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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3580**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 8<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2017

**AGRICULTURAL LAND**

3580. SHRI HARIOM SINGH RATHORE:

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

- (a) the quantum of agriculture land for cultivation of crops in the year 1991 in various States and Union Territories of the country along with number of population during that period;
- (b) the names of States and the quantum of land of which land use was changed after the year 1991 in the country;
- (c) the quantum of land out of agricultural land which was changed to commercial and residential land along with the details; and
- (d) the quantum of land encroached and the number from which encroachment was removed along with details?

**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 report on Land Use Statistics and Census of India, the details of State/UTs-wise area under Agricultural Land / Cultivable Land and State/UTs-wise number of population in the country in 1991 are at **Annexure-I**.

(b): While there is shift in agricultural land for non-agricultural purposes, the details of agricultural land put to non-agricultural uses are not maintained separately. However, as per report on Land Use Statistics for 2014-15 (latest available), the State-wise details of area under non-agricultural uses in the country during 1991 and 2014-15 are at **Annexure-II**.

(c) & (d): As per Seventh Schedule of Constitution of India, land comes under the purview of State Governments and, therefore, it is for the State Governments to take suitable steps to check diversion of agricultural land for non-agricultural purposes. However, under the National Policy for Farmers – 2007 (NPF -2007), State Governments have been advised to earmark lands with low biological potential such as uncultivable land, land affected by salinity, acidity, etc., for non-agricultural development activities, including industrial and construction activities. National Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy – 2007 (NRRP-2007) has also recommended that as far as possible, projects may be set up on waste land, degraded land or un-irrigated land. Acquisition of irrigated, multi-cropped agricultural land for non-agricultural uses may be kept to the minimum and avoided, to the extent possible. Further, Ministry of Rural Development is implementing an Integrated Watershed Management Programme (IWMP) for development of rainfed/ degraded areas. The IWMP has been converted to the Watershed Component of the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) from the financial year 2015-16.

Further, since land comes under the purview of State Governments, the information on quantum of land encroached and encroachment removed is not maintained.

## Annexure-I

### Annexure referred in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q. No. 3580 due for reply on 08.08.2017

Details of State/UTs-wise Agricultural Land and population in the country

States/UTs	Agricultural Land/Cultivable land in 1991-92 (Thousand Hectares)	Population in 1991 (In thousand)
Andhra Pradesh	15903	66508
Arunachal Pradesh	267	865
Assam	3228	22414
Bihar	11110	86374
Goa	221	1170
Gujarat	12360	41310
Haryana	3811	16464
Himachal Pradesh	805	5171
Jammu & Kashmir	1049	7719
Karnataka	12886	44977
Kerala	2446	29099
Madhya Pradesh	22812	66181
Maharashtra	21686	78937
Manipur	164	1837
Meghalaya	1078	1775
Mizoram	583	690
Nagaland	649	1210
Orissa	8085	31660
Punjab	4364	20282
Rajasthan	25704	44006
Sikkim	114	406
Tamil Nadu	8389	55859
Tripura	310	2757
Uttar Pradesh	20833	139112
West Bengal	5926	68078
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	77	281
Chandigarh	2	642
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	25	138
Daman & Diu	7	102
Delhi	70	9421
Lakshadweep	3	52
Pondicherry	34	808
INDIA	185000	846303

Source - 1: Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers welfare.

Source-2 : Census of India, Series-1, Paper 2 of 1992- Final Population Totals - Brief Analysis of Primary Census Abstracts.

Note : The Census was not conducted in J&K in 1991. The figures for J&K are projected population figures for the year 1991.

**Annexure II**

**Annexure referred in reply to part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q. No. 3580 due  
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State-wise details of Area under non-Agricultural Uses for the years 1991-92 and 2014-15  
(latest available)

(thousand hectares)

<b>States/Uts</b>	<b>1991-92</b>	<b>2014-15</b>
ANDHRA PRADESH	2352	2002
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	29	25
ASSAM	914	1271
BIHAR	2127	1712
CHHATTISGARH	State was formed in 2000	741
GOA	20	37
GUJARAT	1121	1171
HARYANA	277	534
HIMACHAL PRADESH	203	350
JAMMU & KASHMIR	291	266
JHARKHAND	State was formed in 2000	706
KARNATAKA	1192	1461
KERALA	301	526
MADHYA PRADESH	2403	2149
MAHARASHTRA	1166	1482
MANIPUR	27	26
MEGHALAYA	84	111
MIZORAM	10	69
NAGALAND	28	93
ORISSA	748	1318
PUNJAB	382	430
RAJASTHAN	1638	1940
SIKKIM	97	10
TAMIL NADU	1853	2199
TELANGANA	State was formed in 2014	885
TRIPURA	133	146
UTTARAKHAND	State was formed in 2000	224
UTTAR PRADESH	2473	3046
WEST BENGAL	1495	1842
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	15	7
CHANDIGARH	8	5
DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	3	4
DAMAN & DIU	1	0
DELHI	64	75
LAKSHADWEEP	0	1
PONDICHERRY	14	19
<b>ALL INDIA</b>	<b>21465</b>	<b>26883</b>

Note: '0' relates to the area below 500 Hectares

Source: Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

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