

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:59  
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SELF SUFFICIENCY IN FOODGRAINS  
NIVEDITA MANE

**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the foodgrain items in which the country has achieved self-sufficiency at present;
- (b) whether any of these foodgrains are being exported now; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and annual export position of these items?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(c): Against the normative foodgrains requirement of 192.39 million tonnes for the year 1999, the estimated production of foodgrains is 203.04 million tonnes for the crop year 1998-99. Thus, the country has become not only self-sufficient but also in a position to export the foodgrains. Accordingly, in the recent years, India has exported wheat, rice and coarse grains. The details of year-wise export for 1998-99, 1999-2000 (provisional) and 2000-2001 (April-July, 2000 provisional) is given in the table below:

Quantity in '000MT

	1998-99 (Prov.)	1999-2000 (Apr-July Prov.)	2000-2001 Prov.)
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Rice Basmati	597.8	606.5	357.6
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Rice Non Basmati	4365.9	1216.7	174.4
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Wheat	1.8	Neg+	0.8
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Coarse Grains	9.5	7.6	4.2
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+ Negligible