

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:238
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NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY MISSION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has initiated various activities under the National Food Security Mission in all the States in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated for the said activities during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has set any targets under the Mission; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the achievements made during the said period?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.238 DUE FOR REPLY ON 10-08-2010.

(a) to (c): The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of "National Food Security Mission (NFSM) was launched during Rabi 2007-08 and presently the Scheme is being implemented in mission mode in 17 selected states with three Components viz., NFSM – Rice, NFSM – Wheat and NFSM – Pulses. Major interventions of the mission include demonstration of improved production technology, promotion of quality seeds of High Yielding Varieties and hybrids, Integrated Nutrient Management (INM), Integrated Pest Management (IPM), farm machinery, training, project management support etc.

The objective of the scheme is to bridge the yield gaps by active promotion of agriculture technology. For focused working, only those districts have been selected that have substantial area under rice, wheat, pulses crops, and had huge yield gaps on account of various underlining constraints.

NFSM-Rice is being implemented in 138 identified districts of 14 States. NFSM-Wheat is under implementation in 141 identified districts of 9 States. After merger of pulse component of ISOPOM with NFSM from the year 2010-11, the NFSM-Pulses is under implementation in all districts of 14 States. In addition, 10 identified districts of Assam and 15 identified districts of Jharkhand are included under NFSM-Pulses from the year 2010-11. Besides, a new initiative -Accelerated Pulses Production Programme (A3P) has been launched as a part of NFSM-Pulses from 2010-11 under which one million ha of potential pulses area of the major pulse crops of tur, moong, urad, gram and lentil have been taken up for large scale demonstration of production and protection technology in compact blocks.

The State-wise details of the funds made available under NFSM during the years 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-2010 and 2010-11 is given below:

Funds made available (Rs in Crores)

Sl. No	State	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11 (As on 2.8.10)
1	AP	44.62	84.15	123.81	62.56
2	Assam	11.40	27.06	36.16	27.58
3	Bihar	36.31	81.05	44.14	16.18
4	Chhattisgarh	14.55	71.65	21.16	3.28
5	Gujarat	7.37	8.33	15.08	11.48
6	Haryana	21.14	11.05	28.65	1.64
7	Jharkhand	0.00	9.80	4.93	14.30
8	Karnataka	7.87	30.15	47.65	50.87
9	Kerala	0.00	1.89	2.78	2.10
10	Madhya Pradesh	46.11	64.38	59.33	58.61
11	Maharashtra	14.14	72.17	107.40	89.50
12	Orissa	11.34	62.24	63.41	49.12
13	Punjab	32.88	35.69	61.22	0.00
14	Rajasthan	24.59	18.83	39.15	37.92

15 T. Nadu	12.81	33.51	30.58	27.07
16 UP	83.79	155.20	226.28	12.02
17 W. Bengal	13.00	63.36	71.65	26.44

Total 381.92 830.51 983.38 490.67

(d) & (e): Yes, Madam. The National Food Security Mission (NFSM) aims to achieve an additional production of 20 million tons of food grains by the end of Eleventh Five Year Plan (2011-12) i.e. rice by 10 million tons, wheat by 8 million tons and pulses by 2 million tons.

The focused and target oriented technological interventions under NFSM have made a significant impact since inception which is reflected by the fact that during the year 2006-07, the production of rice was recorded at 93.35 million tons which increased to 96.69 million tons during 2007-08 and to 99.18 million tons during 2008-09 showing an increase of 5.83 million tons over the production of 2006-07 i.e. prior to inception of the scheme. As per the 4th advance estimate of 2009-10, the production of Rice is estimated at 89.13 million tons. The reduction in production during 2009-10 is due to drought conditions that prevailed during kharif, 2009 in most parts of the country.

Similarly, the situation is promising in case of Wheat, wherein its production during 2006-07 was recorded at 75.81 million tons which increased to 78.57 million tons during 2007-08 and 80.68 million tons during 2008-09 showing an increase of 4.87 million tons over the production of 2006-07 i.e. prior to inception of the scheme. As per the 4th advance estimate of 2009-10, the production of wheat is estimated at 80.71 million tons i.e. an increase of 4.9 million tonnes over the production of 2006-07.

As regards Pulses, the production was recorded at 14.20 million tons during 2006-07 which increased to 14.76 million tons during 2007-08. Although during 2008-09, a marginally low production of pulses was recorded at 14.57 million tons yet it was higher than the production of 2006-07. As per the 4th advance estimate of 2009-10, the production of pulses is estimated at 14.59 million tons.