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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4252 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29THMARCH, 2022

PROMOTION OF MILLETS

4252. SHRI THIRUNAVUKKARASAR SU: SHRI RAVNEET SINGH BITTU:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषिएवंकिसानकल्याणमंत्री be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is a major producer of millets;

(b) if so, the details thereof including the total production of millets during each of the last three years, State-wise along with the major crops produced in the country;(c) whether the Government has any proposal to launch a programme to ramp up farm-to-fork value chains for millets or coarse cereals and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is taking any measures to increase millets consumption in the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps being taken by the Government to raise the output and branding of 'Indian grown' millets to drive exports and tap India's potential in the growing global market?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषिएवंकिसानकल्याणमंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) Yes, Sir. India is a major millets producing country in the world.

(b)The Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) is implementing millets development programme, as Sub-Mission on Nutri-Cereals (Millets), under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) from 2018-19 to enhance area, production & productivity of millets.TheState-wise production of major crops including millets during last three years is at Annexure.

(c) to (e): In view of health benefits of the millets, Government of India notified millets as nutri-cereals in April 2018. Indian Council of Agricultural Research- Indian Institute of Millets Research, (ICAR-IIMR) Hyderabad is supporting the startups, Farmer Producing Organisations (FPOs) underRashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana – Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied Sectors Rejuvenation (RKVY-RAFTAAR) projectto procure the primary and secondary processing units under

ICAR's- Farmers First Programme providing training to the farmers, home makers, students andyoungentrepreneurs on cultivation practices of millets, value-added millet food products, recipes etc. besides support to establish their own enterprise& own brand. To create domestic & global demand of millets Government of India had proposed to the United Nations for declaring the year 2023 as International Year of Millets (IYoM). The Resolution of India was supported by 72 countries and United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) adopted the resolution and declared 2023 as International Year of Millets in March, 2021. The Government of India has already planned activities for celebrations of IYoM- 2023. The action plan of IYOM-2023 focusseson strategies to enhance production, consumption, export, branding etc.

State wise Production of Major Crops Including Millets during Last Three years (Production in '000 Tonnes)

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State/UT	Coarse Cereals including Millets			Pulses			Food grains		
	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Andhra Pradesh	1864.55	2531.17	2321.57	739.59	1166.72	1094.61	10838.81	12356.78	11299.04
Assam	108.05	131.27	151.17	113.50	106.07	108.70	5465.86	5236.4	5487.51
Bihar	2525.45	2020.88	2109.08	453.46	334.41	376.85	15600.06	14233	15382.59
Chhattisgarh	331.53	370.51	368.45	537.47	241.28	447.52	7558.58	7501.84	8225.52
Gujarat	1802.8	1786.28	1759.59	681.33	1057.27	1809.16	6803.63	8153.43	8973.93
Haryana	972.76	1098.4	1417.58	82.13	64.38	72.66	18145	17863.47	18309.5
Himachal Pradesh	767.53	767.72	764.49	53.57	55.19	60.20	1500.62	1530.12	1535.51
Jharkhand	468.04	525.12	669.51	735.16	814.94	905.36	4399.69	4792.3	4871.69
Karnataka	5519.9	6813.62	7931.22	1773.9	2155.89	2065.03	10888.4	12783.69	14550.07
Kerala	0.62	0.68	0.69	2.31	2.18	1.92	581.18	608.43	636.38
Madhya Pradesh	5147.2	5029.43	4953.65	6045.41	4108.41	5294.7	32208.71	33523.13	32844.23
Maharashtra	3096.69	4392.59	6082.11	2682.54	3736	4321.23	10304.1	12819.86	15766.09
Odisha	169.14	237.06	281.81	412.09	432.46	431.17	8315.21	9030.05	9523.56
Punjab	421.32	433.29	417.63	27.67	29.20	31.08	31532.35	29857.33	30418.34
Rajasthan	6993.32	7333.29	8360.94	3759.38	4497.13	4252.02	21288.77	23227.06	24282.31
Tamil Nadu	3707.97	3493.23	3469.99	551.21	605.41	472.47	10390.12	11269.78	10823.62
Telangana	2155.72	3138.89	1922.9	440.05	549.18	589.75	9275.17	11125.05	12745.62
Uttar Pradesh	3948.85	4388.53	4604.39	2408.01	2447.32	2475.89	54643.42	56169.14	58106.92
Uttarakhand	251.67	265.77	270.32	55.33	57.79	61.31	1876.14	1886.01	2001.84
West Bengal	1741.48	2018.05	2443.6	368.40	384.87	441.91	18689.87	18794.31	20004.64
Other	1064.86	972.59	1023.13	152.96	179.16	149.60	4903.27	4743.27	4952.82
All India	43059.45	47748.37	51323.8	22075.48	23025.26	25463.11	285209	297504.5	310741.7
