

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLE

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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the production of fruit and vegetable in the country is the highest as against the other countries of the world;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the name of the States at present producing maximum quantity of fruit and vegetable in the country;
- (d) the percentage of production of these States as against the total national production, separately; and
- (e) the percentage out of their total production being exported by each of these States?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) &(b): Yes, Sir. India is the second largest producer of fruit & vegetable in the world after China.

(c) & (d): Maximum quantity of fruit and vegetable producing States and their percent share against total national production is as under:

Fruit    Vegetable

Name of State % Share    Name of State % Share

Maharashtra 18.58    West Bengal 20.49  
Andhra Pradesh 16.38    Uttar Pradesh 18.62  
Uttar Pradesh 9.54    Bihar 9.77  
Tamil Nadu 8.87    Orissa 8.40  
Karnataka 8.86    Maharashtra 5.62  
Bihar 6.72    Tamil Nadu 4.97

(e): State wise export percentage of fruits & vegetables is not available. However, export percentage of fruits and vegetables for three years (as available) is as under:

Production    Export  
(In `000 Quantity % Share of  
Tonnes) (In tonnes) total production

2000-01 136988    623968.40 0.46  
2001-02 131623    788907.58 0.60  
2002-03 130018    933654.83 0.72