

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4810
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2016

WOOL PRODUCTION

4810. SHRI RAGHAV LAKHANPAL:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of wool produced in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) the details of import and export of wool during the said period, country-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has set up/ proposes to set up Certified Wool Testing Laboratories in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the funds allocated and utilised for the purpose during the said period?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र मंत्री (श्रीमती स्मृति जूबिन इरानी)
MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a): The quantum of production of wool in the country during the last three year was 47.90 m Kg (2013-14), 48.13 m Kg (2014-15), 43.58 m Kg (2015-16) and 44.07 m Kg is projected to be produced in 2016-17. The State-wise information is at **Annexure**.

(b): The details of import and export of wool during the said period to top 5 countries are as under:

• **India's Top 5 Export Markets of Wool (US\$ Million)**

Rank	Country	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017 (Apr- Sept)
1	Italy	17.4	19.4	13.7	6.5
2	Republic of Korea	7.4	7.2	7.8	2.5
3	Germany	5.1	5.4	6.2	0.3
4	China	1.6	2.6	3.7	1.5
5	Bulgaria	1.8	3.9	3.3	0.0
	India Total Exports	53.7	54.7	48.3	18.1

Source- : DGCI&S

• **India's Top 5 Suppliers of Wool (US\$ Million)**

Rank	Country	2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017 (Apr- Sept)
1	Australia	158.8	174.9	164.7	80.0
2	New Zealand	26.3	36.1	28.6	14.7
3	South Africa	21.5	15.2	13.3	3.4
4	Syria	5.3	10.6	15.6	6.8
5	China	8.8	13.5	12.1	4.8
	India Total Imports	330.1	356.4	309.3	142.8

Source- : DGCI&S

(c) to (d): There is a lab under Wool Research Association (WRA), Thane, Maharashtra which is accredited by Interrwollabs Bradforts and NABL. The Government has provided financial support of RS.440 lakhs to develop the laboratory of Wool Research Association as 'Centre of Excellence for Wool'. Out of the released amount of Rs.440 lakhs, WRA, Thane has utilized Rs.350 lakhs for procurement and installation of different equipment/machineries at the laboratory.

ANNEXURE**State-wise production of wool in the country (State-wise) during the year 2013-14 to 2016-2017 (projected)**

(Quantity in Thousand Kg.)

S. No.	States/UTs	2013-14 (000 Kg)	2014-15 (000 Kg)	2015-16 (000 Kg.)	2016-17 Target
1	Andhra Pradesh	5036.83	778.23	788.63	792.00
2	Bihar	270.60	278.42	240.16	316.00
3	Chhattisgarh	105.95	115.53	90.15	91.00
4	Gujarat	2578.06	2577.41	2282.65	2262.00
5	Haryana	1390.41	1428.69	702.17	700.00
6	Himachal Pradesh	1654.99	1663.07	1408.87	1500.00
7	Jammu & Kashmir	8709.70	8371.01	6865.65	6865.65
8	Jharkhand	156.13	160.76	165.82	172.40
9	Karnataka	7754.53	8821.44	8191.42	7363.00
10	Madhya Pradesh	466.34	483.83	442.39	405.67
11	Maharashtra	1538.62	1385.78	1389.89	1395.00
12	Punjab	557.73	460.89	472.69	
13	Rajasthan	15026.77	14463.36	13414.61	13550.00
14	Sikkim	1.00	0	0	1.70
15	Tamil Nadu	1.83	1.20	1.36	2.00
16	Telangana	0	4422.97	4562.41	4700.00
17	Uttar Pradesh	1472.55	1493.71	1264.98	2623.30
18	Uttarakhand	440.44	468.93	513.33	538.00
19	West Bengal	725.17	740.40	748.47	753.00
20	Arunachal Pradesh	21.55	24.23	35.70	38.50
	All India Wool Prod.	47908.88	48139.88	43581.34	44069.22

(Source: Ministry of Agri. & Farmers Welfare)
