

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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'PRODUCTION OF FODDER'
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the production of fodder vis-a-vis its demand during each of the last three years and current year, State-wise;
- (b) the details of the amount released to States under Centrally sponsored Fodder and Feed Development Scheme during the said period, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the steps taken to increase the production of fodder in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRIARUN YADAV)

(a) Details of the fodder production and demand are not available. However a study commissioned by this department through NABARD Consultancy Services has concluded the following availability and demand for fodder in the country in 2007-08:

(Dry matter in million Tones)

Sl.No.	Item	Requirement	Availability
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1	Dry fodder	416	253
2.	Greens	222	143

The State-wise information in above respect is given at Annexure-I.

(b) It is given at Annexure-2.

(c) A Centrally Sponsored Fodder and Feed Development Scheme has been launched from 01.04.2010 with an outlay of? 141.40 Crores during XI plan period. It has nine components, namely Establishment of Fodder Block Making Units; Grassland Development including Grass Reserves; Fodder Seed Procurement and Distribution; Strengthening of Feed Testing Laboratories; Introduction of hand driven and power driven chaff cutter; Establishment of silage Making Units; Demonstration of Azolla cultivation and production units; Establishment of by-pass protein production units; Establishment of Area Specific Mineral Mixture/ Feed Pelleting/ Feed manufacturing Unit.