

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the details of the production of coarse grains during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has formulated any scheme for increasing the production of such grains;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the achievements made thereunder?

**Answer**

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

(a): State-wise details of production of coarse grains in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, i.e., 2010-11 to 2013-14 are given in the Annexure.

(b) to (d): To increase the production of coarse grains/millets in the country, the Government of India has been implementing the "Initiatives for Nutritional Security through Intensive Millet Promotion (INSIMP)" as a Sub-scheme of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) in 16 major millet growing States of the country. The programme aims to demonstrate improved production and post-harvest technologies in an integrated manner with visible impact to catalyze increase in production of millets.

Further, the Government of India has also been implementing a Centrally Sponsored Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oilpalm and Maize (ISOPOM) which, inter-alia, aims to increase production of maize in 15 major maize growing States of the country. Under the above Scheme, financial assistance is provided for purchase of breeder seeds, production of foundation seeds, production and distribution of certified seeds, distribution of minikits, distribution of plant protection chemicals, plant protection equipments, supply of improved agricultural implements, micro-nutrients, weedicides, phosphate solubilising bacteria, distribution of gypsum/pyrite/liming/dolomite, sprinkler sets and water carrying pipes, training and publicity etc., to encourage farmers to grow maize.

As a result of implementation of above schemes, the productivity of millets has increased from 1431 kg per hectare in 2007-08 to 1626 kg per hectare in 2012-13.