

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is a wide gap between the estimated and actual agricultural production during each of the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, crop-wise and State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the foodgrains in respect of which the country has become self-sufficient?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (PROF. K.V. THOMAS)

(a) to (c): During the last 3 years i.e. 2007-08 to 2009-10, the estimated production of Rice, Wheat, Coarse Cereals and total Foodgrains (except pulses) was higher than the projected demand of foodgrains except in 2009-10. Due to severe drought that prevailed in most part of the country during 2009-10, the estimated production was less as compared to projected demand. The details of projected demand and estimated production of major foodgrain crops during the 2007-08 to 2009-10 are annexed.