

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PRODUCTION OF RABI AND KHARIF CROPS

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is likely to be a shortfall in kharif crops production due to deficient monsoon and drought;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the percentage drop as compared to the produce of last year;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide subsidy on seeds, implements, etc., for the rabi season;
- (d) if so, the allocation made/proposed to be made in this regard, State-wise;
- (e) whether the rabi crops production is likely to be higher thereby compensating the shortfall in kharif crops; and
- (f) if so, the estimated percentage increase in production and cultivation area for rabi crops?

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)&(b): Deficient monsoon and drought in various parts of the country led to shortfall in production of kharif foodgrains, oilseeds and sugarcane by 18.29 million tones (-15.5%), -1.62 million tones (-9.1%) and -33.76 million tones (-11.8%) respectively as compared to their production during kharif last year.

(c) & (d): The Government is providing subsidy on certified seeds, implements etc. under various schemes, namely, Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Macro Management of Agriculture (MMA) and Integrated Scheme of Oilseed, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize (ISOPOM). The details of allocation/release to States under the above schemes during 2009-10 are as under:-

	(Rs. crore)
Scheme Allocation	Release
RKVY	3777.07 3611.66
NFSM	1129.5 895.11
MMA	950.0 832.74
ISOPOM	460.0 390.18

(e) & (f): As per 2nd Advance Estimates released on 12th February, 2010, area and production of foodgrains during Rabi 2009-10 are estimated to be higher by 3.71 lakh ha. and 0.67 million tones respectively as compared to Rabi 2008-09 (final estimates). As regards Rabi oilseeds, while the area coverage during 2009-10 is estimated to be marginally lower (by about 1.96 lakh ha.), the production is estimated to be higher by 0.22 million tones as compared to Rabi 2008-09.