

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 335
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 22ND JULY, 2025

PRODUCTION OF MILLETS

335. SHRI BASTIPATI NAGARAJU:

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

- (a) the details on the total production of millets across the country during the last five years, state-wise, district-wise and by the type of millet;
- (b) the details the amount of millets (in metric tonnes and dollars) exported abroad during the last five years, country-wise;
- (c) whether the Government plans to initiate any incentives for farmers to increase the growth of millets, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government has invested in Research and Development (R&D) for high-yielding seeds for millets if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether the Government has allocated funds for the Research and Development for the same, 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): The country has achieved a total millet production of 180.15 lakh tonnes in 2024-25 which is higher by 4.43 lakh tonnes from the previous year. The details on the state-wise production, by the types of millets across the country during the last five years are given at **Annexure I**.

Further, the district-wise production details, by the types of millets is available at UPAg Portal (<https://upag.gov.in>).

(b): The details of the amount of millets (in metric tonnes and dollars) exported abroad during the last five years, country-wise are given at **Annexure II**.

(c) to (e): In order to increase the growth of millets (Shree Anna), 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 28 States & 2 Union Territories viz. Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh. In addition, the Government of India also provides flexibility to the states for state specific needs/priorities under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY). The states can promote Millets (Shree Anna) under RKVY with the approval of State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) headed by Chief Secretary of the State.

Under NFSM-Nutri Cereals, assistance is given to farmers, through State/ Union Territories, for interventions like cluster demonstrations on improved package of practices, production & distribution of seeds of High Yielding Varieties (HYVs)/hybrids, improved farm machineries/resource conservation machineries/tools, efficient water application tools, plant protection measures, nutrient management/soil ameliorants, cropping system based trainings to the farmers etc.

The ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research (IIMR), Hyderabad has been entrusted with the nodal responsibility of millets R&D in the entire country. Besides, in view of International Year of Millets 2023, the ICAR-IIMR, Hyderabad has been recently recognized as “Global Centre of Excellence on Millets” by the Government of India.

As far as Research & Development (R&D) for high yielding seeds of millets is concerned, the Crop Science Division through ICAR-Indian Institute of Millets Research (IIMR), Hyderabad has intensified the millet popularization activities such as organizing and conducting various training programs to small and marginal farmers on millet cultivation technologies and there by promoting millet production by giving valuable inputs on importance of millets, value added technologies of millets, business opportunities with millets and health benefits of millets. The promotion of Millets based FPOs in major millets growing states have been undertaken to increase area under millets and increase millets-based farmers' income. The ICAR-IIMR-Hyderabad is extending support as a knowledge partner with various State Millet Missions / Agriculture departments (viz. Jharkhand, Odisha, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Chhattisgarh, etc.) intended to increase public awareness on the health benefits of millets and their suitability for cultivation under tough conditions marked by climate change.

During 2024-25, a total of 276 Millets varieties have been released by Central Variety Release Committee (CVRC) comprising 84 of Sorghum, 80 of Pearl Millet, 20 of Little Millet, 7 of Proso Millet, 13 of Kodo Millet, 49 of Finger Millet, 14 of Foxtail Millet, 8 of Barnyard millet and 1 of Brown top Millet for cultivation in different agro-ecologies of the country.

ANNEXURE I

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q No. 335 Due for reply on 22.07.2025

Production of Millets

Source: DA&FW

Crop	State	Production (Thousand Tonnes)				
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Jowar	Andhra Pradesh	411.39	259.61	283.78	328.56	290.61
	Bihar	1.31	1.54	0.98	0.80	1.37
	Chhattisgarh	2.73	0.91	1.10	0.43	0.48
	Gujarat	57.43	57.55	46.12	66.13	45.72
	Haryana	16.42	12.33	14.12	10.14	9.78
	Jharkhand	1.23	1.28	0.76	1.07	3.24
	Karnataka	903.53	731.48	681.68	942.78	815.65
	Madhya Pradesh	217.00	236.04	169.46	162.86	181.35
	Maharashtra	1746.61	1558.00	1312.25	1775.62	1870.92
	Odisha	3.47	3.86	5.58	5.58	0.65
	Rajasthan	589.91	535.66	567.18	451.34	542.63
	Tamil Nadu	427.22	362.04	292.81	286.90	379.69
	Telangana	155.69	117.07	119.54	238.73	287.81
	Uttar Pradesh	274.57	269.84	315.41	462.40	446.49
	Others	3.56	3.36	3.41	4.13	3.53
	All India	4812.07	4150.57	3814.18	4737.47	4879.92
Bajra	Andhra Pradesh	70.71	55.40	50.68	54.70	69.60
	Bihar	4.78	3.29	2.68	3.02	3.62
	Gujarat	1008.89	1089.64	1293.68	1305.65	1265.08
	Haryana	1350.14	1119.83	1199.85	1160.98	1251.94
	Himachal Pradesh	0.29	0.29	0.26	0.18	0.19
	Jharkhand	0.08	0.09	0.14	0.28	0.62
	Karnataka	275.50	171.38	177.40	162.56	153.51
	Madhya Pradesh	737.71	868.82	943.44	1003.21	861.29
	Maharashtra	656.56	618.72	467.93	245.87	565.07
	Odisha	0.79	0.96	1.14	1.14	0.65
	Punjab	0.26	0.76	0.41	0.55	1.07
	Rajasthan	4561.47	3739.84	5105.02	4429.78	4848.87
	Tamil Nadu	158.89	146.12	113.38	117.10	121.77
	Telangana	9.30	4.04	11.81	16.86	17.10
	Uttar Pradesh	2014.45	1951.18	2045.52	2194.73	1683.57
	Others	13.35	10.27	18.08	19.11	19.11
	All India	10863.17	9780.63	11431.42	10715.72	10863.06
Ragi	Andhra Pradesh	39.50	31.14	32.00	34.05	31.00
	Bihar	2.58	2.39	2.36	1.91	2.21
	Chhattisgarh	1.65	1.01	0.86	0.78	0.93
	Gujarat	12.62	9.00	8.30	8.14	7.61
	Himachal Pradesh	0.49	1.06	0.98	0.79	0.84

Crop	State	Production (Thousand Tonnes)				
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
	Jharkhand	16.40	16.70	12.72	30.60	44.25
	Karnataka	1369.83	1126.87	1148.17	1034.58	1234.42
	Kerala	0.33	0.28	0.21	0.29	0.21
	Maharashtra	93.92	102.63	91.03	112.64	96.21
	Odisha	32.88	43.65	37.40	55.88	35.28
	Tamil Nadu	288.64	227.49	206.50	244.15	241.34
	Uttarakhand	129.85	127.11	114.23	105.96	100.62
	West Bengal	6.47	6.26	5.78	6.23	5.69
	Others	3.20	5.53	30.83	33.69	33.07
	All India	1998.36	1701.12	1691.37	1669.69	1833.68
Small Millets	Andhra Pradesh	19.01	13.01	9.46	11.29	26.67
	Assam	3.26	3.20	4.79	5.68	5.15
	Bihar	1.64	1.28	1.16	1.28	1.57
	Chhattisgarh	21.83	26.23	21.53	24.68	17.87
	Gujarat	13.04	22.88	15.99	28.98	29.67
	Himachal Pradesh	2.34	1.14	1.10	1.11	1.21
	Karnataka	20.23	23.87	25.35	21.62	75.01
	Madhya Pradesh	69.42	76.54	140.65	135.94	102.93
	Maharashtra	16.72	26.03	27.37	29.61	25.84
	Odisha	18.01	19.61	32.22	32.22	22.33
	Rajasthan	4.29	4.24	1.41	4.55	4.15
	Tamil Nadu	30.51	29.83	17.52	28.22	23.20
	Uttar Pradesh	9.18	4.63	7.64	42.40	28.05
	Uttarakhand	71.00	73.27	61.54	61.60	54.37
	West Bengal	0.38	1.35	0.28	0.27	0.26
	Others	46.09	40.33	16.25	19.29	19.70
	All India	346.95	367.44	384.26	448.74	437.98

Data for the year 2024-25 is of 3rd Advance Estimates

Annexure II

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Q No. 335 Due for reply on 22.07.2025

India's Export of Millets (Qty in tones and value in \$)

Source: DGCIS

COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	
	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value	Qty	Value
AFGHANISTAN	692.00	297408.00	529.50	373688.00	319.00	120121.00	361.60	84108.00	70.50	20117.00
ALGERIA	1617.00	451425.00	551.00	169141.00	1322.00	526506.00	811.75	296665.00	3198.20	1266628.00
ANGOLA	0.03	15.00	1.68	796.00	1.22	530.00	0.30	372.00	1.49	2035.00
AUSTRALIA	55.09	41236.00	22.06	17964.00	26.91	25397.00	91.37	119079.00	258.13	195571.00
BAHARAIN IS	1630.67	492042.00	2080.08	679182.00	2530.42	979880.00	2049.34	770304.00	1853.55	676877.00
BANGLADESH PR	221.20	62774.00	110.00	46027.00	5424.88	1469015.00	256.01	84594.00	48.18	15371.00
BELGIUM	617.15	315890.00	285.85	128735.00	1488.11	859609.00	1462.25	884320.00	823.62	478373.00
BENIN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	14.00	0.00	0.00
BHUTAN	3.00	1109.00	7.76	2721.00	2.52	1378.00	10.75	4782.00	3.81	1815.00
BOLIVIA	44.00	55483.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
BOTSWANA	0.03	17.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.10	308.00
BRUNEI	2.35	1692.00	2.90	1877.00	0.50	142.00	0.90	519.00	0.90	1318.00
BURUNDI	2.00	530.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CAMEROON	0.09	34.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.11	84.00	0.00	0.00
CANADA	327.59	184498.00	330.03	191381.00	405.53	244770.00	746.50	485905.00	741.34	469946.00
CAYMAN IS	0.02	13.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CHILE	0.00	0.00	44.00	55632.00	0.00	0.00	7.00	4116.00	20.00	25819.00
CHINA P RP	0.00	0.00	0.10	73.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CONGO D. REP.	14.55	17023.00	0.20	115.00	0.11	102.00	0.53	342.00	0.78	486.00
CONGO P REP	0.11	97.00	0.00	0.00	0.05	29.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
COTE D' IVOIRE	0.04	17.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	34.00	1.57	567.00
CUBA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04	33.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CZECH REPUBLIC	43.00	24448.00	0.00	0.00	19.00	10418.00	0.00	0.00	3.66	3996.00
DENMARK	1.11	1275.00	1.10	1125.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	327.00
DJIBOUTI	2.25	4695.00	2497.50	755168.00	0.03	20.00	0.05	36.00	0.00	0.00
EGYPT A RP	240.00	63263.00	1037.10	309457.00	101.00	36043.00	210.15	279250.00	508.01	246763.00
EQUATL GUINEA	0.00	0.00	0.05	30.00	0.20	157.00	2.64	1430.00	0.02	18.00

COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	
FIJI IS	0.25	98.00	4.14	6228.00	0.80	506.00	0.34	196.00	0.59	586.00
FINLAND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.89	1931.00
FRANCE	0.08	80.00	1.59	1864.00	1.00	863.00	8.29	6188.00	65.70	51785.00
GABON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	11.00	0.00	0.00
GAMBIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.05	21.00	0.12	56.00
GEORGIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.51	291.00	0.70	447.00	0.00	0.00
GERMANY	2.05	1388.00	32.45	17712.00	26.00	31391.00	19.34	16922.00	30.49	30179.00
GHANA	63.02	25667.00	106.00	39716.00	1.33	1312.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	871.00
GREECE	40.00	15796.00	0.00	0.00	100.15	51735.00	4.58	1802.00	2.70	1161.00
GUINEA	0.00	0.00	0.03	23.00	0.57	490.00	48.00	13117.00	48.00	13722.00
HONG KONG	4.91	1961.00	2.39	1817.00	5.69	6917.00	4.74	11279.00	11.48	9400.00
HUNGARY	0.00	0.00	42.00	28895.00	183.00	93091.00	0.00	0.00	48.00	26361.00
INDONESIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.70	1625.00	1.90	2364.00
IRAN	928.00	608584.00	4415.95	1868915.00	926.20	384022.00	115.03	70155.00	72.00	9277.00
IRAQ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29.00	21983.00	15.00	12809.00	0.00	0.00
IRELAND	0.70	561.00	1.59	1167.00	0.10	86.00	4.73	5239.00	11.60	11197.00
ISRAEL	222.00	91753.00	221.58	106383.00	490.93	211383.00	269.97	116790.00	280.25	142329.00
ITALY	273.00	138891.00	24.20	12385.00	521.10	747004.00	1761.16	2425569.00	1090.11	1505793.00
JAPAN	1155.50	395616.00	2013.28	782504.00	2356.23	1046290.00	1175.99	525877.00	970.74	421592.00
JORDAN	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	237.00	96319.00	96.00	38555.00	0.00	0.00
KENYA	6094.48	1848482.00	5590.98	1669665.00	55.17	20730.00	74.35	31674.00	78.89	33077.00
KOREA RP	108.00	53140.00	226.12	116309.00	110.00	56145.00	59.00	27244.00	103.15	57965.00
KUWAIT	2080.10	672182.00	3254.83	1080322.00	3792.00	1619859.00	4517.72	1936416.00	2699.48	1124242.00
LEBANON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24.00	12964.00	0.30	308.00	0.50	743.00
LESOTHO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1000.00	515000.00
LIBERIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LIBYA	3226.63	986591.00	3008.50	1060536.00	5014.78	2048830.00	5287.45	1974258.00	4496.30	1991409.00
MADAGASCAR	0.45	44.00	2.15	233.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	15.00	0.16	218.00
MALAWI	0.10	128.00	0.13	84.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	596.00	2.00	710.00
MALAYSIA	54.02	28667.00	102.67	61097.00	171.62	101248.00	295.52	166764.00	275.35	168982.00
MALDIVES	58.84	35720.00	93.55	53961.00	75.72	43474.00	54.85	45569.00	54.42	41709.00
MAURITANIA	0.01	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MAURITIUS	0.20	480.00	0.00	0.00	0.27	279.00	0.00	0.00	0.62	945.00
MONGOLIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.12	238.00	0.18	105.00
MOROCCO	3555.00	965702.00	1310.25	449208.00	4284.63	1687681.00	2957.00	1034391.00	180.00	79385.00

COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	
MOZAMBIQUE	2.35	914.00	1.80	748.00	0.60	238.00	3.17	1888.00	8.24	4083.00
NAMIBIA	260.00	75007.00	0.00	0.00	352.50	113272.00	0.00	0.00	1762.51	625287.00
NEPAL	2487.32	761711.00	788.74	255170.00	2974.32	871486.00	14108.50	5097893.00	14481.04	5208478.00
NETHERLAND	9.68	10644.00	131.99	56853.00	324.78	157402.00	5.33	5104.00	50.42	38534.00
NETHERLANDANTIL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.12	398.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NEW ZEALAND	166.04	93848.00	75.41	44801.00	43.73	25026.00	17.47	17773.00	147.95	83752.00
NIGERIA	0.29	308.00	6.43	3455.00	4.64	2872.00	5.10	3722.00	5.53	4658.00
NORWAY	0.00	0.00	0.03	66.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	12.00	0.80	1164.00
OMAN	2560.90	684869.00	4791.01	1395597.00	4090.57	1464629.00	2979.05	1011034.00	2768.85	1004372.00
PAKISTAN IR	0.00	0.00	50.00	12128.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PANAMA REPUBLIC	0.00	0.00	0.03	161.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.06	76.00
PAPUA N GNA	0.00	0.00	0.03	16.00	0.00	0.00	0.03	105.00	0.00	0.00
PHILIPPINES	1340.19	393835.00	1074.00	340226.00	2047.25	796814.00	1298.58	531883.00	724.51	268061.00
POLAND	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.80	833.00	2.90	3535.00
PORTUGAL	243.00	117002.00	111.20	57997.00	177.25	90558.00	79.75	44212.00	0.00	0.00
QATAR	3482.14	957261.00	4054.69	1187745.00	3855.18	1382206.00	3167.29	1131032.00	2980.48	1116604.00
REUNION	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RWANDA	0.77	254.00	0.90	216.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SAUDI ARAB	19682.32	5757382.00	18067.27	5758221.00	23307.82	9689457.00	15893.29	6123764.00	17047.89	6777868.00
SENEGAL	0.00	0.00	0.22	129.00	3162.41	1097453.00	6930.29	2417863.00	0.07	34.00
SEYCHELLES	2.51	1154.00	1.71	1438.00	3.52	2808.00	7.87	4084.00	37.63	21072.00
SIERRA LEONE	0.02	13.00	0.04	30.00	0.10	51.00	1.34	292.00	0.18	174.00
SINGAPORE	40.96	31359.00	20.07	16683.00	17.39	12742.00	33.87	33154.00	47.21	52382.00
SOMALIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	101.50	34298.00
SOUTH AFRICA	308.42	91067.00	188.93	76249.00	1808.52	806700.00	1681.76	600498.00	597.87	270855.00
SPAIN	144.00	47706.00	145.00	46897.00	124.95	58737.00	156.36	63753.00	73.00	35580.00
SRI LANKA DSR	74.25	34197.00	56.00	23133.00	24.00	9531.00	1.00	1017.00	29.97	16299.00
SURINAME	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	88414.00
SWEDEN	0.50	162.00	0.40	322.00	0.00	0.00	1.12	958.00	2.20	4110.00
SWITZERLAND	0.00	0.00	1.70	1623.00	1.18	1234.00	0.60	498.00	2.98	3938.00
TAIWAN	1116.00	470533.00	3040.72	1053855.00	2225.68	923996.00	1548.30	681311.00	2184.12	923919.00
TANZANIA REP	2.56	972.00	3.10	1575.00	9.50	7488.00	4.21	2188.00	6.22	3481.00
THAILAND	72.73	34290.00	466.68	220804.00	361.15	162186.00	297.05	156597.00	165.90	83790.00
TOGO	0.00	0.00	0.05	65.00	0.16	202.00	0.15	265.00	0.15	184.00
TRINIDAD	0.04	33.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

COUNTRY OF DESTINATION	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25	
TUNISIA	4829.00	1406115.00	3281.00	883741.00	2613.50	874693.00	3510.00	1105348.00	1080.00	301488.00
TURKEY	52.00	15174.00	2.00	672.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
U ARAB EMTS	17859.00	5209650.00	21382.58	5909586.00	22720.35	7774854.00	20864.65	7275292.00	20269.48	7631772.00
U K	2115.12	983722.00	1764.60	814961.00	1393.13	782061.00	2224.93	1179184.00	2035.53	1119919.00
U S A	114.24	104473.00	131.84	160567.00	111.32	120206.00	520.02	480783.00	928.62	982672.00
UGANDA	23.07	6359.00	6.40	1273.00	3.45	1386.00	1.00	352.00	0.00	0.00
UKRAINE	0.00	0.00	24.00	8085.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
UNSPECIFIED	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.00	3590.00	0.00	0.00
URUGUAY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.00	7710.00	0.00	0.00
VIETNAM SOC REP	26.00	13753.00	97.00	42359.00	96.00	42779.00	49.00	24055.00	0.60	919.00
YEMEN REPUBLC	2713.00	652506.00	3939.60	1003239.00	4391.40	1494953.00	4088.00	1336917.00	2528.00	885502.00
ZAMBIA	2.00	788.00	0.63	401.00	0.20	141.00	1.39	1022.00	1.83	1127.00
ZIMBABWE	0.00	0.00	0.01	9.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grand Total	83111.01	25843596.00	91663.03	29473234.00	106295.97	41327612.00	102278.03	40826015.00	89164.96	37247830.00
