

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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ADVANCE ASSESSMENT OF CROPS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the existing advance assessment related to production of crops in the country;
- (b) whether the work regarding updation of advance assessment report of crops is going on;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the names of States asked to update their crop pre-assessment reports?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

- (a): As per first Advance Estimates for 2014-15 (which cover only kharif crops), details of production of major agricultural crops in the country are given in the Annexure.
- (b) to (d): During an Agricultural Year (July to June), Ministry of Agriculture releases four advance estimates followed by final estimates of area, production and yield of major agricultural crops in the country on the basis of reports received from State Governments. The first Advance Estimates are released in the month of September followed by second, third and fourth Advance Estimates in February, April and July of next calendar year. Final Estimates are released along with second Advance Estimates for the subsequent agricultural year. Thus, the updation of first Advance Estimates for 2014-15 and release of second Advance Estimates for the year are due only in February, 2015.