GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.342 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 18TH JULY, 2017

CULTIVATION OF KHARIF CROPS

342. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA: SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO: KUNWAR HARIBANSH SINGH: SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the total estimated acreage under cultivation of Kharif Crops during the current season as compared to that of the last season, crop and State-wise;

(b) whether the Government has estimated the production of Kharif crops for the current season and if so, the details thereof, crop and State-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide adequate incentives/assistances to the farmers for sowing Rabi and Kharif grains and to procure their produce at reasonable price and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to enhance the production and acreage of Rabi Crops also in the country; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to discourage the import of agricultural produce in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA)

(a): As per the preliminary reports received from State Governments, Crop-wise and Statewise details of area coverage under kharif crops during current year (As on 14.07.2017) as compared to the corresponding period of last year are given in the **Annexure-I**.

(b): No, Madam. The first official estimates of production of kharif crops are normally released in the month of September.

(c) to (e): To ensure remunerative prices to farmers, the Government has increased Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) of kharif and rabi crops for 2016-17 and of kharif crops for 2017-18. In addition, Government has also announced bonus to incentivize farmers for production of pulses and oilseeds. The MSPs fixed by the Government for 2016-17 and 2017-18 are given in the **Annexure – II.**

In order to increase production and acreage of rabi and kharif crops in the country, the Government of India is implementing through State Governments several Crops Development Schemes/Programmes such as National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India (BGREI), National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP), National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), Sinchavee Health Pradhan Mantri Krishi Yojana, Soil Card etc. Under these Schemes/Programmes, funds are provided to States for implementation of State-specific agricultural strategies including incentives to farmers for use of quality seeds, Integrated Nutrient Management (INM), Integrated Pest Management (IPM), farm-mechanization, etc. The States are also provided support for creation of agricultural infrastructure for optimal use of water and other natural resources.

To discourage the import of agricultural produce and to safe- guard the interests of the farmers appropriate duty on import of various agricultural items are imposed from time to time.

Annexure - I

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Question No. 342 due for reply on 18.07.2017

Area Coverage under Kharif major Crops during the current year i.e. 2017-18 (As on 14.07.2017) as compared to corresponding period of last year

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S.N o.	States	Rice		Coarse Cerelas		Pulses		Foodgrains		Oilseeds		Sugarcane		Cotton	
		(2017-18)	(2016-17)	(2017- 18)	(2016-17)	(2017-18)	(2016-17)	(2017-18)	(2016- 17)	(2017-18)	(2016-17)	(2017- 18)	(2016-17)	(2017-18)	(2016- 17)
1	Andhra Pradesh	1.56	2.13	0.52	0.49	0.71	1.63	2.79	4.25	1.95	6.28	2.40	2.30	2.85	2.03
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1.31	1.34	0.56	0.59	0.06	0.06	1.93	1.99	0.07	0.26				
3	Assam	5.72	7.93	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.05	5.77	7.98	0.08	0.05				
4	Bihar	8.16	6.15	3.54	3.04	0.62	0.54	12.32	9.73	0.02	0.02	1.86	1.87		
5	Chhattisgarh	16.77	18.27	0.79	0.87	0.33	0.51	17.89	19.65	0.82	1.09				
6	Goa	0.10	0.04					0.10	0.04						
7	Gujarat	1.26	0.84	3.15	2.39	2.37	1.33	6.78	4.56	14.29	11.02	1.03	1.12	19.90	13.65
8	Haryana	8.41	7.01	4.46	3.76	0.11	0.33	12.98	11.10	0.05	0.05	4.45	4.17	6.56	4.98
9	Himachal Pradesh	0.72	0.57	3.01	3.04	0.17	0.12	3.90	3.73	0.00	0.00				
10	J & K	0.96	0.63	1.96	1.94	0.19	0.10	3.11	2.67	0.10	0.05				
11	Jharkhand	2.10	1.16	1.45	0.68	0.79	0.40	4.34	2.24	0.00	0.04				
12	Karnataka	1.72	1.78	7.60	11.81	8.66	12.04	17.98	25.63	3.94	6.97	0.99	0.76	2.41	1.71
13	Kerala	0.53	0.52	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.53	0.52	0.00	0.00				
14	Madhya Pradesh	6.43	3.87	11.81	10.47	14.68	7.17	32.92	21.51	38.59	51.65	9.18	6.33	4.88	5.00
15	Maharashtra	2.03	1.34	11.47	8.65	13.28	10.31	26.78	20.30	26.04	18.06	0.95	0.92	31.36	29.91
16	Manipur	1.69	1.84			0.02	0.00	1.71	1.84						
17	Meghalaya	1.10	0.97			0.00	0.00	1.10	0.97						
18	Mizoram	0.20	0.36			0.00	0.00	0.20	0.36						
19	Nagaland	1.98	1.97			0.00	0.00	1.98	1.97						
20	Odisha	11.64	10.28	1.73	1.71	1.75	0.89	15.12	12.88	0.84	0.44			1.05	0.80
21	Punjab	25.76	26.09	1.23	1.14	0.18	0.13	27.17	27.36	0.03	0.03	2.54	2.61	3.85	2.56
22	Rajasthan	0.66	0.51	47.26	33.60	25.08	13.75	73.00	47.86	14.20	13.74			4.90	3.68
23	Sikkim	0.00	0.00			0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
24	Tamil Nadu	1.13	1.71	0.37	0.32	0.53	0.81	2.03	2.84	0.34	0.44	21.12	21.79	0.05	0.03
25	Telangana	0.93	0.82	2.99	3.96	2.31	5.63	6.23	10.41	1.62	2.92			12.78	9.41
26	Tripura	0.36	0.46			0.00	0.00	0.36	0.46						
27	Uttar Pradesh	15.91	15.14	5.76	6.85	2.16	3.99	23.83	25.98	0.42	2.05	0.84	0.73		
28	Uttarakhand	1.95	1.90	1.91	1.99	0.51	0.48	4.37	4.37	0.23	0.16	0.20	0.21		
29	West Bengal	4.59	4.60	0.31	0.28	0.05	0.04	4.95	4.92	0.02	0.03	0.37	0.40		
30	Puducherry							0.00	0.00						
31	Others	0.10	0.09	1.18	1.22	0.00	0.00	1.28	1.31	0.27	0.39	0.67	0.66	0.29	0.17
	All-India	125.77	120.32	113.06	98.79	74.61	60.28	313.44	279.39	103.92	115.75	47.94	45.22	90.88	73.93

Annexure-II

MINIMUM SUPPORT PRICES

(According to crop year)

(As on 09.06.2017)

(Rs. per quintal)

SI. No.	Commodity	Variety	2016-17	2017-18	(#) increase in MSP 2017-18 over 2016-17		
	KHARIF CROPS						
1	PADDY	Common	1470	1550	80(5.4)		
		Grade 'A'	1510	1590	80(5.3)		
2	JOWAR	Hybrid	1625	1700	75(4.6)		
		Maldandi	1650	1725	75(4.5)		
3	BAJRA		1330	1425	95(7.1)		
4	MAIZE		1365	1425	60(4.3)		
5	RAGI		1725	1900	175(10.1)		
6	ARHAR(Tur)		5050^^	5450^	400(7.9)		
7	MOONG		5225^^	5575^	350(6.7)		
8	URAD		5000^^	5400^	400(8)		
9	COTTON	Medium Staple	3860	4020	160(4.1)		
		Long Staple	4160	4320	160(3.8)		
10	GROUNDNUT IN SHELL		4220*	4450^	230(5.5)		
11	SUNFLOWER SEED		3950*	4100*	150(3.8)		
12	SOYABEEN		2775*	3050^	275(9.9)		
13	SESAMUM		5000^	5300*	300(6)		
14	NIGERSEED		3825*	4050*	225(5.9)		
	RABI CROPS						
15	WHEAT		1625				
16	BARLEY		1325				
17	GRAM		4000^				
18	MASUR (LENTIL)		3950@				
19	RAPESEED/MUSTARD		3700*				
20	SAFFLOWER		3700*				
21	TORIA		3560				
	OTHER CROPS						
22	COPRA	Milling	5950	6500	550(9.2)		
	(Calender Year)	Ball	6240	6785	545(8.7)		
23	DE-HUSKED COCONUT (Calender Year)		1600	1760	160(10)		
24	JUTE		3200	3500	300(9.3)		
25	SUGARCANE\$		230.00	255	25(10.9)		

Figures in brackets indicate percentage increase.

\$ Fair and remunerative price.

* Including Bonus of Rs. 100 per quintal.

** Including Bonus of Rs. 75 per quintal .

[^] Including Bonus of Rs. 200 per quintal.

^{^^} Including Bonus of Rs. 425 per quintal.

@ Including Bonus of Rs. 150 per quintal