



Kharif Crop Sowing Crosses 1028 Lakh Hectare Area

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The total sown area as on 1st September 2017, as per reports received from States, stands at 1028.14 lakh hectare as compared to 1034.28 lakh hectare at this time last year.

It is reported that rice has been sown/transplanted in 366.30 lakh ha, pulses in 137.61 lakh ha, coarse cereals in 180.60 lakh ha, sugarcane in 49.88 lakh hectare and cotton in 119.88 lakh ha.

The details of the area covered so far and that covered during this time last year are given below:

Lakh hectare

Crop	Area sown in 2017-18	Area sown in 2016-17
Rice	366.30	372.03
Pulses	137.61	143.08
Coarse Cereals	180.60	183.44
Oilseeds	166.80	180.81
Sugarcane	49.88	45.64
Jute & Mesta	7.05	7.56
Cotton	119.88	101.72
Total	1028.14	1034.28

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