



Rabi Crops Sowing Crosses 546 Lakh Hactare

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As per preliminary reports received from the States, the total area sown under Rabi crops as on 22nd December, 2017 stands at 546.02 lakh hectares as compared to 544.97 lakh hectare this time in 2016.

Wheat has been sown/transplanted in 262.74 lakh hectares, rice in 14.78 lakh hectares, pulses in 146.06 lakh hectares, coarse cereals in 49.41 lakh hectares and area sown under oilseeds is 73.03 lakh hectares.

The area sown so far and that sown during last year this time is as follows:

Lakh hectare

Crop	Area sown in 2017-18	Area sown in 2016-17
Wheat	262.74	272.62
Rice	14.78	10.31
Pulses	146.06	133.94
Coarse Cereals	49.41	49.84
Oilseeds	73.03	78.27
Total	546.02	544.97

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