

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2741
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2026

MISSION FOR COTTON PRODUCTIVITY

2741. SHRI G KUMAR NAIK:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state :

- (a) the details of allocation approved under the Mission for Cotton Productivity, including the funds earmarked and allocation, State and district-wise particularly for Raichur and Karnataka;
- (b) the details of criteria adopted for selection of the 140 Mission districts and the reasons for inclusion of Raichur;
- (c) the details of physical targets fixed in Karnataka for productivity enhancement, High Density Planting System (HDPS), Extra Long Staple (ELS) cotton, seed replacement, farmer coverage and technology dissemination, district-wise;
- (d) the details and number of cotton testing laboratories, Kasturi Cotton Bharat traceability facilities and ginning and processing units proposed to be established or modernised in Karnataka district-wise; and
- (e) the details of implementation milestones and monitoring mechanism prescribed for Karnataka, particularly Raichur year-wise?

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ANSWER

वस्त्र राज्य मंत्री (श्री पबित्र मार्घेरिता)

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA)

(a): The Mission for Cotton Productivity (KAPAS KANTI) was approved by the Government on 5th May, 2026 with an overall outlay of Rs. 5,659.22 crore for a period of five years (2026-27 to 2030-31). Of this, Component-I(A) implemented by the Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE) has an outlay of Rs. 555.05 crore and Component-I(B) implemented by the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW) has an outlay of Rs. 3,804.17 crore. Components-II and III, implemented by the Cotton Corporation of India and the National Jute Board under the administrative control of the Ministry of Textiles, have approved outlays of Rs. 1,000 crore and Rs. 300 crore, respectively.

Under Component-I(A), an amount of approximately Rs. 11.50 crore has been approved for cotton productivity-related activities under the All India Coordinated Research Project (AICRP) at Raichur, Chamaraajanagar and Dharwad in Karnataka. During 2026-27, an amount of Rs. 4,850.13 lakh (*Central Share: Rs. 2,910.08 lakh and State Share: Rs. 1,940.05 lakh*) has been allocated to Karnataka under Component-I(B). The Government of Karnataka has earmarked Rs. 1,100.81 lakh for Raichur district under Component-I(B) during 2026-27.

(b): Under Component-I(B), the Mission initially covers 140 potential districts across 14 major cotton-growing States. The selection of these districts has been based on their cotton-growing potential. The list of districts is indicative, and the States have flexibility to revise the districts covered based on their annual plans, requirements and/or performance. Raichur has been included as it is one of the major cotton-growing districts in Karnataka.

(c): The Government of Karnataka has informed the district-wise physical targets for upscaling of technologies through demonstrations, including targeted beneficiaries, under Component-I(B) of the Mission for 2026-27. The details are placed at **Annexure-I**.

The mission envisages to increase the production to 40 lakh bales of cotton and enhance productivity to 860 kg lint/ha by 2030-31 for Karnataka. The year wise targets provided by State Government of Karnataka are placed at **Annexure-II**.

(d): The details are as follows:

(i) Cotton Testing Laboratories: Under Component-II of the Mission, provision has been made for setting up 50 cotton testing laboratories in clusters of cotton-producing districts across the country. The Mission does not specify State-wise or district-wise allocation of these laboratories. Their allocation will be determined through the process prescribed under the scheme, including the Request for Proposal (RFP) for implementation in Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode.

(ii) Kasturi Cotton Bharat Traceability Facilities: The Mission provides for output-based incentives for production of Kasturi Cotton Bharat-certified cotton bales by eligible Ginning and Processing (G&P) factories. Eligible G&P factories, including those located in Karnataka, are eligible for consideration under the scheme, subject to its provisions.

(iii) Ginning and Processing (G&P) Units: The Mission provides for output-based incentives to eligible G&P factories for production of Kasturi Cotton Bharat-certified cotton bales, in accordance with the provisions of the scheme.

(e): The Government of Karnataka has furnished the year-wise targets under the Mission, which are placed at **Annexure-II**.

Implementation of Component-I(B) of the Mission is monitored through State Level Committees and District Level Committees constituted in accordance with the provisions of the Mission. The monitoring mechanism is applicable to all districts covered under the Mission, including Raichur. The Mission provides for monitoring against the year-wise targets furnished by the State Government.

Annexure-I

District-wise targets fixed in Karnataka for productivity enhancement, High Density Planting System(HDPS), Closer Spacing (CS), Extra Long Staple (ELS), Integrated Cropping Management (ICM):

(Area- in hectares, Beneficiary – in numbers)

Sl. No.	District	Targets for Upscaling of technologies (Demonstration) in Karnataka (2026-27)							
		High Density Planting System (HDPS)		Closer Spacing (CS)		Extra Long Staple (ELS)		Integrated Cropping Management (ICM)	
		Area	Beneficiary	Area	Beneficiary	Area	Beneficiary	Area	Beneficiary
1	Ballari	450	225	1000	500	50	25	200	100
2	Belagavi	50	25	0	0	0	0	200	100
3	Chamarajanagara	0	0	200	100	1000	500	100	50
4	Chitradurga	0	0	400	200	1000	500	100	50
5	Dharwad	500	250	0	0	3000	1500	300	150
6	Gadag	0	0	300	150	0	0	100	50
7	Haveri	0	0	300	150	0	0	100	50
8	Kalburagi	500	250	3000	1500	0	0	500	250
9	Koppal	0	0	0	0	0	0	200	100
10	Mysuru	0	0	700	350	900	450	200	100
11	Raichur	2500	1250	3710	1855	0	0	600	300
12	Vijayapura	100	50	2600	1300	50	25	400	200
13	Yadagiri	2500	1250	4000	2000	0	0	1000	500
	Total	6600	3300	16210	8105	6000	3000	4000	2000

Annexure-II

The year wise targets provided by State Government of Karnataka:

(Production - in lakh bales, Productivity- in kg lint per hectare)

Sl.No.	Year	Karnataka		Raichur	
		Production	Productivity	Production	Productivity
1	2026-27	26.00	559	6.59	646
2	2027-28	31.00	667	7.85	771
3	2028-29	34.10	733	8.64	847
4	2029-30	36.80	791	9.32	914
5	2030-31	40.00	860	10.14	994
