

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4164
TO BE ANSWERED ON 11-08-2016

PROCUREMENT OF COTTON

4164. SHRI A. ARUNMOZHITHEVAN:

Will the Minister of Textiles वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Cotton Corporation of India had procured only eight lakh bales so far at Minimum Support Price (MSP) due to high prices of cotton;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is a fact that area under cotton had dropped by 7.3 per cent and is 118.81 lakh hectares; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री अजय टम्टा)

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

(a) & (b): As on 3.8.2016, in the ongoing cotton season 2015-16 (October, 2015 to September, 2016), 8.44 lakh bales have been procured by Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) under Minimum Support Price (MSP) operations. The state-wise details of procurement made by CCI is as under:-

State	Procurement by CCI MSP Purchases (in lakh bales)
Gujarat	0.52
Maharashtra	1.17
Madhya Pradesh	0.29
Telangana	5.95
Andhra Pradesh	0.40
Orissa	0.12
Total	8.44

(c) & (d): Yes, Madam. The area under cotton cultivation during the current cotton season 2015-16 has decreased by around 7% to 118.81 lakh hectares as against 128.19 lakh hectares of previous year. The state-wise details of the area under cultivation of current year and previous year is as under:-

(Area in lakh hectare)

	2014- 15	2015- 16*
Andhra Pradesh	8.21	6.66
Telangana	17.13	17.78
Gujarat	27.73	27.19
Haryana	6.48	6.03
Karnataka	8.75	6.33
Madhya Pradesh	5.47	5.47
Maharashtra	41.90	38.27
Odisha	1.27	1.25
Punjab	4.20	3.39
Rajasthan	4.87	4.48
Tamil Nadu	1.87	1.42
Others	0.31	0.50
All India	128.19	118.72

*4th Advance Estimates of Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare
