

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAIKALYANJIBHAI KUNDARIYA): (a) and (b) Details of premium collected and claims paid by the insurance companies under crop insurance schemes in Rajasthan during last three years are given in Statement (*See below*).

(c) Considering the magnitude of work involved, it is not possible for the Government to directly administer the crop insurance schemes.

Statement

Details of Gross premium collected and claims paid during last three years in Rajasthan under Crop Insurance Schemes

Season	MNAIS		WBCIS	
	Gross Premium (in Lakh)	Claims Paid (in Lakh)	Gross Premium (in Lakh)	Claims Paid (in Lakh)
Kharif 2011	12178.26	9609.57	102972.99	42598.32
Rabi 2011-12	16520.93	8421.14	82747.03	75066.17
Year 2011-12	28699.19	18030.72	185720.02	117664.49
Kharif 2012	56431.35	62144.59	129474.06	86803.02
Rabi 2012-13	18937.95	5260.76	94051.99	105945.31
Year 2012-13	75369.30	67405.35	223526.05	192748.32
Kharif 2013*	64008.43	55289.48	147834.55	115096.74
Rabi 2013-14*	33558.01	28453.44	92648.28	33304.99
Year 2013-14	97566.44	83742.92	240482.83	148401.73
GRAND TOTAL	201634.92	169178.99	649728.90	458814.54

* Paid/Payable

Agricultural production in Bihar

†2999. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is taking any step to increase the agricultural production in Bihar; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJIBHAI KUNDARIYA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. To increase agricultural production in the country including Bihar, a number of schemes like Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India (BGREI), National Mission on Oilseeds and Oil Palm (NMOOP) are being implemented through the State Governments. The State Governments take up various projects to increase agricultural production under RKVY. NFSM aims to increase production and productivity of rice, wheat, pulses and coarse cereals. BGREI, a sub-scheme of RKVY, focuses on enhancing production and productivity of rice based cropping system in Eastern Region including Bihar. NMOOP envisages increase in production of vegetable oils sourced from oilseeds, oil palm and tree borne oilseeds. The details of allocation and release of fund to Bihar for 2014-15 is given below:-

(₹ in crore)

Name of Scheme	Allocation	Release (upto date)
RKVY	391.73	391.73
NFSM	96.78	74.68
BGREI	151.00	151.00
NMOOP	2.31	0.81

Testing of soil for increasing agricultural production

†3000. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether soil testing is carried out all over the country every year with a view to increase agricultural production; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MOHANBHAI KALYANJIBHAI KUNDARIYA): (a) and (b) The annual analyzing capacity of soil testing laboratories in the country is 1.28 crore soil samples. State-wise number of soil testing laboratories in the country, their analyzing capacity and utilization of capacity is given in Statement.

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