

adaptability to different agro-ecological zones with specific traits. Breeder seed of improved varieties as per the indent of Department of Agriculture and Cooperation are produced for multiplication of foundation seeds and certified seeds. Promotion and adoption of technologies are ensured through Front Line Demonstrations (FLDs). The technologies developed by ICAR institutes and All India Coordinated Research Projects (AICRPs) in respect of cash crops are also being popularized through special programmes.

(c) and (d) As a result of various steps taken by the Government, productivity of most of the crops has increased. Positive effect of technological intervention executed under NFSM is reflected in overall gain in yield of pulses with record production during 2010-11. It is observed that 50% of the districts covered under NFSM show enhancement of productivity. In order to improve productivity and production of different crops on sustainable basis, NFSM and other ongoing programmes/schemes of Ministry of Agriculture will continue in 12th plan with improved strategies and revamped approach such as inclusion of new crops and additional areas etc.

#### **Production rate**

†2657. SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI:  
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a wide difference in agricultural production rate in various parts of the country;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof and whether Government has identified those areas where production rate is found to be maximum, minimum and average;
- (c) if so, the details of the areas in the country, category-wise; and
- (d) the details of rate of production of wheat, paddy, pulses and oilseeds in each area?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. The rate of agricultural production (productivity) varies in different agro-ecological zones depending upon a number of factors such as natural soil fertility, rainfall pattern, irrigation facilities, temperature, humidity, sunlight intensity, use of inputs, technology etc.

Based on the 4th Advance Estimates for 2010-11, the State-wise details of productivity of wheat, rice, pulses and oilseeds alongwith the States with maximum and minimum productivity vis-a-vis all-India average productivity of above crops are given in the Statement.

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***Statement***

*State-wise yield/productivity of rice, wheat, pulses and oilseeds  
during 2010-11 (4th advance estimates)*

State	Yield/Productivity (kg./hectare)			
	Rice	Wheat	Pulses	Oilseeds
1	2	3	4	5
Andhra Pradesh	3028	1000	676	858
Assam	2054	1164	543	519
Bihar	1090	2084	918	1072
Chhattisgarh	1663	1144	626	686
Gujarat	2001	2990	845	1371
Haryana	2789	4390	898	1856
Himachal Pradesh	1702	1877	550	605
Jammu and Kashmir	1942	1003	515	762
Jharkhand	1556	1498	656	488
Karnataka	2716	965	555	730
Kerala	2547	Not Grown	1354	992
Madhya Pradesh	1106	1757	655	1143
Maharashtra	1757	1730	773	1417
Orissa	1621	1466	486	626
Punjab	3828	4507	902	1321
Rajasthan	2025	2910	683	1205
Tamil Nadu	3078	Not Grown	407	2109
Uttar Pradesh	2119	3113	829	849
Uttarakhand	1879	2340	825	867
West Bengal	2608	2658	839	1092
Others	1973	3258	892	900
ALL-INDIA	2240	2938	689	1159

1	2	3	4	5
State with maximum productivity	Punjab (3828 kg./ha.)	Punjab (4507 kg./ha.)	Kerala (1354 kg./ha.)	Tamil Nadu (2109 kg./ha.)
State with minimum productivity	Bihar (1090 kg./ha.)	Karnataka (965 kg./ha.)	Tamil Nadu (407 kg./ha.)	Jharkhand (488 kg./ha.)

#### **Export of onion**

†2658. SHRI SHIVANAND TIWARI:  
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government had imposed a ban on the export of onion in the last month to check its increasing price in the country;
- (b) if so, when this was imposed;
- (c) whether this ban had to be lifted in a few days due to the protest by certain people; and
- (d) if so, when this ban was lifted and the names of the prominent people who advocated to lift this ban?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT): (a) to (d) Ban on onion export, last imposed on 9th September, 2011, was lifted on 20th September, 2011 after taking into account all relevant factors including price movement, protests from farmers of Maharashtra and representations received.

#### **Withdrawal of bonus on MSP of paddy**

2659. SHRIMATI KUSUM RAI:  
SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government had announced bonus on MSP of paddy during current crop season;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has now decided to withdraw bonus on MSP of paddy;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the reasons for withdrawal of bonus on paddy;

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