

Production of fruits, vegetables and milk etc.

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether production of fruits, vegetables, milk, etc. has been increasing in the country during the last five years;

(b) if so, the estimated average rate of increase in the annual production of the above products during the above-mentioned period;

(c) whether cost of production of these products have also increased in the said period; and

(d) if so, the estimated average rate of increase in annual cost of production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARISH RAWAT) : (a) and (b) The production of fruits increased from 656 lakh MTs to 775 lakh MTs, vegetables from 1285 lakh MTs to 1496 lakh MTs during the period 2007-08 to 2011-12, while that of milk from 1079 lakh MTs to 1218 lakh MTs during the period 2007-08 to 2010-11, with an annual average rate of increase of 5.42%, 5.49% and 4.38%, respectively. The details of production and annual rate of increase is given in Statement (*See below*).

(c) and (d) The cost of production of fruits and vegetables vary from place to place depending on the technology and variety in use. On an average, the estimated annual cost of production of fruits and vegetables has registered an increase of 15 to 20 per cent.

Statement***Production of fruits, vegetables and milk during last five years.***

Year	Fruits		Vegetables		Milk	
	Production (lakh MT)	(% Increased)	Production (lakh MT)	(% Increased)	Production (lakh MT)	(% Increased)
2007-08	656	10.07	1285	11.74	1079	5.16
2008-09	685	4.42	1291	0.47	1122	3.98
2009-10	715	4.38	1341	3.87	1164	3.74
2010-11	749	4.76	1466	9.32	1218	4.64
2011-12*	775	3.47	1496	2.05	NA	NA

* First advance estimate, NA = Data Not available.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.