

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF WHEAT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the target fixed and achievement made for the production of wheat during each for the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Union Government propose to increase the area of land under the production of wheat for the year 1999-2000;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the Central assistance proposed to be provided for the production of wheat to the State particularly in Bihar?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SBPBK SATYANARAYANA RAO)

(a): The National Targets for production of wheat fixed by this Ministry during 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99 were 65.0 million tonnes, 68.5 million tonnes and 70.0 million tonnes, respectively. A statement indicating the break-up of State-wise targets and achievements made during last three years is enclosed.

(b)&(c): No, Sir. Area under wheat crop is governed by favourable climatic behaviour particularly late rains received in the end of September or early October. During last four years the area under wheat has shown an increasing trend which is as follows:

Year Area (Million hac.)

1995-96	25.01
1996-97	25.89
1997-98	26.70
1998-99	27.40

(d): For increasing the production and productivity of wheat in the country, Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Integrated Cereals Development Programme in Rice/Wheat/Coarse Cereals Based Cropping Systems areas are being implemented in the country. The State of Bihar is covered under Integrated Cereals Development Programme in Rice Based Cropping Systems Areas (ICDP-Rice). Besides this, in order to bring larger coverage of area under high yielding varieties and adoption of improved Crop Production Technology, a Central Sector Scheme of Wheat Minikit Demonstration Programme is also being implemented in all wheat growing states including Bihar.

ANNEXURE

TARGET FIXED AND ACHIEVEMENT MADE FOR THE PRODUCTION OF WHEAT DURING EACH OF THE LAST YEARS

(Lakh Tonnes)

S.No. STATE/UT 1996-97 1997-98 1998-99

	Target	Achieve-	Target	Achieve-	Target	Achieve-
	ment	ment	ment	ment	ment	ment

1. Andhra Pradesh 0.01 0.090 0.01 0.060 0.06 0.069

2. Arunachal Pr. 0.10 0.061 0.10 0.057 0.08 0.044
3. Assam 1.00 1.171 1.00 1.101 1.20 0.905
4. Bihar 44.00 45.607 45.00 48.487 47.50 41.808
5. Gujarat 12.00 13.360 11.50 16.470 13.50 17.026
6. Haryana 73.50 78.260 77.00 75.540 79.00 85.680
7 Himachal Pr. 5.50 5.310 6.00 6.413 6.00 6.414
8. J & K 3.50 4.126 4.00 3.965 4.50 3.650
9. Karnataka 1.50 1.903 2.00 1.185 2.20 2.199
10. Madhya Pradesh 71.00 77.932 75.00 72.202 76.00 83.442
11. Maharashtra 11.10 11.670 12.50 6.710 12.50 13.085
12. Meghalaya 0.06 0.069 0.06 0.069 0.06 0.069
13. Nagaland 0.01 0.025 0.01 0.030 0.01 0.094
14. Orissa 0.50 0.066 1.00 0.66 1.00 0.044
15. Punjab 135.50 136.720 136.00 127.150 137.00 144.600
16. Rajasthan 56.40 67.820 62.00 67.010 65.50 68.798
17. Sikkim 0.20 0.148 0.20 0.140 0.20 0.064
18. Tamil Nadu - Neg. - 0.001 - Neg.
19. Tripura 0.07 0.039 0.10 0.044 0.05 0.021
20. Uttar Pradesh 225.50 240.496 242.02 228.339 244.64 231.695
21. West Bengal 7.45 8.390 8.00 8.105 8.50 7.781
22. D & N Haveli - Neg. - 0.012 0.003 0.003
23. Delhi 1.10 0.239 1.50 0.294 0.50 0.294

All India 650.00 693.502 685.00 663.450 700.003 707.785