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## THE TREND

**N**atural Rubber (NR) Production in the country during November 2009 decreased to 93,500 tonnes as against the production of 95,550 tonnes during November 2008. The cumulative production during the first eight months of 2009-10 was 530,900 tonnes compared to 575,780 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year registering a negative growth of 7.8%. The provisional estimate of NR production for December'09 is 100,850 tonnes.

Consumption of NR by the rubber goods manufacturing industry in the country during November'09 increased to 80,500 tonnes from 77,950 tonnes during October'09. The total consumption during April'09 to November'09 was 614,815 tonnes compared to 593,665 tonnes, during

the same period of the previous year registering a growth of 3.6 percent. The growth in consumption by the auto tyre sector during the first eight months of the year 2009-10 was 6.7% as against 9.5% during the same period of the previous year. The consumption provisionally estimated for December'09 is 80,000 tonnes.

The country imported 7,124 tonnes of NR during November'09 compared to 5,743 tonnes during November'08. The cumulative import of NR during the first eight months of 2009-10 was 133,596 tonnes as against 60,026 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year. Export of NR during November'09 was 4,165 tonnes as against 4,101 tonnes during November'08. The total export of NR during April'09 to November'09 was 7,973 tonnes as against 38,101 tonnes

during the same period of the previous year. Stock of NR at the end of November '09 was 239,050 tonnes.

Production of Synthetic Rubber (SR) during November'09 marginally increased to 8,958 tonnes from 8,405 tonnes during October'09. The total production of SR during first eight months of the year 2009-10 increased to 70,351 tonnes compared to 65,074 tonnes during the same period of the previous year. Consumption of SR also increased to 30,430 tonnes during November'09 as against 27,850 tonnes during October'09. The cumulative consumption of SR during the first eight months of the current fiscal year increased to 216,795 tonnes compared to 197,350 tonnes during the corresponding period of the previous year.

### 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
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
December	"	12900	13430	13048	13383	13515	12712	12793
January	2010	13217	13772	14163	14803	15066	13213	13677

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.

<b>(Metric Tonnes)</b>						
Type-wise Production & Consumption of NR & SR	November 2009	November 2008	April 2009 to Nov. 2009	April 2008 to Nov. 2008	April 2008 to March 2009	Percentage increase (+)/ decrease(-) of (3) & (4) (6)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
<b>PRODUCTION</b>						
<b>Natural Rubber (NR)</b>						
Ribbed Smoked Sheet (RSS)	68230	72355	375480	411570	617125	
Solid Block Rubber	11880	9815	74940	75680	110275	
Latex Concentrates (drc)	7910	8615	51735	57010	88070	
Others	5480	4765	28745	31520	49030	
<b>Total</b>	<b>93500</b>	<b>95550</b>	<b>530900</b>	<b>575780</b>	<b>864500</b>	<b>-7.8</b>
<b>Synthetic Rubber (SR)<sup>p</sup></b>						
Styrene Butadiene (SBR)	1370	197	11083	7779	12523	
Poly Butadiene(BR)	6450	5790	47539	49088	71758	
Others	1138	141	11729	8207	12458	
<b>Total</b>	<b>8958</b>	<b>6128</b>	<b>70351</b>	<b>65074</b>	<b>96739</b>	<b>8.1</b>
<b>Total NR &amp; SR</b>	<b>102458</b>	<b>101678</b>	<b>601251</b>	<b>640854</b>	<b>961239</b>	<b>-6.2</b>
<b>CONSUMPTION *</b>						
<b>Natural Rubber (NR)</b>						
Ribbed Smoked Sheet (RSS)	53215	50090	397850	408400	597440	
Solid Block Rubber	16615	11920	137740	102710	146060	
Latex Concentrates (drc)	7760	7520	53265	51205	80520	
Others	2910	3760	25960	31350	47700	
<b>Total</b>	<b>80500</b>	<b>73290</b>	<b>614815</b>	<b>593665</b>	<b>871720</b>	<b>3.6</b>
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	50124	44565	377830	353970	508121	<b>6.7</b>
<b>Synthetic Rubber (SR)<sup>p</sup></b>						
Styrene Butadiene (SBR)	11980	9050	85900	76040	111745	
Poly Butadiene(BR)	9305	6060	65905	57170	82740	
Others	9145	9400	64990	64140	98465	
<b>Total</b>	<b>30430</b>	<b>24510</b>	<b>216795</b>	<b>197350</b>	<b>292950</b>	<b>9.9</b>
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	21305	15390	148023	129831	185094	<b>14.0</b>
<b>Total NR &amp; SR</b>	<b>110930</b>	<b>97800</b>	<b>831610</b>	<b>791015</b>	<b>1164670</b>	<b>5.1</b>
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	71429	59955	525853	483801	693215	<b>8.7</b>

\*: indigenous and imported

<b>(Metric Tonnes)</b>					
Production Consumption and stock of RR	November 2009 (1)	November 2008 (2)	April 2009 to Nov. 2009 (3)	April 2008 to Nov. 2008 (4)	April 2008 to March 2009 (5)
<b>Reclaimed Rubber (RR)</b>					
Production @	8580	7295	61575	58585	86390
Consumption	8290	7255	60735	58140	86030
Out of which Auto Tyre Manufacturers	3112	2362	21753	19912	29191
Stock with Manufacturers (end of month/year)	4835	4080			

@: indigenous purchase by manufacturers

<b>IMPORT/EXPORT &amp; STOCK OF NR &amp; SR</b>					
<b>Import (p)</b>					
Natural Rubber	7124	5743	133596	60026	77616
Synthetic Rubber	22817	15320	156942	136445	190630
<b>Total NR &amp; SR</b>	<b>29941</b>	<b>21063</b>	<b>290538</b>	<b>196471</b>	<b>268246</b>
<b>Export (p)</b>					
Natural Rubber	4165	4101	7973	38101	46926

<b>STOCK AT THE END OF NOVEMBER 2009</b>			
<b>(Metric tonnes)</b>			
<b>Natural Rubber</b>			
With Growers	108470	Ribbed Smoked Sheet	176010
With Dealers & Processors	76985	Solid Block Rubber	24635
With Auto Tyre units©	36750	Latex(drc)	9145
With other manufacturing units	16845	Others	29260
<b>Total</b>	<b>239050</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>239050</b>

©: including transit

<b>Synthetic Rubber</b>			
With Producers	6170 <sup>P</sup>		
With Auto Tyre units	26325	SBR	19620
With other manufacturing units	3670	Others	16545
<b>Total</b>	<b>36165</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>36165</b>

p:provisional

**CONSUMPTION OF ALL KINDS OF RUBBER ACCORDING TO END PRODUCTS 2008-09****(Tonnes)**

	Natural Rubber	Synthetic Rubber	Reclaimed rubber	Total
Auto tyres & tubes*	482575	175809	21955	680339
Cycle tyres & tubes	96282	20845	23705	140832
Camel Back	46953	11150	4498	62601
Footwear	68325	45950	8325	122600
Belts and Hoses	48863	11455	6960	67278
Latex Foam	38445			38445
Cables and Wires	1550	1984	955	4489
Battery Boxes	1665	2819	9885	14369
Dipped Goods	38720			38720
Others	48342	22938	9747	81027
<b>Total</b>	<b>871720</b>	<b>292950</b>	<b>86030</b>	<b>1250700</b>

\*Includes Tractor,Aero,ADV and Off-the-road

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