THE NEW ERA OF INDIAN: AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED SECTORS

Driving Growth, Resilience and Food Security

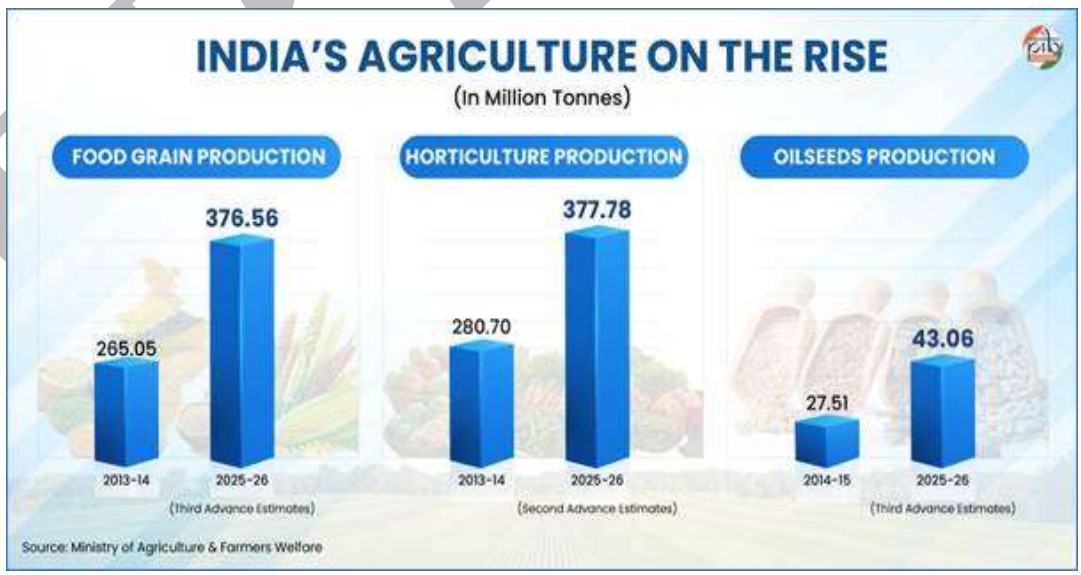
India's agriculture and allied sectors are witnessing a significant transformation, marked by rising productivity, stronger farmer support systems, and greater resilience. Agriculture remains the backbone of India's economy, providing livelihoods to approximately 46.1 percent of the workforce. Livestock and fisheries have maintained stable growth of 5-6 percent, strengthening rural incomes and supporting agricultural diversification. Over the past decade, sustained policy interventions have improved access to credit, insurance, and markets, and accelerated the adoption of digital technologies. Growing investments in food processing, cooperatives, livestock, dairy, and fisheries are enabling greater value addition, income diversification, and employment across the agricultural value chain.

Strengthening the Agricultural Economy

- **The GVA of the Agriculture and Allied Sector** increased from **Rs.20.94 lakh crore** in 2014-15 to an estimated **Rs.52.08 lakh crore** in 2025-26.
- **Budget allocation for the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare** increased from **Rs.27,663 crore** in 2013-14 to **Rs.1,40,528.78 crore** in 2026-27.

Harvesting Higher Production

- **Total foodgrain production** increased from **265.05 million tonnes** in 2013-14 to **376.56 million tonnes** in 2025-26 (Third Advance Estimates)
- **Horticulture production** increased from **280.70 million tonnes** in 2013-14 to approximately **377.78 million tonnes** in 2025-26 (Second Advance Estimates)
- **Oilseeds production** increased from **27.51 million tonnes** in 2014-15 to **43.06 million tonnes** in 2025-26 (Third Advance Estimates)



India's Agriculture on the Rise

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Securing Farmers' Livelihoods

Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN)

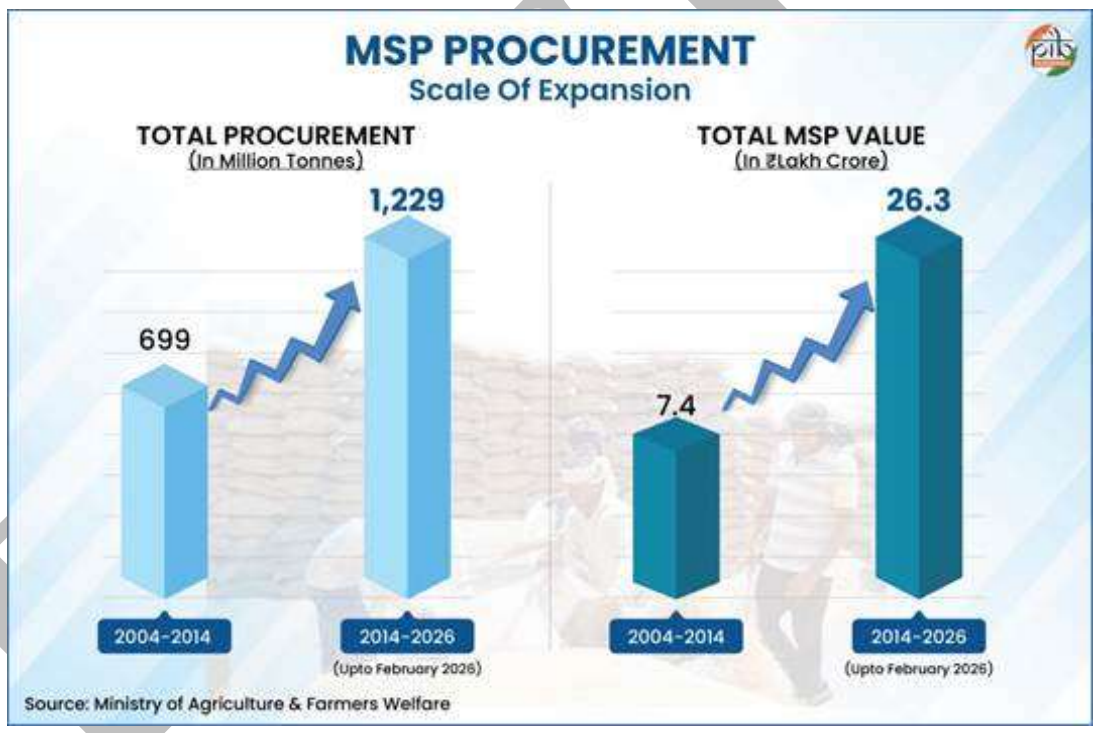
- **More than Rs.4.47 lakh crore** has been transferred directly into farmers' bank accounts through 23 instalments under the Scheme.
- **Under the 23rd instalment, more than 9.49 crore farmers** benefited, with over **Rs.18,984 crore** released.

The Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)

- **Since its launch in 2016-17, over 92.46 crore farmer applications** have been insured.
- **Claims worth Rs.1.96 lakh crore** have been disbursed up to December 2025, benefiting around **24.31 crore farmers**.

Minimum Support Prices (MSP)

- **Total procurement** increased from **698.7 million tonnes** during 2004-2014 to 1,**229.2 million tonnes** during 2014-2026.
- **Total MSP value** increased from **Rs.7.41 lakh crore** during 2004-2014 to **Rs.26.32 lakh crore** during 2014-2026 (up to February 2026).
- **MSP for Paddy (Grade A)** increased from Rs.1,400 per quintal in 2014-15 to Rs.2,461 per quintal in 2026-27.
- **MSP for Wheat** increased from Rs.1,400 per quintal in 2014-15 to Rs.2,585 per quintal in 2026-27.



MSP Procurement: Scale of Expansion

The Kisan Credit Card (KCC) scheme

As on 3 August 2026,

- **7.28 crore Kisan Credit Card (KCC) accounts** were operational across the country in 2025-26. The amount outstanding under the Kisan Credit Card (KCC) scheme stood at **Rs.10.08 lakh crore**.

The Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maandhan Yojana (PMKMY)

As of February 2026, around 24.96 lakh farmers have been enrolled under the scheme.

Towards Sustainable Agriculture

The Soil Health Card (SHC) Scheme

- **26.09 crore soil health cards** have been issued as of July 2026. In addition, over 70,002 Krishi Sakhis have been trained to provide soil health advisories and support informed farm practices.

Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY)

- **Since its inception (as of June 2026), 18.93 lakh hectares of area** have been covered, benefiting **33.63 lakh farmers**.

Mission Organic Value Chain Development for North Eastern Region (MOVCDNER)

- **Since its inception (as on 30 June 2026), 2.36 lakh hectares** have been brought under organic farming benefitting **2.74 lakh farmers**.

National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF)

During FY 2025-26,

- 18,893 clusters covering 10.32 lakh hectares and involving 20.93 lakh farmers **were formed under the Mission. 33.89 lakh farmers** have been made aware of natural farming.
- **More than 22.47 lakh farmers** have been registered under the Natural Farming Certification System (NFCS), of which over **14.43 lakh farmers** have been certified.

Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha Evam Utthan Mahabhiyan (PM KUSUM)

As on 2 August 2026,

- **Nearly 11.49 lakh off-grid solar pumps** have been installed for agricultural use.
- **More than 15.89 lakh agricultural pumps are** covered through feeder-level solarisation.
- **Around 1,726 MW of decentralized solar power capacity** was commissioned on farmers' land.
- **Over 21.77 lakh farmers** benefited across the country.

Ensuring Food for All

- As of February 2026, under the National Food Security Act (NFSA), against the intended coverage of 81.35 crore, the States/UTs have identified 80.56 crore persons for the provision of subsidized foodgrains.
- **Around 79.8 crore beneficiaries are** covered across the country under NFSA, as of December 2025.
- Centre to spend **Rs. 25,530 crore** in next 5 years under SARTHAK PDS - Scheme for Assistance in Ration Transport and Handling-Income with Automation in PDS. The Scheme will work towards fulfilling India's commitment to 81.35 crore persons covered under NFSA.

Building Stronger Rural Institutions through Cooperatives and FPOs

- **10,000 Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs)** have been registered across the country as of July 2026.
- **79,630 Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS)** have been sanctioned for computerization across 31 States and Union Territories.
- **63,707 PACS** have been onboarded on the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) based national software as of 05th August 2026.

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Connecting Farms to Markets

National Agriculture Market (e-NAM)

As of June 2026, 1,656 mandis have been integrated.

- **1.89 crore farmers and 2.78 lakh traders** have been registered on e-NAM.

Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure (AMI)

As of July 2026, 12,353 storage infrastructure projects with a storage capacity of 369.18 LMT have been sanctioned in the last ten years

Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)

- **Interest subvention support** has been extended to 18,893 warehouses, 3,110 cold stores/cold chain projects and 2,105 integrated primary and secondary processing units.

Food Processing Reforms

Enhanced Financial Support for Food Processing

- **Budget allocation for the Ministry of Food Processing Industries** increased from **Rs.785.86 crore** in 2014-15 to **Rs.4,064 crore** in 2026-27.

Production Linked Incentive Scheme for Food Processing Industry (PLISFPI)

- **Incentives amounting to Rs.3,271.44 crore** have been disbursed up to June 2026.
- The investments undertaken under the Scheme have resulted in the creation of food processing capacity of 34 lakh metric tonnes per annum.
- **Sales of PLI-supported products** increased from **Rs.58,758 crore** in FY 2019-20 to **Rs.1,08,854 crore** in FY 2025-26.

Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojna (PMKSY)

- As of June 2026, 1,256 projects (post-harvest infrastructure and processing facilities) have been **completed or are** operational, benefitting about **37.76 lakh farmers**. **294.21 LMT/Annum** of processing and preservation capacity created, generating 9.16 lakh employment opportunities across the country.

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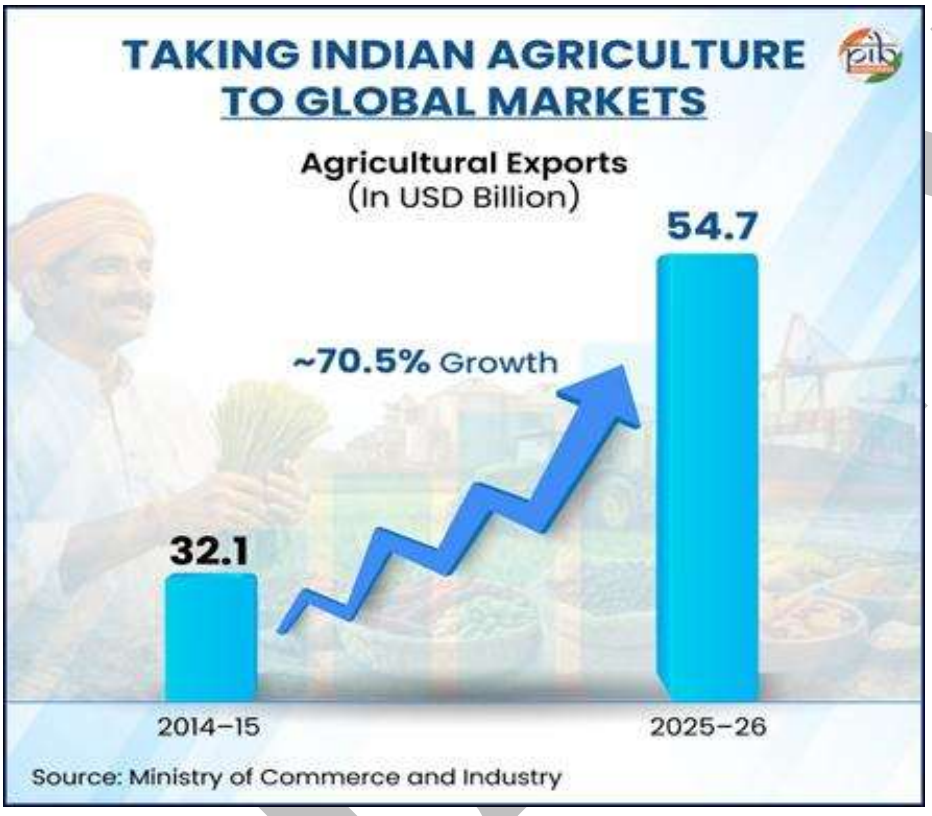
Taking Indian Agriculture Global

- **The value of agricultural exports** increased from **USD 32.08 billion** in 2014-15 to **USD 54.70 billion** in 2025-26, recording a growth of about 70.5 percent.
- **Share of processed food exports** increased from **13.7 percent** in 2014-15 to **20.4 percent** in 2024-25, a nearly 49 percent rise.



Taking Indian Agriculture to Global Markets

Technology at the Farmgate

Under the Digital Agriculture Mission

As on 3rd August 2026

- **More than 10.31 Crore Farmer IDs** have been created across the country. Further, during Rabi 2025- 26, the Digital Crop Survey (DCS) was conducted in 648 Districts covering more than **31.3 crore plots** across the country.

AI-Enabled Initiatives:

- **National Pest Surveillance System (NPSS)- As of July 2026, this tool** is being used by over 10,000 extension workers supporting 73 crops over 436 pests.
- **BharatVistaar- As of July 2026, the platform has** served over **3 lakh farmers** and addressed more than 72 lakh farmer queries.

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Empowering Farmers Through Knowledge

Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs)

As of June 2026,

- The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has established 731 KVKs across the country.
- **Around 58.02 lakh farmers** were trained between 2021-22 and 2023-24.
- **An additional 18.56 lakh farmers** were trained during the first ten months of 2024-25.

Agricultural Diversification and the Growth of Allied Sectors

Livestock and Dairy as Drivers of Rural Economic Growth

The livestock sector has recorded a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 12.77 percent since 2014-15. In the Union Budget 2026-27, Rs.6,153.46 crore has been allocated to the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying.

- **Indigenous and non-descript cattle productivity** reached 1,343.2 kilograms per animal per year in 2024-25 from 927 kilograms per animal per year in 2014-15.
- **Buffalo productivity** reached 2,365.2 kilograms per animal per year in 2024-25 from 1880 kilograms per animal per year in 2014-15.
- **Average bovine milk productivity has** reached 2,251 kilograms per animal per year in 2024-25 from 1,648 kg per animal per year in 2014-15.
- **India holds the leading global position in milk production,** accounting for nearly **25 percent** of global output.

Livelihood Diversification: Global Leadership in Production

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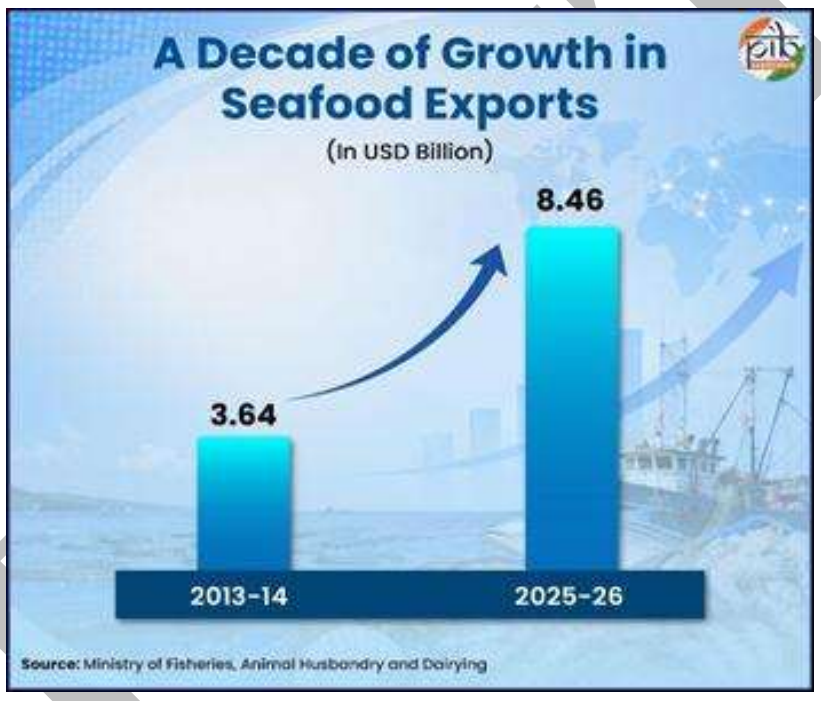
- **Per capita milk availability** reached 485 grams per day in 2024-25, compared to the global average of 394 grams per day.
- **Milk production** has increased by 70 percent, rising from **146.31 million tonnes** in 2014-15 to **248 million tonnes** in 2024-25.
- Poultry and meat production have also expanded, with India ranking second in egg production and fourth in meat production globally:
- Egg production has grown by **90 percent**, increasing from 78.48 billion eggs in 2014-15 to 149.11 billion eggs in 2024-25.
- Per capita egg availability has risen from 62 eggs per annum in 2014-15 to 106 eggs per annum in 2024-25.

Strengthening Fisheries Infrastructure, Market Access and Credit Support

- **The Union Budget 2026-27** allocated a record **Rs.2,761.80 crore** to fisheries under the Blue Revolution initiatives.
- **Fish production** reached **197.75 lakh tonnes** in 2024-25, up from **95.79 lakh tonnes** in FY 2013-14.
- **Seafood exports** increased from **USD 3.64 billion** in 2013-14 to around **USD 8.46 billion** in 2025-26.



A Decade of Growth in Seafood Exports

Fisheries Infrastructure and Market Access

Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY)

- **Rs.2,500 crore** allocated under the Union Budget 2026-27.

As on April 2026, Key activities approved:

- 28,489 fish transportation and handling units
- 1,394 live fish vending units, 6,018 fish kiosks, and 117 fish retail markets
- 775 cold storages and ice plants, and 24 wholesale fish markets

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Institutional Credit Support for fisheries

- **6.83 lakh applications** were received under the Kisan Credit Card (KCC), of which 6.77 lakh were accepted. Of which, 4.82 lakh applications were sanctioned, indicating a meaningful conversion of demand into credit access as of early 2026.
- **KCC benefits have** reached 4.39 lakh fishers
- **Insurance coverage** has been provided to 33 lakh beneficiaries
- **An average of 7.44 lakh fisher families** received livelihood assistance during lean fishing periods

Strengthening Livestock through Infrastructure and Entrepreneurship

National Livestock Mission

As on 4 August 2026,

- 4,084 breed multiplication farms for poultry, sheep, goat, pig, camel, horse, and donkey have been approved.
- **1.61 lakh metric tonnes of quality fodder seed** have been produced.
- Entrepreneurship Development Programme under the National Livestock Mission, as on 11 August 2026, 4,321 projects approved, worth **Rs.2,948.68 crore** total project cost with the **Rs.1,386.18 crore** approved subsidy

Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF)

- **Projects** approved with 418 lakh litres/day of milk processing capacity and value-addition capacity as on 4 August 2026.

Bharat Pashudhan

As of 6 August 2026,

- Livestock Owners Registered: 9.84 crore,
- Pashu Aadhaar Issued: Over 38.53 crore,
- All Vaccinations: 168.67 crore

National Programme for Dairy Development (NPDD)

As on June 2026,

- **36,611 new Dairy Cooperative Societies** have been organised
- **34,557 village-level dairy cooperative societies** have been strengthened
- **168 lakh litres/day of milk chilling capacity** has been created
- **76,748 milk quality testing devices** have been distributed

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Advancing Livestock Breeding, Productivity, and Animal Health

- A total of 47,687 Multi-Purpose Artificial Insemination Technicians in Rural India (MAITRIs) have been trained, 24 IVF laboratories established, 48 semen stations sanctioned, and 28 heifer rearing centres approved under RGM as on 4 August 2026.
- **During the last five years, over 17.27 crore artificial inseminations** have been carried out under the Nationwide Artificial Insemination Programme, benefiting nearly **5.98 crore farmers**.
- **Accelerated Breed Improvement programme: As on 4 August 2026, 7,959 embryos** transferred, 1,666 pregnancies established, and 1,223 calves born. Out of which 1,142 of the calves are females.

Strengthening Animal Health and Risk Mitigation

Livestock productivity and income stability are closely linked to disease control. Under National Animal Disease Control Programme (NADCP)

- Brucellosis Control Programme: As of March 2026, 3.17 crores, 4-8 months old bovine female calf for Brucellosis have been vaccinated in the country since inception. 296.74 lakh vaccine doses administered to eligible female calves to prevent brucellosis and strengthen livestock health during the last five years alone.
- As of March 2026, 132.49 crore doses of the Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) vaccine have been administered

Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs)

- **4,019 MVUs are** operational across 29 States/UTs, delivering doorstep veterinary services through the toll-free number 1962 as of July 2026.
- Benefited **119.77 lakh farmers** and treated 245.05 lakh animals, significantly boosting farmer confidence and supporting the livestock sector as a viable enterprise.

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