



Kharif Crop Sowing Crosses 976 Lakh Hectare Area

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The total sown area as on 18th August 2017, as per reports received from States, stands at 976.34 lakh hectare as compared to 984.57 lakh hectare at this time last year.

It is reported that rice has been sown/transplanted in 341.58 lakh ha, pulses in 130.68 lakh ha, coarse cereals in 171.75 lakh ha, sugarcane in 49.78 lakh hectare and cotton in 118.14 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	341.58	340.14
Pulses	130.68	135.42
Coarse Cereals	171.75	179.17
Oilseeds	157.36	175.10
Sugarcane	49.78	45.64
Jute & Mesta	7.05	7.56
Cotton	118.14	101.54
Total	976.34	984.57

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