

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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BASMATI RICE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of States which are producing export quality Basmati rice alongwith the details of the total production of such Basmati rice in the country during the last three years, year-wise and every year, State-wise;
- (b) whether any scheme has been formulated by Union Government to provide incentives to the States producing such Basmati rice;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the extent to which the production of Basmati rice is on increase in comparison to previous two years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH)

(a): Basmati rice is grown in the Indo - Gangetic plains. This region encompasses the States of Punjab, Haryana, Uttaranchal, Western Uttar Pradesh (U.P.) and Jammu (J&K). The State- wise production of Basmati Rice in these States is given below:-

Production ('000 tonnes)

State 2002-03 2003-04 2004-05#

Haryana	728.00	1248.00	1002.00
J & K	60.98	87.78	88.00
Punjab	240.00	384.00	382.50
U.P.	462.00	645.21	640.00
Uttranchal	12.88	3.49	5.61
All India	1503.86	2368.48	2118.11

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(b)&(c): Central Government has been implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Integrated Cereals Development Programme in rice based cropping system areas (ICDP-Rice) to increase rice production in the country including Basmati rice. The scheme has been subsumed under Macro Management Mode of Agriculture with effect from October 2000.

(d): The production of Basmati rice during 2004-05 (21.18 lakh tonnes) increased by about 41 per cent over the year 2002-03 (15.04 lakh tonnes). However, the production of Basmati during 2004-05 was lower than 2003-04.