

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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COTTON PRODUCTION AREA
BRAHMANAND MANDAL

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total area under cotton crop in the country;
- (b) the yield of cotton per hectare in the country; and
- (c) the average yield of cotton in the World?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): The total area and yield under cotton crop in the country for the years 2000-01, 2001-02 and 2002-03 are given below:-

Year Area (Million Hectares) Yield (Kg./Hectare)

2000-01	8.53	190
2001-02	9.10	189
2002-03+	7.48	212

+ As per Fourth Advance Estimates as on 1.7.2003

(c): As per the figures given in the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) YearBook, 2000, the world average yield of cotton is as under:

Year	Yield (Kg per Hectare)
1998	539
1999	554
2000	572