

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3359
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DECLINE IN PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether production of several commodities has fallen during the last three years including vegetable oils like mustard and cotton; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): The production of foodgrains including rice, wheat, coarse cereals, pulses and other commercial crops like oilseeds including mustard and cotton fluctuated from year to year during the last 3 years as shown in the table below:

(Production in million tonnes)

Crop	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03#
Rice	84.98	93.08	75.72
Wheat	69.68	71.81	69.32
Coarse Cereals	31.08	33.94	26.22
Total Pulses	11.07	13.19	11.31
Cotton @	9.52	10.09	9.31
Total Oilseeds of which:	18.44	20.80	15.75
Rapeseed & Mustard	4.19	5.04	3.97

4th Advance Estimates released on 1.7.2003 @ Million Bales of 170 Kgs. each.