



Rabi Crops Sowing Crosses 442 Lakh Hectare

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As per preliminary reports received from the States, the total area sown under Rabi crops as on 8th December, 2017 stands at 442.29 lakh hectares as compared to 448.48 lakh hectare this time in 2016.

Wheat has been sown/transplanted in 190.87 lakh hectares, rice in 11.87 lakh hectares, pulses in 127.62 lakh hectares, coarse cereals in 44.14 lakh hectares and area sown under oilseeds is 67.79 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	190.87	203.56
Rice	11.87	8.98
Pulses	127.62	119.73
Coarse Cereals	44.14	44.05
Oilseeds	67.79	72.16
Total	442.29	448.48

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