

**Fair Average Quality (FAQ) Grade Specifications of Arhar (Tur), Moong & Urad  
for procurement under Price Support Scheme (PSS)**

Pulses shall have reasonably uniform size, shape and colour.

Pulses shall be sweet, clean, wholesome and free from moulds, weevils, obnoxious smell, discoloration, admixture of deleterious substances (including added colouring matter) and all other impurity except to the extent indicated in the schedule.

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>Special Characteristics</b>	<b>Maximum limits of tolerance (% by weight per qtl.) for FAQ</b>
1.	Foreign matter	2
2.	Admixture	3
3.	Damaged pulses	3
4.	Slightly damaged pulses	4
5.	Immature and shrivelled pulses	3
6.	Weevilled pulses	4
7.	Moisture	12

1. Foreign matters include dust, stones, lumps of earth, chaff husks stem, straw or any other impurity including edible and non-edible seeds.
2. Admixture means any pulses other than the principal pulses.
3. Damaged pulses are those pulses that are internally/damaged or discoloured to such an extent that the damage or discolouration materially affects the quality of the pulses.
4. Slightly damaged pulses are those pulses that are superficially damaged or discoloured such damage or discolouration not materially affecting the quality of the pulses.
5. Immature and shrivelled pulses are those pulses that are not properly developed.
6. Weevilled pulses are those pulses that are partially or wholly bored or eaten by weevil or other grain insects.