

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF SEEDS  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the total quantum of seeds produced in various States including Madhya Pradesh, crop and State-wise;
- (b) whether there is shortage of seeds in the country and if so, the details thereof vis-a-vis the requirement;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to increase the production of seeds in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to make the country self-reliant in the production of seeds?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): The production and availability of certified/quality seeds in the country for the year 2012-13 is 328.58 lakh quintals against the requirement of 315.18 lakh quintals as reported by the States. The crop-wise and state-wise details including Madhya Pradesh are at Annexure-I and Annexure-II.

(c) & (d): The production of certified/quality seeds in the country has increased from 140.51 lakh quintals in 2005-06 to 328.58 lakh quintals in 2012-13. To enhance seed production in the country, the Government of India is assisting the State Governments and seed producing agencies on various seed related activities viz, seed production, storage, training of farmers in seed production technology, etc., under the various crop development programmes/schemes viz:- National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojna (RKVY), Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds and Maize (ISOPOM), Initiatives for Nutritional Security through Intensive Millets Promotion (INSIMP), Technology Mission on Cotton (TMC), Technology Mission on Jute & Mesta, National Horticulture Mission (NHM), Technology Mission for the North East (TMNE), Development & Strengthening of Infrastructure Facilities for production and distribution of quality seeds.