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THE TREND

Production of Natural Rubber (NR) in the country during September 2009 decreased to 74,300 tonnes compared to 80,500 tonnes during September 2008. The cumulative production during the first half of 2009-'10 was 348,625 tonnes as against 395,865 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year, registering a negative growth of 11.9%, due to unfavourable weather conditions. The production provisionally estimated for October'09 is 87,000 tonnes.

Consumption of NR by the rubber goods manufacturing industry in the country during September'09 decreased to 78,765 tonnes as against 79,750 tonnes during August'09. The total consumption of NR during April'09 to September'09 was 456,365 tonnes compared to 444,550 tonnes during the same period last year, recording a growth of 2.7%. During the first six months of the current

year, the auto tyre manufacturing sector registered a growth of 5.6% compared to 9.9% achieved during the same period of the previous year, whereas the non-tyre sector showed a negative growth of 1.8% as against a negative growth of 1.1% attained during the same period of the previous year. During this period the growth in truck and bus tyre production was 7%. The consumption provisionally estimated for October'09 is 78,000 tonnes.

Import of NR in the country during September'09 was 20,172 tonnes compared to 10,205 tonnes during September'08. The cumulative import of NR during the first half of 2009-10 was 117,898 tonnes as against 38,273 tonnes during the same period of the previous year. The country exported only 554 tonnes of NR during September'09 compared to 2,314 tonnes during September'08. Since the international price of NR was ruling

below the domestic price, the total export of NR during April'09 to September'09 was only 1,514 tonnes compared to 30,960 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year. Stock of NR at the end of September'09 was 204,950 tonnes.

Production of Synthetic Rubber (SR) during September'09 decreased to 8,951 tonnes from 9,645 tonnes during August'09. The cumulative production of SR during April'09 to September'09 increased to 52,988 tonnes as against 51,256 tonnes during the same period of the previous year. Consumption of SR slightly decreased to 26,570 tonnes during September'09 as against 26,990 tonnes during August'09. The total consumption of SR during the first half of the current financial year was 158,515 tonnes compared to 148,565 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year, recording a growth of 6.7%.

PRICE OF NATURAL RUBBER (Rupees per quintal)

Month / year		RSS 5	RSS 4	RSS 3	Latex(60% drc)		ISNR 20	SMR 20
		Domestic		International	Domestic	International	Domestic	International
November	2008	7413	7681	8599	9230	10308	7393	8256
December	"	6279	6488	6156	7502	7732	6075	5921
January	2009	6874	7034	7449	9652	8885	6800	6922
February	"	6788	6903	7331	9543	9257	6633	6757
March	"	7448	7583	7388	9540	10277	7250	7096
April	"	9309	9488	8189	11528	9948	9066	7740
May	"	9546	9805	8300	11877	9640	9218	7855
June	"	9676	9913	8109	13744	8856	9076	7683
July	"	9619	9819	8505	13763	8999	8824	8046
August	"	10049	10250	9925	13004	10660	9425	9168
September	"	10266	10651	10569	11632	11021	9651	9953
October	"	10389	10898	11103	11759	11197	9749	10506
November	"	10816	11302	11893	11642	11961	10557	11353

Note: Domestic price refers to Kottayam market, international price for RSS 3 refers to SICOM price from 23-1-2009 and that of latex and SMR 20 to Kuala Lumpur market.

(Metric Tonnes)						
Type-wise Production & Consumption of NR & SR	September 2009	September 2008	April 2009 to Sept. 2009	April 2008 to Sept. 2008	April 2008 to March 2009	Percentage increase (+)/ decrease(-) of (3) & (4) (6)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
PRODUCTION						
Natural Rubber (NR)						
Ribbed Smoked Sheet (RSS)	54165	59145	241880	276865	617125	
Solid Block Rubber	9985	10535	51485	56200	110275	
Latex Concentrates (drc)	6780	7135	36100	40725	88070	
Others	3370	3685	19160	22075	49030	
Total	74300	80500	348625	395865	864500	-11.9
Synthetic Rubber (SR)^p						
Styrene Butadiene (SBR)	1319	655	8738	6995	12523	
Poly Butadiene(BR)	5950	5990	35189	36700	71758	
Others	1682	855	9061	7561	12458	
Total	8951	7500	52988	51256	96739	3.4
Total NR & SR	83251	88000	401613	447121	961239	-10.2
CONSUMPTION *						
Natural Rubber (NR)						
Ribbed Smoked Sheet (RSS)	51185	53030	292075	306920	597440	
Solid Block Rubber	17860	12010	105480	77560	146060	
Latex Concentrates (drc)	6740	6505	38630	36900	80520	
Others	2980	4315	20180	23170	47700	
Total	78765	75860	456365	444550	871720	2.7
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	47515	43394	281179	266203	508121	5.6
Synthetic Rubber (SR)^p						
Styrene Butadiene (SBR)	10550	9215	62980	57750	111745	
Poly Butadiene(BR)	8160	6660	48210	44885	82740	
Others	7860	8335	47325	45930	98465	
Total	26570	24210	158515	148565	292950	6.7
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	18145	15447	107378	99467	185094	8.0
Total NR & SR	105335	100070	614880	593115	1164670	3.7
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	65660	58841	388557	365670	693215	6.3

*: indigenous and imported

(Metric Tonnes)					
Production Consumption and stock of RR	September 2009 (1)	September 2008 (2)	April 2009 to Sept. 2009 (3)	April 2008 to Sept. 2008 (4)	April 2008 to March 2009 (5)
Reclaimed Rubber (RR)					
Production @	7905	7350	45185	43760	86390
Consumption	7730	7230	44465	43575	86030
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	2767	2424	15734	15124	29191
Stock with Manufacturers (end of month/year)	4715	3820			

@: indigenous purchase by manufacturers

IMPORT/EXPORT & STOCK OF NR & SR					
Import (p)					
Natural Rubber	20172	10205	117898	38273	77616
Synthetic Rubber	18190	13300	113030	106300	190630
Total NR & SR	38362	23505	230928	144573	268246
Export (p)					
Natural Rubber	554	2314	1514	30960	46926

STOCK AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER 2009			
(Metric tonnes)			
Natural Rubber			
With Growers	88675	Ribbed Smoked Sheet	141890
With Dealers & Processors	62905	Solid Block Rubber	27640
With Auto Tyre units©	37905	Latex(drc)	9630
With other manufacturing units	15465	Others	25790
Total	204950	Total	204950

©: including transit

Synthetic Rubber			
With Producers	5455 ^P		
With Auto Tyre units	23450	SBR	18815
With other manufacturing units	4265	Others	14355
Total	33170	Total	33170

p:provisional

STATE WISE CONSUMPTION OF ALL KINDS OF RUBBER (Tonnes)

Sl.No.	STATE/UNION TERRITORY	NATURAL RUBBER	SYNTHETIC RUBBER	RECLAIMED RUBBER	TOTAL
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	50939	19632	7492	78063
2	DELHI	16137	1890	1116	19143
3	GOA	31950	8323	825	41098
4	GUJARAT	65741	18866	2437	87044
5	HARYANA	49982	9185	1944	61111
6	JHARKHAND@	1071	332	176	1579
7	KARNATAKA	56331	19960	7034	83325
8	KERALA	139288	48504	9222	197014
9	MADHYA PRADESH**	29615	23136	2660	55411
10	MAHARASHTRA	109601	42033	15039	166673
11	ORISSA	33855	8524	186	42565
12	PONDICHERRY	2963	2361	125	5449
13	PUNJAB*	81779	13200	16891	111870
14	RAJASTHAN	53046	18450	1334	72830
15	TAMIL NADU	64360	34723	10854	109937
16	UTTAR PRADESH++	51197	11360	4445	67002
17	WEST BENGAL	30081	12254	4088	46423
18	OTHERS	3784	217	162	4163
	TOTAL	871720	292950	86030	1250700

@: including Bihar

*: including Chandigarh

**: including Chattisgarh

++ : including Uttarakhand