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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1746
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 2ND JULY, 2019

BT. COTTON PRODUCTION

1746. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Bt. Cotton production in the country is rising;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has taken necessary steps to ensure the price is commensurate with the cost of production; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir, the production of cotton is rising since last three years (**Annexure-I**). However, separate production figures are not available for Bt cotton and non-Bt cotton.

(c) & (d): Government fixed Minimum Support Price (MSP) of cotton at minimum of 50% as the margin over cost of production.

Annexure-I

Cotton production in major cotton growing States:

Production ('000' bales of 170 kgs. each)

S. No.	States	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1	Andhra Pradesh	1888.00	1564.00	2087.00
2	Gujarat	9400.00	8575.00	10187.00
3	Haryana	993.00	2041.00	1627.00
4	Karnataka	2000.00	1010.00	1844.00
5	Madhya Pradesh	1800.00	2050.69	1620.00
6	Maharashtra	7500.00	10618.76	6094.00
7	Odisha	300.00	382.00	408.00
8	Punjab	750.00	1031.03	1283.00
9	Rajasthan	1214.00	1401.92	1893.00
10	Tamil Nadu	369.00	359.00	445.00
11	Telangana	3661.00	3444.00	5195.00
12	Others	130.00	100.00	122.00
	All India	30005.00	32577.40	32805.00

Source: Directorate of Economic and Statistics, DAC&FW.
