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The Trend

Natural Rubber (NR) Production in the country during November 2006 increased to 95,525 tonnes over the production of 93,505 tonnes during November 2005. The cumulative production during the first eight months of the current financial year was 560,705 tonnes at a growth of 8.8 percent over the production during the corresponding period of the previous year. The production provisionally estimated for December'06 is 101,500 tonnes.

Consumption of NR during November '06 increased to 70,490 tonnes from 69,305 tonnes during October'06. The total consumption during April to November'06 was 543,775 tonnes as compared to 530,395 tonnes, registering a growth of 2.5 percent during the same period last year. The growth in consumption in the auto tyre manufacturing sector during the first eight months of the current year reflected a growth of 3.9 percent as against 9.0 percent achieved during the same period of the previous year, where as the growth in the non-tyre sector was 0.9 percent compared to 3.2 percent in the same period of the previous year. The consumption provisionally estimated for December'06 is 70,500 tonnes.

Import of NR in the country during November'06 was 5,653 tonnes as compared to 4,862 tonnes during November'05. The total import during the first eight months of the current year was 31,891 tonnes as against 39,426 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year. The export of NR during November'06 was 954 tonnes compared to 12,440 tonnes during November'05. Cumulative export of NR during April'06 to November'06 of the current year was 50,502 tonnes as against 45,250 tonnes during the same period of the previous year. Stock of NR at the end of November'06 was 95,590 tonnes.

Synthetic Rubber (SR) Production in the country marginally increased to 8,359 tonnes during November'06 from 8,067 tonnes during the previous month. The cumulative production of SR during April to November'06 has increased to 67,562 tonnes over the production of 63,624 tonnes during the corresponding period of the last year registering a growth of 6.2 percent. Consumption of SR slightly increased to 23,595 tonnes during November'06 from 23,430 tonnes during October'06. The total consumption of SR during the first eight months of the current year showed an increase of 16.1 percent to 181,880 tonnes as against 156,650 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year.

Price of Natural Rubber (Rupees per quintal)

Month/year		RSS 4	RSS 3	Latex (60% drc)		ISNR 20	SMR 20
		Domestic	International	Domestic	International	Domestic	International
January	2006	7360	8287	8986	9292	7145	7809
February	"	8045	9211	10067	11007	7941	8561
March	"	8069	9246	9933	11165	7978	8508
April	"	8634	9695	10481	11182	8482	8768
May	"	9841	10998	12177	12421	9418	9786
June	"	10692	12484	13189	13814	9966	10825
July	"	9821	11710	13350	13374	9464	10742
August	"	9182	10303	12408	10827	8828	10011
September	"	8169	8480	11120	8515	7869	8438
October	"	8709	8463	9976	9275	8286	8328
November	"	8260	7426	9359	8147	7860	7274
December	"	8615	7811	9374	8369	8208	7299
January	2007	9716	9319	10866	10377	9055	8556

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

(Metric Tonnes)						
Type-wise Production & Consumption of NR & SR	November 2006 (1)	November 2005 (2)	April 2006 to Nov. 2006 (3)	April 2005 to Nov. 2005 (4)	April 2005 to March 2006 (5)	Percentage increase (+)/ decrease(-) of (3) & (4) (6)
Production						
Natural Rubber (NR)						
Ribbed Smoked Sheet (RSS)	72770	69685	409650	371085	566445	
Solid Block Rubber	8670	8940	63970	57060	92540	
Latex Concentrates (drc)	7940	9215	52540	54915	90950	
Pale Latex Crepes	190	260	1095	1555	2555	
Others	5955	5405	33450	30980	50135	
Total	**95525**	**93505**	**560705**	**515595**	**802625**	**8.8**
Synthetic Rubber (SR)[p]						
Styrene Butadiene (SBR)	1447	1251	11806	11711	17602	
Poly Butadiene(BR)	6290	5940	46965	43446	67286	
Others	622	989	8791	8467	12746	
Total	**8359**	**8180**	**67562**	**63624**	**97634**	**6.2**
Total NR & SR	**103884**	**101685**	**628267**	**579219**	**900259**	**8.5**
Consumption *						
Natural Rubber (NR)						
Ribbed Smoked Sheet (RSS)	50235	48165	382760	370425	561655	
Solid Block Rubber	9170	8025	81115	82245	115840	
Latex Concentrates (drc)	7015	6485	49310	47650	74670	
Pale Latex Crepes	195	205	1360	1500	2435	
Others	3875	3670	29230	28575	46510	
Total	**70490**	**66550**	**543775**	**530395**	**801110**	**2.5**
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	39020	36585	302793	291478	442921	**3.9**
Synthetic Rubber (SR)[p]						
Styrene Butadiene (SBR)	7420	6305	66750	52865	80885	
Poly Butadiene(BR)	6715	5640	53305	45585	69080	
Others	9460	7615	61825	58200	87530	
Total	**23595**	**19560**	**181880**	**156650**	**237495**	**16.1**
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	14446	11288	115176	92831	141580	**24.1**
Total NR & SR	94085	86110	725655	687045	1038605	**5.6**
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	53466	47873	417969	384309	584501	**8.8**

*: indigenous and imported

(Metric Tonnes)

Production Consumption and stock of RR	November 2006 (1)	November 2005 (2)	April 2006 to Nov. 2006 (3)	April 2005 to Nov. 2005 (4)	April 2005 to March 2006 (5)
Reclaimed Rubber (RR)					
Production @	7005	6575	51980	51510	76645
Consumption	6805	6515	51770	51200	76535
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	2027	1719	15602	14613	21978
Stock with Manufacturers (end of month/year)	3875	3900			
@: indigenous purchase by manufacturers					
Import / Export & Stock of NR & SR					
Import (p)					
Natural Rubber	5653	4862	31891	39426	45285
Synthetic Rubber	16605	12190	117243	84343	132118
Total NR & SR	22258	17052	149134	123769	177403
Export (p)					
Natural Rubber	954	12440	50502	45250	73830

Stock at the end of November 2006 (Metric tonnes)

Natural Rubber			
With Growers	38090	Ribbed Smoked sheet	61800
With Dealers & Processors	22230	Solid Block Rubber	9760
With Auto Tyre units©	25726	Latex(drc)	8590
With other manufacturing units	9544	Pale Latex Crepe	405
		Others	15035
Total	**95590**	**Total**	**95590**
©: inluding transit			
Synthetic Rubber			
Producers	7450p		
With Auto Tyre units	17920	SBR	13978
With other manufacturing units	3280	Others	14672
Total	28650	**Total**	28650

p:provisional

WORLD POSITION OF NATURAL RUBBER (NR)

Countrywise Production of NR in 2005 & 2006
('000 tonnes)

Country	2005	2006	% growth
Thailand	2937	2968	1.1
Indonesia	2271	2454	8.1
Malaysia	1126	1211	7.6
India	772	857	11.0
Vietnam	469	536	14.3
China	428	446	4.2
World	**8777**	**9255**	**5.4**

Countrywise Consumption of NR in 2005 & 2006
('000 tonnes)

Country	2005	2006	% growth
China	2045	2215	8.3
U.S.A.	1159	1075	- 7.2
Japan	857	880	2.7
India	789	816	3.4
Malaysia	386	380	- 1.6
Thailand	335	333	- 0.6
World	**9001**	**8968**	**- 0.4**

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