

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5773
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 3RD APRIL, 2018

AREA UNDER WHEAT CULTIVATION

5773. SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of area under wheat cultivation in the States of Haryana and Punjab during each of the last three years; and
- (b) the efforts made by the Government to assist the State Governments of Haryana and Punjab to bring more areas under wheat cultivation?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a): The details of area under wheat cultivation in the States of Haryana and Punjab during each of the last three years i.e. from 2014-15 to 2016-17 is as under:

('000 Hectares)

State	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Haryana	2601.00	2576.0	2558.0
Punjab	3505.00	3508.0	3495.0

(b): In order to encourage the farmers and to increase production of wheat in the country including the States of Haryana and Punjab, various interventions like demonstrations of improved production technologies including climate resilient varieties, seed distribution of newer varieties, farm machinery & implements, water efficient devices (sprinkler, rain gun, water carrying pipes), plant protection chemicals, micro nutrients and soil ameliorants etc. are promoted under National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), etc.

The Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) of wheat have also been increased over the years to encourage farmers to grow more wheat by ensuring remunerative prices.
