

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1909**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> MARCH, 2020

**PRODUCTION OF EDIBLE OILS**

1909. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

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

- (a) whether the Government has any statistics regarding production of edible oils in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of the same during the last three years and the current year, year and State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to launch National Mission on Edible Oil;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government has any plan to encourage oil seed farming and oil palm cultivation in the country, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (f) whether the Government is permitting cultivation of Genetically Modified (GM) oil seeds; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): The production of edible oils in the country during last three year and current year are as under:-

Year	Quantity in lakh tonnes
2016-17	102.11
2017-18	104.15
2018-19	104.85
2019-20	108.92

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Directorate of Economics and Statistics of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare does not maintain State wise statistics on production of edible oil.

(c) & (d): Yes. The Government is planning to launch the National Mission on Edible Oils (NMEO) in order to reduce the import burden and increase the production of domestic vegetable oils availability from primary and secondary sources.

(e): The Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, DAC & FW is implementing restructured Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Food Security Mission (Oilseeds & Oil Palm) from 2018-19 onwards in the country with an objective to increase the production of oilseeds and edible oils.

Apart from this, Targeting Rice Fallow Area (TRFA) is also under implementation in the country to increase the area under oilseeds cultivation. This scheme is being implemented in Eastern States like Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha and West Bengal and also in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Maharashtra to harness the rice fallow area for cultivation of oilseeds.

(f) & (g): Currently no GM oil seed crop varieties are under cultivation in India.

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