

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether there has been a decline in the production of pulses and oilseeds in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase the production of pulses and oilseeds in the country;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that there is difference in the production of pulses and oilseeds in various States including Uttar Pradesh;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the funds allocated by the Government to increase the agricultural production and its promotion?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): The production of pulses and oilseeds in the country during 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 has been higher than their production during 2009-10. State-wise details of production of pulses and oilseeds in the country during 2009-10 to 2012-13 (2nd Advance Estimates) are given in the Annexure.

(c): In order to increase production of pulses and oilseeds, Government has been implementing several Crop Development Schemes/Programmes such as National Food Security Mission-Pulses (NFSM-Pulses), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Macro Management of Agriculture (MMA), Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm & Maize (ISOPOM), etc. In addition, a new programme "Accelerated Pulses Production Programme (A3P)" has been started under NFSM since 2010-11 to take up active propagation of key technologies in the form of block demonstrations for improving productivity of pulses. Further, a Special Plan to achieve more than 19 million tonnes of pulse production during 2012-13 has also been initiated.

(d) & (e): The reasons for variation in production and productivity of different agricultural crops including pulses and oilseeds vary from State to State. Besides variation in the natural soil fertility, the major reasons for low production of these crops include uneven distribution of rainfall, dependence on monsoon, small & fragmented land holdings, improper nutrient & pest management, low use of good quality seeds, lack of adequate agricultural machinery and low adoption of improved package of practices, etc.

(f): Details of funds allocated by Government under the major schemes/programmes during 2012-13 are as under:-

(Rupees Crore)

Scheme	Funds Allocated
National Food Security Mission (NFSM)	1977.02
Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY)	9217.00
Macro Management of Agriculture (MMA)	900.00
Integrated Scheme for Oilseed, Pulses, Oil- Palm and Maize (ISOPOM)	387.03