

Rice and Wheat Production Growth in India post Green Revolution

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ABSTRACT

India tops rice, pulses, wheat and spices in the world production table. Although the third major sector contributing to the Indian economy is agriculture (and other related sectors), it accounts for only about 17 percent of GDP but provides about 60 percent of the total number of jobs available in India. India has distinct advantages of providing the country-wide cultivation of varied crops with the highest arable land area (60.44 percent) of 179.8 million hectares and varied agro-based climatic conditions. India's agricultural (primary) sector has a crucial role to play in politics, economics and society. In the Global South, an enormous technology transition took place in the 1960s that succeeded in increased agricultural production. The transition from centuries-old methods of cultivation to mechanisation has not only changed the productivity of horticulture, but also the lives of millions of people and the community.

In this paper, the authors examined the shift in the production of wheat and rice in India in the decades following the green revolution, analysed the production and export of wheat and rice after 1987, and observed whether these two factors are still influenced by the green revolution of 1965. The paper also concentrates on the scale of the green movement in various states. After analysing rice and wheat food grain production data (from 1950 to 2005), food grain production in India increased in output after 1965 (India was introduced by the Green Revolution). It has been a remarkable rise. As production is growing, exports are also increasing. India is second largest wheat producing country. There is a direct relationship between exports and production. At the moment of the green revolution, the technical advances introduced still impact overall output and rise linearly over time. But in India, there are many states that still lack certain technologies to increase yield.

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INTRODUCTION

GREEN REVOLUTION IN INDIA

In the 1960s an immense technology transfer occurred in the Global South that resulted in increased agricultural production. The switch from centuries old cultivation methods to mechanization resulted in not only affecting the horticultural productivity but also the lives of millions of people and the environment.

Before and during the struggle for independence, agriculture sector was the driving engine for Indian economy. Still the situation of agricultural sector was pitiful. From low production per acre, dearth of investment, insufficiency of technology, and more such problems afflicted the industry. Therefore, government of India came into action to introduced farmers with HYV seeds which lead to the Green Revolution.

Rise in Agricultural Production	Raised from just 11 MT in 1960 to 55 MT in 1990
Rise in per Acre Yield	Raised from 850 kg/hectare to 2281 kg/hectare by 1990.
Decreased Dependence on Imports	Import of food grains decreased very fast. Production was not just enough for population, but we were able to store surplus for emergencies.
Employment	India saw an increase in rural employment by creation of new jobs for the workforce in Irrigation, transportation, food processing and marketing services

Advantage to the Farmers	Farmers were now exercising commercial farming in place of sustenance farming. Due to this income of farmers increased which means better living conditions and affordability of quality facilities.
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Table1: Effects of the Green Revolution

METHODOLOGY

SECONDARY STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

Secondary Statistical Analysis is a quantitative, systematic research method and an analytical tool to examine the secondary data, the already existing data which have been collected by other researchers, institutions or national governments. Secondary Analysis is an empirical practice which applies similar research principles as primary data utilizing studies. The tool provides us a larger analytical space because we can collect, use and apply the data for purposes other than it was originally intended for. The method is cost and time effective since we did not have to spend money or time to get access to or collect the datasets.

CORRELATION

Correlation is a statistical measure which is used to analyse how two different variables are dependent on each other by how much extent. This statistical tool analyses the relationships between two individual variables.

The following formula is for calculating Correlation coefficient 'r':

$$r = \frac{n \sum xy - \sum x \sum y}{\sqrt{(n \sum x^2 - (\sum x)^2)(n \sum y^2 - (\sum y)^2)}}$$

where, x and y are values of variables and n is size of the sample.

Strength of linear relation is described by the magnitude of 'r' and direction indicated by its sign.

If the value of 'r' is near to +1 or -1 then it shows a strong positive or negative linear relation respectively.

Else if the value of 'r' is close to 0, this implies weak or no linear association.

REGRESSION

Linear regression is a statistical method used in various sectors like finance, investing, etc., for determining the strength of linear relationship between one dependent variable and a series of independent variables. In simple linear regression, one independent variable is used to predict or explain the dependent variable and used to find the linear approach to modelling the mathematical relationship between them. It is assumed that the variables are linearly related to each other.

The equation of simple linear regression line can be written as:

$$h(x_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$$

where,

$h(x_i)$ is equal to the predicted response value (dependent variable)

b_0 indicated y-intercept of the line

b_1 represents slope of regression line.

where,

$$\beta_1 = \frac{SS_{xy}}{SS_{xx}} \quad \beta_0 = \bar{y} - \beta_1 \bar{x}$$

where

$$SS_{xy} = \text{sum of cross-deviations of y and x: } SS_{xy} = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i - n \bar{x} \bar{y}$$

$$SS_{xx} = \text{sum of squared deviations of x: } SS_{xx} = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n(\bar{x})^2$$

TIME SERIES ANALYSIS

Time series analysis is a statistical approach for analysing and finding out meaningful statistical inferences from time series/dependent data. Time series data means that the data is in a series of time periods or intervals. It can also be used to study and analyse how the changes are related with the chosen data point is compared to shifts in the other variables over the same period of time. Time series forecasting is a model which is used to predict future values based on previously observed values.

EXPONENTIAL SMOOTHING

Exponential smoothing is a method used to predicts the one value of next period based on the past and the current values. It is performed by doing the averaging of data such that the non-systematic components of each individual observation cancel out each other. Due to unreliability of predicted long-term forecasts using this technique, this method is better used to predict short term forecasts.

The formula is: $S_t = \alpha y_{t-1} + (1-\alpha) S_{t-1}$

Where, α = the smoothing constant (0 - 1)

t = time period

S_t = smoothed value of time period t

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

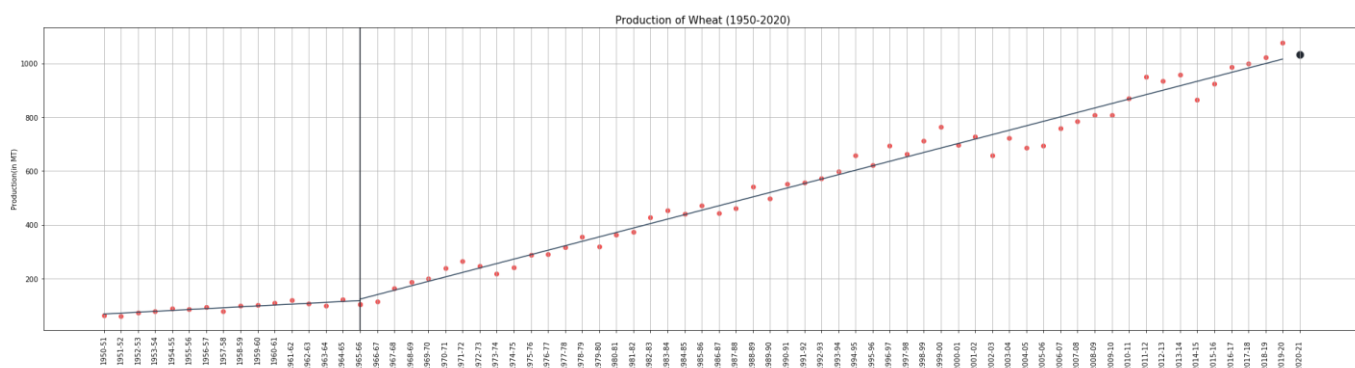


Figure1: Production of Wheat against Years (1950-2020)

Graph obtained shows that, technological advancements of **Green Revolution (1965)** boosted the wheat production significantly and it is still increasing.

This graph when plotted between *Production of Rice and Years (1950-2020)* is giving out same results.

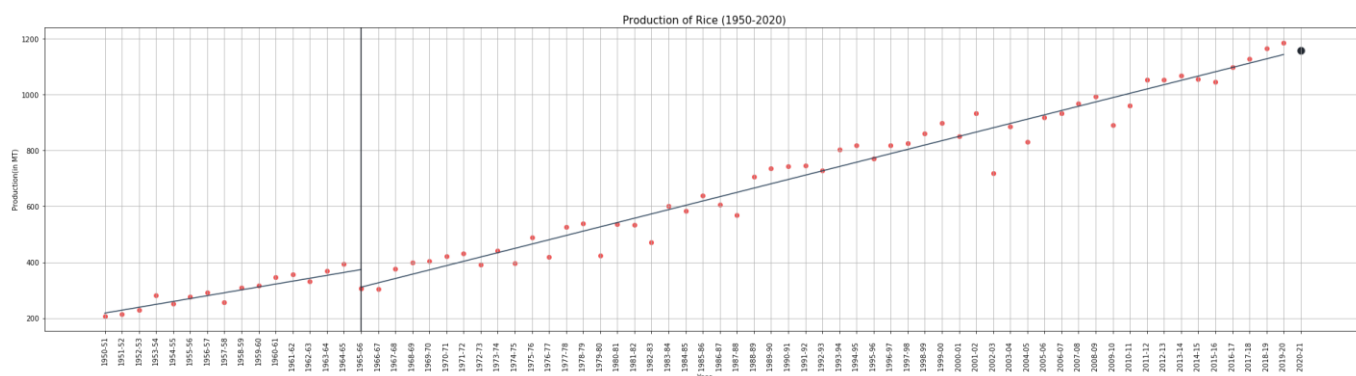


Figure2: Production of Rice against Years (1950-2020)

Using *Time Series Analysis Techniques*,

Estimated Production of Wheat in 2020-2021 is 1032.07 (in Million Tons)

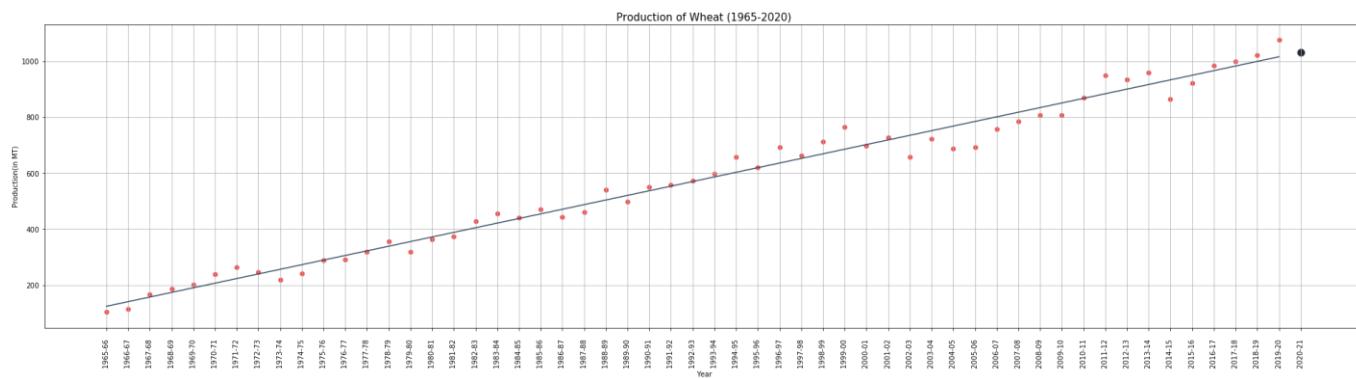


Figure3: Estimated Production of Wheat for Year 2020-21

Estimated Production of Rice in 2020-2021 is 1158.34 (in Million Tons)

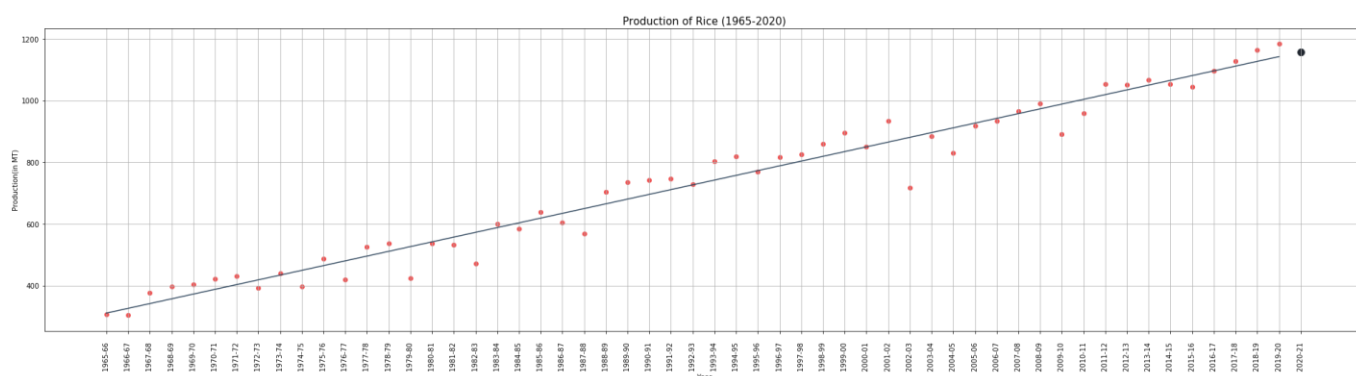


Figure4: Estimated Production of Rice for Year 2020-21

After 1987 (two decades post green revolution), India was able produce sufficient yield to meet its wheat and rice consumptions and reached to a level that India is now second largest producer of wheat and rice.

Export of surplus produce started and is increasing every year.

Estimated Export of Wheat in 2020-2021 is 1951853.7 (in Metric Tons)

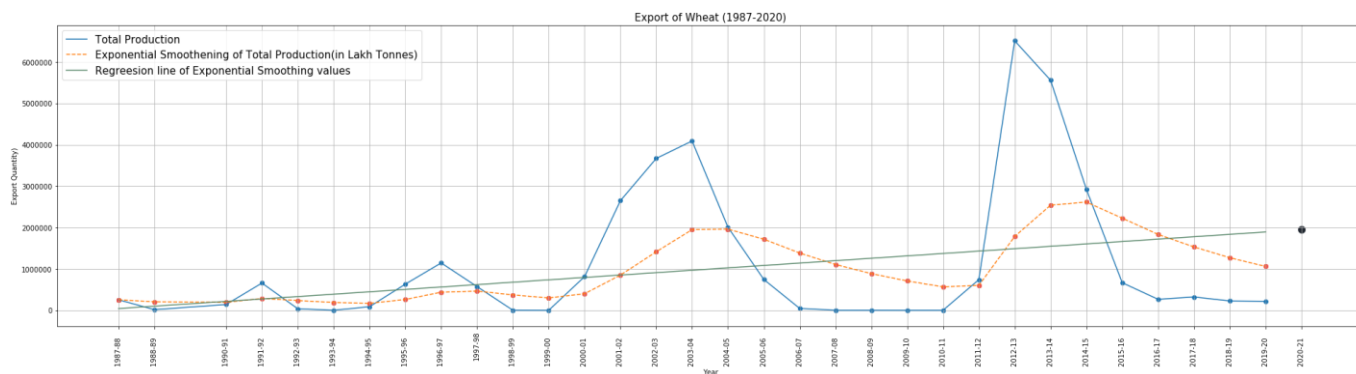


Figure5: Estimated Export of Wheat for Year 2020-21

Estimated Export of Rice in 2020-2021 is 8553377.13 (in Metric Tons)

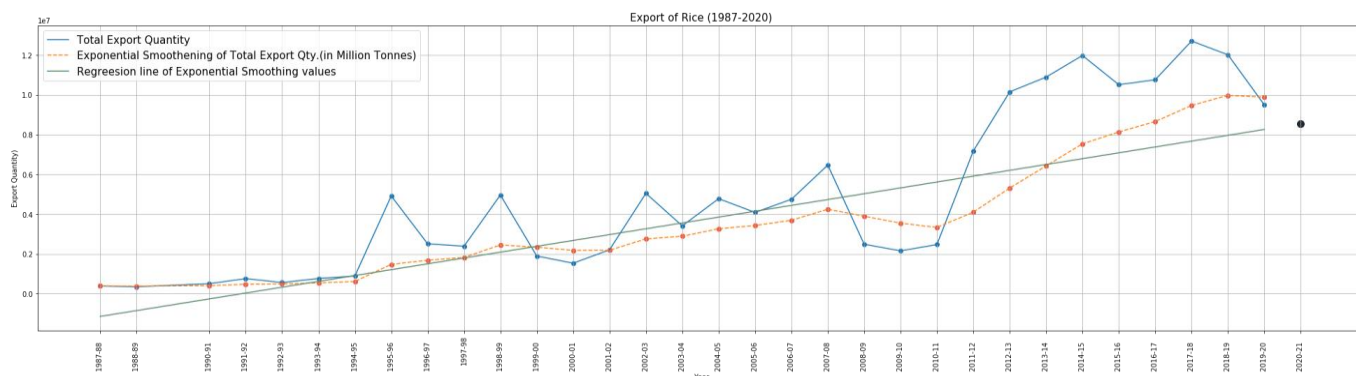


Figure6: Estimated Export of Rice for Year 2020-21

After analysing statewise production of wheat in India (after 1990 in gaps of five years), estimated production in 2015-19 is given in the table below.

It can be observed that Punjab, MP and UP are the top wheat producing states in India with overall increasing production.

States	Wheat					
	1990-94	1995-09	2000-04	2005-09	2010-14	2015-19 (predicted)
ALL INDIA	293641.8	345453.9	349001	385214.4	457639	485995.7
Uttar Pradesh	102046.4	118145.7	122359.3	130855.8	142903.8	149503.8
Punjab	63738	69275	74412	75711	83013.1	85465.14
Madhya Pradesh	30258.4	38698.6	30335	34248	62339.9	79725.24
Haryana	34559	40889	46466	50456.2	57586.7	57983.87
Rajasthan	23007	32588	28396.5	34833.9	44296.7	47064.47
Bihar	19235.9	22739.1	19822	20581.6	22922.8	27132.63
Gujarat	6600.2	6829.1	6492.3	14256	18788.5	13909.54
Maharashtra	4509.1	5480.3	4803	8265.8	7705	7404.67
Uttarakhand	0	0	3747.4	3902	4110.8	4512.45
West Bengal	3051.6	4003.7	4734.7	4101.9	4510.3	3405.17
Himachal Pradesh	2802.9	2934.1	2566	2559.4	3068.1	3070.34
Jammu and Kashmir	1653.9	2011	1827.5	2205.6	2325.2	2668.79
Jharkhand	0	0	591	673.6	1481.3	1765.87
Karnataka	788.8	891.4	865.7	1181	1122	950.9
Chhattisgarh	0	0	472.6	495.6	670.5	736.18
NCT of Delhi	537.5	214.9	442.5	400.4	431.4	413.09
Assam	499.1	510.8	390.1	309.8	226.5	147.66
Arunachal Pradesh	36	28.6	32.8	27.7	28.8	36.73
Nagaland	4.8	28.9	75	9.3	27.7	32.79
Andhra Pradesh	37.7	37.8	43	52	38	7.04
Meghalaya	30.7	32.5	19.5	4.9	3.6	3.94
Sikkim	76.9	63.3	45.2	36.2	6.8	1.87
Tripura	33.4	18	14.4	9.1	3	1.48
Odisha	131.3	31.4	41.8	32.2	10.4	-6.65

Table2: State wise Wheat Production in India and prediction for year 2015-19

In case of rice, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab and Andhra Pradesh are the leading rice producing states in India.

<i>States</i>	<i>Rice</i>					
	1990-94	1995-09	2000-04	2005-09	2010-14	2015-19 (predicted)
<i>ALL INDIA</i>	383948.9	416015.7	421795	470117	518640	547587
<i>West Bengal</i>	58182.9	64816.6	71621.1	73354.2	72723.3	78243.4
<i>Uttar Pradesh</i>	49956.1	58923.2	56704.5	57941.8	67233.9	68243.55
<i>Punjab</i>	35637	38662	46943	53056	55127	61484.65
<i>Andhra Pradesh</i>	46534.3	50726	49728.8	61679	43230.2	41262.49
<i>Odisha</i>	30292.2	27447.7	28238.4	34954.6	35841.8	35580.21
<i>Tamil Nadu</i>	27364.3	31118.4	23651	22092.5	29656.5	34697.88
<i>Bihar</i>	26338.53	26338.53	20913.2	24254.7	29623	30680.51
<i>Assam</i>	33497	29761	25812.4	27718.7	28378.6	28071.37
<i>Haryana</i>	16437.3	17216.9	18941.2	18131.9	24531.2	24965.38
<i>Karnataka</i>	9799	11874	13702	17117	19211	21688.86
<i>Maharashtra</i>	28695.6	27743.5	6625.9	7306.9	13244.5	17886.92
<i>Gujarat</i>	12657.55	12657.55	9688.91	12959.4	11754.5	16249.31
<i>Tripura</i>	14660.4	16821.8	15568.1	20400	18620.6	15913.7
<i>Jammu and Kashmir</i>	11659.2	12618.3	11433.6	12727	14660	14491.68
<i>Madhya Pradesh</i>	4092	4815.6	4569.7	6757	8294.5	9072.59
<i>Manipur</i>	2321	2264.5	2764.8	3065.1	3592.8	3928.87
<i>Nagaland</i>	2951.4	2951.4	2878.18	2893	2910.8	3121.13
<i>Kerala</i>	2705.7	2469.4	2254.1	2732.6	2998.6	2901.91
<i>Rajasthan</i>	5210.8	3423.27	3380.7	2978	2671.3	2523.72
<i>Meghalaya</i>	1711.1	1798	1918.7	1895.3	2102.9	2212.53
<i>Arunachal Pradesh</i>	752.7	940.2	718.8	1051.8	1420.7	2018.77
<i>Himachal Pradesh</i>	836.2	867.3	1200.1	1402.6	2052.8	1729.31
<i>Goa</i>	584.2	723.4	953.3	962.7	1227.6	1259.25
<i>Mizoram</i>	652.3	632.3	709.4	830.2	1313.2	1116.54
<i>Puducherry</i>	533.9	578.4	590.6	581.3	631.8	632.73
<i>NCT of Delhi</i>	682.6	783.7	719.3	623.1	606.6	554.26
<i>Sikkim</i>	415.7	520.6	537.3	234.7	251.7	304.19

Table3: State wise Rice Production in India and prediction for year 2015-19

CONCLUSION

In India, Green Revolution has helped in achieving self-sufficiency in food production. Trade of surplus yield has contributed to India's Economy as well. This revolution has led to many other socioeconomic benefits.

Production of food grains in India is strongly correlated to the population. It is not correlated with area of production and rainfall, which means the increasing yield is because of technological advancements that took place decades back and spread wide across the country.

FUTURE SCOPE

Green revolution was introduced for wheat and rice (major food grains) in India. Did technological advancements and changes in this revolution transferred to Horticulture Crops and led to NHM (National Horticulture Mission)? Was Golden Revolution as impactful as Green Revolution?

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