

India harvests 38% of wheat area so far in 2025–26 season, says agriculture minister Chouhan

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Synopsis

India has harvested 38% of its estimated 32 million hectares of wheat for the 2025-26 marketing season, according to Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan. Harvesting conditions are reportedly favorable across key wheat-producing states. The government has set a procurement target of 31 million metric tons of wheat for this season.

The country has harvested 38% of the total wheat area of an estimated 32 million hectare so far in the ongoing 2025-26 marketing season, agriculture minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said on Sunday.



In view of the possibility of good yield of various rabi crops, Chouhan directed the officials to make better procurement arrangements for farmers. Wheat "harvesting conditions are better" in key growing states of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, and Bihar, the minister said in a statement.

The government has set a wheat procurement target of 31 mt for the 2025-26 marketing season (April-March).

As per official data, farmers have completed harvesting in 91% of total rabi pulse areas, 87% of oilseeds area, 70% of Shree Anna and coarse cereals area and 33% of rice area as on April 4.

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