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PRODUCTION OF OILSEEDS AND PULSES

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the production and the area under cultivation of oilseeds and pulses in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State- wise;
- (b) whether the Government has assessed the production and consumption of oilseeds and pulses during the above period and if so, the details thereof, crop- wise;
- (c) whether there is a gap between production and consumption of these crops;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to encourage the farmers and incentives/ assistance/subsidy given to them as well as agencies concerned to produce more oilseeds and pulses to meet the demand and bridge the gap between the production and consumption of these crops in the country?

Answer

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

- (a): State-wise details of production and area under cultivation of oilseeds and pulses in the country during the last three years and current year, i.e., 2011-12 to 2014-15 are given in the Annexure.
- (b) to (d): Household consumption of goods and services in the country is assessed through Household Consumer Expenditure Surveys conducted by National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) of Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation. Based upon per capita monthly quantity of consumption as per Household Consumer Expenditure Survey:2011-12 (latest available), the details of total consumption vis-À-vis production of oilseeds and pulses in the country during 2011-12 to 2013-14 are as under:-

(Million Tonnes)				
Crop	Year	Production	Consumption	
Oilseeds	2011-12	29.80	37.72	
	2012-13	30.94	38.23	
	2013-14	32.88	38.74	
Pulses	2011-12	17.09	11.79	
	2012-13	18.34	11.95	
	2013-14	19.27	12.10	

- Note: 1. Annual production of oilseeds & pulses for 2014-15 are not available.
2. Production figures for 2013-14 are as per 4th Advance Estimates.
3. Consumption figures only relate to consumption by household and do not include indirect consumption.
4. Consumption of oilseeds also includes consumption of edible oils based upon the recovery rate of 28% from oilseeds to edible oils.

(e): To encourage farmers to produce more oilseeds and pulses to bridge the gap between their production and consumption, Government of India has been implementing various Crop Development Schemes such as National Food Security Mission (NFSM)-Pulses, National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana etc. Under the above schemes, assistance is provided for purchase of breeder seed, production and distribution of certified seed, planting material, establishment of seed gardens of oil palm, distribution of production inputs, transfer of technology through block demonstrations, integrated pest management, supply of plant protection equipments/chemicals, farmers training etc.

In order to increase production and productivity of oilseeds and pulses, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) is conducting research programmes on different oilseeds and pulses crops being undertaken by five commodity based research institutes and 10 All India Coordinated Research Projects on specific oilseeds and pulses for developing location-specific varieties/hybrids and suitable technologies. During the last five years (2009- 2013), ICAR has released 97 varieties/hybrids of

different oilseeds and 89 varieties of different pulses that have fair degree of tolerance to biotic and abiotic stresses.