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Jharkhand	22336	6464	28.9
Karnataka	42421	32775	77.3
Kerala	14043	10908	77.7
Madhya Pradesh	59950	27414	45.7
Maharashtra	70970	40672	57.3
Manipur	1762	421	23.9
Meghalaya	3544	84	2.4
Mizoram	758	47	6.2
Nagaland	2621	65	2.5
Odisha	44935	25830	57.5
Punjab	14083	7499	53.2
Rajasthan	64835	40055	61.8
Sikkim	674	97	14.3
Tamil Nadu	32443	26780	82.5
Telangana	25389	22628	89.1
Tripura	2445	559	22.9
Uttarakhand	10608	5387	50.8
Uttar Pradesh	180486	79081	43.8
West Bengal	63624	32787	51.5
Group of UTs	718	267	37.2
All-India	902011	468481	51.9

Source: Key Indicators of Situation of Agricultural Households in India based on Situation Assessment Survey of Agricultural Households, NSS 70th round.

* Figures in respect of States with negligible sample size are not presented. Due to the same reason, a single estimate is provided for Group of UTs.

** Relates to all kinds of outstanding loan irrespective of the purpose for which taken.

Cultivation of Paddy

1963. SHRI R. VAITHILINGAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of areas under cultivation of paddy in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) whether paddy cultivation has declined in several States during the said period and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the incentive/financial assistance given/proposed to be given for loss of paddy crop in the country, State-wise; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to increase productivity of paddy in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE (SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA): (a) and (b) Depending upon several factors including availability of cultivable land, vagaries of nature, temperature, weather and rainfall scenario, availability of water in reservoir, etc., the area coverage of paddy during 2013-14 to 2016-17 has been fluctuating. The details of area coverage of paddy in the country during the last three years and current year *i.e.* 2013-14 to 2016-17 are given in the Statement (*See below*).

(c) and (d) In order to increase the production of foodgrains including rice, the Government is implementing National Food Security Mission (NFSM). NFSM-Rice is being implemented in 194 districts of 25 States, in which various technologies/interventions are being promoted amongst the farmers. Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India (BGREI) Programme is also being implemented in Eastern States of India (Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Odisha, Eastern Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal) to address the productivity constraints of rice based cropping systems.

The modern techniques such as aerobic rice, integrated crop management, machine operated dry direct sowing, mechanical transplanting and harvesting, adoption of new hybrids and varieties, etc. are also being encouraged. The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) institutes and State Agriculture Universities (SAUs) regularly organize site visits, kisan melas, farmers' field days, seed days and training programmes to educate the farmers about new technologies/varieties.

Government has recently reviewed various crop insurance schemes and has launched Prime Minister Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) from Kharif 2016. Under the PMFBY, a uniform premium of only 2% will be paid by farmers for all Kharif crops and 1.5% for all Rabi crops including paddy. The premium rates to be paid by farmers are very low and balance premium will be paid by the Government to provide full insured amount to the farmers against crop loss on account of natural calamities. There is no upper limit on Government subsidy.

Statement*State-wise Area of Rice during 2013-14 to 2016-17*

States	Rice ('000 Hectare)			
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16*	2016-17#
Andhra Pradesh	2443.6	2394.0	2161.0	1455.0
Assam	2449.1	2495.3	2468.0	2088.0
Bihar	3130.8	3263.4	3214.6	2954.4
Chhattisgarh	3802.1	3808.5	3816.0	3809.7
Gujarat	788.0	786.0	763.0	772.0
Haryana	1228.0	1287.0	1354.0	1313.0
Himachal Pradesh	74.4	72.5	75.1	75.2
Jammu and Kashmir	271.5	276.4	268.0	267.8
Jharkhand	1255.9	1502.2	1588.9	1470.0
Karnataka	1340.0	1326.0	1061.0	925.0
Kerala	199.6	198.2	196.9	156.7
Madhya Pradesh	1930.0	2153.0	2024.0	2260.0
Maharashtra	1613.0	1551.0	1533.0	1379.0
Odisha	4180.2	4166.3	3943.1	3796.0
Punjab	2851.0	2894.0	2975.0	3010.0
Rajasthan	145.6	167.8	182.9	164.8
Tamil Nadu	1725.7	1795.0	2037.3	1614.0
Telangana	1912.4	1415.0	1046.0	659.0
Uttar Pradesh	5982.0	5872.0	5867.0	5839.8
Uttarakhand	252.8	261.7	264.0	250.0
West Bengal	5513.7	5376.0	5463.4	4315.0
Others	1046.6	1049.3	1030.9	702.1
All India	44136.0	44110.6	43388.1	39276.4

* As per 4th Advance Estimates.

As per 1st Advance Estimates (Kharif only).