

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, COOPERATION AND FARMERS WELFARE

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2297
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 31ST JULY, 2018

AREA UNDER COTTON CROP

2297. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
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SHRI DHARMENDRA YADAV:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE ₣ãðŠääÓã एवं किसान कल्याण ½ãâ"ããè
be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there are contradictory claims pertaining to the area under cotton crop for the sowing season 2017-18 in various States and if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether miscalculation of area under cotton crop will impact the assessment of production of cotton and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the State Governments have claimed yield of 730-kilogram hectare lint whereas the national average of the yield is 568 kilograms per hectare lint and if so, the facts thereof;
- (d) whether the Union Government has instructed the state Governments to correct the area under cotton crop so that accurate assessment of production of cotton can be made and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the response of the State Governments thereto?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) & (b): Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has not received any contradictory claims from States pertaining to area under cotton crop for the sowing season 2017-18.

(c): Depending on agro-climatic zones, soil conditions, rainfall distribution etc., the yield of cotton varies from state to state. However, as per the Third Advance Estimates 2017-18, the yield of cotton at All-India level is 476 kilograms per hectare.

(d) & (e): Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has not issued any instruction with respect to assessment of area coverage under cotton to State Governments for the sowing season 2017-18.
