GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-3991
ANSWERED ON- 04/04/2025

PURCHASE OF COTTON BY CCI

3991. SHRI SANDEEP KUMAR PATHAK:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

 (a) the details of production of cotton during the last five years, State-wise;

 (b) the details of the quantity of cotton purchased by the Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) and MSP during the last five years, State-wise, year-wise;

 (c) whether there is an overall decline in the cotton purchases by CCI in the last few years, especially in the State of Punjab, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to ensure purchase of cotton from the farmers by the CCI?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a):   State-wise details of production of cotton during the last five years and current year are as under:

State	Production (in lakh bales)					
	2019-20	**2020-21**	**2021-22**	**2022-23**	**2023-24**	**2024-25 (P)**
Punjab	9.50	10.23	6.46	4.44	6.29	2.72
Haryana	26.50	18.23	13.16	10.01	15.09	12.44
Rajasthan	29.00	32.07	24.81	27.74	26.22	18.45
Gujarat	89.00	72.18	75.09	87.95	90.57	71.34
Maharashtra	87.00	101.05	82.49	83.16	80.45	89.09
Madhya Pradesh	20.00	13.38	14.20	14.33	18.01	15.35
Telangana	54.00	57.97	48.78	57.45	50.80	49.86
Andhra Pradesh	18.00	16.00	17.08	15.41	7.37	8.77
Karnataka	20.00	23.20	19.55	25.68	20.59	19.15
Tamil Nadu	6.00	2.43	3.02	3.19	2.52	1.30
Orissa	4.00	5.51	6.26	7.05	7.05	5.17
Others	2.00	0.23	0.27	0.19	0.26	0.61
TOTAL	**365.00**	**352.48**	**311.17**	**336.60**	**325.22**	**294.25**
Source: CoCPC data as on 24.03.2025				P-Provisional		

(b): State-wise procurement under MSP operations by CCI and MSCCGMFL (a sub- agent of CCI) during last five years and current year are as under:

State	Procurement of cotton under MSP operations (Lakh Bales)					
	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25*
Punjab	3.56	5.36	-	-	0.38	0.02
Haryana	6.22	10.57	-	-	0.43	0.62
Rajasthan	3.76	9.11	-	-	0.52	0.50
Gujarat	11.05	4.15	-	-	0.91	14.04
Maharashtra	45.71	24.95	-	-	2.44	29.31
Madhya Pradesh	4.43	4.44	-	-	1.27	3.95
Telangana	41.80	34.01	-	-	24.00	40.38
Andhra Pradesh	2.68	3.42	-	-	1.30	3.83
Karnataka	3.50	1.26	-	-	0.62	5.22
Orissa	1.61	2.06	-	-	0.95	2.06
West Bengal	0.0003	0.001	-	-	0.00	0.00
Tamil Nadu	0.28	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**124.61**	**99.33**	**-**	**-**	**32.84**	**99.93**

* upto 26.03.2025

Note: During cotton season 2021-22 & 2022-23 market prices were over and above the MSP rates, hence procurement under MSP was Nil.

(c): CCI safeguards the interests of cotton farmers by opening adequate procurement centres, where its officials remain present throughout the cotton season to ensure the implementation of Minimum Support Price (MSP). There are no fixed targets or quantity restrictions for cotton procurement under MSP operations. CCI has opened 18 procurement centres across six districts in Punjab in order to facilitate adequate procurement and implementation of MSP. However, the volume of cotton procurement varies depending on market conditions and farmers have the liberty to sell their produce either to CCI or private parties.

(d): Following measures have been taken to ensure cotton procurement from farmers:

i. In the 2024-2025 cotton season, the Cotton Corporation of India has opened 508 procurement centers across 152 districts in 12 cotton-producing states.

ii. On the spot Aadhaar authentication (via OTP/biometric devices) for mandatory farmer registration.

iii. A new SMS service, launched for the 2024-25 cotton season, sends farmers notifications once their bill is generated and payment is confirmed, linking directly to their Aadhaar number.

iv. 100% payments are made directly into the Aadhaar linked bank accounts of cotton farmers through the National Automated Clearing House (NACH), ensuring that MSP benefits reach the genuine farmers.

v. The Cott-Ally mobile app, available in nine regional languages, is used to raise awareness among cotton farmers about MSP rates, the nearest procurement centers and payment tracking etc.

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