

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1774**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04/08/2023

**DECLINE IN PRODUCTION OF MILLETS**

1774. SHRI LAHAR SINGH SIROYA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total production of millets and its varieties in the country in 2022-23;
- (b) whether it is a fact that millet production has decreased in the country as it was reported that the production has come down from 17260.63 thousand tonnes in 2019-20 to 15999.76 thousand tonnes in 2021-22;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for the decrease in production?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

(SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a): The production of various millets in the country during the agricultural year 2022-23 (as per Third Advance Estimates) is given as under:

Crop	Production in 000 Tonnes
Jowar	3990.39
Bajra	11166.87
Ragi	1597.41
Small Millets	397.05
Total Millets	17151.72

(b) & (c): The production of millets, inter-alia, depends on several factors such as weather conditions, rainfall situation, irrigation facilities, inter-crop profitability, soil conditions and prices etc. The details of millets production from 2019-20 to 2022-23 are given as under:

Year	Production (000 Tonnes)
2019-20	17260.58
2020-21	18020.55
2021-22	15999.76
2022-23*	17151.72

\* - as per Third Advance Estimates

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