

## Estimates of Jute 2017-2018

### Introduction:

Jute is an eminent cash crop of Bangladesh. Farmers of some regions cultivate jute on regular basis. In a subjective manner, farmers were interviewed relating to cultivation of jute. They opined that due to favourable weather condition, jute cultivation has persistently increased this year. Moreover, due to some govt. initiatives the demand of Jute increased now-a-days. As a result, more jute was cultivated in this year as compared to last year.

### Area:

Total area under jute crop has been estimated at 18,73,632 acres (7,58,218 hectares) in this year which is 2.77% higher than that of last year. Comparative area estimates of jute crop of 2016-17 and 2017-18 are as follows:

**Table-1 : Estimates of Total Area of Jute Crop**

2016-17		2017-18		% Change over previous year
Area (in acre)	Area (in hectare)	Area (in acre)	Area (in hectare)	
18,23,104	7,37,770	18,73,632	7,58,218	(+) 2.77

### Yield Rate:

Average yield rate has been estimated at 4.75 bales per acre (11.731 bales per hectare) in this year which is 4.95% higher than that of last year. Average yield rate of this year as well as the last year are provided as follows:

**Table-2 : Estimates of Yield Rate of Jute Crop**

2016-17		2017-18		% Change over previous year
Yield rate per acre (Bales)	Yield rate per hectare (Bales)	Yield rate per acre (Bales)	Yield rate per hectare (Bales)	
4.52	11.178	4.75	11.731	(+) 4.95

Note: Above total figures are weighted figures

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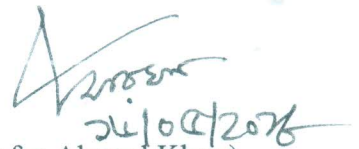
**Production:**

Total jute production in this year has been estimated at 88,94,683 bales which is 7.86% higher than that of last year. Total production figures of this year and the last year are as follows:

**Table-3 : Estimates of Total Production of Jute Crop**

Production (Bales)		% Change over previous year
2016-17	2017-18	
82,46,801.9	88,94,683	(+) 7.86

Estimates of Area, Yield rates and Production by districts and by divisions are furnished in the table appended.

  
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