

## I N D I A

Economic classification: Low Income economy			
Oil exporter or importer (net): Importer			
Annual per capita income:	US\$183		year 1982/83
Annual per capita GNP	US\$225		year 1982/83
Average annual growth 1960-80	1.4%		
Annual inflation rate 1970-80	8.5%		
Annual inflation rate (current)	9.0%		
Volume of imports	14.4 billion US\$		year 82/83
Of which food	4.1%		year 82/83
Of which fuels	39%		year 82/83
Principal foreign exchange earning export: Textiles, tea, jute, sugar			
Debt service as % of GNP	0.8%		year 1982/83
Debt service as % of exports	8.7%		year 1982/83
Population	730 million		year 1983
Annual population growth	1.9%		years 1980-2000
Annual Consumption:			
Flour	41.7 M tonnes or 57 kg/capita		year 1983
Meat	620,000 tonnes or .85 kg/capita		year 1983
Vegetable Oil	4.5 M tonnes or 5.8 kg/capita		year 1983

### I. GENERAL INFORMATION

#### 1. Crop Situation and Outlook

Production of major crops for 1982-83 and 1983-84 was as follows: ('000 tonnes)

	1983-84	1982-83
Wheat	44,600	42,500
Coarse Grains	32,900	27,800
Rice	59,000	46,500
Oilseeds	12,500	10,500

The increased production was the result of a combination of factors: Timely and widespread rainfall; increase in area under high yielding varieties; ready availability and increased use of fertilizers at subsidized prices; intensified extension efforts by central and state governments. A target of 153 million tonnes of foodgrains has been set for 1984-85, the terminal year of the Sixth five year plan. Despite sustained efforts on the part of various government agencies, actual production will depend primarily on the behaviour of the monsoon. The meteorological office has forecast normal rainfall throughout the country during the current year.