

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 981
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10/02/2023

MILLET PRODUCTION

981. SHRI RAKESH SINHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total estimated millet production in the country;
- (b) their distribution among the States and UTs;
- (c) the types of millets being produced in India; and
- (d) whether Government is considering to form a millets commission to examine its production and distribution and rationalise its use?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): The State / UT-wise production of millets in the country for the year 2020-21 is given at **Annexure**.

(c) and (d): The various types of millets cultivated in the country includes Sorghum (jowar), Pearl millet (bajra), Finger millet (ragi/mandua), Foxtail millet (kangni/Italian millet), Little millet (kutki), Kodo millet (Kodo), barnyard millet (sawan/jhangora), Proso millet (cheena/common millet) and Brown top millet (korale). The United Nation's General Assembly (UNGA) declared 2023 as International Year of Millets. Government of India has decided to celebrate IYOM-2023 to make it peoples' movement so that the Indian millets, recipes, value added products are accepted globally. In view of health benefits of the millets, the objectives are creating domestic & global demand of millets, focusing on strategies to enhance climate resilient Nutri-cereals production, consumption, export, branding etc.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Q. No. 981 due for
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Production of Millets in the year 2020-21

(in 000'tonnes)

State	Millets*
Andhra Pradesh	540.61
Arunachal Pradesh	27.62
Assam	3.26
Bihar	10.31
Chhattisgarh	26.24
Gujarat	1091.97
Haryana	1366.56
Himachal Pradesh	3.13
Jammu & Kashmir	8.61
Jharkhand	17.72
Karnataka	2569.08
Kerala	0.57
Madhya Pradesh	1024.13
Maharashtra	2513.82
Meghalaya	2.72
Nagaland	11.31
Odisha	55.16
Punjab	0.26
Rajasthan	5155.67
Sikkim	2.13
Tamil Nadu	905.26
Telangana	166.33
Tripura	1.46
Uttar Pradesh	2298.20
Uttarakhand	200.85
West Bengal	6.98
Puducherry	0.28
Delhi	8.15
D & N Haveli	1.40
Daman and Diu	0.75
All India	18020.55

* Millets include Jowar, Bajra, Ragi and Small Millets.
