

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF COTTON
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated target/production of various brands of cotton in the country during the last two years and the current year, brand-wise and State-wise particularly in Maharashtra;
- (b) the total domestic requirement of cotton and the surplus available for export during the above period; and
- (c) the total area, as on date under cotton cultivation in each State, particularly in Maharashtra?

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):As estimated by the Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) in its meeting held on 7th December 2005, the cotton production for the cotton season 2005-06 is 242.50 lakh bales. The CAB is not estimating production for different varieties of cotton. The details of state-wise cotton production, including Maharashtra, for 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06 is shown in the Annexure - I.

(b) : During the years 2003-04 and 2004-05, the total requirement (including mill consumption, small mill consumption and non-mill consumption) has been placed at 177.10 lakh bales and 194.00 lakh bales respectively. The total carry forward stock during the above period has been placed at 21.00 lakh bales and 72.00 lakh bales respectively. The cotton consumption during 2005-06 has been estimated at 213.00 lakh bales. The carry forward as at the end of the season 2005-06 is estimated at 82.50 lakh bales.

During 2003-04, 12.11 lakh bales and during 2004-05, 10.76 lakh bales of cotton were exported.

(c) : The required information is available in the Annexure - II.

ANNEXURE-I

CAB Estimates of Cotton Production for 2005-06, 2004-05 and 2003-04

Quantity in lakh bales of 170 kgs. Each

State/UT 2005-06 2004-05 2003-04

Punjab	21.00	16.50	10.35
Haryana	14.00	15.50	11.50
Rajasthan	11.00	11.00	9.15
Gujarat	80.00	73.00	50.00
Maharashtra	46.00	52.00	31.00
Madhya Pradesh	15.00	16.00	19.65
Andhra Pradesh	30.00	32.50	27.40
Karnataka	7.00	8.00	4.20
Tamil Nadu	5.50	5.50	3.75
Others	1.00	1.00	1.00
Plus Loose Lint	12.00	12.00	11.00
Total	242.50	243.00	179.00

ANNEXURE-II

CAB Estimates of Cotton Area for 2005-06

States/UT 2005-06

Punjab	5.80
Haryana	5.97
Rajasthan	4.54
Gujarat	20.77
Maharashtra	28.89
Madhya Pradesh	6.35
Andhra Pradesh	9.72
Karnataka	3.63
Tamil Nadu	1.50
Others	1.00
Total	88.17