

**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 the agricultural production has registered a decline in the country during the 11th Five Year Plan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the comprehensive measures taken by the Government to increase the agricultural production in the country?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): As indicated in the table below, production of major agriculture crops has increased during the 11th Five Year Plan period.

Production (Million Tonnes)

Crops	2007- 08	2008- 09	2009- 10	2010- 11#	2011- 12#
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Rice	96.69	99.18	89.09	95.32	87.10
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Wheat	78.57	80.68	80.80	85.93	NA
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Coarse Cereals	40.76	40.03	33.55	42.22	30.42
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Pulses	14.76	14.57	14.66	18.09	6.43
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Foodgrains	230.78	234.47	218.11	241.56	123.95
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Oilseeds	29.76	27.72	24.88	31.10	20.89
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Sugarcane	348.19	285.03	292.30	339.17	342.20
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Cotton\$	25.88	22.28	24.02	33.43	36.10
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4# th Advance Estimate as on 19.07.2011

# 1st Advance Estimate as on 14.09.2011 (Kharif only)

\$ Million bales of 170 kgs. each.

The production of most of the crops suffered during 2009-10 due to deficient monsoon/drought in many States of the country. The production of sugarcane has been fluctuating due to shift in area to other competing/more profitable crops.

(c): In order to increase agricultural production in the country, a number of Crop Development Schemes and Programmes, namely: National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize (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 Ministry of Agriculture through State Governments. In addition to above schemes, during 2010-11, two new programmes viz. Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India and Integrated Development of 60,000 Pulses and Oilseeds Villages in Rainfed Areas have been initiated under RKVY. National Food Security Mission has been strengthened from 1.4.2010 with the merger of pulses component of ISOPOM and inclusion of two new potential States namely; Assam and Jharkhand for pulses production. A new programme 'Accelerated Pulses Production Programme (A3P)' in the form of block demonstrations has also been started to cover 1000 units of 1000 hectares each of five pulses crops in 16 pulses growing States of the country.