## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1256 ANSWERED ON:03.03.2015 PRODUCTION OF SOYABEAN Yadav Shri Laxmi Narayan

## Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the annual average production of soyabean in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether the average production has declined sharply in the country during the said period;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken/being taken to increase the production of soyabean in the country?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KUNDARIA)

- (a) to (c): State-wise details of production of Soyabean in the country during last three years and current year i.e. 2011-12 to 2014-15 are given at the Annexure. Due to variations in the area coverage and productivity on account of weather & rainfall condition etc., state-wise production of Soyabean during the above period has witnessed a mixed trend.
- (d): To increase production and productivity of oilseed crops including Soyabean through an integrated and comprehensive approach, Mini Mission-I under National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) is under implementation in 23 States from 2014-15.

Under the above scheme, modern technologies like production of quality seeds of improved varieties, distribution of seeds minikits, ridge-furrow methods of planting, effective water management, application of bio-fertilizers, inter-cropping of Soyabean with cereals/pulses, eco-friendly plant protection measures etc. are being promoted through cluster demonstrations. Besides, Front Line Demonstration (FLDs) of new technologies are organized at farmers' field through Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and State Agricultural Universities (SAUs).