

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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IMPACT OF GLOBAL SLOWDOWN IN YIELD
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the global slowdown in projected yield improvements of important crops will continue to exert pressure on the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) to (c): No, Madam. The productivity of foodgrain in the country has shown increasing trend during last five years except for during 2009-10 wherein a marginal decrease was noticed due to drought that prevailed in large part of the country. The productivity of foodgrains has increased from 1756 kg/ha during 2006-07 to 1921 kg/ha during 2010-11. Similarly, productivity of oilseeds has also increased from 916 kg/ha during 2006-07 to 1159 kg/ha during 2010-11.

The crop-wise productivity of various foodgrains crops and oilseeds from 2006-07 to 2010-11 is as under:

(Yield in Kg/ha)

Crop	Yield (Kg/ha)	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11#
Rice	2131	2202	2178	2125	2240	
Wheat	2708	2802	2907	2839	2938	
Coarse cereals	1182	1431	1459	1212	1528	
Pulses	612	625	659	630	689	
Foodgrains	1756	1860	1909	1798	1921	
Oilseeds	916	1115	1006	959	1159	

Fourth Advance Estimates.

For enhancing the productivity of various foodgrains and oilseeds crops further in the country, various crop development programmes such as National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Integrated Cereals Development Programmes (ICDP) under Macro Management Mode of Agriculture, Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) and Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oilpalm & Maize (ISOPOM) are being implemented. Besides, new initiatives have also been taken by the Government to enhance productivity of various crops by launching Bringing Green Revolution in Eastern India (BGREI), Initiatives for Nutritional Security through Intensive Millet Promotion (INSIMP) and Integrated Development of 60,000 Pulses Villages in Rainfed Areas as sub-schemes of RKVY.

In addition, frontline demonstrations of various crops are also organized by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) for transfer of latest technology among the farmers at their fields.