Andhra Pradesh: Tobacco crop size hiked to 130 million kg for 2021-2022

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GUNTUR: The tobacco board has fixed crop size for Andhra Pradesh at 130 million



kg for the 2021-22 crop season. The decision was taken at the special board meeting held in virtual mode on Monday. The reasonably decent prices offered by traders for the stock during the current auction season seem to have prompted the board to increase the crop size for the next season, which is nearly 15

million kg increase over last year's crop size of 115 million kg.

Board chairman Yadlapati Raghunatha Babu, who presided over the session, consulted the representatives of growers, traders and exporters before taking the final call on the crop size. Interestingly, the board had increased the crop size for Karnataka in April, upping the crop size to 97 million kg from previous year's 88 million kg.

The board had trimmed the crop size for both AP and Karnataka for 2020-21 crop season following the outbreak of Covid-19. But with entire stock produced by growers consumed by the trade in the last two years, the board has decided to revive the crop size in both states.

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