

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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FOODGRAINS PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the target fixed for the production of foodgrains in each State for the Eleventh Five Year Plan and the achievement made as on date;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to increase the production of foodgrains during the Current-Plan period; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken in this regard?

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) to (c): The projected demand for foodgrains at the end of eleventh plan period is 234.26 million tons as per the working group report of planning commission constituted for 11th plan. However, Department of Agriculture fixes the state-wise target for the production of foodgrains on yearly basis. State-wise food grains Production targets and achievements made during 2007-08 to 2010-11 are annexed.

For increasing productivity and production of foodgrain crops in the country, various Crop Development schemes and Programmes like National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Integrated Scheme of Oilseed, Pulses, Maize and Oilpalm (ISOPOM), Integrated Cereals Development Programme for Rice/Wheat/Coarse Cereals under Macro Management of Agriculture and Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) are being implemented by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation through State Governments.

In 2010-11, in addition to above mentioned schemes, two new programmes relating to bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India and integrated development of 60000 Pulses and Oil seeds Villages in rainfed areas have been initiated under RKVY. National Food Security Mission has been strengthened from 01-04-2010 with the merger of pulses component of ISOPOM and inclusion of two new potential States for Pulses production in Assam and Jharkhand. A new programme Accelerated Pulses Production programme (A3P) in the form of block demonstrations has been started to cover 1000 unit of 1000 hectare each of five pulses crops in 16 pulses growing States of the country.