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# UNVEILING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC'S MULTIFACETED EFFECT ON THE ECONOMY OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR

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## **ABSTRACT**

*The Coronavirus pandemic of 2020-21 was hazardous and disastrous occasion throughout the entire existence of India. The situation of the 2020-21 Coronavirus in Jammu and Kashmir eclipsed the disaster of 1908 and the bubonic plague calamity of the principal decade of the 20th century. More than 1,976 people died between March 2020 and 2021. This chapter presents the impact of covid -19 on the overall food production, the availability of cold storage units and the need-based inputs availability in the UT. The chapter also presents a quantitative analysis of consumption of different food items during and after lockdown in the UT. The chapter assesses the timely rise in the covid cases and the rising number of deaths state wise accordingly. The results revealed that there is a rise in fruit production from 2.14 -2.54 '000 MT during the pandemic period in the UT. The chapter also highlights that there is an increase in horticulture production in India from 166.94 - 326.48million tonnes.*

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## **4.1 INTRODUCTION**

Coronavirus pandemic caused 2.72 million of fatalities all through the globe. The pandemic tainted 124 large number of individuals around the world (Worldometer, 2021). Maharashtra remained perhaps the most perceptibly horrendous hit states with a normal mortality of 52996 people (Sanjay, 2020). Jammu and Kashmir got most regions with a contamination of 1.02 percent per people. In any case these dazzling estimations, the social and monetary results of this disease rate alongside a little bed and ventilator limit in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir remained commonly faultless. Thusly, this transforms into the point of convergence of this examination.

In an associated vein, a couple of examiners delved into the consequences of 2020-21 Coronavirus pandemic across different countries. (Valeria et al. 2020) highlighted the dangerous effects of pandemic on babies whose mothers experienced flu during pregnancies in the United States. In the Indian, a few specialists have uncovered the monetary results of the 2020-21 Coronavirus pandemic on neighbourhood peoples (Maria et. at, 2020). Many existing assessments have focused in on the epidemiological settings and section impacts of the Coronavirus scourge. Abhishek (2020) attempt to unravel the inspiration driving why a couple of zones were more disposed to Coronavirus than others. It was found that regions with higher people thickness are more disposed to a higher demise rate from flu because of the connected straightforwardness of dispersal (Hill, 2009). Shaman and Kohn (2009) drove a lab test guinea pig, which uncovers that low relative or complete moisture favours the spread of pandemic.

## **4.2 METHODOLOGY**

The examination depended on truth finding and the data was acquired from various credible sources. Verifiable perspective on the prior pandemics were thought about to lay a sound base for the current examination. The information was gotten from various reports and divisions and proper devices and strategies were utilized to compute the outcomes and derivations were drawn on consistent premise. Forecasts were made dependent on the rationale followed by various logical examinations. The distinctions were worked out by dealing with suggested levels of the admission and accessibility in the UT. The development were determined by utilizing the accompanying formulae.

$$CAGR = \left( \frac{V_{\text{final}}}{V_{\text{begin}}} \right)^{1/t} - 1$$

Where,

CAGR= compound annual growth rate

$V_{\text{begin}}$ = beginning value

$V_{\text{final}}$ = final value

t= time in years

## **4.3 JAMMU AND KASHMIR UT AND COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

Humanity has routinely experienced attacks, Coronavirus like ailments virtually all through its recorded history (Hirsch, 1883). Covid pandemics have cleared across tremendous regions of the world, routinely leaving enormous peoples decimated. Hippocrates distinguished an infection with comparative clinical highlights to covid-19, around 400 years before the introduction of the threat to loss of life from the infection stayed the most exceedingly terrible in the chronicles of the UT. The danger to death toll from the disease remained the most incredibly horrible in the annals of the UT. The passing speed of Coronavirus outflanked other scourge sicknesses considering its modestly short time frame of infectivity and the resulting end rate. The Coronavirus epidemic fumed for around over a year, leaving around 128,000 people contaminated in the UT (Chandra et al., 2012).

The passing speed of Coronavirus ailment when in doubt depends upon the mutagenic properties of the contamination. The passing rate was expressly higher between the ages of 40 or more, while pregnant women experienced more the plague of Coronavirus of 2020-21 in the UT. A few experts have uncovered that the inclination for

young adults is inferable from the enrolment of cytokine storm by the Coronavirus contamination. For instance, Lin and Liu (2014) saw that preposterous induction of the immune structure completed in more deaths in old individuals. Thusly, young adults with a more grounded safe system were more disposed to pass on from the disorder in the 2020-21 pandemic. The Coronavirus contamination goes through dreary changes, after which it ends up being more unsafe and spreads rapidly, with calamitous mortalities. The infection was communicated from the travellers of Saudi Arabia and Iran, later this infection spread through visiting of family members to these pioneers and further association with the relatives.

#### **4.4 COVID-19 IN JAMMU AND KASHMIR UT AND ITS OVERALL PICTURE**

The Covid contamination (Covid-19) has influenced each piece of life like business establishment, guidance, economy, religion, transport, work, entertainment, food security, sports, etc. The scene is a critical destabilizing risk to the overall economy. Monetary expert knowledge unit has *gauged* that markets will remain temperamental until a clearer picture emerges on the conceivable outcomes. One check from an expert at Washington University in St. Lois gave \$3000+ billion impacts on the world's stock organization that could keep going up to two years (Vainavi, 2020). Jammu and Kashmir not endured colossally among different locales. From third March 2020 to eighteenth March 2021, 0.02 percent of its populace had died from the Coronavirus pandemic. The green items particularly apple which was lying in CA stores from November 2019 doesn't reach to the reasonable business sectors and because of danger of cold and hack customers limited to burn-through new organic products during the pinnacle of the Coronavirus all through the nation also in the U.T. coming about a tremendous misfortune to the producers. As indicated by Directorate of Information and Public Relations (DIPR), the scourge of the 2020-21 Coronavirus flare-ups outperformed past episodes of plague and jungle fever. Table-4.1 shows that the pace of covid-19 Infection was 1.02 percent which was higher than the public normal (0.95 %) and yet the recuperation rate (1.00 %) was superior to the public normal (0.90%).

**Table-4.1: Covid-19 in mostly affected states viz-a-viz Jammu and Kashmir**

State/UT	Cases (No.)	Recovered (No.)	Deaths (No.)	Population (No.)	Death (%)	Cases (%)	Recovery (%)
Jammu and Kashmir	1,28,000	1,25,000	1,976	12,548,926	0.02	1.02	1.00
Maharashtra	23,50,000	21,50,000	52,996	112,372,972	0.05	2.09	1.91
Kerala	10,90,000	10,60,000	4,422	33,387,677	0.01	3.26	3.17
Karnataka	9,62,000	9,40,000	12,403	61,130,704	0.02	1.57	1.54
Andhra Pradesh	8,92,000	8,84,000	7,185	49,386,799	0.01	1.81	1.79
Tamil Nadu	8,61,000	8,43,000	12,556	72,138,958	0.02	1.19	1.17
Uttar Pradesh	6,06,000	5,95,000	8,750	199,812,341	0.00	0.30	0.30
West Bengal	5,79,000	5,65,000	10,297	91,347,736	0.01	0.63	0.62
<b>India</b>	<b>1,14,00,000</b>	<b>1,10,00,000</b>	<b>159,490</b>	<b>1,210,193,422</b>	<b>0.02</b>	<b>0.95</b>	<b>0.90</b>

Source: JHU CSSE COVID-19 Data, March 17, 2021

#### 4.5 COVID-19 PANDEMIC IN JAMMU AND KASHMIR UT AND CENTRAL HANDLING

**Table-4.2: Foodgrains and horticultural produce in Jammu and Kashmir vis-à-vis India**

Rice and wheat production in MT, Vegetables and fruits, production in '000 MT

State/ UT	Rice		Wheat		Vegetables		Fruits	
	2019-20	2020-21	2019-20	2020-21	2019-20	2020-21	2019-20	2020-21
<b>J&amp;K</b>	143.38	144.52	671.9	671.9	1.32	1.33	2.14	2.54
<b>India</b>	118.87	120.32	107.86	109.24	169064	176177	299853	299853

Source: Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India

These impacts are not bound to trade and business works out; the provincial region endured genuinely contemplating the agrarian commonness of Jammu and Kashmir, unequivocally during the hour of the erupt. Enormous disease of Coronavirus came about into extreme absence of workforce as the moved workforce returned to their local spots. Because of this work lack happened as well as the wages of neighbourhood work likewise expanded. These factors set off the deficiency of some cultivating produce and loss of creation and usefulness. Because of this these elements, the agribusiness and

unified areas in the locale confronted a difficult time as far as accessibility of data sources and work, which came about into loss of creation and bad quality produce during the season which was validated by the apple produce of the year 2020 having high irritation invasion and sickness ridden. Table-4.2 records the creation of significant food-grains and rural results of the UT opposite India.

As exhibited in Table-4.2, it appears to be that there is no critical impact on the creation of major farming and agricultural produce in India and Jammu and Kashmir. In any case, it is especially pertinent to note here that despite the fact that creation has not endured which a positive sign and yet the nature of the produce was not sufficient of fulfilment and furthermore the produce couldn't reach to the reasonable mandis and market with the outcome the maker in the year needs to exposed an enormous misfortune. Toward the day's end, exhaustion of survivors upset key developing cycles like planting and gathering of yields similarly as the planning of property produce.

**Table-4.3: Foodgrain and Horticulture Production in India**

(Million Tonnes)

<b>Year</b>	<b>Foodgrains Production</b>	<b>Horticulture Production</b>
2004-05	198.36	166.94
2005-06	208.60	182.82
2006-07	217.28	191.81
2007-08	230.78	211.24
2008-09	234.47	214.72
2009-10	218.11	223.09
2010-11	244.50	240.53
2011-12	259.29	257.28
2012-13	257.13	268.85
2013-14	265.57	277.35
2014-15	252.02	280.99
2015-16	251.57	286.19
2016-17	275.68	299.85
2019-20	296.65	320.48
2020-21	298.43	326.48
CAGR (%)	0.030	0.049

*Source: Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare*

Table-4.3 shows the general situation of agrarian and plant execution in India. From the table it is clear that due to Coronavirus pandemic there is not really any effect on the by and large foodgrains and green creation of the country. The foodgrains and green creation shows increment with an accumulate yearly development pace of 0.030 and 0.049 percent individually from 2004-05 to 2020-21.

**Table-4.4: Household consumption during and after lockdown in Jammu and Kashmir (g/capita/day)**

Items	Pre-lockdown phase	Lockdown phase	Post-lockdown phase
Vegetables	163.2	201.9	179.9
Non-vegetarian items (Meat, Fish, eggs)	19.7	12.12	17.6
Milk	211.1	111.5	205.0

During the lockdown stage in UT, the utilization of food things like vegetables and other non-veggie lover things shows an alternate pattern. From the table it very well may be anticipated that the utilization of vegetables has expanded in the lockdown period in view of the non-accessibility of the non-veggie lover things attributable to the conclusion to street transport and markets in the UT. The utilization of the relative multitude of recorded things in Table-4.4 came to the ordinary or considerably higher than that once the lock down was finished in a steady and stepwise savvy way.

#### **4.6 CONCLUSION**

Jammu and Kashmir experienced impressively warmth and agony of pandemic of 2020-21. The public authority (focal and UT) was surprised for the 2020-21 Coronavirus pandemic in Jammu and Kashmir. The causes remained dim and canvassed stealthily. This chapter concludes that there was no significant impact of covid -19 on the overall food production in the UT, the less number of CA stores though created a situation of insecurity in the UT, but due to early stage of fruit bearing it couldn't add too much to the woes of the growers. The chapter also concluded that compared to other states the causalities in the Ut were not so high which could have created havoc in the UT in spite of having dearth in health infrastructure. The results concluded that covid-19 has not affected the fruit production in the country so is the case with UT as well which is marked by the overall increase in horticultural production in the country.

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