

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2703**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2023

**KHARIF CROPS**

2703. SHRIMATI MANJULATA MANDAL:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state;

- (a) the details of the total estimated acreage under cultivation of Kharif crops during the current season;
- (b) the estimated production of Kharif crops for the current year along with the Minimum Support Price (MSP) fixed;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide adequate incentives to the farmers for sowing Kharif grains and to procure their produce at higher price;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (e) the other steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to boost the production of Kharif crops to meet the demands for foodgrains and other crops in the country?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)

(a) & (b): The details of area and production of major kharif crops as per First Advance Estimates 2023-24 and MSP fixed for kharif crops for the current agricultural year (2023-24) are given as under:

Crops	Area (Lakh ha.)	Production (Lakh Tonnes)	MSP (Rs. Per Quintal)
Rice#	406.17	1063.13	Common – 2183 Grade 'A' – 2203
Jowar	14.99	16.44	Hybrid – 3180 Maldandi – 3225
Bajra	69.33	94.36	2500
Maize	82.67	224.82	2090
Ragi	8.24	12.00	3846
Tur	42.01	34.21	7000

<b>Crops</b>	<b>Area (Lakh ha.)</b>	<b>Production (Lakh Tonnes)</b>	<b>MSP (Rs. Per Quintal)</b>
Urad	30.73	15.05	6950
Moong	30.94	14.05	8558
Groundnut	42.28	78.29	6377
Sesamum	11.21	4.19	8635
Nigerseed	0.80	0.24	7734
Soybean	124.99	115.28	4600
Sunflower	0.74	0.64	6760
Sugarcane ^	54.55	4347.93	315
Cotton	125.55	316.57	Medium Staple – 6620 Long Staple – 7020
Jute	5.94	87.98	5050

# MSP for Paddy / ^ Fair and Remunerative Prices (FRP)

(c) to (e): Government of India is implementing a comprehensive range of central sector as well as centrally sponsored schemes and programmes for the welfare of farmers, to provide incentive and enhance production across the States. These schemes and programmes encompass entire spectrum of agriculture including credit, insurance, income support, infrastructure, crops including horticulture, seeds, mechanization, marketing, organic and natural farming, farmer collectives, irrigation, extension, procurement of crops from farmers at minimum support prices, etc. The ultimate aim of these initiatives is to secure the well-being of farmers by providing an incentive and facilitating an increase in overall agricultural production, including food grains, and enhancing productivity.

Further, National Food Security Mission (NFSM), being implemented in the identified districts of 28 states including Union Territories of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, which aims at increasing foodgrain production including rice, wheat, pulses, coarse cereals and nutri- cereals through area expansion and productivity enhancement, restoring soil fertility and productivity at individual farm level and enhancing farm level economy.

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