

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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DEMAND AND PRODUCTION OF PULSES AND OILSEEDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated demand, actual production and availability of pulses and oilseeds during each of the last three years, alongwith the quantum of imports thereof;
- (b) the estimated production and demand projections of pulses and oilseeds in the next three years in the country;
- (c) whether the Government has undertaken any review of the schemes being implemented for increasing the production of pulses and oilseeds;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the new schemes/incentives proposed to be introduced to increase the production of oilseeds and pulses?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHARAD PAWAR)

(a): The estimated demand, estimated production (as per 3rd Advance Estimates) and quantity of pulses and oilseeds imported during the last three years are given in the table below:-

(Million tonnes)

Crop	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08
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Pulses	Estimated production	13.39	14.20	14.76
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Estimated Demand	17.38	17.71	16.77
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Quantity imported	1.65	2.21	2.79
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Oilseeds	Estimated production	27.98	24.29	29.7
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Estimated Demand	41.41	43.89	45.46
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Quantity imported	0.03	0.06	0.06
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Note: Estimated demands of pulses and oilseeds during 2005-06 and 2006- 07 are based on the normative approach

(b): The projected demand and projected production of pulses and oilseeds during the next three years, i.e., 2009-10 to 2011-12 are given in the table below:

(Million tonnes)

Crop	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
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Pulses	Projected Production	14.86	15.29	15.73
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	Projected Demand	18.29	19.08	19.91
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Oilseeds	Projected Production	26.71	27.12	27.53
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	Projected Demand	49.35	51.34	53.39
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(c) to (e): Considering the importance of oilseeds and pulses, the erstwhile schemes of Oilseeds Development Programme and National Pulses Development Programme have been reviewed and merged into one Centrally Sponsored " Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize (ISOPOM)' which is being implemented in 14 oilseeds and pulses growing States in the country w.e.f. 01-04-2004. Based on the experience in the implementation of ISOPOM during 10th Plan Period, necessary modifications in respect of norms and pattern of assistance, inclusion of new components etc. have already been made for implementation of the above scheme during the 11th Plan Period.

Further, for increasing the production and productivity of pulses, the National Food Security Mission-Pulses is also under implementation in 171 identified districts of 14 States since 2007-08.