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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3218
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28/03/2025

PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT OF MILLETS

3218. DR. VIKRAMJIT SINGH SAHNEY:

Will the Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare be pleased to state:

- (a) the millets produced in the country in the past three years, State-wise including Punjab;
- (b) the share of millets production in the agricultural production;
- (c) the quantum of millets procured under Minimum Support Price (MSP) in last three years, State-wise, millet-wise; and
- (d) whether Government is planning to add millets in the Public Distribution System (PDS)?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
(SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) & (b): As per Final Estimates, 2023-24, the share of millets in the total foodgrains production is approximately 5.29%. Further, the state-wise production of millets in the country over the last three years is provided in the **Annexure-I**.

(c) & (d): The quantum of millets procured under Minimum Support Price (MSP) in last three years, State-wise, millet-wise is given at **Annexure II**.

Under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY), foodgrains are being provided to States/UTs for distribution through Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS). The term 'foodgrains' is defined as rice, wheat & coarse grains or any combination thereof conforming to such quality norms as may be determined, by order, by the Central Government from time to time. In addition to this, the State/UT Governments may formulate food or nutrition-based plans or schemes providing for benefits higher than the benefits provided under PMGKAY.

Coarse grains/ Millets are also allocated under PDS in lieu of equal quantity of wheat/rice (as requested by the State) while ensuring that the overall quantity of rice, wheat and coarse grains has to be within the upper ceiling fixed in respect of each State/ UTs.

Annexure-I

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) and (b) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Q No. 3218
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Total Millets Production

States	Production (Thousand Tonnes)		
	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Punjab	0.76	0.41	0.55
Rajasthan	4279.74	5673.60	4885.68
Uttar Pradesh	2225.65	2368.58	2699.53
Maharashtra	2305.38	1898.58	2163.74
Karnataka	2053.60	2032.60	2161.54
Gujarat	1179.08	1364.09	1408.90
Madhya Pradesh	1181.40	1253.55	1302.01
Haryana	1132.15	1213.97	1171.12
Tamil Nadu	765.48	630.22	676.37
Andhra Pradesh	359.15	375.92	428.59
Telangana	122.76	132.40	255.58
Uttarakhand	200.38	175.77	167.57
Odisha	68.08	76.34	94.83
Jharkhand	18.07	13.62	31.95
Arunachal Pradesh	28.01	28.45	28.79
Chhattisgarh	28.18	23.54	25.94
Nagaland	8.22	14.00	19.82
Others	44.43	45.99	49.66
All India	15999.76	17321.22	17571.62

Source: DA&FW

Annexure-II

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) and (d) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Q No. 3218 Due for reply on 28.3.2025

Procurement of Millets under MSP

(Metric Tonnes)

Year	Commodity	Andhra Pradesh	Gujarat	Haryana	Karnataka	Madhya Pradesh	Maharashtra	Uttar Pradesh	Odisha	Uttarakhand	Tamilnadu	Total (Mt)
2021-22	Jowar (Kharif)	-	-	-	103920	32393	20262	0	-	-	-	156575
	Jowar (Rabi)	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	0
	Bajra	-	7284	-	0	5400	567	0	-	-	-	13251
	Maize (Kharif)	-	389	-	0	0	19615	2763	-	-	-	22767
	Maize (Rabi)	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	0
	Ragi	-	-	-	404784	0	253	0	32302	-	-	437339
	Total	-	7673	-	508703	37793	40697	2763	32302	-	-	629931
2022-23	Jowar	-	0	-	76897	258	1378	0	-	-	-	78533
	Jowar (Rabi)	3621	685	-	0	0	2358	0	-	-	-	6664
	Bajra	-	766	81147	0	0	10	43437	-	-	-	125360
	Bajra (Rabi)	-	56645	-	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	56645
	Maize	-	0	-	0	0	48	0	-	-	-	48
	Maize (Rabi)	-	197	-	0	0	12877	0	-	-	-	13074
	Ragi	4	0	-	454404	0	636	0	-	1186	515	456745
	Total	3625	58293	81147	531301	258	17308	43437	-	1186	515	737069
2023-24	Jowar	24466			85402		462	13340				123670
	Jowar (Rabi)	4903	2946		105019		86624.9					199493
	Bajra		33359	231334				355038				619731
	Bajra (Rabi)		76726									76726
	Maize						25	4451				4476
	Maize (Rabi)						56					56
	Ragi	376	0.75		226576		189	0.7		1889	1889	230920
	Total	29745	113032	231334	416997		87357	372830		1889	1889	1255073

Source: DFPD
