GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether the production of foodgrains is estimated to be 205.91 million tonnes during the year 1999-2000;
- (b) if so, the details of the estimated various foodgrains separately;
- (c) the estimated quantity of foodgrains produced in the country during each of the last three years and current year, State-wise; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to boost the production of foodgrains?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. According to advance estimates as on 29.06.2000, production of foodgrains during 1999-2000 is expected to be 205.91 million tonnes as per details given below:

(Production in million tonnes)

Crop Production

Rice 88.25 Wheat 74.25 Coarse Cereals 30.35 Pulses 13.06 Total foodgrains 205.91

- (c) The state-wise and all-India production of foodgrains in the country during 1996-97 to 1999-2000 is given in the Annexure.
- (d) To boost the production of foodgrains, the Government is implementing centrally sponsored Integrated Cereal Development Programmes in Rice/Wheat/Coarse Cereals BasedCropping System area and National Pulses Development Project.Under these programmes/project, incentives are provided to farmers for use of high yielding varieties of seeds, application of integrated pest management, propagation of scientific water management including micro irrigation and improved farm implements. In addition, field demonstration on farmers' holding including training of farmers and farm labourers are organised for effective transfer of technology.

Annexure

Total Foodgrains Production

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(Lakh tonnes)

State 1996-97 1997-98 1998-99 1999-2000 (advance Estimates)

Andhra Pradesh 136.75 108.22 143.95 134.99

Assam 35.32 35.78 34.34 39.77

Bihar 144.18 140.93 129.09 134.08

Gujarat 52.09 57.10 55.67 40.10

Haryana 114.48 113.48 121.23 130.65

Himachal Pradesh 12.89 14.41 14.91 13.45

Jammu & Kashmir 13.31 14.20 15.16 14.54

Karnataka 92.13 80.47 99.77 95.05

Kerala 8.52 7.98 6.91 7.56
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Madhya Pradesh 194.88 173.62 197.98 210.25
Maharashtra 146.02 96.64 127.53 124.48
Orissa 48.31 66.38 58.07 56.01
Punjab 215.53 211.43 229.07 251.36
Rajasthan 128.21 140.49 129.34 106.87
Tamil Nadu 69.30 81.04 101.41 87.92
Uttar Pradesh 423.85 415.89 401.45 439.92
West Bengal 137.56 143.53 143.67 151.01

All India 1994.36 1922.59 2030.43 2059.12