

## Wheat and Pulses have register record sowing in term of area Rabi crops sowing crosses 645 Lakh Hectare

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As per preliminary reports received from the States, the total area sown under Rabi crops as on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017 stands at 645.12 lakh hectares as compared to 610.44 lakh hectare this time in 2016. Wheat and pulses have register record sowing in term of area.

Wheat has been sown/transplanted in 317.81 lakh hectares (normal area 304.05 lakh hectare), rice in 25.64 lakh hectares, pulses in 159.72 lakh hectares (normal area 140.68 lakh hectares), coarse cereals in 57.61 lakh hectares and area sown under oilseeds is 84.34 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	317.81	297.25
Rice	25.64	29.03
Pulses	159.72	143.70
Coarse Cereals	57.61	61.05
Oilseeds	84.34	79.42
Total	645.12	610.44

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