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Groundnut is an important oilseed crop suitable for cultivation in tropical areas of the world. Groundnut is believed to be a native of South America and scientifically known as *Arachis hypogaea* L., an underground legume, derived from Greek. Unique feature of this plant is its quick adaptability to a wide variety of climatic conditions. Groundnut seeds are rich source of edible oil (43-55%) as well as protein (25-28%). About two thirds of world production is crushed for oil and the remaining one third is consumed as nuts. The cake or meal is used as animal feed and the shell provide quality fodder.

#### Composition :

Content	Recovery
Kernel to Nuts in Shell	70 Percent
Oil to Nuts in Shell	28 Percent
Oil to Kernels Crushed	40 Percent
Cake to Kernels Crushed	60 Percent

#### Climate :

Although, the groundnut plant is adaptable for wide climatic conditions, it requires 14 to 16 oC for germination, a long and warm growing season lengthens flowering. High temperatures result in the best performance in terms of length of the stem, number of flowers and number of pods. Maximum number of pods will be at mean temperatures of 23 oC. Good yields are expected with a well-distributed 37 to 60 cm of rainfall during the crop period. However, summer groundnut crop can thrive with 12.5 to 17.5 cm rainfall during the fortnight after sowing and 37 to 60 cm during the growth of the crop.

#### Crop Season :

Although the crop can be grown in all the seasons, kharif season production accounts for about 80 per cent of the total production. More than 90 per cent of the groundnut area is grown under rainfed condition. Kharif crop is grown during June-September period in majority of Gujarat and Maharashtra. In southern region it is grown as kharif as well as rabi crop and in southeastern states it is even cultivated in rice fallows during October-March. Groundnut is also cultivated during January-May as a summer crop under assured irrigation.



Major physical markets: Rajkot , Ahmedabad, Mumbai, Indore and Delhi are the major trading centers ect.

Futures markets :

Groundnut is traded in futures markets mostly in seed form and Rajkot and MCX are the major futures markets in the country

### Objectives of the National Seed Plan (NSP)

Define and implement a seed policy and coordinate all initiatives in this area as well as the role of different partners in terms of seed production, collection, storage and distribution

Organize production with the withdrawal of the government at the R1 stage and even foundation seed by favoring the involvement of village organizations and private enterprise that meet the demands of the activity

Ensure implementation of the main areas of seed policy in the following areas

Groundnuts in India are available throughout the year due to a two-crop cycle harvested in March and October. On an average, India produces 7- 8 million tons of groundnuts (unshelled) every year. In fact, considering the current export figures, India has a much larger potential to supply high quality groundnuts to the international buyer.

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