

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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FOODGRAIN PRODUCTION IN NORTH EASTERN REGION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the production of foodgrains had declined in North Eastern Region considerably;
- (b) if so, the average rate of production recorded during each of the last three years, grain-wise and State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has identified the reasons for the downward trend in the production rate;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith action taken by the Government to enhance the production of foodgrains; and
- (e) the details of fallow land in the North- Eastern Region, State-wise?

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): No, Madam. Production of foodgrains in the North Eastern Region namely; Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura has, in fact, increased during the last three years.

(b) to (d): Does not arise.

(e): As per the latest available information, the State-wise details of fallow land in the North-Eastern Region during 2007-08 are given in the table below:

State	Fallow Land ('000 Hectare)
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Arunachal Pradesh	110
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Assam	186
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Manipur	Negligible
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Meghalaya	227
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Mizoram	211
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Nagaland	186
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Sikkim	35
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Tripura	2
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