

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPENDENCE ON AGRICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number and percentage of population dependent on agriculture, State-wise;
- (b) the percentage of contribution of agriculture sector to GDP, during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) the percentage of GDP invested in agriculture sector and other sectors, sector-wise during the said period; and
- (d) the percentage of financial allocation to agriculture as compared to other sectors during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a): As per Census of India 2001, out of a total number of 30.99 crore rural workers, 16.19 crore workers consisting of 10.14 crore cultivators and 6.05 crore agricultural labourers constituting 52.24 per cent of rural workers earn their livelihood from agriculture. State wise details are enclosed at Annexure I.

(b): The percentage contribution of Agriculture & Allied sector to GDP is as below at constant (1999-2000) prices:

Year Agriculture share in GDP (%)

2005-06 19.5

2006-07 18.5

2007-08 17.8

2008-09 17.0

Source: Central Statistical Organization.

(c): Gross Capital Formation GCF (Public + Private)/Investment in Agriculture and Allied sectors and percentage share to total GDP as below:

Percentage of GDP invested in agriculture and other Sectors 2005-06 to 2008-09(at Current Prices)

Sector 2005-06 2006-07 2007-08 2008-09

Agriculture & Allied 2.9 2.7 2.8 3.4

Mininig 1.6 1.5 1.5 1.3

Manufacture 11.3 12.7 13.7 9.9

Electricity,gas,Water supply 2.8 3.2 3.2 3.0

Construction 1.8 2.3 2.6 1.9

Trade 2.9 3.1 2.4 2.8

Transport,Communication 2.3 2.1 2.3 2.9

Financing,insurance,real estate,business 5.2 4.8 5.2 5.6

Community,social & services 5.4 5.5 5.8 5.9

Source: Central Statistical Organization

(d): Percentage of financial allocation by Government for agriculture and allied sectors are as follows:

2006-2007 3.7%

2007-2008 3.5%

2008-2009 3.1%

2009- 2010 2.4%