

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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INCREASE IN THE PER HECTARE YIELD OF VARIOUS CROPS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there has been considerable decline in the per hectare yield of the agricultural produces in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of yield rates for wheat, paddy, pulses and oilseeds during the last three years and as on date; and
- (c) the measures to be adopted to increase the per hectare yield of the above crops in the coming years?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)&(b): The per hectare yield rates of major agricultural produces in the country during the last three years from 2004-05 to 2006-07 are given in the table below:

(Kg/Hectare)

Year	Wheat	Paddy	Foodgrains	Pulses	Oilseeds	Sugarcane	Cotton
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2004-05	2602	2976	1652	577	885	64752	318
2005-06	2619	3153	1716	597	1004	66928	362
2006-07#	2671	3191	1750	616	917	71081	422

4th advance estimates released on 19.07.2007

Barring oilseeds, the per hectare of yield of all other agricultural produces shows an increasing trend from 2004-05.

(c): To increase cereals productivity, Centrally Sponsored Schemes the Integrated Cereals Development Programme (ICDP) in Rice, Wheat and Coarse Cereals are in place from October 2000. Likewise, to increase the productivity of oilseeds, pulses and maize, the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of `Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize` (ISOPOM) is in place since 01.04.2004.

The Government of India has recently approved two schemes viz.

- (i) National Food Security Mission (NFSM) for increasing the productivity and production of wheat, rice and pulses, and
- (ii) Additional Central Assistance Scheme (ACAS) for incentivising the States to invest more in agriculture sector which, in turn, is expected to improve the yield.