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INTRODUCTION

The Season and Crop Report is an important report published by the Department of Agriculture of Maharashtra State. The present report pertains to the year 1992-93.

The information on Centrewise and Seasonwise rainfall data, district levelland utilization statistics, irrigation statistics, area, production and productivity of various crops, farm harvest prices, Agricultural Wages and Agricultural stock etc., is presented in the report. The information is collected through various agencies detailed below:

The rainfall data is based on daily rainfall figures received from Revenue Offices and Indian Meteriological Department for a few selected centres. The data on land utilization, source of irrigation, area irrigated as well as total area under different crops and agricultural wages are collected from District Collectorates through Season and Crop report where as the production estimates are worked out on the basis of Crop Estimation Surveys conducted on certain principal food and nonfood crops. The data on farm harvest prices are collected from Agricultural Development Officers. The data on Agricultural Census of Live-stock conducted by Commissionerate of Animal Husbandry in the year 1992.

The State level figures are presented in summary tables A to I, while districtwise details are furnished in Table - I to Table - VIII.

The main features of the report are summarised below,

The agricultural Season during 1992-93 was not only most favourable than the year 1991-92, but it is a record food grain production year of the state.

The net sown area during the year under report was 180.2 lakh hectares or 58.6 % of Geographical area. The gross cropped area was 211.9 lakh hectares.

The net irrigated area was 26.8 lakh hectares whereas the gross irrigated area was 32.6 lakh hectares.

The foodgrain production in the State was 141.4 lakh tonnes which was 83.4 lakh tonnes during the preceding year showing an increase of 69.5% over that of last year. This remarkable achievement in production of food grain was not only due to favourable climatic condition all year round but also timely and proper action taken regarding input supply by the Department.

However the production of Sugarcane was decreased. Production of sugarcane was 311.1 lakh tonnes while it was 364.6 lakh tonnes during the last year showing a decrease of 14.7 per cent production of cotton increased from 11.6 lakh bales of 170 kg each to 18.9 lakh bales showing an increase of 63.5%. Similarly total oil seeds production increased from 10.9 lakh tonnes to 17.6 lakh tonnes showing an increase of 61.1% during the year under report.

Due to increase in production of jowar, bajri, maize and the abundant availability in market, prices of these commodities were decreased however prices of some commodities like paddy, ragi and gram were increased.

Agricultural wages during 1992-93 were higher than those during 1991-92

The report may prove useful to the users of Agricultural Statistics.

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