

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION IN BUNDELKHAND
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been a bumper crop of wheat, gram, arhar and mustard etc. in the Bundelkhand and other drought prone areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, crop-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for providing incentive to the farmers in the said regions including Bundelkhand; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. There has been very good production of foodgrains and oilseeds during the year 2011-12 in the country including Bundelkhand and other drought prone areas. The production of major crops of rice, wheat, gram, arhar & mustard during 2011-12 in the country is given below:

Crop-wise production of foodgrains & Oil seeds during the year 2011-12. (2nd Advanced estimate).

(in million tons)

Rice	102.75
Wheat	88.31
Gram	7.66
Arhar	2.72
Total foodgrains	250.42
Mustard	75

Total oilseeds 208

(c) & (d) Incentives have been provided to the farmers, including farmers of Bundhelkhand region, to procure agriculture inputs such as quality seeds, nutrients, plant agriculture inputs such as quality seeds, nutrients, plant protection chemicals, farm machinery under various crop development schemes. However, State Governments of Uttar Pradesh & Madhya Pradesh have been advised to earmark separate amount from the allocations made to the state under various schemes for the identified interventions as special package for drought mitigation in the Bundelkhand region. A separate Bundelkhand Package under the supervision of National Rainfed Area Authority (NRAA) has been under implementation for Integrated Water Shed Development of the region.