

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2417
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PRODUCTION OF SEEDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantum of seeds produced in various parts of the country including Uttar Pradesh during the last three years, crop-wise and State-wise;
- (b) whether the country is self reliant in the production of seeds;
- (c) if not, the details of the shortage, crop-wise;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to enhance the production of seeds in the country;and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARIQ ANWAR)

- (a) The details of crop wise and state wise total quantity of seeds produced in the country including Uttar Pradesh during the last three years are at Annexure I & II.
- (b) Yes, Madam.
- (c) Question does not arise.
- (d) & (e) Yes, Madam. The proposed increase in production of seeds in the country as reported by states during the year 2013-14 is 337.14 lakh quintals and in 2014-15 is 353.43 lakh quintals. To enhance the production of seeds, the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing several crop development programme/schemes viz, National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Integrated Scheme on Oilseeds, Oil Palm and Maize (ISOPOM), Initiative for Nutritional Security through Intensive Millets Promotion (INSIMP), Technology Mission on Cotton (TMC), Technology Mission on Jute and Mesta (TMJ&M), which provides assistance for seed related activities including production and distribution subsidy. Assistance is also provided under Macro Management Mode of Agriculture (MMA), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) National Horticulture Mission (NHM) and Development and Strengthening of Infrastructure Facilities for Production and distribution of Quality Seeds.