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**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 401**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2022

**ESTIMATED FOOD GRAIN PRODUCTION**

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

- (a) the estimated food grain production during the kharif season for the current year and for the last year;
- (b) the details of estimated production of coarse cereals, pulses and oilseeds for the current season;
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to fill up the gap in shortfall if the production is less than average;
- (d) the impact on inflation due to shortfall in food grains production; and
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to control the rise in food prices due to shortfall in production?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री  
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(a) For an agriculture year (July-June), the 1<sup>st</sup> advance estimates (kharif only) is released in the month of September. Hence, it is too early to estimate kharif production of foodgrains for current year 2022-23. However, as per the 3<sup>rd</sup> advance estimates, 2021-22 the kharif foodgrains production is estimated at 154.93 million tonnes.

(b) to (d) During 2021-22, as per 3<sup>rd</sup> advance estimates, the estimated production of coarse cereals, pulses and oilseeds is more than Average production of last 5 years (i.e. 2016-17 to 2020-21) as given in the table below:

<b>(Production in Million Tonnes)</b>		
<b>Crops</b>	<b>2021-22 (3<sup>rd</sup> Advance Estimates)</b>	<b>Average (2016-17 to 2020-21)</b>
Coarse Cereals	50.70	46.57
Pulses	27.75	23.82
Oilseeds	38.50	32.68

(e) Government has taken various measures from time to time to control the rise in food prices which, inter-alia, include appropriately utilizing trade and fiscal policy instruments like import duty, export restrictions, etc. to regulate domestic availability and moderate prices; advising States for effective action against hoarders and black marketers ; and, provision of higher Minimum Support Prices to incentivize farmers for increasing production. Government is also implementing Schemes which, inter alia, include National Food Security Mission (NFSM), National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP), etc. for increasing agricultural production and productivity through appropriate interventions.

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