



Rabi Crops Sowing Crosses 602 Lakh Hactare

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As per preliminary reports received from the States, the total area sown under Rabi crops as on 6th January 2017 stands at 602.75 lakh hectares as compared to 565.89 lakh hectare this time in 2016.

Wheat has been sown/transplanted in 303.16 lakh hectares, rice in 12.74 lakh hectares, pulses in 152.63 lakh hectares, coarse cereals in 53.60 lakh hectares and area sown under oilseeds is 80.63 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	303.16	281.70
Rice	12.74	17.56
Pulses	152.63	134.56
Coarse Cereals	53.60	57.40
Oilseeds	80.63	74.68
Total	602.75	565.89

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