

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
RAJYA SABHA
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PROMOTING ORGANIC COTTON PRODUCTION

1274. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that production of organic cotton is coming down over the years;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor and details of production of organic cotton in the country during the last five years, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken to push production of organic cotton by giving incentives, etc., to organic cotton producers in the country?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SMT. DARSHANA JARDOSH)

(a) & (b): The production of organic cotton during 2020-21 has been 810934 MT against 335712 MT during 2019-20 and 312876 MT during 2018-19. Hence, the production of organic cotton is not coming down. State wise details during the last five years is **annexed**.

(c): Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare is implementing cotton development programme under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) in 15 major cotton growing states with an aim for enhancing production and productivity. ICAR-Central Institute for Cotton Research, (CICR) is doing research for the development and refinement of Technology for production of Organic Cotton in the country. Government is also promoting organic farming through a dedicated scheme named Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY).

Annexure

State wise Production of Organic Cotton during 2016-21					
	Production Quantity (MT)				
State	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Madhya Pradesh	74027.06	82737.87	91925.51	84701.23	383133.39
Maharashtra	21455.54	33447.94	58423.37	63720.49	168009.36
Gujarat	22364.55	55858.71	51020.28	55898.80	85782.60
Odisha	23034.40	58545.71	74001.57	103312.96	106495.89
Rajasthan	13625.58	15412.85	34033.27	23211.39	59173.79
Karnataka	20.08	578.86	363.35	1152.12	2998.09
Tamil Nadu	0.00	0.00	1790.42	2369.82	3771.77
Telangana	439.26	856.00	1316.74	1343.86	1561.88
Bihar	0.00	0.00	1.16	1.16	7.47
Total	154966	247438	312876	335712	810934
