

# Kharif crop sowing exceeds 1121 lakh hectare

Boost expected in millet production as Maize sowing area increases by more than 12 % this year

Urad sowing area registered growth of 6.5%

A healthy nation beckons as Coarse cereals' sowing area zooms ahead

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The Department of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare has released progress of area coverage under kharif crops as on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025.

Area: In lakh hectare

| S. No.   | Crop                  | Normal Area (2019-20 to 2023-24) | Area Sown     |               | Increase(+) / Decrease(-) over 2024-25 |  |
|----------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------------------------|--|
|          |                       |                                  | 2025 - 26     | 2024-25       |                                        |  |
| <b>1</b> | <b>Rice</b>           | <b>403.09</b>                    | <b>441.58</b> | <b>435.68</b> | <b>5.90</b>                            |  |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Pulses</b>         | <b>129.61</b>                    | <b>120.41</b> | <b>119.04</b> | <b>1.37</b>                            |  |
| a        | Tur                   | 44.71                            | 46.60         | 46.45         | 0.15                                   |  |
| b        | Kulthi                | 1.72                             | 0.72          | 0.56          | 0.16                                   |  |
| c        | Urad                  | 32.64                            | 24.37         | 22.87         | 1.50                                   |  |
| d        | Moong                 | 35.69                            | 34.87         | 34.96         | -0.09                                  |  |
| e        | Other Pulses          | 5.15                             | 4.62          | 4.58          | 0.05                                   |  |
| f        | Moth Bean             | 9.70                             | 9.24          | 9.63          | -0.39                                  |  |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Coarse Cereals</b> | <b>180.71</b>                    | <b>194.67</b> | <b>183.54</b> | <b>11.13</b>                           |  |
| a        | Jowar                 | 15.07                            | 14.07         | 14.21         | -0.14                                  |  |
| b        | Bajra                 | 70.69                            | 68.44         | 68.65         | -0.21                                  |  |
| c        | Ragi                  | 11.52                            | 11.81         | 11.96         | -0.15                                  |  |
| d        | Maize                 | 78.95                            | 94.95         | 84.30         | 10.65                                  |  |
| e        | Other Small           | 4.48                             | 5.39          | 4.42          | 0.97                                   |  |

|       |                |         |         |         |        |  |
|-------|----------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--|
|       | Millets        |         |         |         |        |  |
| 4     | Oilseeds       | 194.63  | 190.13  | 200.75  | -10.62 |  |
| a     | Groundnut      | 45.10   | 48.36   | 49.96   | -1.60  |  |
| b     | Sesamum        | 10.32   | 10.51   | 11.07   | -0.56  |  |
| c     | Sunflower      | 1.29    | 0.71    | 0.73    | -0.02  |  |
| d     | Soybean        | 127.19  | 120.45  | 129.55  | -9.10  |  |
| e     | Niger Seed     | 1.08    | 1.04    | 0.98    | 0.06   |  |
| f     | Castor Seed    | 9.65    | 8.98    | 8.39    | 0.60   |  |
| g     | Other Oilseeds | 0.00    | 0.08    | 0.08    | 0.00   |  |
| 5     | Sugarcane      | 52.51   | 59.07   | 57.22   | 1.86   |  |
| 6     | Jute and Mesta | 6.60    | 5.56    | 5.75    | -0.18  |  |
| 7     | Cotton         | 129.50  | 110.03  | 112.97  | -2.94  |  |
| Total |                | 1096.65 | 1121.46 | 1114.95 | 6.51   |  |

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