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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2300
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14TH MARCH, 2023

PRODUCTION OF MILLETS

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

- (a) the details of the total millets production in the country during each of the five years, State-wise;
- (b) the initiatives taken by the Government to increase millets production in various States including Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh;
- (c) the input support provided by the Government to the farmers for millets production;
- (d) whether the Government is making efforts or considering to improve cultivation, acreage and minimum support price for millets as it is a very important source of nutrition for poor farmers and is also very resource efficient; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the achievements made so far and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री
(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): The details of the total millets production in the country during each of the five years, State-wise is given at **Annexure**.

(b) to (e): In order to promote the production of millets, the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) is implementing a Sub- Mission on Nutri-Cereals (Millets) under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) in 212 Districts of 14 States since 2018-19

including the States of Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh. Under NFSM– Nutri Cereals, incentives are provided to the farmers through the States/UTs, on crop production and protection technologies, cropping system based demonstrations, production & distribution of certified seeds of newly released varieties/hybrids, Integrated Nutrient and Pest Management techniques, improved farm implements/tools/resource conservation machineries, water saving devices, capacity building of farmers through trainings during cropping season, organizing events/workshops, distribution of seed minikits, publicity through print and electronic media etc. The interventions such as formation of Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) for Nutri Cereals, setting up Centers of Excellence (CoE) and seed hubs for Nutri Cereals have also been supported under NFSM.

The Government of India is implementing a multi stakeholder approach towards celebration of International Year of Millets (IYM) - 2023. The action plan of IYM-2023 focuses on strategies to enhance production and productivity, consumption, export, strengthening value chain, branding, creating awareness for health benefits etc. Further, a yearlong action plan for monthly activity has been prepared by Central Ministry, State Governments and Indian Embassies to create awareness about millets for increasing production and demand.

Further, Government fixes Minimum Support Price for 22 mandated crops including millets such as Jowar, Bajra and Ragi to ensure remunerative prices to the farmers.

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q. No. 2300 due
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State/ UTs	Total Millets (Jowar, Bajra, Ragi & Small millets) (Lakh Tonnes)					
	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23*
Andhra Pradesh	4.54	3.02	5.14	5.41	3.59	3.53
Gujarat	11.16	10.00	9.90	10.92	11.79	3.98
Haryana	7.46	9.00	10.35	13.67	11.32	10.75
Karnataka	27.39	17.62	25.56	25.69	20.54	22.39
Madhya Pradesh	14.69	8.51	8.96	10.24	11.81	11.72
Maharashtra	24.03	13.19	24.29	25.14	23.05	19.59
Rajasthan	40.62	42.88	51.47	51.56	42.80	55.02
Tamil Nadu	9.27	8.73	10.17	9.05	7.65	7.61
Telangana	0.84	0.72	1.39	1.66	1.23	0.96
Uttar Pradesh	20.15	19.67	21.72	22.98	22.26	20.05
Uttarakhand	2.17	1.80	1.91	2.01	2.00	1.82
Others	2.06	1.96	1.75	1.88	1.95	1.68
All India	164.36	137.11	172.61	180.21	160.00	159.09

* - 2nd Advance Estimates
