



# Kharif Crop Sowing Crosses 563 Lakh Hectare Area

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The total sown area as on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017, as per reports received from States, stands at 563.17 lakh hectare as compared to 521.80 lakh hectare at this time last year.

It is reported that rice has been sown/transplanted in 125.77 lakh ha, pulses in 74.61 lakh ha, coarse cereals in 113.06 lakh ha, sugarcane in 47.94 lakh hectare and cotton in 90.88 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	125.77	120.32
Pulses	74.61	60.28
Coarse Cereals	113.06	98.79
Oilseeds	103.92	115.75
Sugarcane	47.94	45.22
Jute & Mesta	6.98	7.51
Cotton	90.88	73.93
<b>Total</b>	<b>563.17</b>	<b>521.80</b>

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