



# Kharif Crop Sowing Crosses 943 Lakh Hectare Area

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The total sown area as on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2017, as per reports received from States, stands at 943.45 lakh hectare as compared to 936.95 lakh hectare at this time last year.

It is reported that rice has been sown/transplanted in 320.29 lakh ha, pulses in 127.48 lakh ha, coarse cereals in 167.50 lakh ha, sugarcane in 49.73 lakh hectare and cotton in 117.11 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	320.29	314.01
Pulses	127.48	129.59
Coarse Cereals	167.50	169.98
Oilseeds	154.29	171.15
Sugarcane	49.73	45.64
Jute & Mesta	7.05	7.56
Cotton	117.11	99.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>943.45</b>	<b>936.95</b>

**SS:** weather watch 11.08.2017

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