

Ethiopian Sesame

2020 : World Sesame Convention

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1. ETHIOPIAN SESAME -2019

- ❖ **The estimated Sesame production volume and supply was 280 thousand tons (including 20 thousand tons carry over of 2018)**
- ❖ **Total of 230 thousand tons is exported and 4 thousand tons processed (Hulled and Tahini production)**
- ❖ **The beginning stock in 2020 was about 30 thousand tons**

2. SESAME CULTIVATION SITUATION -2020

- ❖ **600,000 hectares of land is cultivated**
- ❖ **In some sesame growing areas of the country farmers switched to other products (Food self sufficiency)**
- ❖ **Increment in sesame area coverage is observed in some regions of the country (Benishangul,Oromiya and southern region)**
- ❖ **Somali region became the new sesame growing region in 2020**
- ❖ **The weather condition was conducive of sesame production**
- ❖ **Expected production volume is 250 - 260 thousand tons with good quality**

3 . IMPACT OF COVID ON SUPPLY CHAIN

- ❖ **Most of sesame production is based on small scale farmers who used family labor**
- ❖ **In few commercial farms there was shortage of man power during harvest time which caused to some extent pre harvest loss.**
- ❖ **Default from the buyers side**
- ❖ **Transportation cost was escalated**
- ❖ **Government tried to help exporters by reducing the rail way transportation fee , resettlement of bank loans payment schedule**
- ❖ **Government issued new incentives of duty free for agricultural machineries which encourages Commercial farming**
- ❖ **Government issued new contract registration administration directives to which helped to stabilize the domestic sesame market**

THANK YOU!

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