

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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MOUs WITH SEEDS CORPORATIONS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has signed Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with National Seeds Corporation Limited (NSCL) and State Farms Corporation of India (SFCI) to increase seed production;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the total seed production by such corporations during the last three years and the current year, corporation-wise and yearwise?

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): Yes, Madam. The Government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 15th March 2010 with both the National Seeds Corporation Limited (NSC) and the State Farms Corporation of India limited (SFCI) for the financial year 2010-11. Higher seed production targets have been given to both Corporations for 2010-11 compared to 2009-10 i.e., 19 lakh quintals of seed over 15 lakh quintals for NSC and 6 lakhs quintals of seed against 5.75 lakh quintals for SFCI.

(c): The position of total seed production by NSC and SFCI is given below:

(Quantity in lakh quintals)
Year NSC SFCI

2007-08	8.57	4.40
2008-09	10.18	5.63
2009-10	15.00	5.75
	(Provisional)	(Provisional)
2010-11	19.00	6.00
	(Target)	(Target)