

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2561
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SUPPLY OF CERTIFIED SEEDS TO FARMERS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity of certified seeds of different crops provided to farmers of the country as per their requirement during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether Centres have been set up at different places in the country to provide seeds to farmers;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the number of such centres in the country, State-wise;
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to ensure supply of certified seeds to farmers in the country as per their requirements;
- (f) whether Government have fixed any target for distribution of certified quality seeds to farmers by 2000-2001; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y.NAIK)

(a): The State-wise requirement and availability of certified / quality seeds of different crops, during the last 3 years, as assessed by the Government of India during the Zonal Seed Review Meetings held prior to each sowing season, is given in the Annexures - I & II.

(b) to (d): Yes Sir. The Government of India has two national level Seeds Corporations namely, National Seeds Corporation and State Farms Corporation of India. Both the Corporations operate through their own infrastructure i.e. sale counters, regional and area offices and dealers network. The State - wise details thereof are enclosed at Annexure - III.

(e): Steps taken by the Government of India to ensure supply of certified / quality seeds to farmers are as under:-

(i). The position regarding availability and requirement of certified / quality seeds in various States is assessed by the Central Government in Zonal Seed Review Meetings, convened before the sowing season, Kharif and Rabi.

(ii). Through its various Central Sector/Centrally Sponsored Crops Development Programmes the Government have been providing central assistance for production and distribution of seeds.

(iii). Macro Management Scheme launched by the Government from the year 2000 - 2001 provides flexibility to the States to develop and produce seeds as per local requirements.

(f) & (g): The target fixed for 2000 - 2001 for distribution of certified / quality seed to farmers is 96.66 lakh quintals.

Annexure-I

Crop-wise certified/quality seed requirement and availability during the last three years i.e., 1998-99 to 2000-2001.

(Quantity in lakh quintals)

Sl.No	State/UT	1998 - 1999	1999 - 2000	2000 - 2001
		Req Avail	Requi Avail	Require Avail

1. A & N Islands 610 610 615 615 237 237

2. Andhra Pradesh 1041802 2294806 1158481 1925708 1280150 2307026

3. Arunachal Prad 8580 8580 8730 8610 9360 9260
4. Assam 99606 98860 91969 91969 128250 128250
5. Bihar 527610 527610 529820 339859 348900 142835
6. D & N Haveli 450 450 496 496
- 7 Goa 4766 4766 3740 3740 2865 2865
8. Gujarat 335088 530201 350513 526765 374070 423260
9. Haryana 344250 436342 366550 551743 378550 835269
10. Himachal Prad 60050 59950 62160 62160 73100 73100
11. Jammu & Kashmir 70044 66559 61059 61072 61831 61626
12. Karnataka 503268 578488 560815 549854 636495 496235
13. Kerala 32000 32000 34500 34830 32500 32825
14. Madhya Pradesh 688325 685209 789394 865325 779800 800030
15. Meghalaya 5812 5813 6680 6680 4190 4190
16. Maharashtra 944475 988577 994450 1108804 1017540 1220734
17. Manipur 10801 10801 12165 12165 13119 13119
18. Mizoram 13550 7550 2316 2316 1835 1895
19. Nagaland 10449 10449 17635 17195 34185 34185
20. Orissa 616465 705825 602335 739357 663760 514945
21. Pondicherry 8520 8860 8420 8799 8620 9377
22. Punjab 333915 364628 377310 471739 396770 509520
23. Rajasthan 376550 464154 407600 582196 438450 689950
24. Sikkim 8029 6385 6185 4977 5051 4952
25. Tamilnadu 346743 433980 333312 437348 325923 445232
26. Tripura 9792 9329 7701 7701 9972 9971
27. Uttar Pradesh 1499700 1481204 1438100 1318803 1570087 1546385
28. West Bengal 617070 617094 745500 754598 766291 783601

Annexure - II

Crop - wise certified / quality seed requirement and availability during the last three years i.e., 1998 - 99 to 2000 - 2001.

Quantity in lakh quintals

Sl.No Crop 1998 - 1999 1999 - 2000 2000 - 2001
Require Availab Require Avail Require Availability

1. Wheat 28.09 30.33 29.20 35.24 29.38 36.08

2. Paddy 22.79 30.30 24.89 29.63 27.07 31.26

3. Maize 2.32 3.17 2.47 2.48 2.78 4.09

4. Jowar 3.05 5.66 2.94 3.75 3.07 4.31

5. Bajra 1.58 3.77 1.74 2.50 1.78 2.54

6. Ragi 0.21 0.31 0.23 0.29 0.24 0.26

7 Barley 0.18 0.27 0.18 0.55 0.14 0.42

Real Total 58.22 73.81 61.65 74.44 64.46 78.96

8. Gram 1.77 1.71 1.98 1.51 1.68 1.35

9. Lentil 0.24 0.24 0.12 0.08 0.16 0.14

10. Peas 0.41 0.41 0.30 0.32 0.27 0.32
 11. Urd 1.30 1.27 1.10 1.27 1.22 1.12
 12. Moong 0.92 0.34 0.90 1.14 0.96 1.34
 13. Arhar 0.69 0.90 0.72 0.71 0.85 0.79
 14. Cowpea 0.09 0.09 0.12 0.11 0.10 0.10
 15. Moth 0.01 0.01 0.01 0.01 0.01 0.01
 16. Others 0.04 0.04 0.03 0.03 0.04 0.01

Total Pulse 5.47 6.01 5.27 5.18 5.31 5.23

17. Groundnut 7.79 9.18 8.16 8.86 8.73 8.41
 18. Rapeseed/Mustard 0.84 1.10 0.85 1.10 0.86 1.26
 19. Til 0.13 0.14 0.14 0.11 0.15 0.14
 20. Sunflower 1.13 1.31 0.93 1.58 0.76 1.20
 21. Soybean 4.63 4.55 4.98 5.30 5.43 6.94
 22. Linseed 0.02 0.02 0.05 0.02 0.04 0.04
 23. Castor PP 0.32 0.33 0.33 0.34 0.36 0.35
 24. Safflower 0.20 0.20 0.12 0.12 0.11 0.12
 25. Niger 0.06 0.02 0.09 0.03 0.10 -
 26. Others - - - 0.05 0.05

Total Oilseed 15.12 16.85 15.65 17.46 16.59 18.51

27. Cotton 2.62 3.65 2.58 3.00 2.67 3.75
 28. Jute 0.27 0.64 0.27 0.57 0.26 0.22
 29. Others 0.04 0.04 0.05 0.01 0.04 0.04

Total 2.93 4.33 2.90 3.58 2.97 4.01

30. Potato 3.04 3.04 3.80 3.80 3.82 3.82
 31. Others 0.39 0.34 0.50 0.49 0.40 0.43

Annexure - III

Details of Sale counters, Regional and Area Offices and Dealers Network of NSC and SFCI.

S.No. State NSC SFCI
 R.O A.O D.N R.O S.C D.N

1. Andhra Pradesh 1 7 246 1 1

2. Arunachal Pra 19

3. Assam 1+ 59 2

4. Bihar 1 8 443 2

5. Gujarat 1 3 118

6. Haryana 4 70 2 1

7 Himachal Prad 1 22

8. Jammu & Kashmir 1 10

9. Karnataka 1@ 8 295 1
10. Kerala 1 20 1
11. Madhya Pradesh 4 113 1 1 2
12. Maharashtra 1 8 345
13. Manipur 6
14. Meghalaya 10
15. Mizoram 1
16. Nagaland 8
17. Orissa 2 50
18. Punjab 1++ 2 72 10
19. Rajasthan 1 9 360 3 14
20. Sikkim 10
21. Tamilnadu 5 56 1
22. Tripura 2 1
23. Uttar Pradesh 1 13 202 1 3 7
24. West Bengal 1+++ 5 306
25. U.T.Chandigarh 1 3
26. N.C.R, Delhi 1 1 33 4

R.O. : Regional Office
A.O. : Area Office
D.N. : Dealers Network
S.C. : Sales Counter

@ is also for Kerala, Tamilnadu and Pondicherry
+is for all North Eastern States
++ is also for Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, and Union Territory of Chandigarh.
+++ is also for Orissa and Sikkim
NSC - National Seeds Corporation
SFCI - State Farms Corporation of India.