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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4989**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL, 2025

**PER-HECTARE YIELD OF COTTON CROPS**

4989. SHRI RAO RAJENDRA SINGH:

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

(a) the details of steps taken to increase cotton production within the country, in view of rising imports of the same;

(b) whether the Government has any data on the per-hectare yield of cotton crops cultivated in various parts of the country, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether any steps have been taken to increase the per-hectare yield of cotton, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण राज्य मंत्री (SHRI RAMNATH THAKUR)

(a) to (c): In order to enhance the production and productivity of cotton, the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare is implementing Cotton Development Programme under the National Food Security and Nutrition Mission (NFSNM) (erstwhile NFSM) in 15 major cotton growing States since 2014-15.

Further, a Special Project on Cotton titled 'Targeting technologies to agro-ecological zones-large scale demonstration of best practices to enhance cotton productivity' of ICAR-Central Institute for Cotton Research (CICR), Nagpur has been implemented in 8 major cotton growing states under NFSNM during 2023-24 and is ongoing during 2024-25 to enhance the productivity of cotton.

The Government has been increasing the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of cotton over the years to encourage farmers for cultivation of cotton and ensure remunerative prices. During the year 2024-25, MSP for medium-staple cotton and long-staple cotton has increased to Rs. 7121/quintal and Rs. 7521/quintal, respectively, which is 7.6% and 7.1% higher than the previous year.

The details of yield of Cotton for the major producing States from the year 2022-23 to 2024-25 are given as under:

States	Yield (Kg/Ha)		
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25*
Maharashtra	338	323	371
Gujarat	602	574	507
Telangana	495	475	468
Karnataka	460	471	486
Rajasthan	579	444	500
Madhya Pradesh	410	486	486
Haryana	296	444	366
Andhra Pradesh	372	297	368
Odisha	554	554	596
Punjab	303	500	463
Tamil Nadu	313	330	353
All India	443	436	437

Source: DA&FW | \* - As per Second Advance Estimates