

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether there has been an increase in the production of potato during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the States where the production of potato has increased during the said period;
- (c) whether any steps have been taken to increase potato cultivation in Orissa during the said period; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The production of potato in the country during 1999-2000, 2000-01, and 2001-02 is 247.13, 224.88 and 240.82 lakh tonnes respectively. A statement indicating state-wise production is annexed.

(c) & (d): The Government of India is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture-supplementation/complementation of States' efforts through Work Plans. Under the scheme the State has flexibility to cover more area under potato cultivation if the State desires so. During 2003-04 the Government of Orissa is taking up cultivation of potato under this scheme.

Annexure

State-wise production of Potato during 1999-2000, 2000-01 & 2001-02

State Production (Thousand Tonnes)

	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
Andhra Pradesh	11.3	14.0	14.7
Arunachal Pradesh	32.4	36.7	32.6
Assam	699.7	664.5	620.6
Bihar	1717.9	1400.4	1432.3
Chhattisgarh	66.0	71.3	
Gujarat	688.7	716.1	802.0
Haryana	260.0	257.5	305.0
Himachal Pradesh	140.9	191.6	145.3
Jammu & Kashmir	25.7	17.2	20.1
Karnataka	460.0	452.5	489.4
Madhya Pradesh	870.0	429.7	471.9
Maharashtra	71.4	72.9	77.1
Manipur	12.9	13.6	15.9
Meghalaya	143.2	144.3	144.0
Mizoram	4.0	3.4	4.5
Nagaland	46.8	47.9	57.4
Orissa	84.8	85.9	78.4
Punjab	1563.4	1187.2	1413.9
Rajasthan	47.2	28.1	27.8
Sikkim	16.6	16.5	25.8
Tamil Nadu	72.2	103.3	89.2
Tripura	100.0	105.9	106.3
Uttar Pradesh	10109.1	8398.2	9570.0
Uttaranchal	361.9	243.7	
West Bengal	7482.3	7673.1	7822.3
Delhi	52.7	0.0	0.5
All India	24713.2	22488.4	24082.0