

Operation Greens Scheme- Under Operation Green - TOP Scheme, clusters were selected in the states based on production data of Ministry of Agriculture and proposals from the States. Ministry first selected top five states in India for each of the TOP crops based on the average production data for three years 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 of Ministry of Agriculture. Thereafter, the States were requested to propose top clusters in terms of production in those states for that crop. The proposals for inclusion of clusters received from the States were examined in the Ministry with production data. Based on their recommendation, with the approval of Minister for Food Processing Industries decision on inclusion of clusters was taken and the cluster and states list was included in the Scheme Guidelines. Subsequent additions in the clusters and states was done based on proposals from the States, additional states and clusters were added based on proposals from the states and production data with a decision by an inter-Ministerial Approval Committee (IMAC) chaired by Minister for Food Processing Industries.

In the first instance, for selection of clusters for TOP crops, top four (4) states were selected on the basis of production data vide scheme guidelines dated 5th November, 2018 and it was mentioned in the scheme guidelines that the list will be modified after the expiry of Modal Code of Conduct by Election Commission. Subsequently, the list was modified by inclusion Madhya Pradesh vide addendum dated 7th January, 2019 and thus the top five (5) states for TOP crops were selected.

At present, top seven (7) major producing states for Tomato, five (5) for Onion and 6 (six) for Potato have selected along with their clusters given in the enclosed list. Additions of states beyond first five and further clusters were done based on proposals from the States and approval of IMAC chaired by Minister for Food Processing Industries.

The list of selected clusters for TOP crops as on date along with State-wise Production data and composition of Inter-Ministerial Approval Committee as per Scheme Guidelines is provided below.

List of selected TOP (Tomato, Onion and Potato) clusters

(a) Production cluster of Tomato:

S. No	State	Production Cluster Area	*State-wise Production (in '000' MT) in 2017-18
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Chittoor, Anantpur	2744.32
2.	Madhya Pradesh	Shivpuri	2419.28
3.	Karnataka	Kolar, Chikkaballapur	2081.59
4.	Gujarat	Sabarkantha, Anand, Kheda	1357.52
5.	Odisha	Mayurbhanj, Keonjhar	1312.07
6.	West Bengal	Coochbehar, North 24 Parganas, Nadia, Murshidabad, Alipurduar	1265.25
7.	Telangana	Ranga Reddy, Adilabad, Vikarabad	1171.50

(b) Production cluster of Onion:

S. No	State	Production Cluster Area	*State-wise Production (in '000' MT) in 2017-18
1.	Maharashtra	Nasik, Ahmednagar, Jalgaon, Pune, Satara, Solapur	8,854.09
2.	Madhya Pradesh	Dewas, Indore, Ujjain, Khandwa	3,701.01
3.	Karnataka	Gadag, Dharwad	2,986.59
4.	Bihar	Nalanda	1240.59
5.	Gujarat	Bhavnagar, Amreli	546.20

(c) Production cluster of Potato

S. No	State	Production Cluster Area	*State-wise Production (in '000' MT) in 2017-18
1.	Uttar Pradesh	Agra, Firozabad, Hathras, Aligarh, Farrukhabad, Kannauj, Meerut, Hapur, Bulandshahar, Badaun, Sambal, Muradabad	15,555.53
2.	West Bengal	Hooghly, Purba Bardhaman, Paschim Medinipur, Bankura	12,782.50
3.	Bihar	Nalanda , Patna, Vaishali	7,740.79
4.	Gujarat	Banaskantha, Sabarkantha	3,806.95
5.	Madhya Pradesh	Indore, Ujjain, Dewas, Shajapur, Chindwada	3,144.64
6.	Punjab	Jalandhar, Hoshiarpur, Ludhiana, Kapurthala	2,571.04

*Note: Production data is related to year 2017-18 as per Report- 'Horticulture Statistics at a Glance 2018' published by Ministry of Agriculture.

Composition of Inter-Ministerial Approval Committee as per Scheme Guidelines

- (i) Hon'ble Minister, FPI - Chairperson
- (ii) Hon'ble Minister of State, FPI - Vice-chairperson
- (iii) Secretary, MoFPI - Member
- (iv) AS&FA, MoFPI - Member
- (v) Economic Adviser, MoFPI - Member
- (vi) Representative of DoAC&FW - Member
- (vii) Representative of NITI Aayog - Member
- (viii) Representative of NABARD - Member
- (ix) Representative of SIDBI - Member
- (x) Additional / Joint Secretary, MoFPI - Member Secretary
- (xi) Joint Secretary, MIDH - Member
- (xii) MD, NHM - Member
- (xiii) MD, NAFED - Member
- (xiv) MD, SFAC - Member
- (xv) MD, NCDC - Member
- (xvi) ESA, DAC&FW - Member
- (xvii) APEDA - Member
- (xviii) Principal Secretary / Secretary of the concerned State or his nominee - Member
- (xix) Mission Director (State Horticulture Mission) - Member