



Rabi Crops Sowing Crosses 637 Lakh Hactare

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As per preliminary reports received from the States, the total area sown under Rabi crops as on 27th January 2017 stands at 637.34 lakh hectares as compared to 600.02 lakh hectare this time in 2016.

Wheat has been sown/transplanted in 315.55 lakh hectares, rice in 21.77 lakh hectares, pulses in 159.28 lakh hectares, coarse cereals in 56.90 lakh hectares and area sown under oilseeds is 83.84 lakh hectares.

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

Lakh hectare

Crop	Area sown in 2016-17	Area sown in 2015-16
Wheat	315.55	292.52
Rice	21.77	25.64
Pulses	159.28	143.05
Coarse Cereals	56.90	60.24
Oilseeds	83.84	78.58
Total	637.34	600.02

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