GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH & EDUCATION

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3853 ANSWERED ON- 04/04/2025

RELOCATION OF HEADQUARTER OF INDIAN INSTITUTE OF MILLETS RESEARCH

3853. SHRI RAMJI LAL SUMAN:

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

(a) whether the headquarter of the Indian Institute of Millets Research is located in Hyderabad;

(b) whether it is a fact that the cultivation and production of millets is highest in States like Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh;

(c) the details of millet cultivation and production, State-wise, hectare-wise; and

(d) whether the Ministry will consider relocating the headquarters of the Indian Institute of Millets Research to a State with higher millet cultivation and production, with a view to provide greater convenience to the local population and enable official to conduct research on millet farming while residing in the production area?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI BHAGIRATH CHOUDHARY)

(a): Yes. The headquarters of ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research (IIMR) is in Hyderabad.

(b): Nine (9) millet crops namely Pearl Millet (bajra), Sorghum (jowar), Finger millet (ragi), Foxtail millet (kangni), Little millet (kutki), Kodo millet (Kodo), Proso millet (cheena), Barnyard millet (sawan) and Brown-top millet are mainly cultivated in our country. The total area under all millets together is highest in Rajasthan followed by Maharashtra whereas total production of all millets is highest in Rajasthan followed by Uttar Pradesh.

(c): Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka and Madhya Pradesh are the main states cultivating millets. The state-wise millets cultivation and production are given in **Annexure**.

(d): At present, there is no such proposal. However, there are four All India Coordinated Research Project on Sorghum and millets at Udaipur, Jodhpur, Bikaner and Jaipur and one Regional Research Station of ICAR-IIMR at Gudamalini, Barmer on Bajra in Rajasthan state.

Annexure

[Part (c) of Rajya Sabha USQ No. 3853 dated 04/04/2025]

States/ UTs	Area (thousand ha)	Production (thousand tonnes)
	2023-24	2023-24
Andhra Pradesh	168.54	428.59
Arunachal Pradesh	27.76	28.79
Assam	8.73	6.76
Bihar	7.28	7.01
Chhattisgarh	44.62	25.94
Dadra And Nagar Haveli	1.35	2.19
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Delhi	4.32	7.38
Gujarat	584.65	1408.90
Haryana	546.96	1171.12
Himachal Pradesh	3.00	2.08
Jammu And Kashmir	19.32	9.92
Jharkhand	32.92	31.95
Karnataka	1792.00	2161.54
Kerala	1.29	1.00
Madhya Pradesh	615.00	1302.01
Maharashtra	2271.60	2163.74
Meghalaya	3.07	2.83
Nagaland	18.04	19.82
Odisha	115.73	94.83
Puducherry	0.14	0.41
Punjab	0.70	0.55
Rajasthan	4801.07	4885.68
Sikkim	1.81	1.90
Tamil Nadu	495.75	676.37
Telangana	114.00	255.58
Tripura	1.05	1.03
Uttar Pradesh	1348.00	2699.53
Uttarakhand	109.26	167.57
West Bengal	7.21	6.61
Others	NA	NA
All India	13145.16	17571.62

State-wise Area & Production of Shree Anna /Total Millets (2023-24)

@ Merged with Dadra and Nagar Haveli

NA – Not Applicable
