

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF EXPORT QUALITY RICE  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of States producing export quality rice alongwith the total production of such Basmati rice in the country during the last three years, State-wise;
- (b) whether any scheme has been formulated by the Government to provide incentives to the States, particularly to the Karnataka, producing such rice; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a): The data on production of Basmati rice and other export quality rice in the country is not maintained by the Ministry of Agriculture separately. However, the State- wise details or total production of rice, including Basmati rice, during the last three years, i.e., 2004-05 to 2006-07 are given in the Annexure.

(b) & (c): There is no separate scheme for promotion of export quality rice as such, However, National Food Security Mission has been launched with effect from Rabi, 2007-08 in 14 States including Karnataka to promote rice. For the year 2007-08, an allocation of Rs.241.69 lakhs has been allocated to Karnataka for implementation of various interventions of NFSM-Rice. In addition, an amount of Rs.34.00 lakhs has also been allocated to State for publicity.