.74
f)	Penalties	0.34	0.00	0.34	0.27		0.03	0.03	0.30
g)	Interest on Loans	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
h)	Misc. Receipts	0.11	2.02	2.13	0.00		2.02	2.02	2.02
i)	Grower Contribution(Break in registration)	4.06	4.37	8.43	5.90		3.14	3.14	9.04
Less:									
a)	Death Relief to the Growers	-356.80	-498.35	-855.15	-302.20		-360.90	-360.90	-663.10
b)	Other payments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total (A+B)	3968.83	2447.88	6416.70	3868.72		2576.16	2576.16	6444.88
C	Utilisation/Expenditure towards objective of Fund								
	i) Capital Expenditure	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
	ii) Revenue Expenditure	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total (C)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
	Net Balance at the yearend (A+B-C)	3968.83	2447.88	6416.70	3868.72		2576.16	2576.16	6444.88

(V. VENKATARAM)
MANAGER (FINANCE & ACCOUNTS)

TOBACCO BOARD, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, GUNTUR
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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD/YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 2022						
		Receipts	Current Year	Previous Year	Payments	
					Current Year	Previous Year
(₹ in Lakh)						
I.	Opening Balances:					
A)	Bank Balances					
1.	Current Accounts	2873.32	3168.37		1. Salaries & Wages	4466.58
2.	Deposit Accounts	60111.11	60966.99		2. Allowances & Bonus	19.19
3.	Savings Accounts	0.00	0.00		3. Contribution to Provident Fund	25.16
					4. Contribution to Pension Fund	0.00
					5. Contribution to Pension Fund (NPS)	0.00
					6. Staff Welfare Expenses	4000.00
					7. Retirement & Terminal Benefits	81.43
					8. Others:	
					a) Leave Salary & Pension Contribution	1819.13
					b) Medical Claims (Officers & Staff)	1971.81
					c) LTC Claims	4403.33
					d) Uniform to Staff	25.16
					II. Other Administrative Expenses	
					1. O.T.A. to Staff	
					2. T.A. to Officers & Staff	0.00
					3. T.A. to Board Members	158.79
					4. Maint of Admin Buildings/Offices/APFs	150.58
					5. Rent of Buildings	1.65
					6. Printing & Stationery(Incl Computer stationery)	39.37
						179.98
						29.61
						65.51
	II. Grants Received					
	III. Investments and Deposits made					

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD/YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022

(₹ in Lakh)

Receipts	Current Year	Previous Year	Payments	Current Year	Previous Year
a) Earmarked/Endow.Funds:(FDRs)					
i) Margin Money for Comm. Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing)	2601.66	2433.01	7. Electricity Charges 8. Postage & Telephone Charges 9. Expenditure on Meetings 10. Miscellaneous Expenditure	117.12 58.00 3.74 82.80	99.48 41.62 7.52 83.22
ii) Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund	1858.61	2189.93	11. Entertainment Charges 12. Subscription to Journals	6.60 3.54	4.70 2.86
iii) Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund	16524.73	14958.32	13. Repairs to Furniture & other assets 14. Conveyance Charges 15. Workshops & Seminars	6.28 3.30 0.00	8.48 3.13 0.00
iv) Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme	22.39	22.97	16. Rates & Taxes 17. Bank charges 18. Legal charges	22.39 0.27 8.37	23.60 0.14 6.20
v) Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund Scheme	5841.32	5570.88	19. Hiring of Vehicles 20. Maintenance of Vehicles	111.58 30.68	107.49 24.62
b) Own Funds	0.00	0.00	21. Insurance 22. Audit Fee	11.76 15.76	37.29 8.03
IV. Income on Investments			23. Interest Contribution to GPF 24. Membership with other organisations 25. Loan Recovery Expenditure 26. Library Books	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.05	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.07
a) Earmarked/Endowment Funds					
i) Margin Money for Comm. Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing)	142.86	168.71			
ii) Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund	525.70	672.05			
iii) Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund	3652.98	5184.58			
iv) Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme	226.93	155.80	27. Maintenance of Computers 28. Service charges for weighing scales 29. Mutta labour charges 30. Construction of temporary structures 31. Human Resource Development	22.33 13.25 339.55 0.00 1.35	21.11 30.71 339.66 0.00 0.00
v) Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund Scheme	947.61	1051.87			

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD/YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022

₹ in Lakh)					
Receipts	Current Year	Previous Year	Payments	Current Year	Previous Year
b) Own Funds	0.00	0.00	32. Implementation of e-auction system	338.10	394.66
c) Rents	14.11	9.86	33. Automation of Office(MIS) online	2.48	3.01
a) Rents on Premises lease			34. Swachch Bharat Expenditure	12.47	0.00
V. Interest Received			35. Written Of Losses	0.02	0.00
1. On Bank Deposits	3167.44	3973.26	36. Regulation & Development of FCV tobacco	6.86	6.00
2. Loans & Advances (Officials)	0.64	1.84			
VI. Other Income			37. Scientific, Tech&Economic Research	25.48	3.93
1. Growers Registration Fee (Area, Barn Operator & Nurserymen)	336.38	194.01	38. Imp. & Maint. of MKTG facilities	0.10	0.38
2. Exporters Registration Fee	13.42	22.93	39. Financial Relief to growers (Crop/Barn damages)	0.00	0.00
3. Products Registration Fee	34.33	17.34	40. Farmers Study Tours :Abroad	0.00	0.00
4. Dealers Registration Fee	9.61	10.20	41. Market Survey	0.00	0.00
5. Packers Registration Fee	0.53	0.38	Export Promotion		
6. Processors Registration Fee	1.53	2.34	42. Trade Delegation:Abroad	0.00	0.00
7. Commercial Graders Regn. Fee	0.70	0.64	43. Fairs & Exhibitions(Abroad)	0.00	0.00
8. Manufacturers Registration Fee	8.55	6.45	Others		
9. Sale of Priced Publications(TGPBS)	3.64	4.49	44. Publicity & Propaganda	4.92	4.14
10. Misc. Income	424.91	307.87	45. Farm Mechanization	0.00	0.00
11. Service charges on FCV tobacco	5598.87	5285.13	46. Improving Yield & Quality of FCV Tobacco	147.27	118.23
12. Contribution @ 4% from regd. Growers	718.78	298.79	47. Improving of Curing Practices	109.79	107.83
13. Contribution @ 9% from Regd. & Unregistered. Growers	405.14	1998.28	48. Elimination of NTRMs & Product Integrity	16.76	38.36
14. Contribution @ Rs.2/- per Kg. from Regd. & Unregd. Growers	198.34	635.60	49. PHPM Measures - Bulking sheds/ Model Storage facilities	0.77	1.65

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD/YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022

Receipts	Current Year	Previous Year	Payments	Current Year	Previous Year
15. Contribution @ Rs.1/- per Kg. from Regd. & Unregd. Growers	77.32	0.00	50. Other Extension Programmes	9.59	23.60
16. Buyers Authorisation Fee	4.40	5.02	51. On-farm Tests & Experimental Trials	20.03	20.41
17. Loans & Advances to staff	11.19	13.32	52. Model Project Area	9.69	10.60
18. Loans & Advances to Cultivators	0.00	0.00	53. Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund (Board's Share)	63.41	59.11
VII. Amount Borrowed			54. Commercial Tax Penalties & Interest	0.52	
VIII. Any Other Receipts			55. Service Tax Penalties & Interest	0.00	
1. Other Liabilities	1655.62	793.12	III. Payments Made against Funds for	2.95	
2. Deposits with ACTO & Others	16.39	66.57	various Projects	0.00	
			IV. Expenditure on Grants and	0.00	
			Subsidies	0.00	
			V. Investments and Deposits made		
			i) Earmarked/Endowment Funds:		
			a) Fixed Deposits		
			i) Margin Money for Comm. Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing)	2744.52	2601.66
			ii) Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund	1454.90	1858.61
			iii) Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund	13460.55	16524.73
			iv) Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme	23.53	22.39
			v) Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund Scheme	5808.01	5841.32

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD/YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022

Receipts	Current Year	Previous Year	Payments	Current Year	Previous Year
b) Other Payments					
i) Margin Money for Comm. Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing)			0.00	0.00	
ii) Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund		911.44	911.44	1009.66	
iii) Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund		6717.03	6717.03	3618.02	
iv) Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme		229.89	229.89	161.31	
v) Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund Scheme		980.25	980.25	804.40	
ii) Own Funds		0.00	0.00	0.00	
VI. Expenditure on Fixed Assets & Capital Works in Progress					
1. Purchase of Fixed Assets		7.71	7.71	22.85	
2. Advances to:					
a) CPWD		474.71	474.71	883.55	
b) RITES		0.00	0.00	0.00	
3. Expdr. On Capital Works in Progress		0.00	0.00	0.00	
VII. Refund of Surplus money/Loans					
VIII. Finance Charges (Interest)					
IX. Other Payments:					
1) Loans and Advances to Staff		3.00	3.00	21.67	
2) Loans & Advances to Cultivators		0.00	0.00	0.00	
3) Other Liabilities		120.14	120.14	1108.94	

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE PERIOD/YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022

Receipts	Current Year	Previous Year	Payments	Current Year	Previous Year
			4) Deposits with ACTO & Others X. Closing Balances	11.22	46.87
A) Bank Balances					
1. Current Accounts				4571.30	2873.32
2. Deposit Accounts				59531.40	60111.11
3. Savings Accounts				0.00	0.00
B) Earmarked/Endowment Funds:					
1. Current Accounts:					
i) Margin Money for Comm. Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing)				0.10	0.10
2. Deposit Accounts				0.00	0.00
3. Savings Accounts				21.84	3.87
i) Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund					
ii) Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund				5.03	4.90
iii) Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme				3.57	7.67
iv) Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund Scheme				206.00	205.33
Total	108252.93	110446.77	Total	108252.93	110446.77

Sd/- xx xx xx
 V. VENKATARAO
 MANAGER (FINANCE & ACCOUNTS)

Sd/- xx xx xx
 (ADDANKISRIDHAR BABU)
 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

FUND BALANCES OF EARMARKED FUNDS:**1. Margin Money for Commercial Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing) Account**

(₹ in Lakh)

S. No.	Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
A	Opening Balance		
a)	Cash at Bank (Current account) (SBI Guntur)	0.10	0.05
b)	Investments (Fixed Deposits)	2601.66	2433.01
B	Receipts:		
a)	Income from investments (Interest on Fixed Deposits & SB a/c)	142.86	168.70
b)	Grants received	0.00	0.00
c)	Other Receipts	0.00	0.00
	Total Receipts (A+B)	2744.62	2601.76
C	Payments		
a)	Withdrawals	0.00	0.00
b)	Other Payments	0.00	0.00
D	Closing Balance		
a)	Investments (Fixed Deposits)	2744.52	2601.66
b)	Cash at Bank(Current account) (SBI Guntur)	0.10	0.10
	Total Payments (C+D)	2744.62	2601.76

2. Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund Account

(₹ in Lakh)

S. No.	Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
A	Opening Balance		
a)	Cash at Bank (Savings account) (SBI Guntur)	3.87	10.16
b)	Investments (Fixed Deposits)	1858.61	2189.93
B	Receipts:		
a)	Income from investments (Interest on Fixed Deposits & SB a/c)	81.74	133.39
b)	Subscriptions	443.96	538.66
c)	Recovery of GPF advance	0.00	0.00
	Total Receipts (A+B)	2388.18	2872.14
C	Payments		
a)	Withdrawals	911.44	1009.66
b)	Advances Paid	0.00	0.00
D	Closing Balance		
a)	Investments (Fixed Deposits)	1454.90	1858.61
b)	Cash at Bank(Savings account) (SBI Guntur)	21.84	3.87
	Total Payments (C+D)	2388.18	2872.14

3. Tobacco Board Employee's Pension Fund Account

(₹ in Lakh)

S. No.	Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
A	Opening Balance		
a)	Cash at Bank (Savings account) (SBI Guntur)	4.90	4.74
b)	Investments (Fixed Deposits)	16524.73	14958.32
B	Receipts:		
a)	Income from investments (Interest on Deposit with LIC & SB a/c)	1152.98	1184.58
b)	Pension Fund Contributions	2500.00	4000.00
	Total Receipts (A+B)	20182.61	20147.64
C	Payments		
a)	a) Pension Annuities purchased by LIC	6717.03	3618.02
b)	Bank Charges	0.00	0.00
D	Closing Balance		
a)	a) Investments (Fixed Deposits)	13460.55	16524.72
b)	Cash at Bank(Savings account) (SBI Guntur)	5.03	4.90
	Total Payments (C+D)	20182.61	20147.64

4 . Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme Account

(₹ in Lakh)

S. No.	Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
A	Opening Balance		
a)	Cash at Bank (Savings account) (SBI Guntur)	7.67	12.59
b)	Investments (Fixed Deposits)	22.39	22.97
B	Receipts:		
a)	Income from investments (Interest on Fixed Deposits & SB a/c)	1.38	2.52
b)	Pension Fund Contributions	225.55	153.29
	Total Receipts (A+B)	256.99	191.37
C	Payments		
a)	Amount remitted to NSDL Mumbai (Pension contributions)	229.89	161.31
b)	Other Payments(Refunds to NPS Officials)	0.00	0.00
D	Closing Balance		
a)	Investments (Fixed Deposits)	23.53	22.39
b)	Cash at Bank(Savings account) (SBI Guntur)	3.57	7.67
	Total Payments (C+D)	256.99	191.37

Fund Balances of Earmarked Funds:**5 Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund Scheme account:**

S. Particulars No.	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Total	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Previous Year (₹)	Total
A Opening Balance							
a) Cash at Bank (Savings account) (SBI Guntur) (SBM B'Lore)	31.49	173.84	205.33	61.49	166.81	228.30	
b) Investments (Fixed Deposits)	3743.08	2098.24	5841.32	3528.51	2042.36	5570.87	
B Receipts:							
a) Income from investments (Interest on Fixed Deposits & SB a/c)	189.65	113.65	303.30	244.89	131.32	376.21	
b) Growers Contribution	12.33	12.19	24.52	13.02	22.15	35.17	
c) Tobacco Board's Contribution	21.61	41.80	63.41	29.11	30.00	59.11	
d) Renewal of Membership Fee	182.62	206.52	389.14	187.46	194.84	382.30	
e) Growers Share of Sweepings	14.06	9.64	23.70	0.00	7.74	7.74	
f) Penalties	0.34	0.00	0.34	0.28	0.03	0.31	
g) Interest on Loans	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
h) Misc. Receipts	0.11	2.02	2.13	0.00	2.02	2.02	
i) Grower contribution(Break in Regn.)	4.06	4.37	8.43	5.90	3.14	9.04	
j) Marriage Loan	2.65	86.48	89.13	2.85	123.29	126.14	
k) Education Loan	4.09	8.45	12.54	4.96	11.33	16.29	
l) Major Illness Loan	0.90	1.30	2.20	1.10	1.84	2.94	
m) Barn Damaged Loan	0.00	28.76	28.76	0.20	34.41	34.61	
Total Receipts (A+B)	4207.00	2787.26	6994.26	4079.77	2771.28	6851.05	
C Payments							
a) Death Relief to Growers	356.80	498.35	855.15	302.20	360.90	663.10	
b) Marriage Loan	1.50	92.50	94.00	1.50	115.00	116.50	
c) Education Loan	1.50	7.00	8.50	1.00	6.00	7.00	
d) Major Illness Loan	2.50	1.00	3.50	0.50	1.50	2.00	
e) Barn Damaged Loan	0.00	19.10	19.10	0.00	15.80	15.80	
D Closing Balance	3816.67	1991.34	5808.01	3743.08	2098.24	5841.32	
a) Investments (Fixed Deposits)	28.03	177.97	206.00	31.49	173.84	205.33	
b) Cash at Bank(Savings account) (SBI Guntur) (SBM B'Lore)							
Total Payments (C+D)	4207.00	2787.26	6994.26	4079.77	2771.28	6851.05	

SCHEDULE-24:**SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2022****1. ACCOUNTING CONVENTION:**

As per rule 22 of Tobacco Board Rules, 1976, the accounts of the Board are as under:

1. The Board shall maintain accounts of all receipts and expenditure relating to each year.
2. The expenditure incurred in a particular year shall be shown under separate heads and sub-heads.
3. The opening balance, if any shall be stated as such separately.
4. The closing balance of the year shall be shown at the foot of the accounts on the expenditure side. (Shown in Receipts & Payments statement on the expenditure side).
5. An annual proforma account on accrual basis shall also be prepared for bringing out assets and liabilities as well as the details of reserves and investments.

2. Inventory Valuation:

The stores of stationery and consumable items available at the end of the current year are valued at actual purchase price of the item and shown the same under closing Stock account in the Balance Sheet. The value of stationery and consumable items is shown as the opening balance for the ensuing year.

3. Investments:

As per the provision of Rule, 23 of the Tobacco Board Rules, 1976 -

1. Money required for the current expenditure of the Board with the exception of the petty cash and surplus moneys shall be kept in the Personal Ledger Account in the District Treasury or Sub-Treasury or in current account with the State Bank of India * (or any other Nationalized Bank) or any of its subsidiaries.
2. Any funds not required for current expenditure may be placed in deposit account with the Central Government in the public account or in the fixed deposits in the State Bank of India or any other Nationalized Bank of any of its subsidiaries.

Provided that the funds in the Board's pension fund or provident fund not required for current expenditure may be invested in Trustee Securities or Ten Year Treasury Savings Deposit Certificates or National Defense Certificates to the extent permissible or in fixed deposit with the State Bank of India or any other Nationalized Bank or any of its subsidiaries.

(Explanation: for the purposes of sub-rule (1) and this sub rule, Nationalized Bank means a corresponding new bank as defined in the Banking Companies (Acquisition and transfer of undertakings) Act, 1970, (5 of 1970).

3. Payment by or on behalf of the Board shall be made in cash or by cheque drawn against the current account of the Board.

4. Excise Duty: Nil

5. Fixed Assets:

The Tobacco Board acquires land & buildings and purchase of other assets like furniture & fixtures, office equipment, electrical equipment, motor vehicles, weighing scales, trolleys, computers and cycles etc., as per provisions of General Financial Rules of the Central Government and are being taken on cost basis. The value of the unserviceable assets is being deleted from the assets on its disposal/sale.

The constructions of civil and electrical works of the Tobacco Board are being carried out through the Government agencies of CPWD and RITES. On receipt of the estimates from the agencies for our proposal for construction of works, the Board releases funds as per the norms in phased manner till its completion of work. On receipt of the expenditure statement for the works completed or works in progress in Form-65, the same is being capitalized as assets of the Board.

6. Depreciation:

The method of depreciation on the assets have been adopted under SLM method and as per the rates prescribed in the Companies Act, 2013. The depreciation is calculated on the gross value of the asset and provided depreciation up to 95% of the asset by keeping 5% of asset value as residual value till its disposal/sale except the assets of leasehold land and buildings, Trolleys, Fire Extinguishers and Copier Machine. The depreciation on the lease hold land and lease hold buildings have been taken based on the lease period and in the case of trolleys, Fire Extinguishers and Copier Machine on usage of the asset and period. In the case of construction works, the depreciation of previous year is also taken into account. The rates of depreciation on each asset are mentioned under schedule-8 of the fixed assets statement.

7. Miscellaneous Expenditure:

No deferred revenue expenditure is in the Tobacco Board to write off over a period of 5 years. The expenditure incurred on recurring nature under different heads of accounts of Maintenance of Generators, Purchase of Water, Electrical Repairs & Replacement of tubes & lights etc. and consumable items of twine, marking ink, towels, and buckets etc. which are not covered regular heads of accounts have been taken under Misc. Expenditure.

8. Accounting for Sales:

a) Sales:

There are no sales operations directly taken place in Tobacco Board. The Tobacco Board conducts auctions for sale of FCV tobacco brought by the tobacco growers and purchased by the traders on the established auction platforms in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka as per the provisions of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975.

b) Services:

Power to levy fees as per the provisions of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975 is as under:

- a) Under Section 14A(1)- Where Virginia tobacco is sold at any auction platform established by the Board under this Act, it shall be competent for the Board or for any officer of the Board authorized by it in this behalf to levy fees, for the services rendered by the Board in relation to such sale, at such rate not exceeding two percent of the value of such tobacco as the Central Government may from time to time, by notification in the official gazette, specify;
- b) Under Section 14(2) - The fees levied under sub section (1) shall be collected by the Board or such officer, equally from the seller of the Virginia tobacco and the purchaser of such tobacco, in such manner as may be prescribed.

Fees leviable on the seller under section 14A:

Rule 42 of Tobacco Board Rules 1976, the fee leviable by the Board under section 14A of the Act on a seller shall be on one percent of the value of the tobacco sold by him at auction platform

Mode of recovery of fees from seller:

Rule 43 of Tobacco Board Rules,1976, the Board or any officer of the Board authorized by it in this behalf, may recover the fees under section 14A by deducting the same from the sale proceeds of the tobacco.

Fees leviable on purchaser under section 14A:

Rule 44 of Tobacco Board Rules, 1976, the fee leviable by the Board under section 14A of the Act on a purchaser shall be on one percent of the value of the tobacco purchased by him at auction platform

Mode of recovery of fees from purchaser:

Rule 45 of Tobacco Board Rules, 1976, the Board or any officer of the Board authorized by it in this behalf, may recover the fees under section 14A by adding the same to the price of the tobacco purchased by him.

In view of the above, the Board is collecting service charges equally from the grower and buyer @ 1% each on the value of tobacco sold by the grower and purchased by the buyer. The service charges realized is taken in Receipts & Payments Statement as per realization date and accrual basis under schedule 11 of the Income and Expenditure account.

Further, the Board is collecting registration fee from growers to accord registration/renewal of registration as grower, barn operator, nurserymen and from traders to accord registration as Exporter of Tobacco, Exporter of Tobacco or Tobacco Products, Dealer in tobacco, Packer of Tobacco, Processor in Tobacco, Manufacturer of Tobacco and Commercial Grader in Tobacco and Buyer Authorization fee to participate in the auctions as per the provisions of Rules / Regulations of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975. The same is projected under the schedule 14 of the Income and Expenditure account as income of Fees/Subscriptions.

The interest earned on fixed deposits which were invested as per rule 23 of the Tobacco Board Rules, 1976 is projected under schedule 17 of the Income and Expenditure account as income of Interest Earned.

The contributions of sale proceeds for the sale of excess/unauthorized tobacco from the registered/unregistered growers as per Gazette Notification issued by the Central Government from time to time is taken as other Income. The Misc. receipts, demurrage charges etc. are also taken as other income of the Board. These details are taken as other income under schedule 18 of the Income and Expenditure account.

During 2021 auctions in Andhra Pradesh, the contribution @ ₹2/- per Kg and 5% (including normal service charges of 1%) of the sale proceeds for the excess tobacco produced by registered growers up to the extent of 10% of quota authorized was allowed. The tobacco produced by the registered growers beyond the limit of 10% of the quota authorized and the tobacco produced by the unregistered was allowed for sale by levying contribution of sale proceeds at ₹2/- per Kg. and 10% (including normal service charges of 1%).

During 2021 auctions in Karnataka, the contribution @ ₹1/- per Kg and 5% (including normal service charges of 1%) of the sale proceeds for the excess tobacco produced by registered growers up to the extent of 10% of quota authorized was allowed. The tobacco produced by the registered growers beyond the limit of 10% of the quota authorized and the tobacco produced by the unregistered was allowed for sale by levying contribution of sale proceeds at ₹1/- per Kg. and 5% (including normal service charges of 1%).

The Tobacco Board's major expenditure covers on Establishment and Administrative expenses to meet the functions as outlined under section 8 of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975 including the sale of FCV tobacco through auctions on the established auction platforms in Andhra Pradesh

and Karnataka. These expenditure are taken under the schedules of 20 and 21 of the Income and Expenditure account as expenditure on Establishment and other Administrative expenses.

The capital expenditure incurred to provide infrastructure facilities to the existing premises of the Board for smooth conducting of auctions. The expenditure on implementation of various schemes under Extension & Developmental Schemes to improve of quality & yield tobacco, to save fuel, curing cost & time and adoption of various technical implements/material in cultivation of tobacco etc. are taken as revenue expenditure.

The expenditure incurred under Extension & Developmental Schemes both in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka are shown separately even though the expenditure is incurred at Head Office Guntur

9. Government Grants/Subsidies:

The Tobacco Board receives/draws grants and loans from the Central Government as per the provisions under section 16 of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975 - The Central Government may, after due appropriation made by Parliament by law in this behalf, pay to the Board by way of grants or loans such sums of money as the Central Government may think fit for being utilized for the purposes of this act.

10. Foreign Currency Transactions:

As per Rule 24(4) of Tobacco Board Rules, 1976, the Board shall not incur expenditure outside India in excess of fifteen thousand rupees on any single item without the previous sanction of the Central Government.

The expenditure incurred on foreign currency transactions involved towards advertisement charges in foreign magazines under brand publicity and travelling & boarding expenses for participating in the Fairs & Exhibitions in Abroad & in India, Trade Delegations to Abroad to boost up the exports of Indian Tobacco and Tobacco Products with the prior approval of Government of India.

11. Lease:

The Board hires the premises/office buildings on lease for field level activities and conducting auctions for sale of FCV tobacco by following the usual procedures as per GFR both in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.

12. Retirement Benefits:

As per Section 5 of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975, the Chairman shall be entitled to such salary and allowances and such conditions of service in respect of leave, pension, provident fund and other matters as may from time to time fixed by the Central Government.

As per section 6(3) of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975, the Executive Director and the Secretary shall be entitled to such salaries and allowances and such conditions of service in respect of leave pension, provident fund and other matters as may from time to time be fixed by the Central Government.

As per section 6(4) of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975, Subject to such control, restrictions and conditions (including conditions as to appointment of the officers and other employees of the Tobacco Export Promotion Council, in the events of the said Council being wound up) as may be prescribed, the Board may appoint such officers and employees as may be necessary for the efficient performance of its functions.

Condition of service of officers and employees of the Tobacco Board:

As per regulation 13(1) of the Tobacco Board (General) Regulations, 1984, the pay and allowances, leave, pension and retirement benefits, provident fund, disciplinary proceedings and imposition of penalty and other conditions of the service including age of superannuation etc. as like in respect of officers employed in or appointed by the Board shall if no provision is made in this regulation separately, be regulated in accordance with such rules and regulations which are for the time being applicable to the officers and employees of the Central Government of the corresponding grades or status stationed at these places.

SCHEDULE 25:**CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND NOTES ON ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING****31ST MARCH, 2022.****1. Contingent Liabilities:****1.1 Claims against the Entity not acknowledged as debts Nil (Previous year Nil).****1.2 In respect of:**

- Bank guarantees given by / on behalf of the Entity - ₹ Nil (Previous year ₹ 5,27,137.00).
- Letters of Credit opened by Bank on behalf of the Entity - ₹ Nil (Previous year ₹ Nil)
- Bills discounted with banks ₹ Nil (Previous year ₹ Nil)

1.3 Disputed demands in respect of:

Income tax ₹ Nil (Previous year ₹ Nil)

Sales-tax ₹ Nil (Previous year ₹ Nil)

Municipal taxes ₹ Nil (Previous year ₹ Nil)

1.4 In respect of claims from parties for non-execution of orders, but contested by the Entity for the current and previous year as under:

- a) An appeal was filed by the Petitioner Sri Valavala Venkata Sridhar, Rajahmundry in the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh against the Tobacco Board for non-eviction of premises by the Tobacco Board which was on lease to operate Gopalapuram auction platform seeking claim and damages to the tune of ₹1,10,66,618.00. The case is yet to be listed.
- b) An appeal was filed in the Hon'ble District Judge Court, Ongole against the Board by Sri K.V.Srimannarayana, Manduvavaripalem. The Petitioner claiming the rents for early evicting of his premises taken on lease by the Board against the agreement time. The damages claimed are ₹13,37,776.00 and 18% interest on it from 31/12/2015 and other legal costs.
- c) M/s. Stesalit Systems Ltd had approached the West Bengal State Micro & Small Enterprises Facilitation Council for termination of conciliation process as per section 18(2) of MSMED Act 2006 & intimation of arbitration proceedings as per section 18(3) of MSMED Act and seeking a claim of ₹1,38,36,400.50. Since no consensus was arrived, the conciliation process was cancelled and initiated arbitration proceedings vide case No.128 of 2018 at WBSMCSE and it is pending.
- d) The Additional Director General, Directorate General of GST Intelligence (DGII), Chennai Zonal Unit, Chennai has issued Show Cause Notice No.20/2019 vide their letter No. F.No.INV/DGGSTI/CZU/ST/31/2018, dated 19/04/2019 to Tobacco Board for non-payment of service tax for

₹24,86,69,972/- on the taxable value of additional service charges/penalties for ₹183,83,73,622/- and service tax for ₹129,98,928/- on taxable value of penalties on vigilance cases shown under misc. receipts for ₹9,98,83,002/- for the period from 2013-14 to 2017-18 as per the provisions of Finance Act 1994.

In this connection, the Board had filed an appeal before the Commissioner (Appeals), Goods and Services Tax Guntur for non-applicability of service tax on the additional service charges/penalties collected from the growers as per the provisions/rules of Finance Act/Service Tax Act. The same was disposed off by the Commissioner, Central Tax, Guntur and issued Order-in-Original No.GUN-EXCUS-000-CUM-026/19-20-S.Tax dated 13/12/2019 by confirming the tax demand and penalty of ₹26.17 crore as imposed in the show cause notice.

Further, the Board had filed an appeal with a pre-deposit of ₹1,96,25,168/- as stated in OIO before Hon'ble Central Tax Appellate Tribunal, Regional Branch of Hyderabad against Order-in-Original to admit appeal by CESTAT Hyderabad and the same is pending as on date.

No further contingent liability is made in the books of accounts for the period from 2018-19 to 2021-22 due to no liability to Tobacco Board on the contributions of sale proceeds voluntarily made by the growers for the sale of excess/unauthorized tobacco produced by the registered/unregistered growers as per gazette notifications issued by the Central Government from time to time. Any receipt of contribution will not attract service tax and there is no service is provided by the Tobacco Board to collect the service tax from the growers.

2. Capital Commitment: NIL.

3. Lease Obligations:

The Ongole - II & Kondepi Auction platforms, Rajamahendravaram Regional Manager office in Andhra Pradesh and Directorate of Auctions Office at Bengaluru & Periyapatna Regional Manager Office in Karnataka have been taken on lease by the Tobacco Board.

1. Margin Money for Commercial Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing) Account'

4. Current Assets, Loans and Advances:

The details of current assets, loans and advances held by the Board are given under schedule No.11 of the Balance Sheet.

5. Taxation:

Tobacco Board has been exempted from payment of Income Tax as per section 10(29A)(d) of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

NOTES ON TOBACCO FUND ACCOUNTS:

a) FORMATION:

The Tobacco Board was constituted by an Act of Parliament in 1975 with the headquarters at Guntur, Andhra Pradesh.

b) OBJECTIVE:

It is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that the Union should take under its control the tobacco industry.

The Trading Wing was created by the Government of India in the year 1984 with a Margin Money of ₹1.25 Crore for Minimum Support Price (MSP) operations. The objective of Trading Wing is to mop up the unsold Tobacco on auction platforms at Minimum Support Price (MSP) fixed by the Government and to stabilize the market thereby protecting the interests of growers.

c) COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD:

Under section 4(4) of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975 the Board shall consist of the following members namely:

- a) a Chairman to be appointed by the Central Government.
- b) three members of Parliament of whom two shall be elected by the House of the People and one by the Council of States.
- c) eight members to be appointed by the Central Government to represent respectively:
 - i) The Ministry of the Central Government dealing with Agriculture;
 - ii) The Ministry of the Central Government dealing with Commerce;
 - iii) The Ministry of the Central Government dealing with Finance;
 - iv) The Ministry of the Central Government dealing with Industrial Development;
 - v) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research;
 - vi) The Government of Andhra Pradesh
 - vii) The Government of Karnataka;
 - viii) The Government of Gujarat
- d) two members to be appointed by the Central Government by rotation in the alphabetical order, to represent the Governments of tobacco growing States other than the States of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat and Karnataka.

e) not more than + ten members to be appointed by the Central Government from amongst Growers, Dealers and Exporters (including Packers) of tobacco and tobacco products, manufacturers of tobacco products and from amongst persons who in the opinion of the Central Government are experts in tobacco marketing or agricultural economics.

*+ Provided that the number of members appointed under this clause from amongst the growers of tobacco shall not exceed six.

f) + the Agricultural Marketing Advisor to the Government of India, Department of Rural Development, ex-officio;

g) + the Executive Director, ex-officio;

d) FUNCTIONS:

The Tobacco Board discharges its functions as per the provisions under section 8 of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975.

e) FINANCE, ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT:

As per Section 16 of the Tobacco Board Act 1975, the Central Government may, after due appropriation made by Parliament by law in this behalf, pay to the Board by way of grants or loans such sums of money as the Central Government may think fit for being utilized for the purposes of this act.

As per section 17(1) of the Tobacco Board Act ,1975, there shall be formed a Fund to be called Tobacco Fund and there shall be credited there to:

- a) the fees levied and collected under this Act or the rules made there under;
- b) any sums of money paid or any loans granted by the Central Government for the purposes of this act;
- c) any grants or loans that may be made by any person for the purposes of this act;
- d) the sums, if any, realized by the Board in carrying out the measures referred to in section 8;

As per Section 17(2) of the Tobacco Board Act 1975, the fund shall be applied:

- a) for meeting the cost of the measures referred in section 8;
- b) for meeting the salaries, allowances and other remuneration of the officers and other employees of the Board;
- c) for meeting the other administrative expenses of the Board;
- d) for repayment of any loans.

As per section 19 of the Tobacco Board Act, 1975, the Board shall maintain proper accounts and other relevant records and prepares annual statement of accounts as -

- (1) The Tobacco Board shall maintain proper accounts and other relevant records and prepare an annual statement of accounts, including the Income & Expenditure account and the Balance Sheet in such form as may be prescribed by the Central Government in consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
- (2) The accounts in Tobacco Board shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India at such intervals as may be specified by him and any expenditure incurred in connection with such audit shall be payable by the Board to the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
- (3) The Comptroller and Auditor General of India and any person appointed by him in connection with the audit of the accounts of the Board shall have the same rights and privileges and authority in connection with such audit as the Comptroller and Auditor General has in connection with the audit of Government accounts and in particular, shall have the right to demand the production of books, accounts, connected vouchers and other documents and papers and to inspect any of the offices of the Board.
- (4) The accounts of the Board as certified by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India or any other person appointed by him in this behalf together with the audit report thereon shall be forwarded annually to the Central Government and the Government shall cause the same to be laid before each House of Parliament.

f) FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS IN GENERAL:

Under rule 27 of the Tobacco Board Rules, 1976 - Except as otherwise provided in these rules, the provisions of the Central Treasury Rules, the Delegation of Financial Power Rules, 1958 and the General Financial Rules, 1962 of the Central Government, for the time being in force, shall subject to such modifications or adaptations as may be made by the Board therein with the previous approval of the Central government apply to all financial transactions of the Board.

g) MAJOR ISSUES ON ASSETS AND LIABILITIES:

1. The Board has adopted the accounting figures rounded off to lakhs in Balance Sheet, Income & Expenditure account and Receipts and Payments Statement including in schedules as suggested by the audit.
2. All the Known liabilities are brought under Current Liabilities and all the provisional liabilities are Provisions as per Uniform Format of Accounts. An amount of ₹1196.05 lakhs is total outstanding liabilities amount for the year ending 31/03/2022.

3. The details of freehold and lease hold lands are indicated in the fixed assets statements of annexure-I to III (Schedule-8) of the Balance Sheet of the Board.
4. The stationery and consumable items for the year ending 31/03/2022 valued at ₹10.13 lakh have been shown under closing stock account by taking into consideration of the actual purchase price of the items.
5. The total investments of Tobacco Fund are with the nationalized banks in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka for the year ending 2021-22 was ₹59,531.40 lakh. As suggested by the audit, the fixed deposits amount is exhibited under the balance sheet schedule-11 of current assets, loans & advances: with scheduled banks-on Deposit Accounts (FDRs). All the fixed deposit receipts have been physically verified and found correct.

The fixed deposits available with the Board have been prepared in a statement and made available in the booklet of financial statements of the Tobacco Board.

6. The depreciation on fixed assets has been calculated on pro-rata monthly basis. The rates of depreciation on different assets adopted by the Board are as under:
 1. Land - Leasehold : 360 months period
 2. Buildings - On lease hold lands: 276 months period
 3. Freehold Buildings : 1.58% (RCC Roof) & 3.17% Non-RCC
 4. Furniture & Fittings, Electrical Equipment : 9.50%
Cycles, Library Books, Misc. Equipment, Tarpaulins: 9.50%
Trolleys, Weighing Scales & Cubicles: 9.50%
 5. Office Equipment, Demonstration Equipment: 19%
Scientific Equipment, Copier Machine: 19%
 6. Fire Extinguishers : 19%
 7. Computers: 31.67%

The depreciation on Trolleys, there is no specific percentage available in the Companies Act. The usage of trolleys is very rough by the mutta Labour. The wear and tear for the trolleys is very high and it will become unserviceable. Hence, the rate of depreciation on trolleys is fixed at 9.50%.

The rate of depreciation on Fire Extinguishers is fixed at 19% as the material used in the cylinders became obsolete after 5 years unless the cylinder is properly placed. Once it is break opened for use at the time of fire accident, it is required to refill with the material by the authorized agency which results cost expensive.

Similarly, the rate of depreciation on Copier Machine is fixed at 19% based on the life span on usage of Xeroxing papers from the copier machine which is 5,00,000 copies. On expiry of 5,00,000 copies Xeroxing, the cost of usage is expensive which involves huge expenditure on maintenance.

An amount of ₹479.90 lakh was depreciated on the fixed assets of Tobacco Board as on 31/03/2022 along with previous year depreciation on the assets.

7. The assets have been capitalized/adjusted during the financial year ending 31st March 2022 as against the advances released to the executing agencies of CPWD and RITES and amount of outstanding liabilities (Capital) accounts. During the financial year 2021-22, an amount of ₹863.63 lakh was adjusted as expenditure against advances to CPWD/RITES for the completed works covered under civil, electrical and maintenance nature and also adjusted ₹346.80 lakh as Capital Works-in-Progress.
8. An amount of ₹79.94 lakh was incurred on account of Misc. Expenditure account for the year ending 31st March 2022 which consists of maintenance of generators, purchase of water, electrical repairs & replacements and expenditure on vigilance operations etc.
An amount of ₹346.33 lakh was realized on account of Misc. Receipts account for the year ending 31st March 2022 which consists of penalties on vigilance operations, sale of GSP certificates, sale of newspapers, difference cost of bale pattas from growers, surplus interest under input loan account and sale of tender forms etc.
9. An amount of ₹5,648.24 lakh was realized on account of Service Charges on FCV tobacco @ 1% each from buyer and growers for the year ending 31st March 2022.
10. The Tobacco Board did not draw any grant-in-aid from the Government during the financial year 2021-22.
11. No amount was incurred on account of Fairs & Exhibitions: Abroad and Trade Delegations to Abroad for the year ending 31st March 2022.
12. An amount of ₹1,613.94 lakh is paid towards retirement benefits such as gratuity, leave encashment and commutation of pension to the officials who retired on attaining the age of superannuation/death/VR cases during the year 2021-22.
13. An amount of ₹66,670.38 lakh is available under Current assets, loans and advances account as per schedule-11 of the Balance Sheet as on 31/03/2022.
14. An amount of ₹16.02 lakh is due from the principal borrowers (farmers) pertaining to 1977 cyclone loan account. General suits and EPs have been filed before the respective Hon'ble Courts in the platform jurisdictions and they are sub-judice. The Board has made vigorous efforts to recover the loan amounts by giving various concessions viz. 50% in interest and waiver of legal charges for recovery of outstanding dues under one time settlement, as the recovery of dues was very poor.

Almost all the borrowers were dead even any few members alive also become very old i.e. 85 to 90 years and not growing tobacco and untraceable. In spite of all efforts made by the Board, the recovery of the due amount is a remote possibility and there is no mortgaged property to proceed legally for its recovery. In certain cases, where the Board has approached the courts, the legal expenditure is exceeds the due amounts of outstanding loan cases.

The issue was placed before the Board in its 122nd meeting held on 28/07/2007 at Hyderabad and resolved that to send the proposals to the Government for writing off losses in respect of 1977 cyclone loans granted to the farmers as the Government is the competent authority to write off losses as per Rule 24(2) of Tobacco Board Rules 1976. In this regard, the Board addressed a letter and reminded the same to the Ministry. The approval of the Government is awaited.

15. The fund accounts of Margin Money for Commercial Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing), Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund, Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund, Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme (Tier-I) and Tobacco Board Growers Welfare Fund are exhibited under schedule-3 of Earmarked/Endowment funds as suggested by the Audit. The opening balances of bank balances, investments in fixed deposits and income on investments, other receipts and closing balances of investments, bank balances and other payments for all the earmarked funds of the Tobacco Board have been projected under the respective schedules of the Balance Sheet and Receipts & Payments Statement for the year 2021-22.
16. Funds under Margin Money for Commercial Operations (Grant-in-aid to Trading Wing) account, an amount of ₹2,820.88 lakh was available as per the books of accounts. The Trading Wing was created by the Government of India in the year 1984 with a Margin Money of ₹125.00 lakh for MSP operations. Further, the Board earned profit of ₹91.40 lakhs while on MSP operations taken during 1987 & 2000 and ₹2,729.48 lakh realized towards interest on fixed deposits as on 31/03/2022.
17. Funds under Tobacco Board Employees General Provident Fund account, an amount of ₹1,519.63 lakh is available as per the books of accounts. The amounts payable to officials is ₹1,495.77 lakhs as per GPF Broadsheet (which includes interest on subscriptions). By the end of the financial year, there is a surplus of ₹23.86 lakhs under GPF account. The surplus comes under the fund account by way of interest on fixed deposits as the interest on deposits realized is more than the interest payable to officials contributions as on date.
18. Funds under Tobacco Board Employees Pension Fund account, an amount of ₹13,465.58 lakh is available in the books of accounts. An amount of ₹13,460.55 lakh is available as deposit with the LIC of India and ₹5.03 lakh as bank balance as per cash book. The Tobacco Board has submitted the existing employees data to LIC of India and the LIC of India has calculated the pension liability by actuarial valuation as ₹15,300.00 lakh as on 31/03/2022. After taking into consideration the

deposit with LIC of India against the pension liability, there is a balance of ₹1,840.00 lakh is to be paid to LIC of India and the same is taken as liability to the Board in the books of accounts as on 31/03/2022.

19. Funds under Tobacco Board Employees New Pension Scheme account, an amount of ₹ 27.16 lakh was available in the books of accounts. The contributions of employees and employer (Tobacco Board) to the officials covered under NPS are remitting every month to NSDL Mumbai as per existing rules. The said amount includes surplus under the fund account along with refundable amounts to NPS officials/balance remittances to NSDL for want of PRAN by newly recruited/exit officials of the Tobacco Board as on 31/03/2022.
20. Funds under Tobacco Growers Welfare Fund scheme account, an amount of ₹6,416.71 lakh is the available fund balance in the books of accounts (Andhra Pradesh: ₹3,968.83 lakh + Karnataka: ₹2,447.88 lakh)

Government of India vide its letter No.6/5/2007-EP (Agri. VI), dated 28/07/2008 conveyed the approval for creation of Tobacco Board Growers Welfare Fund during 2009-10 with the contribution in the ratio of 1:2 among the Tobacco Farmers and the Tobacco Board from the penalties collected on the sale of unauthorized tobacco and excess tobacco by the growers.

21. The proposal for creation of fund account for Gratuity and Leave Encashment was sent to the Ministry and the approval from the Government is yet to be received. On receipt of the approval from the Government, the exact calculation amount of gratuity, leave salary and half pay will be worked out and provided the actual liability after making actual payments to the fund account. In this connection, a total liability of ₹30.00 crore has been provided towards payment of Leave Salary, Gratuity and half pay leave for the years 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19.

The issue for creation of this fund account is placed before the Board for approval. The Board resolved to study the proposal in detail and evaluate for creation of fund account. The study on proposal for creation of fund account is under process.

Further, it is to submit that the Tobacco Board has submitted existing employees data for calculation of liability by actuarial valuation on account of gratuity and leave encashment accounts. The LIC has given the proposal with liability of ₹4,150.69 lakh as on 31/03/2021 (Gratuity ₹2,506.86 lakh and Leave Encashment: ₹1,643.83 lakh by taking into consideration of mortality rate, withdrawal rate, discount rate and salary escalation etc. No amount is invested with LIC under this fund account to get discount and earn interest on deposit etc. Due to less calculation of liability by the LIC of India in the earlier, the actual liability of gratuity and leave encashment has been taken into account.

The actual liability of gratuity and leave encashment for the existing employees as on 31/03/2022 and accounted for the same in the books of accounts for ₹4,172.44 lakh (Gratuity ₹2,334.31 lakh + Leave Encashment : ₹1,838.13 lakh) as per CCS (Pension) Rules 1972 as on 31/03/2022. The necessary steps for maintaining the fund accounts with LIC of India will be taken up during the next financial year 2022-23 by following usual procedures of the fund accounts.

22. The service tax payable amounts to Service Tax Department on the taxable services taken as auctioneer services (Buyer Authorization fee, Demurrage Charges & Bale Pattas), Legal consultancy services (Legal Charges) and Rent-a-Cab Operators Service (Hiring of Vehicles) have been taken as provisional liability for ₹178.44 lakh as the cases are under pending with CESTAT, Hyderabad. Further, the amounts due from companies for ₹4.96 lakh shown as current assets in the books of accounts.
23. The amounts payable towards retirement benefits, property tax, Tobacco Board Growers Welfare Fund (Board's Share) along with other heads of accounts and amounts payable to CPWD and RITES have also been provided as outstanding liabilities in the books of accounts as on 31/03/2022.
24. The Tobacco Board has filed Income Tax Returns for the financial year 2020-21 and assessment year 2021-22 as per the recent changes in rules of the Income Tax Act, 1961 after completion of tax audit on the accounts of the Board by the Chartered Accountants of M/s. Umamaheswara Rao & Company, Guntur even though there is exemption from payment of income tax under section 10(29)(A)(d) of the Income Tax Act 1961.
25. The Tobacco Board has filed the monthly returns of GSTR-3B, GSTR-1, GSTR-7 and annual return of GSTR-9, GSTR-9C for the financial year 2020-21 by discharging tax liabilities from time to time to the GST Department after completion of tax audit as per GST norms by the Chartered Accountants M/s. Vangala& Associates Guntur.
26. Tobacco Board is procuring and distributing the chemical fertilizers to the indented registered FCV tobacco growers. Up to 2008-09, the Board had engaged the services of Spices Trading Corporation of India Ltd. (STCL) for distribution of fertilizers to the growers.

During 2009-10, Board had taken up the distribution of fertilizers to the growers due to non-availability of services of M/s. STCL. For these operations, the Deputy Commissioner, Commercial Taxes, Mysore vide his assessment order dated 27/05/2011 issued to the Board to pay the tax amount of ₹2,34,27,445/- and penalty on tax of ₹70,28,233/-for distribution of fertilizers to growers as it is deferred payment without obtaining dealer license under KVAT Act, 2003. In this connection, the Board made all its efforts with the State Government of Karnataka and through the appeals with the Commissioner of Commercial Taxes Bangalore and through Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka. The writ petition filed by the Board was dismissed by the Hon'ble Court.

In this connection, the Board filed appeal before the Karnataka State Sales Tax Appellate Tribunal, Bangalore on 07/12/2013. The Tribunal admitted the case on deposit of 30% amount of tax amount of ₹91,36,703/- with DCCT(VAT), Audit-I Mysore on 31/12/2013. Further, an amount of ₹2,13,18,975.00 kept in the form of Bank Guarantee in favour of Dy. Commissioner of Commercial Taxes VAT Audit-I Mysore. The appeals filed by the Board were dismissed vide orders dated 31/08/2016 by the Tribunal. Hence, entire tax + penalty amount was paid to the Deputy Commissioner of Commercial Taxes Mysore by cancelling the Bank Guarantee on 25/11/2016.

On receipt of tax amount of ₹3,04,55,678/- by the DCCT VAT(Audit-I) Mysore and they have issued another demand notice dated 09/12/2016 for ₹3,26,98,056/- towards interest on the above said tax for the period from 21/05/2009 to 25/11/2016. In this connection, the Board filed a writ petition on 02/01/2017 before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka Bangalore challenging the orders of KVAT and demand notice dated 09/12/2016.

The Hon'ble High Court given an interim stay of further proceedings pursuant to the assessment orders dated 27/05/2011 subject to the petitioner to deposit ₹32,69,805.00 with the respondent (DCCT VAT Karnataka). In the meanwhile, The Government of Karnataka introduced the Karasamadhana scheme-2017 for waiver of penalty and interest from VAT, CST and KET where the amount is not paid up to 15/03/2017 for the taxation period from 01/04/2005 to 31/03/2016 and cases pending towards payment of interest and penalty are eligible by paying only 10% of the amount of interest and penalty.

Keeping in view the status of above case, the Board paid an amount of ₹32,69,805/- through e-payment on 30/05/2017 vide CTD Ref No.1789617671 and filed an online application to get the benefit interest exemption under Karasamadhana scheme 2017 and filed a memo in the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka at Bangalore to dismiss appeal of the Board due to availing onetime benefit scheme which declared by the Government of Karnataka. The Board has paid 10% of the demand notice amount of ₹32,69,805/- to DCCT VAT(Audit) Mysore by availing the benefit of Kara Samadhana Yojana Scheme and the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka disposed the case on 30/05/2017 due to its settlement of the issue on payment of the said amount. The clearance certificate of the from the DCCT VAT Department is yet to be received.

27. Income tax - There are no dues to be paid to Income Tax Department by the Tobacco Board during the financial year 2021-22.
28. Sales Tax - There are no dues to be paid towards sales tax by the Tobacco Board during the financial year 2021-22.

29. Municipal Taxes - The property tax has been paid on receipt of the demand notice from the concerned authorities of Gram Panchayats, Municipal authorities and corporations. The dues payable towards property tax for non-receipt of demand notice is provided as liability in the books of account during the financial year 2021-22.
30. The issue for bank guarantee for firefighting equipment in the auction platform Kanigiri will be taken up for clearing during the financial year 2022-23 as the period of guarantee was lapsed.
31. During the current financial year 2021-22, the tobacco purchases value from buyers received through electronic fund transfer to the respective auction platform account on 10th day of auction and e-payment of sale proceeds to the individual accounts of the growers on 11th day of auction by utilizing the services of SBI FAST CMP Internal Portal account in all the auction platforms in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.
32. The accrued receipt of service charges, liability of goods and services tax and accrued receipt of value of tobacco from buyers as per auction date has been taken in the Income and Expenditure account during the financial year 2021-22 as suggested by the audit.
33. The provision of short term and long term liability pertaining to Gratuity and Leave encashment accounts are projected in the liabilities side of the Balance Sheet during the financial year 2021-22 as suggested by the Audit.
34. The expenditure on capital and revenue nature against the advances to CPWD on its completion of works is taken into account and calculated the depreciation on the asset.
35. The liability for payment of gratuity, leave salary and Half Pay leave account is calculated as per CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972 by taking into consideration of services rendered by the existing employees and provided the same as liability in the books of accounts as the LIC of India calculated liability by actuarial valuation with the assumptions of mortality rate, withdrawal rate, discount, interest rate on investment and investments are taken to arrive liability and hence the is not projected in the books of accounts.
36. Budgeted Receipt and Expenditure-The Tobacco Board has realized internal resources (Receipts) of ₹11,029.31 lakh and incurred expenditure of ₹11,451.69 lakh during the financial year 2021-22.
37. With reference to the D.O. letter No. DGCA/A/csDesk/2020-21/1.42/247, dated 02/12/2021 of Director General, O/o the Director General of Commercial Audit and Ex-Officio Member, Audit Board, Hyderabad for remedial action on the points raised in the Management Letter on the accounts of the Tobacco Board for the year 2020-21. The modifications as suggested by the audit have been taken up in the financial statements of the Tobacco Board for the year 2021-22 as detailed below:

- a) The details of land in terms of admeasuring area, location of land, title and possession of property in the name of the Board in the Notes on Accounts is not given on administrative ground. If Audit suggests for its incorporating the above said details after completion of audit on the accounts of the Tobacco Board for the financial year 2021-22.
- b) The physical verification of all the fixed and current assets of the Tobacco Board with reference to the registers and reports along with physical condition of the assets and disposal of assets has been taken up and completed up to 31/03/2022 and the same will be produced during the course of audit.
- c) The Financial Statements of Tobacco Board for the year ending 31st March, 2022 is being submitting to the Indian Audit and Accounts Department Hyderabad within the scheduled time ie., on 30/06/2022.
- d) The discrepancies noted by the audit on various points have been rectified.
- e) The physical verification of assets in all the offices of the Tobacco Board in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka has been done and the process for condemned assets for its disposal is under process. All the details will be incorporated while preparing the annual accounts for the ensuing year onwards.

(V. VENKATA RAO)
MANAGER (FINANCE & ACCOUNTS)

STATEMENT SHOWING THE FUNDS FLOWS POSITION UNDER NON-PLAN AND PLAN FROM 2010-11 TO 2021-22

		(₹ in Lakh)											
S.No.	Particulars	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1	Opening Balance (Plan & Non-Plan)	22721.86	25868.35	34406.37	36542.81	41384.66	47696.18	51899.06	54701.21	55788.64	58886.19	61493.09	60638.28
2	Receipts												
	a) Non-Plan	11689.90	15650.73	11541.65	15083.54	16581.13	15387.68	14399.60	14477.23	15395.93	15558.10	12777.00	11029.31
	b) Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	Grant-in-aid												
	a) Non-Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	b) Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	Total IEBR (1 to 3)	34411.76	41519.08	45948.02	51626.35	57965.79	63083.86	66298.66	69178.44	71184.57	74444.29	74270.09	71667.59
5	Expenditure												
	a) Non-Plan	1148.77	1565.04	2054.13	2061.98	1728.82	634.50	748.37	13389.80	12298.38	12951.20	13631.81	11451.69
	b) Plan	7394.64	5547.67	7351.08	8179.71	8540.79	10550.30	10849.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Total Expenditure (5)	8543.41	7112.71	9405.21	10241.69	10269.61	11184.80	11597.45	13389.80	12298.38	12951.20	12951.20	11451.69
6	Closing balance (4-5)	25868.35	34406.37	36542.81	41384.66	47696.18	51899.06	54701.21	55788.64	58886.19	61493.09	60638.28	60215.90

ABBREVIATIONS

A.P./AP	Andhra Pradesh
APF/A.P.F	Auction Plat Form
Avg.Pr.	Average Price
BAT	British American Tobacco
BG	Bank Guarantee
CACP	Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices
CBS	Central Black Soils
CMO	Common Market Organization
CPWD	Central Public Works Department
CPA'S	Crop Protection Agents
CTRI	Central Tobacco Research Institute
ELS	Eastern Light Soils
EU	European Union
FCV	Flue Cured Virginia
GI	Galvanized Iron
GRL	Guidance Residual Levels
GSP	Generalized System of Preferences
Ha./ha	Hectare
ILTD	Indian Leaf Tobacco Division
IPM	Integrated Pest Management
ISO	International Organization for Standards
ITA	Indian Tobacco Association
ITC	Indian Tobacco Company
ITDA	Indian Tobacco Dealers Association
KK/K.K.	Karnataka
KLS	Karnataka Light Soils
LSI	Letter of standing instructions
M.Kgs/mkgs /mkg	Million Kilo Grams
MEP	Minimum Export Price
MGP	Minimum Guarantee Price
Mkted.	Marketed
MPA	Model Project Area
MSP	Minimum Support Price
NBS	Northern Black Soils
NIPHFM	National Institute of Plant Health Management
NLS	Northern Light Soils
NPV	Nuclear Poly Hedrosis Virus
NTRM	Non Tobacco Related Material
OFTS	On Farm Tests
OLIC	Official Language Implementation Committee
PHPM	Post Harvest Production Management
Qty.	Quantity
RCMC	Registration cum Membership Certificate
RITES	Rail India Technical and Economic Services
SLS /SBS	Southern Light Soils / Southern Black Soils
STL	Soil Testing Laboratory
TBS	Traditional Black Soils
TOLIC	Town Official Language Implementation Committee
TQC	Tobacco Quality circle
UAE	United Arab Emirates
UK	United Kingdom
US	United States



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Shri Diwakarnath Misra, I.A.S., Hon'ble Joint Secretary, Dept. Commerce &
Dr. Sridhar Babu Addanki, I.A.S., Executive Director participated in the meeting with
stakeholders in connection with Vaniya Utsav at Tobacco Board, Guntur on 25/09/2021



155th Board Meeting held on 16/08/2021



Dr. K.N. Raghavan, I.R.S., Chairman, Tobacco Board
met the stakeholder's at the time of take over of charge
as Chairman, Tobacco Board on 28/09/2022



Mrs. M. Ashwini Naidu, I.F.S., Director (Auctions) observing the
process of Auction at Karnataka



On the occasion of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav event
Executive Director Dr. Sridhar Babu Addanki, I.A.S.,
planting at Gower's fields in Ongole



Participation of Executive Director, Officers & Staff during
Cleanliness Drive programme at Tobacco Board, Guntur



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