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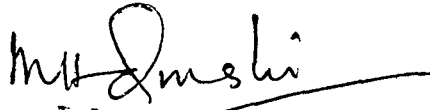
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CHAPTER - I

INTRODUCTION

The oilseeds play an important role in the agricultural economy of the country. Edible oils form an important part of the human diet while the non-edible oils are the mainstay of industries like soaps, paints, varnishes, hair oils, lubricants, greases etc. The major edible oilseeds of India are groundnut, sesamum, rapeseed and mustard. The non-edible oilseeds consist of castor and linseed. These five major oilseeds cover almost Ninety-one percent of the total area under oilseeds in India and remaining nine percent is shared by safflower, Niger and Soyabean. Oilseeds as a whole account for 10.14 percent of the gross cropped area and contribute more than 5 percent to the Gross National Product. Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamilnadu, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan together account for almost 86 percent of the total area under oilseeds. In 1990, an area of as much as 21.60 million hectares out of the current world's area of 123.40 million hectares under important oilseeds was from India alone¹

It can be seen from the above table that India has a significant area under oilseeds in the world for safflower, Castor seed and groundnut.

1. Food and Agricultural Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) 1991, & Year book, 1990, Rome.

Table 1.1

Oilseed	Percentage of area of different oil seeds to the total area under that oilseed in the world.
Safflower	More than 65
Castor	53
Groundnut	40
Sesamum	37
Rapeseed	29
Linseed	26
Sunflower	7
Soyabean	4

While in case of sunflower and Soyabean we lag behind. India's share is more than 18 per cent in the world total area under oilseeds but its share in world output is less than 10 percent. One of the principal reasons for such a paradoxical situation is that the oilseed producing areas lie in the regions of scant rainfall². As a result of adverse crop growing environment and the uncertainties associated with their production, the per hectare yield of oilseeds is 741 kgs. in India compared to the average yield of 1492 kgs. at the world level³.

2. Rao V Ranga, what catapulted the vegetable oilseeds sector from out its Decade old Intertia? Two successive monsoons or wonder Technology " Journal of oilseeds Research, vol. 8, No.1 June 1991.

3. Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) 1991, FAO Production Year book, 1990, Rome.

Although India has the largest cultivated area under oilseeds in the world, the current consumption level of crucial nutrient such as oils and fats are below the minimum nutritional requirements⁴. India the daily availability of 14 gms. is far below the level of 21.7 gms before world war II and the minimum nutritional level of 18 gms⁵ Despite the fact that India has the largest area under important oilseeds indigenous production has fallen short to requirements. The country has been a major importer of edible oils during the last decade. Its annual imports of edible oils averaged 1.30 million tonnes during 1980-81 to 1985-86 valued at Rs. 801.17 crores⁶.

India has already attained self-sufficiency in food grains. Now policy makers are arguing to be self-sufficient in oilseeds. Because from 1967 to 1981 annual population growth rate averaged about 2.1 percent and per capita income rose at 3.5 percent but the edible oil production.

4) Ninan K.N. " Edible oilseeds Growth and Area Responses" Economic and Political Weekly Vol.24, No. 39, September 30, 1989.

5) Chhatrapati, A.C, "Trends in oilseeds Production" Research and Development strategies for oilseeds in India, ICAR, 1979, New Delhi.

6) Singh A.J. and Dhaliwal Sarbjit, "Production, Performance, Potentials and prospects for oilseeds in India" Indian Journal of Agricultural Economics, vol. 48, No.3, July, Sept. 1993.

(traditional and non-traditional sources) increased at the rate of 2.5 per cent annually, hence to fill up the gap the country has to invest a huge amount of money for importing the edible oils. Despite the efforts to increase oilseeds production, per capita availability of oilseeds has decreased from 42.79 gms in 1976 to 40.80 gms in 1988. Hence there is need to strength further research and efforts to increase the productions of oilseeds.

Table 1.2

Per Capita Availability of Oilseeds in Different Years.

Year	Total Population	Total Edible oil production 1000(tonnes)	Per Capita availability of oilseeds (in gms.)
1976	612024052 *	95585	42.79
1982	698102984 *	11287	44.30
1986	760462525 *	10148	36.56
1988	793701093 *	118215	40.80

*These figures have been interpolated by exponential growth rate method using the population figure available from census.

1.2 Strategies for increasing the production of oilseeds.

Oilseeds development programmes in the country were initiated in an organised manner with the establishment of the Indian Central Oilseeds Committee (ICOC) in 1947. The act creating ICOC provided a fund for the improvement and development of oilseeds production, processing and

marketing. The activities of ICOC included advisory service, financing, research for production enhancement and processing. From 1 April 1966, the ICOC was replaced by the Oilseed Development Council.

In 1962-63 a package programme was introduced to enhance the groundnut production in five states of Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Tamilnadu, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh. Main thrust of the package was use of improved seeds, fertilizers, plant protection, irrigation, demonstration and credit facilities. The programme aimed at covering an area of 1.8 lakh acres during the third five year plan and expected to result in additional production of 40 per cent in the areas covered by the project⁷

Integrated Oilseeds Development Scheme covered all the oilseeds growing states except, Assam during 1965-66. Nearly 80 lakh hectares were brought under the scheme. Both intensive and extensive measures were taken under the scheme. It is estimated that contribution was additional production of 8.69 lakh tonnes of groundnut and other oilseeds by extensive and intensive measures respectively⁸.

7. RBI Report on currency and finance 1962 -63

8. RBI Report on currency and finance 1967-68.

In the year 1966-67, the centrally sponsored Export Promotion Programme and the state sponsored Package Programme and Integrated oilseed Development Scheme were continued.

During 1967-68 centrally sponsored export promotion programme which was initiated in Andhra Pradesh, Tamilnadu and Uttar Pradesh in 1966-67 embraced the states of Gujarat, Haryana, Punjab, Maharashtra in its fold⁹. The main features of the scheme were -(i) adoption of package approach over large areas in assured rainfall and irrigated zones (ii) assured timely supply of inputs, (iii) Extension of credit to farmers to cover cost of production, (iv) provision of 25 percent subsidies for plant protection, chemicals and equipments. For rapeseed and mustard a centrally sponsored scheme for Mass Plant Protection and demonstration of improved techniques of cultivation was sanctioned during 1970-71¹⁰.

Another centrally sponsored intensive Oilseeds Development programme was started in 1974-75 in a few selected districts of the country. This programme was continued during 1976-77 in 29 districts of 10 states. The actual area covered under the programme in 1976-77 was -----

9. RBI Report on currency and finance 1967 - 68.

10. RBI Report on currency and finance, 1970-71.

higher (16.5 lakh hectares) than the target (15.2 lakh hectares).

After 1980 herculean efforts were made for oilseeds production development. These can be mentioned as follows :

National Oilseeds and Vegetable Oil Development Board

National Oilseeds and Vegetable oil Development Board was constituted by an Act of Parliament in 1983 in order to deal in a comprehensive and effective manner the widening supply and demand gap in the vegetable oil sector by having an integrated approach towards oilseeds production, Processing, Procurement, marketing, storage, prices and quality control. The Board continued to implement ongoing programmes, mainly diversification of rainfed/low irrigated area under wheat to rapeseed and mustard and programmes for popularization of rabi/summer groundnut cultivation in non-traditional areas. The scheme has been instrumental in diversification of areas to oilseeds by providing incentive for using scientific packages and Agronomic practices in raising the production of these crops¹¹.

National Oilseeds Development Project.

This project was launched in 1984-85 after reorienting and integrating the existing oilseeds development scheme and

11. RBI Report on currency and finance, 1987-88, vol.1
Economic Review

special projects with crop and location specific approach spread over 180 districts all over the country. The project provided the assistance for production and distribution of seed, distribution of input kits, plant protection measures, supply of improved farm implements, sprinkler irrigation sets for rabi/summer groundnut, production and distribution of rhizobium culture, soil testing etc. In addition the project also provided 100 per cent central assistance for production of breeder and foundation seed of oilseeds crops.

Technology Mission on Oilseeds :-

Govt. of India on 1st May 1986 appointed a Technology Mission on oilseeds which is being implemented as integrated policy on oilseeds. The mission had its immediate aim of producing 16 to 18 million tonnes of oilseeds by 1989-90 and raising the production to 26 million tonnes by the turn of this century from the current level of production of around 12 million tonnes. The mission has four pronged strategy namely:-

- (i) to improve oilseeds crop technology.
- (ii) to improve post harvest technology
- (iii) to strengthen services to the farmers.
- (iv) Price support, storage, processing and marketing¹²

12. RBI Report on Currency and Finance 1987-88.

The mission would give first priorities to crops like groundnut, rapeseed and mustard, Soyabean, Sunflower, Linseed, Sesamum and Niger seed in the given order. The mission will also give priority to non edible oilseeds crops to meet the requirements of industry.

Oilseeds Production Programme:

During 1990-91 National Oilseeds Development Project (NODP) and Oilseeds Production Thrust Project (OPTP) which were operated by the Technology Mission on oilseeds during the seventh plan were merged into a single scheme named as Oilseed Production Programme. The scheme provides for financial assistance to the states for almost all the basic key inputs. The pattern of assistance under this programme is 75:25 sharing between Government of India and state Government. The main emphasis of the project is increasing production and availability of seeds, distribution of seed minikits and plant protection chemicals. During 1991-92. OPP continued to be implemented covering all the nine major oilseeds with a financial provision of Rs. 60 crores as against 54 crores in 1990-91.

1.3 Review of Literature

Efforts for increasing the oilseeds production are not new in India. Recently the thrust has been increased and hence the literature is also coming up slowly in this field.

After 1980s. several articles appeared along with some books dealing with oilseed production. Here, an attempt has been made to review the pertinent material.

Chamola & Hasiya (1981) report that production of rapeseed & mustered has increased from 1966-76 in Haryana, but its production and area fluctuated from 53 thousand to 137 thousand tonnes and 104300 to 211000 hectares respectively. The price & yield have caused significant improvement in the value of this crop in Haryana. They recommend multifaceted research such as agronomical, entomological, breeding & genetical & economic research to further enhance the production of rapeseed & mustard.

Mondal (1989), argues that India was self sufficient in edible oils till 1963-64. Afterwards the gap between production and consumption increased till 1973. Dependence on rainfall, poor input & lack of proper plant protection have been identified as some of the major problems the cultivation of oilseeds has faced. To overcome these problems, some advances have been made such as short duration crops (e.g. H48, TMV-2), use of fertilizers & insecticide & pesticides.

Singh & Satapathy (1981)

As a result of wide range of fluctuation noticed in the

prices of oilseeds consumers as well as producers face great difficulties because price fluctuation affects almost all categories of consumers and producers. Government has to invest hundreds of crores of rupees on import of edible oils to maintain smooth supply and control on price fluctuation, mainly because of shortage of edible oils. One of the interesting things is that oilseed production ensures better income than cereals, but the per cent contribution of oilseeds products fluctuated from 1970-71 to 1974-75. Increase in oilseed yield can ensure stability in the prices as well as its production. The authors suggested that increase in area under oilseed crops their yield can boost their production.

Sarup & Pandey (1983) observed that the yield rates of the major oilseed crops. Among different oilseed crops in the country, the yield level of groundnut is highest followed by rapeseed & mustard & castor seed. The yield rate of groundnut ranges from 444 kg/ha, in Rajasthan to 1444 kg/ha. in Kerala in 1968-69. The situation, however, was changed during the year 1978-79; Madhya Pradesh reported the lowest i.e. 649kg/ha. and Orissa the highest i.e. 1324 kg/ha. They concluded that the yield pattern of groundnut crop in different states has remained more or less unchanged & none of the states has shown significant increase in the

yield of groundnut crop during 1968-69 to 1978-79. The yield of rapeseed & mustard has also not shown any significant improvement. Which varied from 326 kg/ha. in West Bengal to 740 kg/ha. in J&K. The yield level of oilseeds noticed wide fluctuations during the study period due to adverse seasonal conditions.

Chhatrapati (1979) points out that higher oil prices in lean season clearly indicates insufficient availability of oilseed in the country. According to his estimates, yield of oilseed was 530 kg/ha. during, 1940S which than was declined to 466 kg/ha. in the first five year plan period and after 8% improvement in second plan again declined. The prime source of the growth of output has been attributed to increase in area instead of yield in the second half of 1950s. The growth in area even ceased to contribute since the second half of 1960s. The improved varieties of seeds made the production of foodgrains & cotton more remunerative than of oilseeds. Besides neglect of agricultural research can explain poor yield which has been supported by Acharya (1993), later on. The yield of mustard has improved by the spread effect of the use of irrigation and fertilizer on wheat, with which it was grown as mixed crop. This effect ceased to operate since 1976. He further, points out the feasibility of spread of Sesamum, safflower cultivation to

enhance oilseed production.

Das (1985) reported that between the post war and 1960s., India was more or less self-sufficient in oil production and emerged as single largest importer of oilseeds & oil during 1970s because of increasing gap between demand and supply. Poor yield and expansion of area under oilseed crops during 1970s have been two major reasons for sluggish oilseed production. The annual compound growth rate (under oilseed crops of area) worked out as 0.27% during the period 1967-68 to 1980-81, while it was 0.35% for foodgrains. The annual compound growth rate of productivities of oilseed crops was estimated relatively low i.e. 0.76% as compared to 1.74, 2.19 & 1.45 percent for foodgrains, fibers & all crops respectively for the period 1967-68 to 1980-81. Das (1985) concludes that the growth rate in the yield of oilseed is still worse.

Singh & Dhaliwal (1993) observed drastic improvement in oilseeds production in the recent period 1976-77 to 1990-91. Examining the impact of Technology Mission on the production performance of oilseeds over the period 1985-86 to 1992-93 they reported that sunflower recorded the maximum growth rate of 22.81%, followed by soyabean (16.38%), castor seed (12.11%), rapeseed & mustard (11.6%). Overall compound growth rate was estimated 9.16%. The rabi component recorded

higher growth rate (i.e. 9.98) as compared to Kharif i.e. 8.45 %. Among the all oilseeds the major incremented output is that of rapeseed & mustard (34.02%), followed by groundnut & soyabean.

Under the impact of Technology Mission, the highest increase (i.e. 78.2%) in area under oilseeds has been reported by Rajasthan which is followed by Karnataka (54.6%), A.P. (41.1%) & Haryana (40.3%). Tamilnadu, Punjab & U.P., however registered decline in area under oilseeds. While analysing demand & supply prospects, they have estimated total demand for oilseeds as 79.90 lakh tonnes in 2000 A.D., using NCAER formula (1962). Using the same formula they estimated 8.25 kg per year availability of edible oil for the year 2000-01 A.D.

They concluded that "acreage allocation decisions in respect of oilseed crops have been governed by their relative profitability vis-a-vis competing crops".

Acharya (1993) examined the impact of price policy and mechanization of agriculture on oilseeds & pulses during three phases : Pre Green revolution (GR), GR, post GR. He found that the introduction of Green Revolution in association with positive price policy for cereals specially rice and wheat has contributed substantial increase in food production during Green Revolution period. The adoption of

same measures for oilseeds has also brought significant qualitative & quantitative changes in oilseed production. Increase in prices and yield has resulted in 90.7% increase in nine oilseeds production over a period of 1980-81 to 1991-92.

While dealing with qualitative changes he found that growth of yield of mustard was more than that of wheat & rice during 1980s. Secondly, share of rabi oilseed production (which is relatively more reliable as compared to kharif) improved substantially. Thirdly, the production of oilseed noticed considerable improvement in area & yield in the states such as Rajasthan & M.P. where cereals crops were relatively less advantageous in terms of net profit. Fourthly, cost of production of mustard has not increased in real terms during the last decade in the states which noticed incremental output of oilseeds.

The author further pointed out that "the expansion of area under oilseeds has occurred mainly through an increase in the cropped area & yield as also through displacement of low yielding coarse cereals. A watch has to be kept on price structures to ensure that areas under cereal crops could not shift away where yield is high. He admitted that the country can maintain self sufficiency in both oilseeds & cereals through accelerating growth of yield of both groups of crops.

Kaushik (1993) pointed out that oilseed production has registered a phenomenal increase during the past few years as a result of Technology Mission on oilseeds , But the percentage of area under oilseeds still depends on rainfall. Consequently, oilseeds production fluctuates from year to year. He has examined the trends of growth & instability of oilseeds production over three periods namely 1968-69, 1979-80, 1991-92. During period one i.e. 1968-69 to 1979-80 the production of oilseeds in general and mustard in particular increased mainly because of increase in area rather than yield, while in wheat and food grains production increase in yield has contributed much more than area. During the second phase i.e. 1980-81 to 1990-91, however, increase in oilseed production was contributed much by increase in yield rather than area, which is the result of Technology Mission on oilseeds on the one hand and the favourable prices on the other.

The magnitude of fluctuations depends on the nature of crop production technology, its sensitivity to weather, economic environment, availability of material inputs & many other factors. The magnitude of fluctuations in oilseeds is reported to be the highest while in case of food grains specially in wheat it is the lowest. The cultivation of oilseeds on unirrigated lands and dependence on rain are two

major responsible factors for higher instability in oilseed production.

Gandhi (1984), observed a deficit of 1-2 million tonnes of edible oils. He reports 6.88 kg.per annum per capita availability of edible oils in India as against 14 kg/annum recommended by Indian council of Medical Research. To meet this standard country needs additional 5 million tonnes of edible oil. Immediate concern to increase the supply of edible oil should be the proper utilization of available technology, prices & management.

The low increase in oilseed production has been due to various constraints such as dependence on rainfall, lack of input resources with small & marginal farmers, seasonal variations and wide fluctuations in oilseed prices and lack of efforts on research front. About 90% of the total area under oilseed crops is rainfed and yield of these areas are as low as 60% of those grown in irrigated areas. Suggesting the great potential of oilseeds production, Gandhi (1984), recommended that concrete efforts should be made to increase output of oilseeds, higher support prices for the farmers, and improving oil extraction efficiencies and the marketing system.

Jayaswal (1988), recommended that cultivation of oilseed crops on fallow land in rabi & kharif seasons, supply of necessary inputs, cultivation of palm & coconut in coastal regions and harnessing all the minor oilseeds sources are certain direct measures to boost oilseed production. However the role of technological research can not be denied in attaining higher level of oilseed production.

Bhatnagar et.al. (1985), pointed out that the oilseed production has remained almost neglected under Integrated-cropping system and IRDP. Under various schemes, there are wide scope to provide proper place for oil seed production such as under IRDP subsidies are made available to the farmers for purchasing inputs required for oilseeds cultivation. It has been emphasized that women, whose bigger proportion is engaged in agricultural sector, may be trained for oilseed cultivation under DWCRA programme. The major reasons for the failure of these programmes has been due to the paucity of funds with smaller and marginal farmers to adopt new technology,

(ii) lack of training for the category of beneficiaries under various schemes &

(iii) lack of coordination between the programmes formulated for agricultural and rural development despite the fact that

agricultural development is one of the most integral component of rural development.

Singh & Das (1985) reported that per capita daily consumption of fat is 15 gms. visible & (5 gms.) invisible fats as against average requirement of 40-50 gms/day due to the fact that demand of oil has been outpacing supply. The dependence of oilseeds cultivation on rainfall, poor management, lack of weed control, poor resources for dryland farming, lack of inputs are constraints in increasing the oilseed production. Besides, technological (including susceptibility of oilseed crops to pests & diseases, lack of efficient cropping system), socio-economic & policy constraints have been major barriers to boost production & yield of oilseeds. The authors suggested that the adoption of area specific approach and new technologies can increase the yield of oilseeds by atleast two folds. Moreover, bolder and unconventional approaches are needed to meet general and specific constraints.

Despite sizeable production and acreage of oilseeds these crops have not received due attention they deserved in the past. Consequently, the overall demand usually outpaces the supply level and yield oilseeds is relatively low Rai, further suggested that adoption of effective production

technology and extension of area could bring a quantum jump in the production and yield of the major oilseed crops.

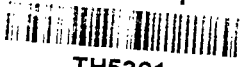
Chauhan (1985) pointed out that special measures have been taken into consideration under the 20 point programme during the Sixth Plan (1980-85) to bridge the gap between supply & demand of vegetable oils. This gap has persisted since a long time because of various constraints including environmental, technological, socio-economic and infrastructural. Certain measures including improvement in seed quality, expansion of area under oilseeds crops in general and in rabi season particular, subsidy on inputs, price support etc. are taken to boost oilseeds production. Taking into consideration the example of concentrated area approach for groundnut in Gujarat & soyabean in Madhya Pradesh, production and yield of oilseeds can be improved considerably to meet further challenges.

Rai (1989), concluded that the utilization of better seeds, optimum fertilizer doses, timely planting, providing protective irrigation, plant protection measures and introduction of hybrid in irrigated areas could be quite helpful in increasing yield of oilseed crops. The quality of seeds plays a key role in higher yield. Rai suggested quite bright scope of growing summer groundnut in Orissa, Bihar &

U.P. as well as inter-cropping of groundnut with arhar, maize, sorghum, in 6:6 ratio. He further argues that if potato & mustered inter-cropping is followed in potato growing areas of U.P., M.P. Haryana, Rajasthan & Bihar, West Bengal & Assam, an additional 4 lakh tonnes of mustered can be produced.

Ramanamurthy (1991), argued that strengthening oilseed research & development programmes, creation of oilseed grower's co-operatives, formation of a national oilseed & vegetable oil board & involvement of private sector in research & development of oilseeds has created a trust for increasing oilseeds productions during the last 18 years. Consequently per capita availability of edible oilseeds increased from 3.0 kgs. in 1970 to 5.5 kg in 1984. During 1970-71 to 1986-87 there has been significant increase in the production and area under oilseed crops, but year to year fluctuations in production is a major concern today. The author reported low production and fluctuations in oilseed production as result of the rainfed nature of oilseed cultivation, inadequate use of chemical and microbial fertilizer & other inputs. He noticed the absence of rain at crucial stage of crop growth, before maturity, as a major cause of significant loss in yield. The author stressed the need for development of low cost technology.

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Because of expensive nature of available new technology only 30-40 % of the total technology has been utilized by the farmers. Moreover, new variety of early maturing oilseeds can be developed, cultivation of which can be supported by large number of areas such as Malnad of Karnataka , northern Telangana of Andhra pradesh extending into Maharashtra.

Singh (1991), The adoption of new dryland locations & crop specific technology, replacing some inefficient crops with oilseed crops and their introduction in non-traditional areas and seasons can increase oilseed production, the recommends intensive cropping in areas of higher rainfall (i.e. more than 800 mm annually), and introduction of efficient inter-cropping system in the areas which receive annual rainfall from 600-800mm. He has suggested inter-cropping system for almost all the regions for rainy as well as for post rainy season. Moreover, substitution of traditional crops by oilseed crops ensures better yield e.g. in case of Indore the yield of green gram is only 11.8q/ha as compared to the yield of soyabean i.e. 33 q/ha.

Gangwar & Rai (1991), have observed an improvement in the yield and price risk in oilseed during the period 1980-81 to 1985-86 as compared to 1970-71 to 1985-86. Similar situation prevailed in most of the oil seeds growing states except AP

& Tamilnadu. During the same period the coefficient of variation for acreage at national level has declined from 9.12% to 6.22% indicating reduction in acreage fluctuation. They report that the area effect on oilseed production was higher than that of yield effect throughout the country except Tamilnadu & Andhra pradesh. In these states, yield effect has dominated area effect on oilseed production. The authors are quite apprehensive about the wide gap between supply and demand of edible oils in near future despite improvement in supply situation in the recent past.

Ghosh (1982), Pointed out that Weeds cause two type of losses- direct and indirect in oilseeds cultivation. Losses caused by weeds range from 23 to 70 per cent in oilseeds production. Therefore, timely weeds control through cultural and chemical practices can improve yield as well as quality of oilseeds.

Singh & Sinha (1979), have estimated demand for vegetable oil including demand for human consumption & soaps & other industrial uses as 4630 & 5931 thousands tonnes for the year 1982-83 and 1987-88 respectively. They have used 25th round cross sectional NSS data on consumption expenditure to estimate the demand for oil for human consumption, while estimation of demand for oil for soap & industrial uses has

been taken from the study group of the former Minister of Commerce, civil supply & co-operation as well as the Draft Five year plan 1978-83. They further stress the need to incorporate estimation of production path of oilseeds which is being influenced by the total area under crops, the area allocation to and share of oilseeds & the yield per unit of land.

Mariwala (1991) noticed large scale inter-personal disparities in the distribution of cultivable land. About 10-15% of the households control more than 2/3 of the total cultivable land. This elite group has enormous economic power and under its socio-economic & political influence ensure that benefits meant for all are converted into gains for few. Mariwala delimits the role of government to provide infrastructure, policy, legislative framework and market intervention for oilseed production. The role of voluntary agencies, which has been neglected so far, can work as an intervening link between government and private households to extend the benefit of new technology and other schemes to the farmers. Moreover, private corporate sector can take up large chunk of waste land and harness it for productive use for oilseed crops.

Shetty & Rao (1991), argued that after the introduction of

green revolution oilseed production has more or less stagnated at lower level as compared to the non-oilseed crops mainly because of the following reasons (i) poor infrastructure for extension & input delivery systems which are required to sustain growth in yield & extension in area (ii) unremunerative prices of oilseeds, (iii) non-availability of improved seeds at reasonable prices (iv) operation of the middlemen in oilseed trade and, (v) the absence of co-operative sector in oilseeds like that of sugar & dairy.

The argued that expansion of area under oilseeds is possible only if the production of oilseeds is remunerative. Otherwise improvement in yield through the adoption of new technologies using better variety of seeds, & sequential cropping with other crops may boost oilseed production. Moreover, efforts should be made to develop better seeds, drought tolerant , high oil yielding & rasistant to pest and capable of getting into farmer's crop rotation. Similarly extension of irrigation to oilseed crops will improve yield of oilseeds under irrigation are twice as under rainfed conditions. In the last they concluded that to boost and attain self sufficiency in oilseeds production, greater emphasis should be laid on technological & price factors which are the two most important variables influencing

oilseeds production in the country.

1.4 Objective of the Study :

Present study attempts to explore the nature of growth and instability for the three oilseeds- groundnut, rapeseed and mustard, sesamum at the district level for all the states of India except Jammu and Kashmir, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Nagaland and Goa. The main Objectives of the study are as follows :

- (1) To examine the growth pattern of area, production and yield of the three oilseeds.
- (2) To study the level of instability of production, area and yield.
- (3) To study the role of irrigation, fertilizer consumption and prices on the oilseed production.

1.5 DATABASE

Whole of the study is based on secondary data, which have been collected from the following sources.

- (1) For the production, area and yield of groundnut, rapeseed and mustard, Sesamum, several issues (Appendix - 1) of "Agricultural Situation in India" published by Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Department of Agriculture and cooperation, New Delhi, have been used.
- (2) Various issues (Appendix - 1) of "Fertilizer Statistics

in India" published by The Fertilizer Association of India, have been used for the fertilizer consumption in different districts.

(3) For prices of the three crops - groundnut, sesamum, rapeseed and mustard, several issues of "Farm-Harvest prices of Principal crops in India"(Appendix -1) published by Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, New Delhi, have been used.

(4) For area under irrigation of these crops several issues of "Agricultural Statistics in India - vol. II" (Appendix - 1) published by Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Department of Agriculture and Co-operation, New Delhi have been used.

1.6 Methodology

In the present study following statistical techniques have been used:

Compound growth rates of area, production and yield have been calculated using the formulae-

$$pt = Po (1 + r/100)t$$

To measure the instability in area, production and yield coefficient of variation has been worked out using the following formulae:-

$$C.V. = S.D/ Mean \times 100$$

To measure the role of various variables like irrigation, fertilizer consumption and agricultural prices multiple correlation and regression analysis has been used.

1.7 Scope of the Study :

The present study spreads over a time period of 1970-71 to 1987-1988 taking triennium averages. The study takes into consideration only three oilseeds namely groundnut, Sesamum, Rapeseed and Mustard. Year 1970-71 has been taken as the base year and all the districts which were created after 1970 have been adjusted to the districts of 1970.

1.8 Study Area :

Groundnut was grown in 241 districts (Appendix-2) which constituted 68 percent districts of the country in 1970-71. 298 districts (Appendix-2) accounting for the eighty four per cent districts of the country grew sesamum in 1970-71. Rapeseed & Mustard was grown in 70 per cent districts (250) (Appendix-2) of the country in 1970-71.

1.9 Organisation of the Study :

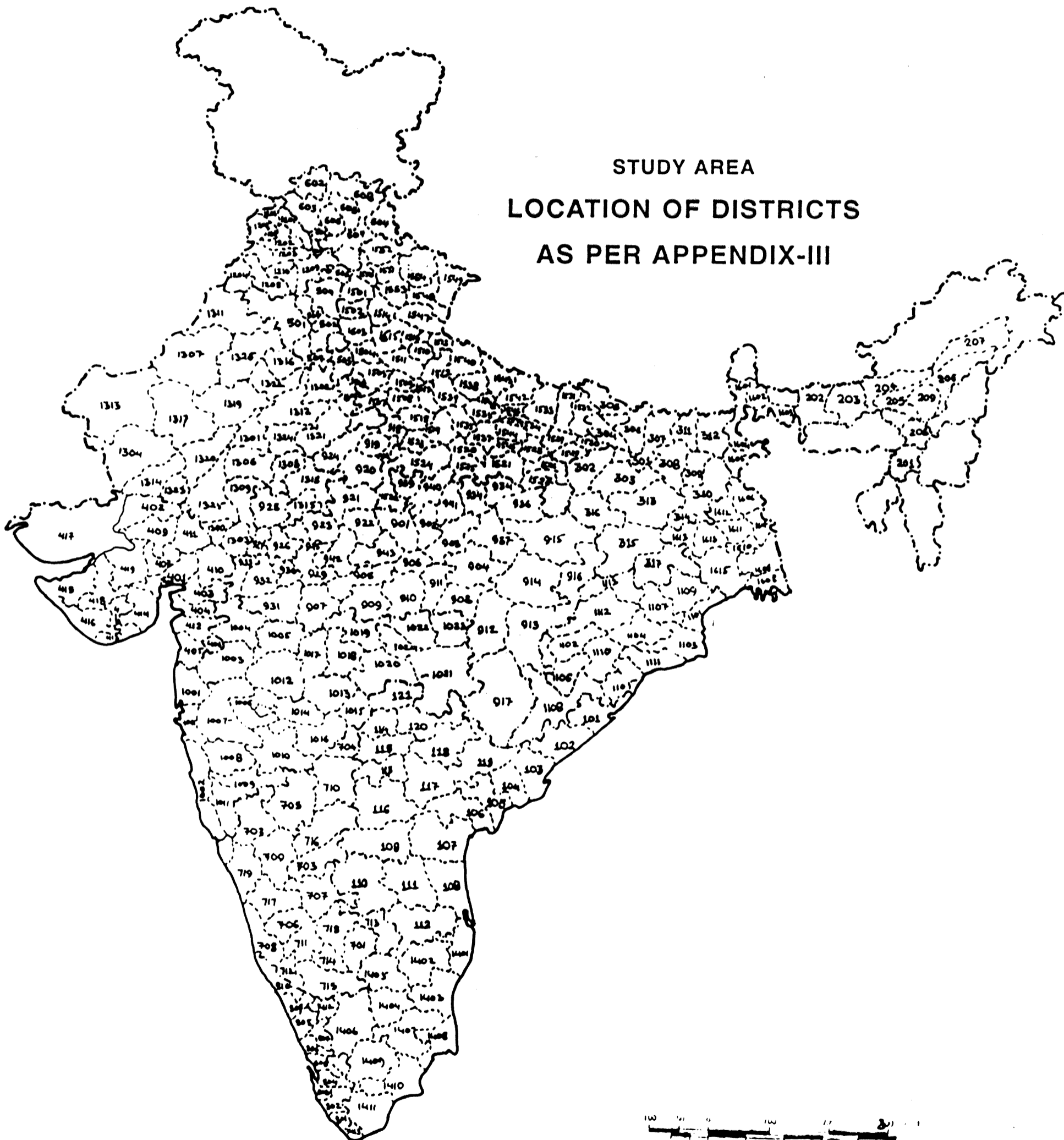
The entire study is divided in six chapters.

Chapter one presents the introduction of the present study.

Chapter two concerns with the geographical personality of the study area.

Chapter three discusses the patterns of growth in area,

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production and yield of the groundnut, rapeseed and mustard and sesamum.

Fourth chapter describes the instability in area production and yield of groundnut, rapeseed and mustard and sesamum.

Fifth chapter deals with the role of irrigation, fertilizer consumption and Oilseed prices in the area and yield of the groundnut, rapeseed and mustard, and sesamum.

Sixth chapter deals with the summary and conclusions of the study .

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CHAPTER II

Geographical Personality of The Study Area

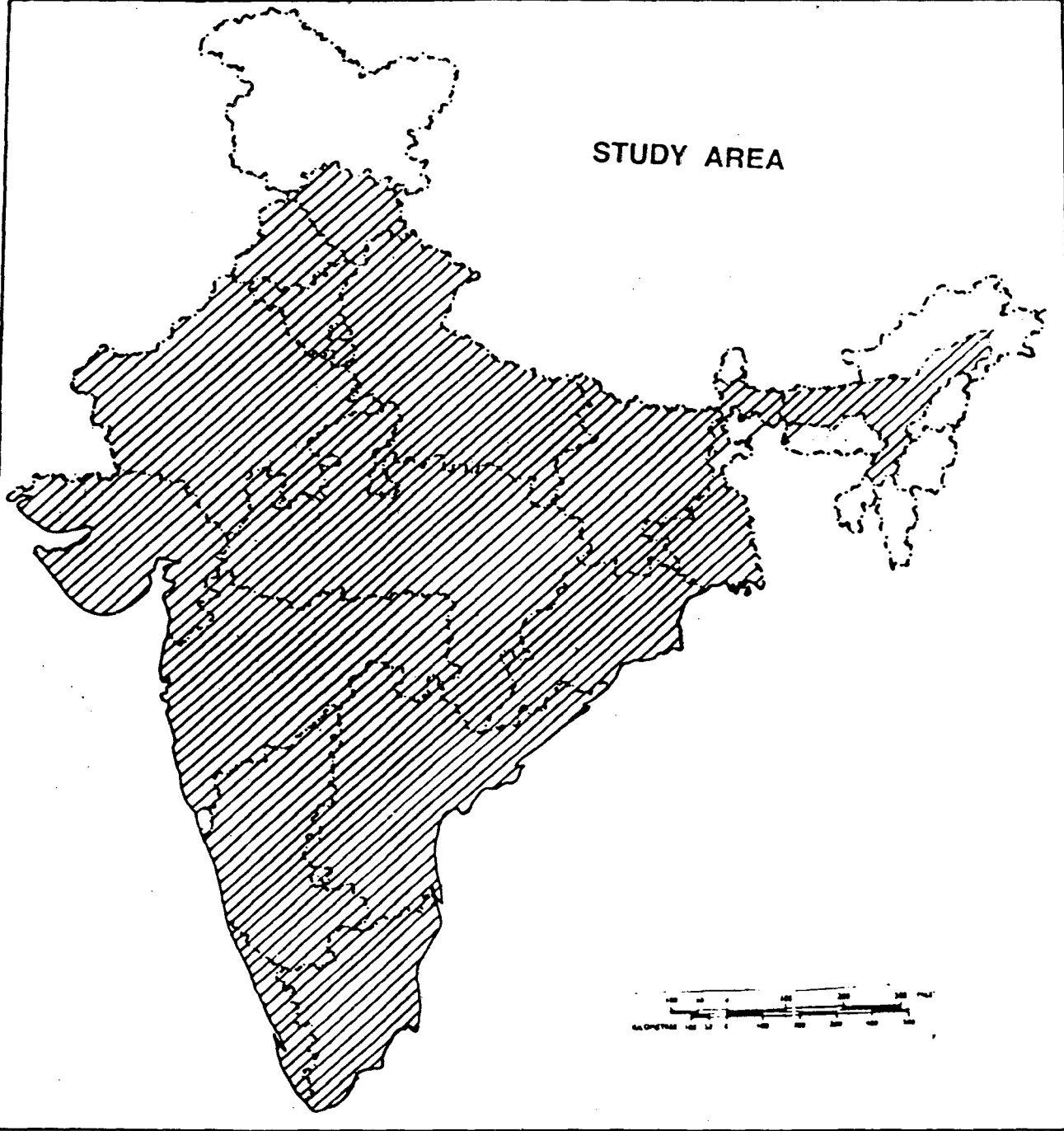
India lies completely in Northern hemisphere and extends between $37^{\circ}17'53''$ and $8^{\circ}4'28''$. Northern latitude, its most westerly point lies in longitude of $68^{\circ}7'33''$ in Saurashtra and eastern most point lies in the longitude of $97^{\circ}24'47''$ East in Arunachal Pradesh. India accounts for the 2.2 per cent of total world population resides in the country. The country is of vast size and measures about 3214 Kms from north to south and about 2933 Kms from east to west. Tropic of cancer passes through its centre.

India is a land of diversities. Physiographic diversities including the mighty Himalayas great fertile Indo-Gangetic plains and coastal regions climatically the precipitation in Mausimgram is highest in the world while the western region of Rajasthan experience very low rainfall. Again temperature extremities are found in Leh and Rajasthan. Besides physical diversities social and cultural diversities are also prominent.

2.1 Physiography :

Physiographically India can be divided in following parts

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1. The Himalayas
2. Great Plains
3. Central Highlands
4. Deccan Plateau
5. Coastal regions

1. The Himalayas :

The Himalayas have been one of the dominant features of India. They are the youngest and the highest folded mountain of the earth. They run in an east-west direction along the entire northern boundary of India for 2400 kms. They are 240 to 500 kms. broad and cover about 500000 sq. km. Himalayas have great significance for India. Climatically it isolates the interior of Asia from the influence of warm air from the south and protects India from the cold blizzards of Siberia. Secondly it is birth place of perennial rivers of India. Thirdly it helps in causing monsoonal rainfall in India.

2. Great Plains :

Great plains extend from Ganga Delta and the Brahmaputra valley in the east to semi-arid plains of Rajasthan in the west. These plains are one of the recent formations and occupy an area of 652000 km² and are filled with Alluvium of varying thickness most of these great plains are composed of alluvium deposited during the middle pleistocene and recent

geological times. The older alluvium, known as bhangar forms invariably higher ground in the interflue areas and the newer alluvium, called khadar in U.P.

The arid plains of Rajasthan extend over 640 kms from North-east to south-west with an average width of 300 kms from west to east and are drained by the only living river, the Luni. Punjab plain is flat and has an elevation between 200 and 240 metres above sea-level. A considerable part of Ganga plain is occupied by the state of U.P, Bihar and West Bengal. The plain lying between Ganga and Yamuna rivers is termed Ganga-Yamuna doab.

3. Peninsular Plateau :

Peninsular plateau is the oldest shield in Indian peninsula. It extends into Rajasthan on the west and has a kind of outlier in the Assam plateau in the east and is bordered by western ghats in the west and Eastern ghats in east. north-west part of the region is significant for cotton production and other parts are important for coffee, rubber and tea plantation.

4. Central highlands :

This physiographic region lies between the great plains and the Deccan plateau. About half of M.P, one third of Rajasthan and a small portion of U.P. lies in this zone. Major part of this division is under forests. To the north

of the Narmada valley, extends the Malwa plateau which is bordered by the Aravalli Hills to the west and north-west. Towards the North-eastern corner of Malwa plateau are the Bundi hills. Like other plateaus in south, Malwa plateau is largely broken in the neighbourhood of rivers or where it approaches to Ganga Valley.

5. Coastal plains :

Deccan plateau is surrounded by low lying coastal plains to the west and the east known as western and eastern coasts respectively. Eastern coastal plain may be divided into two sections, upper and lower. Lower section consists of deltas of rivers while upper section mostly consists of plains lying in the upper reaches of the rivers. The western coastal plain extends north to south along the Arabian sea. The southern section of this plain is characterized by 'surf-beaten', small and shallow lagoons.

2.2 Drainage System :

The entire subcontinent is drained by numerous rivers which generally fall in two broad groups, viz, the rivers of Himalayan origin and those flowing in the peninsula. Major river basins are as follows :

1. Sindhu System :

This system includes the basin of Indus and Jhelum Sutlej doab, River Indus drains an area of about 117844 Km².

Its main tributaries are Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi, Beas and Sutlej.

2. Ganga System :

This river system represents three major rivers - The Ganga, the Yamuna and the Brahmaputra along with their major and minor tributaries. This system comprises some important doabs like Ganga-Yamuna, Ganga-Ghaghra and Ganga-Gomati, which are very fertile. Rivers joining the Ganga system from the south (central highlands) are important for harnessing their water. The Brahmaputra rising from the Himalayas, flows through Tibet, India and Bangladesh. In Indian territory 250000 sq. km drainage area of this river lies.

3. Mahanadi System :

This system consists of Mahanadi, Brahmani-Batarni and Subarnrekha basins. It drains the total catchment area of 132090 km.

4. Godavari System :

This system consists of upper Godavari basin, Penganga-Wainganga basin and lower Godavari basin. River Godavari has a total catchment area of 313389 km.

5. Krishna System :

This system includes the major river basins of Krishna, Bhima and Tungbhadra.

6. Cauveri System :

This system includes Cauveri basin and Vaigai-Tambraparni basin. It drains an area of about 80290 km.

7. Narmada - Tapti System :

This system includes the basins of Narmada and Tapti and their tributaries. This system drains 157930 km.

2.3 Soils :

In India several types of soils are found. Some zones are typical for some soils and well defined belts of particular soils are found.

Soils of Indo-Gangetic basin :

Indo-Gangatic basin is studded with alluvial soil deposited by the perennial rivers of Himalayas. These soils are very fertile. The physical properties of alluvial soils are generally determined by climatic conditions. The soils in Indo-Gangetic basin are fine-grained, rich in potash but poor in phosphorus. According to the time of deposition, composition and properties the soils of Indo-Gangetic basin may be divided in khadar and Bhangar. Deposition of finer and newer soils may be classed as Khadar. This is a local term and mainly occurs in places like new river beds. Bhangar soil is the older edition of Khadar. It is composed of coarser grains and found in higher elevation than Khadar.

Soils of Deserts :

In the deserts of Rajasthan mainly arid or desert soils are found. Due to high evaporation rate and lack of vegetation, salt content is quite high and humus content is very low. But due to less leaching, mineral accumulation is very high.

Soils of Deccan Plateau :

In Deccan plateau mainly black or regur soils are found. These soils are generally clayey, deep and impermeable. Chemically the black soils consist of lime, iron, magnesium and aluminium. Besides the black soils, red and laterite soils are also found in Deccan region. Red soils are generally shallow and their pH value ranges from 6.6 to 8.0.

Soils of coastal Regions :

In coastal areas mainly alluvial soils are found. Besides the alluvial soils, peaty and bog soils are also observed in coastal regions.

2.4 Climate :

India is perhaps the only country in the world where such a wide variation of climates occur in close proximity. Almost every type of climate is prevailing in India simultaneously. Extreme dryness on one end, high precipitation on the other and scorching, sultry heat in

one extremity, while moist dampness in the other region.

Precipitation :

Extremities in precipitation can be observed in India in the Mausimgram which experiences more than 1000 cms. and western Rajasthan where precipitations is below 20 cms. Benevolent activities of monsoon and particular geographical locations are highly beneficial for annual Indian water budget. The highest annual rainfall occurs along the west coast, sub-Himalayan areas in north east and the hills of Meghalaya. The isohyet of 100 cms rainfall runs southwards from Gujarat coast roughly parallel to western Ghats upto Kanya kumari. The rainfall over the peninsular regions lying east to this line drops to 60 cms. The east coast of Tamilnadu gets a rainfall of above 100 cms. In Northern region southern parts of Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Northern U.P. rainfall is 100 cms. The rainfall over parts of Punjab, Haryana, northern and western Rajasthan, Kutch and Kathiawar region of Gujarat is below 60 cms.

Temperature :

Due to proximity to Tropical region, south India experiences highest temperature averages. Temperature varies very little in this region. In north both extremities of temperature are found. In hot season mercury touches around 50 C while in cold season it reaches below 10 C. In the

extreme north, temperature touches zero and some times becomes winter chilly and severe. In northern parts of India from March to May the temperature gradually goes up but from June onwards due to the outburst of south-west monsoon, moderating effect of rainfall brings down the temperature considerably.

In central region temperature varies between 20° C and 40° C in winter and hot season respectively. Coastal areas experience moderate temperature due to the ocean effect. No clear cut defined winter season is observed in these areas.

Humidity :

In North-Western India, evaporation is greater than precipitation. This region is often classed as a water- deficit zone. Humidity obviously increases in rainy season. For the remaining part of the year, a dry condition prevails in the region. In southern region humidity is moderate but some water-deficits zones are observed here. Interior parts of Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra and Karnataka form a belt of water-deficit.

Central region has a high humidity than the northern region.

Coastal regions enjoys high humidity either because of rainfall or due to proximity to the water-bodies.

Winter is the driest period through out the country, though in early summer, in some parts, humidity is even greater than the rainy season.

CHAPTER III

PATTERN OF GROWTH IN PRODUCTION, AREA AND YIELD OF OILSEEDS

This chapter deals with the evaluation of growth pattern of production, area and yield of three oilseed crops namely groundnut, rapeseed and mustard and sesamum. The entire study is divided into three periods; 1971-81, 1981-86 and 1971-86.

Annual growth rate has also been calculated for 1971-86. Triennium averages have been taken for calculating the growth rate in these three periods.

To study the growth pattern of groundnut 241 districts of India have been selected. These districts are classified in six categories on the basis of their production growth rate.

250 districts are selected for rapeseed and mustard. These districts are divided in five categories depending on their production growth rate.

TABLE 3.1 Different oilseeds and Geographical spread in 1970-71

Oilseed Type	No. of districts where grown	% to total districts of India
Groundnut	241	67.88
Rapeseed & Mustard	250	70.42
Sesamum	248	83.94

Total No. of districts in India in 1970 = 355

Sesamum was grown in 298 districts in India during 1970-71. Hence, these 298 districts are selected and categorized in five depending on their production growth for further analysis.

Groundnut :

Groundnut was grown in 241 districts in 1970-71 accounting for 68 per cent districts of the country. Groundnut growing districts have been classified in six categories depending upon their production performance.

3.1 Pattern of Growth of Production, Area and Yield during 1971-1981.

Ist category:-

This category includes those districts which have a production growth rate of 30 per cent and above. Only a small proportion, 2.5 per cent, of the groundnut growing districts lie in this category.

Jodhpur district of Rajasthan, Durg, Narsimhpur of M.P, Jhansi and Mirzapur districts of U.P. fall in this category.

All the districts in this category except Jodhpur registered positive growth in area but negative growth in yield.

IIInd category :-

Those districts which registered production growth rate between 15 to 30 per cent lie in this category.

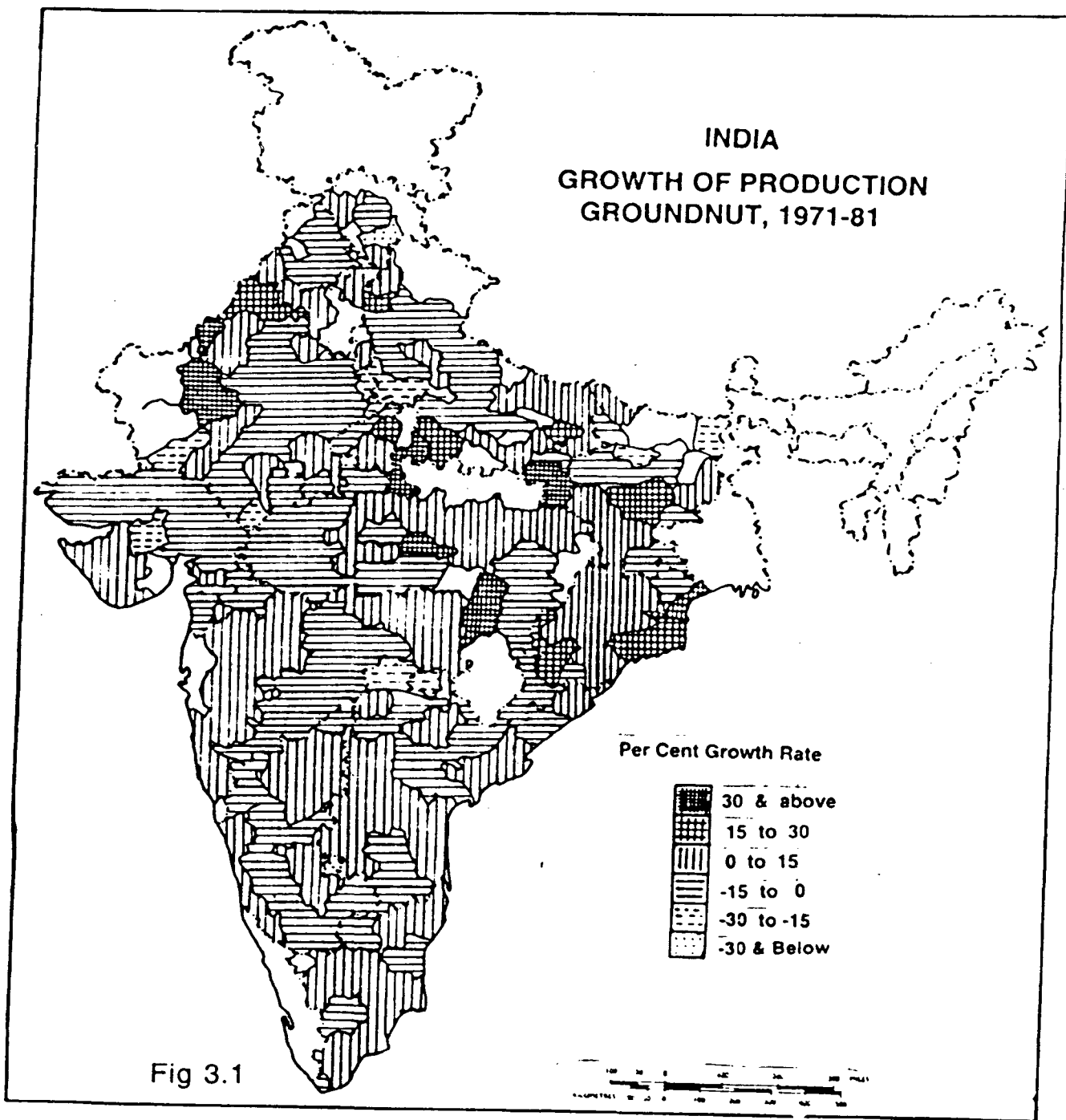
Though the districts registering such a growth pattern are spread in the states of Rajasthan, U.P., Bihar and M.P, there is no contiguous pattern of districts in one or more states in this category. In Rajasthan Ganganagar, Muzaffarnagar, Hamirpur and Ajamgarh in U.P and Hazaribagh districts of Bihar lie in this category. Two districts of Orissa also lie in this category. All the districts in this category registered higher growth in area than the yield and more over six districts recorded negative rate in yield.

TABLE 3.2

Growth pattern for groundnut production during 1971-81.

Category	Growth in production	No. of districts	% of the groundnut growing district
I	30 and above	6	2.49
II	15 to 30	10	4.15
III	0 to 15	96	39.83
IV	(-15) to (-0)	118	48.96
V	(-30) to (-15)	10	4.15
VI	-30 & below	1	0.41
	Total	241	100

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IIIrd category :

Production growth rate from zero to 15 per cent demarcates the boundary of this category. ninety districts which account for 40 per cent of the groundnut growing districts in the country lie here.

This type of growth pattern is observed throughout India in specific clusters. In North India, Ferozpur of Punjab, Hisar of Haryana and Jhunjhunnu district of Rajasthan form a small narrow belt. A cluster of districts in this category is observed in U.P in the districts of Barabanki, Gonda, Basti, Gorakhpur, Deoria and Balia. Another cluster is observed in M.P comprising the districts of Damoh, Sagar, Vidisha, Sehore and Hoshangabad. A continuous belt starting from Palamau district of Bihar extends in Orissa and comprises the almost districts of Orissa (fig 3.1).

In western India coastal districts of Gujarat form a cluster. Maharashtra presents two well defined clusters of such growth pattern - one in its western part and another in eastern part.

In south India five districts of Karnataka and six

districts of Andhra Pradesh form a cluster. Coastal districts of Tamilnadu also experienced the growth pattern of this category.

As a conclusion it can be said that a large number of districts of this category lies in western and southern india. 52 per cent districts in this category registered higher growth in area than the yield of which nearly 20% registered negative growth in yield. 40% districts has higher yield growth than the area growth .

IVth Category :

Districts which registered negative production growth rate between 15 and 0 per cent constitute this category. This is the most important categories in terms of number of districts. Out of the total as many as 119 districts which account for 49 per cent of the groundnut growing districts of country lie in this category.

As shown in map this type of growth pattern is observed in a more or less continuous belt which starts from Bijnor and Nainital districts of U.P, interrupted by Gurgaon and Bharatpur districts of other categories, travels through the districts of Rajasthan, Gujarat, M.P, Maharashtra, Karnataka and reach to the South Arcot district of Tamilnadu.

A cluster of districts which is also part of the above mentioned belt can be observed in western and north central

U.P., Saran, Shahbad, Gaya and Monghyr districts of Bihar also lie in this category. Bilaspur, Raipur of M.P and Koraput district of Orissa form another belt of this growth pattern.

As a conclusion it can be said that this growth pattern is concentrated in the districts which lie in the west of 80 degree east longitude. This kind of growth pattern can be explained in other way i.e. it lies in the drylands of country. Only 10 per cent districts registered higher growth in area than the yield and 37% recorded higher growth in yield than the area. 52% districts have negative growth in all production, area and yield.

Vth Category :

This category includes those districts which registered a negative production growth rate between 30 to 15 per cent. Only 10 districts which is 4 per cent of the groundnut growing districts are under this category.

Agra, Mathura and Mainpuri of U.P, Jalore, Banswara and Bharatpur of Rajasthan, Patna and Purnea districts of Bihar lie in this category. Two other districts are Surendernagar of Gujarat and Adilabad of Andhra Pradesh.

As a conclusion it can be said that this kind of growth pattern is widely dispersed. 30% districts in this category experienced higher positive growth of yield and negative in

area. Remaining districts have negative growth in production, area and yield.

Vith Category :

Only one district namely Simla registered a negative growth rate in production below 30 per cent.

3.2 Pattern of Growth of production, area and yield during 1981-86

For calculating the growth rate during this period triennium averages of 1980-81 -1982-83 and 1985-86 -1987-88. have been taken into consideration.

Ist category :

Only 3 per cent (8) of the groundnut growing districts of country lie in this category.

Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh, Ganganagar of Rajasthan, Surat and Gandhinagar of Gujarat, Purnea of Bihar and Coorg district of karnataka fall under this category. All the districts in this category registered higher growth in area than the yield.

IIInd Category :

31 districts accounting for 13 per cent of the groundnut growing districts in India registered growth rate between 15 to 30 %.

Districts registering such kind of growth are observed

all over India. Hisar in Haryana, Saran in U.P and Allahabad districts of U.P lie in this category. In M.P cluster of districts having this growth pattern is observed in Gwalior, Morena, Shivpuri and Guna. Four districts of Orissa also lie in this category.

Sholapur of Maharashtra and Bijapur and Gulbarga districts of Karnataka form a cluster. Again a small cluster of this growth pattern is observed is Mandya, Tumkur, Kolar, Bangalore districts of Karnataka. 80% districts in this category registered higher growth of area than the yield (fig. 3.2).

IIIrd Category :

This category is important among other growth categories of groundnut producing districts in the country in terms of number of districts. 85 districts which constitute 35 per cent of the groundnut growing districts lie in this category.

While scrutinizing the map then it was found that this kind of growth pattern is concentrated in southern states and Orissa. In northern India three districts of Punjab, 10 districts of U.P and seven districts of Rajasthan lie in this category. Guna, Vidisha and Sagar districts of M.P also lie in this category.

A continuous belt of this type of growth pattern is

observed and in three districts of M.P and eight districts of Orissa. A more regular belt is observed in four districts of Maharashtra, which extends in the districts of Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Tamilnadu. Besides this another cluster of this growth pattern is observed in seven northern districts of Andhra Pradesh. 47 per cent districts in this category registered higher area growth than the yield and 41% have experienced higher growth in yield than the area. However, 12% districts have recorded zero growth in production and yield.

TABLE 3.3

Growth pattern for groundnut production during 1981-86.

Category	Growth in production	No. of districts	% of the groundnut growing district
I	30 and above	8	3.32
II	15 to 30	31	12.86
III	0 to 15	85	35.7
IV	(-15) to (-0)	71	29.47
V	(-30) to (-15)	35	14.52
VI	-30 & below	11	4.56
	Total	241	100

IVth Category :

This category ranks second after IIIrd category in terms of number of districts. 30 per cent of the groundnut producing districts of the country lie in this category of negative growth rate.

Though, this kind of growth pattern is found all over India, but invariably it lies in northern and western India. One district each of Haryana, Punjab and H.P lies in this category. Nagaur, Ajmer, Jaipur, Udaipur, Sirohi and Swai-Madhapur districts of Rajasthan form a cluster of this growth pattern. Eight districts of north-central U.P lie in this category. Gaya, Hazaribagh, Ranchi and Singhbhum districts of Bihar forms a continuous belt.

A more regular concentration of this kind of growth pattern is observed in the districts of Gujarat and Maharashtra and south -western M.P. Seven districts of M.P and eight districts of Maharashtra form a continuous belt (fig. 3.2).

In south India four districts of Andhra Pradesh, three districts of Tamilnadu, Two of Karnataka and one district of Kerala lie in this category.

As a conclusion it can be said that the majority of districts in this category lie in central and western india. Seven per cent districts in this category have higher growth in area than the yield. 55% recorded higher growth in yield than the area. Nearly 38% districts have recorded negative

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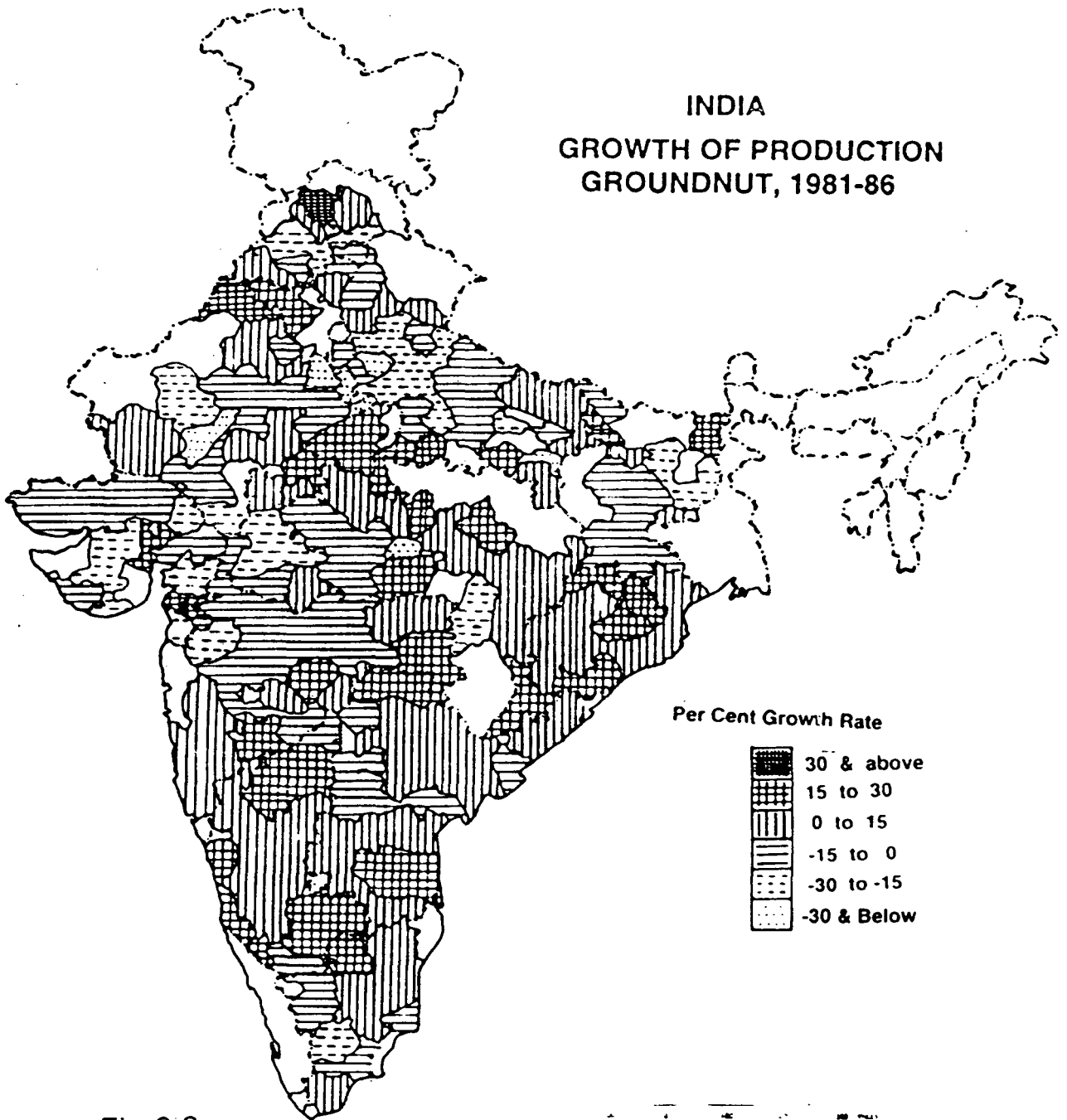
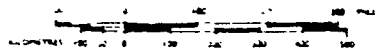


Fig 3.2



growth in production, area and yield.

Vth Category :

This category accounts for nearly 15 per cent (35) of the groundnut growing districts in the country.

This kind of negative growth of production between 30 and 15 per cent is largely confined in Northern and western India particularly in U.P. and Gujarat. Eight districts of U.P. and seven districts of Gujarat lie in this category. Jodhpur, Dungarpur, Banswara of Rajasthan and Ratlam, Ujjain, Dhar, Indore, Dewas and Durg district of M.P also lies in this category. Two districts of Bihar namely Monghyr and Santhal- Pargana also registered the growth pattern of this category.

In south India, Madurai district of Tamilnadu lies in this category. 60 per cent districts recorded higher growth in yield than area in this category. 37% districts recorded negative growth in all production, area and yield.

VIth Category :

Only five per cent of the groundnut producing districts of the country lie in this category.

One district each of Punjab and H.P, three districts each of U.P and Rajasthan lie in this category. Ahmedabad and Jamnagar districts of Gujarat were also observed in this category. Nearly 50 per cent districts recorded higher

growth in yield than the area and remaining districts experienced negative growth in production, area and yield.

3.3 Pattern of Growth of Production, Area and Yield during 1971 to 1986:

For calculating growth rate during this period triennium averages of 1970-71 - 1972-73 and 1985-86 -1987-88

have been taken into consideration. Annual growth rate is also calculated for this time period.

Ist category :

Merely three districts which account for one per cent of the groundnut growing districts lie in this category. These districts are Ganganagar of Rajasthan and Jhansi of M.P and Hamirpur of U.P. Jhansi and Hamirpur districts registered positive growth in both area and yield. While the district of Ganganagar experienced positive growth rate in area but negative in yield. All the districts in this category recorded higher growth in area than the yield. Annual growth rate in production ranges from 1.96% to 2.71% in this category.

IIInd category :

Nearly five per cent (11) of the groundnut growing districts fall under this category. Kangra district of H.P, Mainpuri of U.P, Gwalior and Durg of M.P, Keonjhar, Cuttack and Kalahandi district of Orissa lie in this category.

Annual growth rate in production for this category ranges from 1.05 to 1.91 per cent. All districts like Ist category registered higher growth in area than the yield.

IIIrd Category :

One hundred and nine districts accounting for 45 per cent of the groundnut producing districts in the country fall under this category.

If we look on the distribution map of growth rate during this period then we find that though this kind of growth rate is observed all over the area under study but it is more pronounced in U.P, M.P, Orissa, Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. A small belt of this category can be observed in the districts of Ferozpur of Punjab, Hisar, Gurgaon of Haryana and Churu and Jhunjhunnu of Rajasthan. Another cluster observed in Bahraich, Gonda, Basti, Gorakhpur, Deoria, Faizabad, Azamgarh, Balia, Jaunpur and Gorakhpur districts of U.P.

Four districts of Rajasthan and six districts of M.P form a continuous belt of this growth category. This belt continues in the districts of Seoni and Chindwara of M.P, Nagpur, Bhandara, Wardha and Chanda of Maharashtra, Karimnagar, Warangal, Khammam, East Godavari, West Godavari and Krishna of Andhra Pradesh (fig. 3.3).

A larger cluster is discerned in the contiguous

districts of M.P, Bihar and Orissa. Three districts of each of M.P and Bihar and Seven districts of Orissa constitute this cluster.

The largest concentration of this growth category is observed in a continuous form in the districts of Maharashtra, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Tamilnadu. There are 34 districts in this belt. Maharashtra contributes six, Karnataka fifteen, Andhra Pradesh six, Tamilnadu seven to this belt.

Nearly 55 per cent districts in this category experienced higher growth in area than the yield. 39% districts have higher growth in yield than the area. Nearly five percent districts have zero growth in production and yield. Annual growth rate in production lies between zero and 0.92 per cent in this category.

TABLE 3.4

Growth pattern for groundnut production during 1971-86

Category	Growth in production	No. of districts	% of the groundnut growing district
I	30 and above	3	1.25
II	15-30	11	4.56
III	0-15	109	45.23
IV	(-15) to (-0)	98	40.66
V	(-30) - (-15)	19	7.88
VI	-30 & below	1	0.42
	Total	241	100

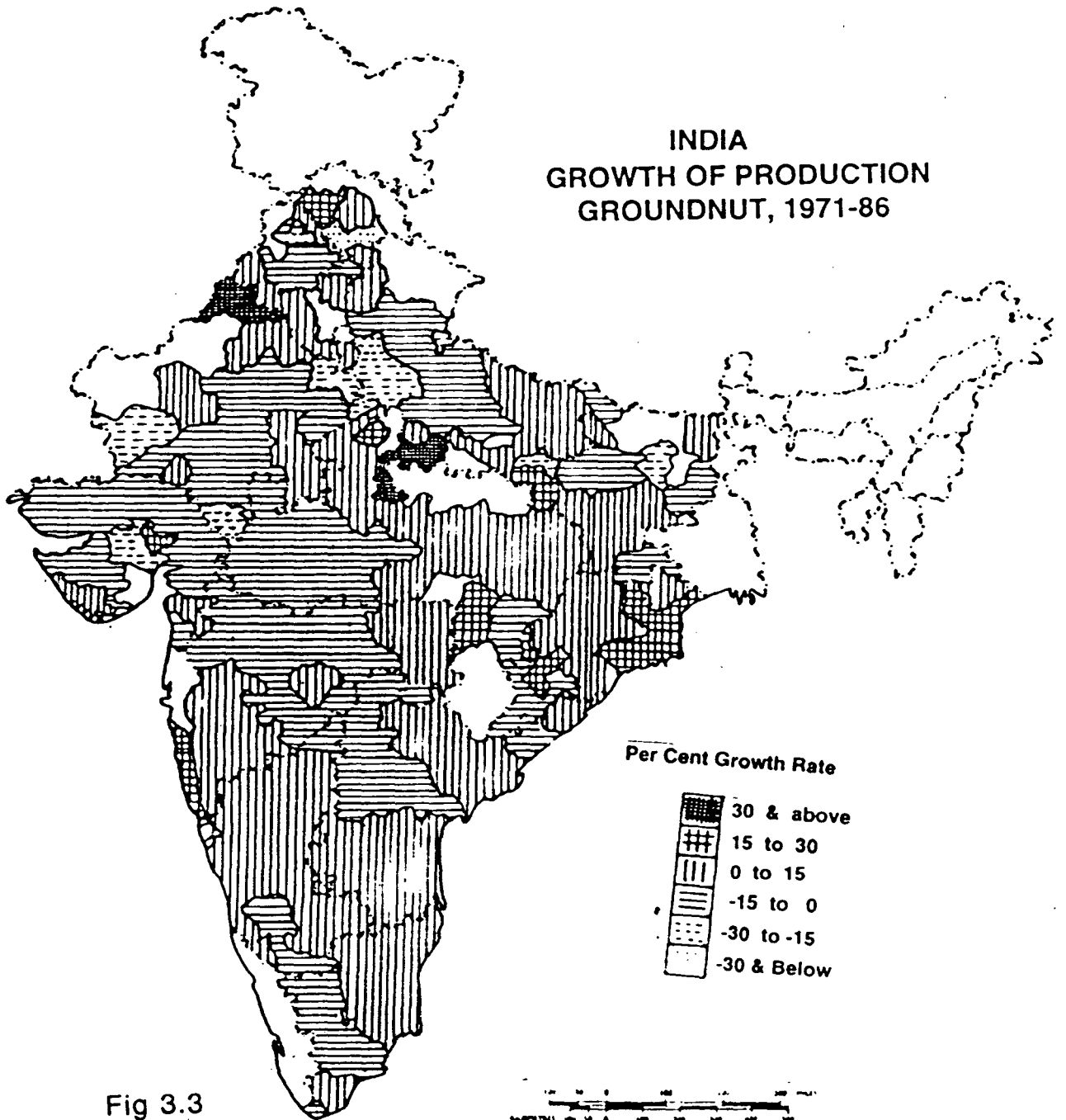
IVth Category :

This category includes 41 per cent (98) of the groundnut producing districts which registered negative growth rate between 0 to 15 per cent.

The districts of Ludhiana, Sangrur, Bhatinda, Patiala of Punjab and Ambala of Haryana form a small cluster of this growth category. In U.P., a more continuous belt is observed starting from the Western U.P and extending up to Rai Bareilly and Sultanpur districts of central U.P. Eighteen districts lie in this category. Champaran, Shahbad, Patna, Gaya, Singhbhum and Santhal Pargana districts of Bihar also lie in this category.

A large number of districts of Rajasthan, Gujarat, M.P and Maharashtra form a continuous belt of this growth pattern. This belt starts from Sikar and Nagaur districts of Rajasthan and extends up to the Mahbubnagar and Guntur districts of Andhra Pradesh. Kutch of Gujarat and Narsimhpur district of M.P form the Western and Eastern limit respectively of this belt. State wise ten districts of Rajasthan, thirteen districts each of Gujarat and M.P,

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eleven of Maharashtra and eight districts of Andhra Pradesh lie in this belt.

District of Raipur of M.P, Koraput of Orissa and Vishakhapatnam of Andhra Pradesh form another continuous belt of this growth category. A narrow belt can be observed in the districts of Chickmanglur, Hassan, Mysore of Karnataka and Coimbatore, Madurai and Ramnathapuram of Tamilnadu.

Concludingly it can be said about this growth rate category that it is discernible in clusters and belts. Seven per cent districts in this category registered higher growth in area than the yield and 52% recorded higher yield growth than the area growth. Remaining 40% districts have experienced negative growth in production, area and yield.

Annual growth rate of production ranges from 0.99 and 0.009 per cent negatively in this category.

Vth Category :

Nineteen districts which account for 8 per cent of the groundnut growing districts lie in this category.

Spatially these districts are confined in Northern and Western parts of the country.

The district of Jullundhar in Punjab and Bilaspur of Himachal Pradesh lie in this growth rate category. A small cluster of this growth category is observed in Western U.P

in the districts of Bulandshar, Aligarh, Mathura, Etah and Mainpuri. Two districts of Rajasthan namely Alwar and Bharatpur also lie in this cluster.

In Rajasthan the district of Barmer, Dungarpur and Banswara fall under this category. Monghyr district of Bihar and Surendernagar of Gujarat also lie in this growth rate category. 58% districts have higher growth of yield than the area and remaining have negative growth rate in production, area and yield. Annual growth rate in production ranges from 1.07 and 1.83 per cent negatively in this category.

Vith Category :

Only the Simla district of H.P registered the negative growth in production above 30 per cent. The production, area and yield growth rates are negative for Simla.

As a conclusion of growth rate of production of groundnut it can be said that during 1981 - 1986 more districts recorded growth rate of 30% and above than the 1971-81 and 1971-86. Same is the case with the districts recording a growth rate between 15 and 30 percent. Districts registering growth rate between zero and 15 percent were highest during 1971-86 followed by 1971-81 and 1981-86.

Negative growth rate between zero and 15 per cent has been in large proportion of districts during 1971-81. Fifth

category (-15 to -0%) has noticed larger number of districts during 1981-86 followed by the periods 1971-86 and 1971-81. In sixth category proportion of districts have remained more or less same during 1971-81 and 1971-86, while it is highest during 1981-86.

During 1971-81, Nearly 32% of groundnut growing districts registered higher growth rate in area than the yield. Of these districts 56% have recorded negative growth rate in yield. 35% districts recorded higher yield growth than the area growth. Even in these 35% districts nearly 79% districts recorded the negative growth rate in yield.

Another 30% districts recorded negative growth rate in production, area and yield.

During 1981-86, 33% districts recorded higher area growth than the yield. Of these districts nearly 36% registered a negative growth in yield. 44% districts recorded higher yield growth than the area during this period and nearly 80% of these districts experienced negative growth in area. Only 19% districts recorded negative growth rate in production, area and yield during 1981-86.

During 1971-86, 34% districts registered higher area growth than the yield, 23% of these districts recorded

negative growth in yield. 43% districts registered higher growth of yield of these districts registered negative growth in area. Only 27% districts experienced negative growth in production, area and yield.

Rapeseed and mustard :

Rapeseed and mustard was grown in 250 districts in 1970-71. In other words rapeseed and mustard was grown in nearly seventy per cent districts of the country. The districts have been classified in five categories depending upon their production performance. Growth rate has been calculated for three periods 1971- 1981, 1981-1986 and 1971-1976 taking the triennium averages.

3.4 Pattern of Growth of Production, Area and Yield during 1971-81

Ist category :

This category includes those districts which registered growth rate of production 30 per cent and above. Four per cent (10) of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts lie in this category.

Kinnaur of Himachal Pradesh, Jhalwar and Bhilwara of Rajasthan, Amreli, Gandhinagar, and Ahmedabad of Gujarat, Burdwan of West Bengal lie in this category. Ninety per cent districts in this category have positive growth in area and yield. Remaining districts have negative growth in yield

but positive in area.

IInd category :

This category comprises the districts which recorded growth rate of production between 15 and 30 per cent. 12 per cent (29) of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts lie in this category.

A belt of this growth category starts from Kutch district of Gujarat and extends northward in Rajasthan comprising the districts of Barmer, Jodhpur, Nagaur, Sikar, Jhunjhunu Pali and Churu. This belt continues in the districts of Dungarpur, Udaipur, Ajmer, Bundi and Kota. In U.P. small patches are observed in Aligarh, Etah and Farrukhabad. Two districts of West Bengal Bankura and Birbhum also lie in this category. Adilabad of Andhra Pradesh and Balasore district of Orissa also lie in this category.

Sixty nine districts in this category registered positive growth rate in both area and yield while, the remaining districts experienced positive growth in area but negative in yield.

TABLE 3.5
Growth pattern for Rapeseed & Mustard production during
1971-81.

Category	Growth in production	No. of districts	% of the rapeseed & mustard growing district
I	30 and above	10	4.00
II	15 to 30	29	11.6
III	0 to 15	151	60.4
IV	(-15) to (-0)	52	20.8
V	(30) to (-15)	8	3.2
	Total	250	100

IIIrd category :

Growth rate between 0 to 15 per cent demarcates the boundary of this category. This category is most important among other categories in terms of number of districts. 60 per cent (154) of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts lie in this growth rate category.

The largest concentration of this category is observed in the states of U.P., M.P., Bihar, Orissa, and Assam. A small patch is observed in Himachal Pradesh comprising the districts of Kulu, Kangra, Mandi, Bilaspur and Sirmaur. Starting from western U.P., a large cluster interrupted by negative growth category (IVth) at some places is observed in most of the U.P., Bihar and half of the M.P. in its eastern part (fig. 3.4). Except one district of Balasore all the districts of Orissa lie in this category. A narrow belt is discerned in North - Eastern region starting from the

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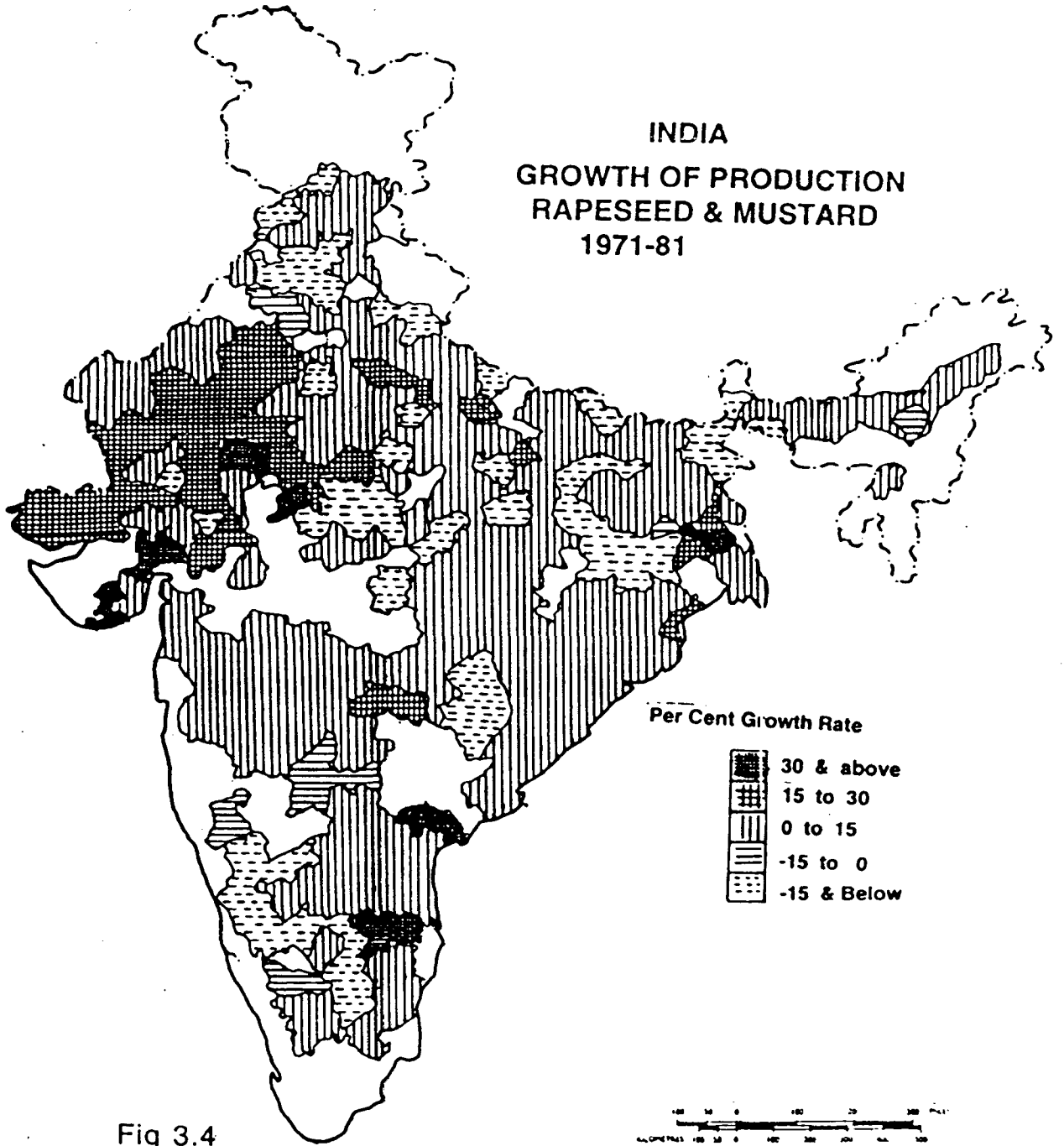


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Jalpaiguri district of West Bengal to the Lakhimpur district of Assam. Another Cluster is observed in Maharashtra comprising the districts of Nasik, Aurangabad, Buldhana, Akola, Parbhani, Bhir and Osmanabad. Two districts of Chittardurg and Bangalore of Karnataka, North Arcot of Tamilnadu also fall under this category.

Fifty eight per cent districts in this category registered positive growth rate in area and yield. 30 per cent districts experienced positive growth in area but negative in yield. Remaining districts have negative growth in area but positive in yield along with production.

IVth Category :

Those districts which registered negative growth rate between zero and 15 per cent lie in this category. Twenty one per cent (52) of the rapeseed and mustered growing districts of the country registered such a growth pattern.

The districts of Amritsar, Gurdaspur, Hoshiarpur of Punjab and Chamba of Himachal Pradesh form a continuous belt of this category. A small patch adjacent to the above mentioned belt lies in the districts of Bhatinda, Sangrur, Ludhiana, Patiala of Punjab and Karnal district of Haryana. In U.P., though no continuous belt is observed but the districts of Bijnor, Nainital, Rampur, Bahraich, Etawah and

Allahabad registered this growth pattern. In Bihar a contiguous belt is observed in the districts of Patna, Shahbad, Palamau, Ranchi, Singhbhum and Purulia, Malda, West Dinajpur. Darjeeling districts of West Bengal also formed a contiguous belt of this growth rate category.

A small cluster is discerned in the Raigarh, Guna, Vidisha, Sagar and Jhansi districts of M.P. Besides these districts, Sidhi, Jabalpur and Chindwara districts of M.P. also registered the growth pattern of this category.

In South India Bellary, Dharwar, Shimoga, Chickmangalur, Hassan, Tumkur and Kolar district form a contiguous belt

which further extends in the Dharmपुरi and Salem districts of Tamilnadu.

With regards to the growth rate of area and yield, it is found that 44 per cent districts registered negative growth rate in both area and yield along with production 38% districts registered negative growth rate in area but positive in yield. Fifteen per cent districts experienced positive growth rate in area but negative in yield. Nearly two per cent districts have positive growth rate in both area and yield but negative in production.

Vth Category :

This category includes those districts which registered

a negative growth rate of 15 per cent and more. Only three per cent (8) of the rapeseed and mustered growing districts lie in this category.

Hisar district of Haryana, Dhanbad of Bihar, Mikir hills of Assam lie in this category. Four districts namely Bidar, Gulbarga, Belgaum and Mysore of Karnataka and Hyderabad of Andhra Pradesh lie in this growth rate category.

75 per cent districts of this category registered a negative growth rate in both area and yield while the remaining districts registered negative growth rate in area but positive in yield.

3.5 Pattern of Growth of Production, Area and Yield during 1981-86 :

Growth rate for production, area and yield have been calculated by taking the triennium averages of 1980-81 - 1982-83 and 1985-86 - 1987-88 for a five year period.

Ist Category :

Nearly 12 per cent of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts lie in this category.

As regards to the spatial distribution of these districts, small patches can be observed in the Northern, Western and Eastern regions of India. Hisar district of Haryana, Merrut, Muzaffarnagar, Bijnor, Shahjanpur and

Mathura district of U.P. lie in this category. In Rajasthan a small cluster is observed in the districts of Alwar, Jaipur, Ajmer, Tonk, Bhilwara, Bundi and Kota. In Gujarat a contiguous belt is discerned in the districts of Kutch, Banas-Kantha, Mehsana, Sabarkantha, Panch Mahal and Ahmedabad. Four districts of West Bengal namely Midnapore, Bankura, Hoogly and Howrah form a small cluster of this category.

IIInd Category :

Forty three districts constituting 17 per cent of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts of India lie in this category.

A belt of this category starts from Bikaner district of Rajasthan moves north ward encompassing the Ganganagar district of Rajasthan Ferozpur, Ludhiana of Punjab then it turns towards south in the districts of Patiala of Punjab, Ambala, Karnal, Jind and Rohtak of Haryana and terminates in the Alwar district of Rajasthan (fig. 3.5).

Bharatpur district of Rajasthan and Morena, Gwalior and Shivpuri of M.P. form another cluster of this category. Saran, Champaran, Palamau and Singhbhum districts of Bihar also lie in this category. Five districts of West Bengal registered growth pattern of this category.

84 per cent districts of this category registered

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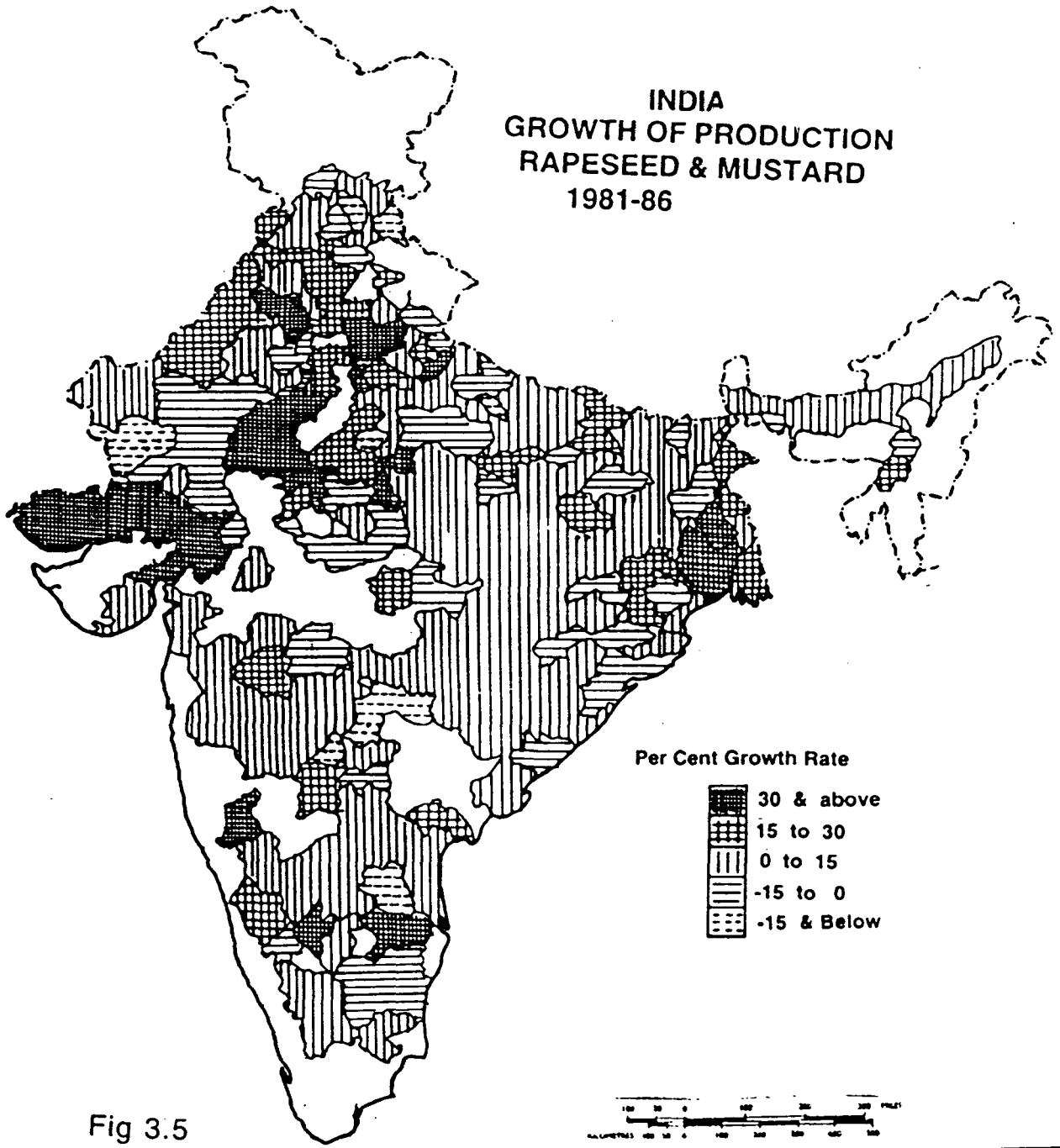


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positive growth in both area and yield. 12 per cent districts have positive growth in area but negative in yield. Remaining districts have negative growth in area but positive in yield.

IIIrd Category

46 per cent (116) of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts lie in this category of growth rate of production.

Hoshiarpur, Jullundhar, Kapurthala, Bhatinda districts of Punjab and Jind of Haryana lie in this category. Four districts of Rajasthan namely Jaisalmer, Sirahi, Churu and Sikar also fall under this category. In U.P. a cluster is observed in the districts of Gonda, Basti, Gorakhpur, Deoria, Faizabad, Sultanpur, Azamgarh and Partapgarh. In M.P. a contiguous belt is observed starting from the Tikamgarh districts extending upto the Raigarh district adjacent to Bihar and then spreads in Bastar district. Sambalpur, Kalahandi, Phulbani and Koraput districts of Orissa are also the part of this belt.

Another narrow belt lies in North-East starting from the Darjeeling district of West-Bengal and extending up to the Lakhimpur district of Assam.

In Maharashtra districts of Yeotmal, Parbhani, Bhir, Nanded and Osmanabad form a cluster of this growth category.

43 per cent districts of this category registered positive growth rate in both area and yield. 37 per cent districts have positive growth in area but negative in yield. Remaining districts have negative growth rate in area but positive in yield.

TABLE 3.6
Growth pattern for Rapeseed & Mustard production during 1981-86.

Category	Growth in production	No. of districts	% of the rapeseed & mustard growing district
I	30 and above	31	12.4
II	15to 30	43	17.2
III	0 to 15	116	46.4
IV	(-15)to (-0)	51	20.4
V	(-30)-(-15)	9	3.6
	Total	250	100

IVth Category:

51 districts accounting for 20 per cent of the rapeseed

and mustard growing districts constitute this category.

Jodhpur, Nagaur, Pali, Jalore, Udaipur and Banswara districts form a cluster in Rajasthan of this growth category. In U.P, Etawah, Jalaun, Kanpur, Unnao, Fathehpur and Rai-Bareilly form a cluster. Other districts lying under this category are Nainital, Pilibhit, Sitapur in U.P. and Bahraich, Santhal Pargana, Gaya and Saharsa are the districts in Bihar in this category.

Six districts of Orissa, one each of West-Bengal and Assam lie in this growth category. Guna, Sagar, Raisen, Sehore, Shajapur, Seoni and Balaghat are the districts of M.P in this category.

24% districts in this category have negative growth rate in both area and yield. 41 per cent districts registered negative growth rate in area but positive in yield. Nearly 33 % districts experienced positive growth in area but negative in yield. Only two per cent of districts experienced positive growth in both area and yield but negative in production.

Vth Category:

Only 4 per cent (9) of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts lie in this category.

Kulu and Kinnaur districts of Himachal Pradesh, Barmer of Rajasthan, Adilabad, Nizamabad and Cuddapha of Andhra

Pradesh lie in this category. 66 Per cent districts in this category registered positive growth rate in area but negative in yield. Remaining districts have negative growth in area but positive in yield.

3.6 Pattern of Growth of Production, Area and Yield during 1971-1986:

Growth rate in production, area and yield have been calculated taking the triennium averages of 1970-71 - 1972-73 and 1985-86 - 1987-88 for fifteen years; annual growth rate is also calculated for the same.

Ist Category:

13 districts which constitute nearly five per cent of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts in country lie in this category. Most of districts of this category lie in Gujarat and Rajasthan, Kutch, Amreli, Kheda, Panch Mahal district of Gujarat and Banswara, Chitorgarh and Bhilwara of Rajasthan form a contiguous small belt of this category.

Most of the districts in this category registered a positive growth rate both in area and yield. Annual growth rate in this category ranges between 1.98 per cent and 4.17.

IIInd Category :

Thirty districts which account for 12 per cent of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts of the country lie in this category. With regard to the spatial distribution of

these districts, it is clear from the map that the parts of Rajasthan, U.P. and West Bengal lie in this category. In Rajasthan a contiguous belt is observed from Jodhpur to Swai-Madhopur district. This belt continues in Morena and Shivpuri districts of M.P. Another cluster is observed in West-Bengal in the districts of Birbhum, Burdwan, Bankura and Hoogly.

Nearly 83 per cent districts in this category registered positive growth rate in both area and yield. 13 per cent registered positive growth in area and negative in yield. Remaining districts have experienced negative growth in area but positive in yield.

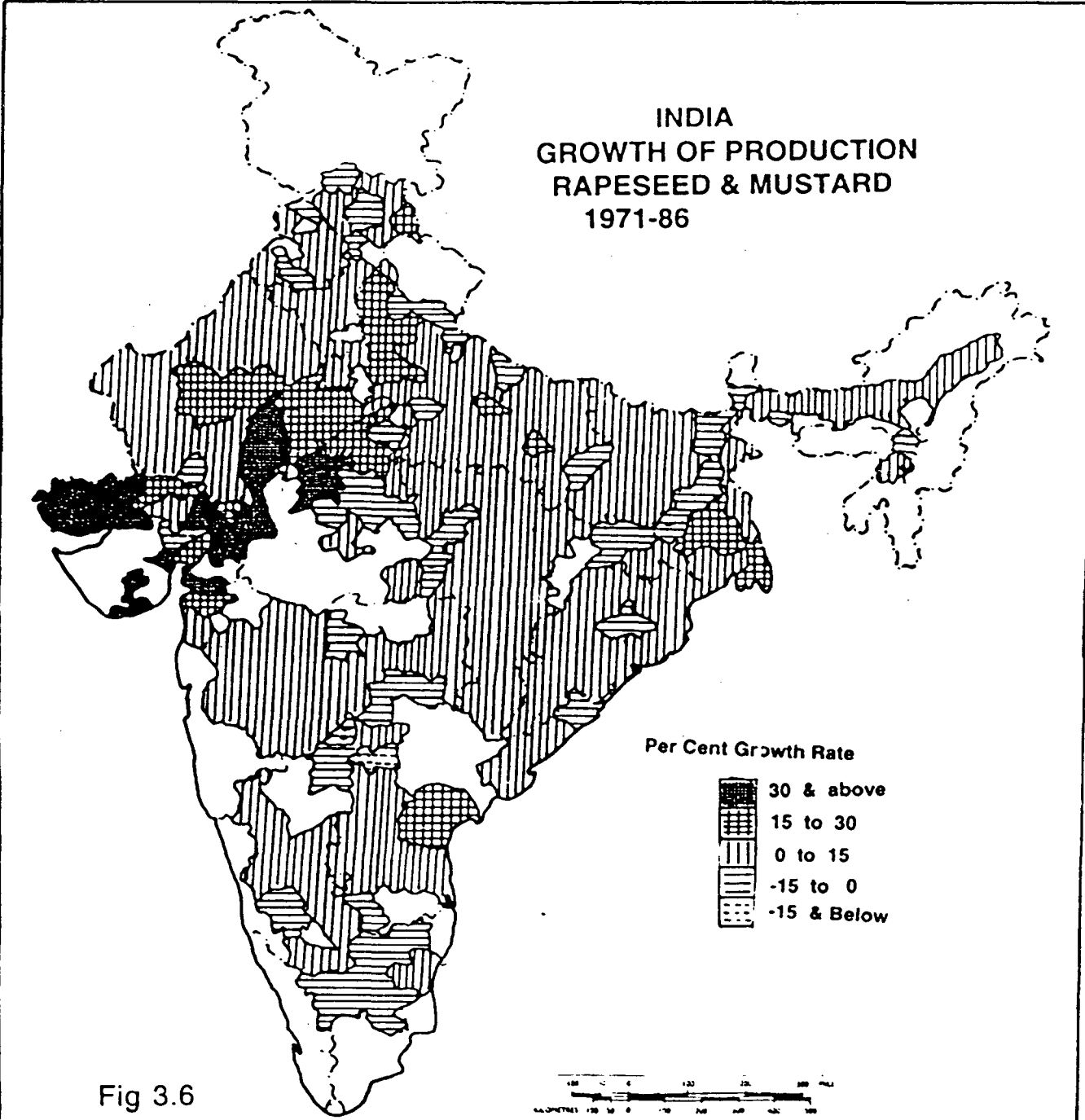
Though the overall growth rate in production for 15 years have been in between 15 and 30 per cent but annual growth rate ranges from 0.98 and 1.91 per cent.

IIIrd Category :

This category comprises the largest number of rapeseed and mustard growing districts. Nearly 64 per cent of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts were observed under this category.

This type of growth pattern is observed in two clusters in North India and Eastern India. Frontier districts of Rajasthan, South-Western Haryana and the major parts of Punjab are reported under this category. A majority of

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districts in U.P. also lie in this category. A contiguous patch starts from Rampur district in North and then extends towards South. comprising a majority districts of M.P. All the districts of Orissa except Dhenkanal and the majority of districts of Bihar are also reported this category.

In North Eastern region a narrow belt starting from Jalpaiguri district of West-Bengal extends up to Lakhimpur district of Assam.

Another cluster of this growth can be observed in Maharashtra. Six districts have experienced the growth rate of third category. A belt of this growth is also observed in

Karnataka starting from Belgaum to Banglore district (fig. 3.6).

67 per cent districts experienced positive growth rate in area and yield besides production.

23% districts have positive growth in area but negative in yield. Nine per cent districts registered negative growth in area but positive in area. Remaining one per cent districts have negative growth rate in area but no growth at all in the both yield and production. This category registered annual growth rate between zero to 0.97 per cent while growth rate in production for the period have been between zero and 15 per cent.

TABLE 3.7
Growth pattern for Rapeseed & Mustard production during
1971-86.

Category	Growth in production	No. of districts	% of the rapeseed & mustard growing district
I	30 and above	13	5.20
II	15 to 30	30	12.00
III	0 to 15	159	63.6
IV	(-15) to (-30)	46	18.40
V	(-30) to (-15)	2	0.8
	Total	250	100

IVth Category :

This category includes 18 per cent (46) of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts of India.

Districts registering this kind of growth can be observed all over the India. Chamba, Kulu and Mandi and Simla of Himachal Pradesh, Bijnor, Nainital, Pilibhit, Bahraich, Etawah districts of U.P. lie in this category. A small cluster is observed in M.P. comprising the districts of Guna, Rajgarh, Vidisha and Sagar. A clearly defined narrow belt of this growth pattern is observed in Bihar. The belt emanates from Purnea in North and extends up to the Ranchi district in South.

Five districts of Tamilnadu, four of Karnataka and two districts of Andhra Pradesh lie in this category.

30 per cent districts in this category registered negative growth in all the three production, area and yield. 46 per cent districts have negative growth rate in area but positive in yield. Remaining districts experienced positive growth in area but negative in yield.

Annual growth rate for production in this category ranges from 0 to 0.88%.

Vth Category :

Only two districts lie in this growth category. These are Bidar of Karnataka and Hyderabad of Andhra Pradesh.

Annual growth rate in production in this category ranges between 1.93 and 1.15 per cent negatively.

Concludingly it can be said about rapeseed & mustard production growth that proportion of districts in category I has been highest during 1981-86 followed by 1971-86 and 1971-81. Same is the case with IInd category except that number of districts has remained almost same during 1971-81 and 1971-86. In IIIrd category proportion of districts has been highest during 1971-86 closely followed by 1971-81 and 1981-86. In case of IVth category proportion has been highest and same during 1971-86 and followed by almost proportion during 1971-81 and 1981-86.

During 1971-81 nearly 54 per cent of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts recorded higher area growth than the yield. 42 per cent districts recorded higher yield growth than the yield and only 12 per cent districts registered negative growth in all production, area and yield. In 14% districts no data is available on production and yield growth.

During 1981-86, 56% districts registered higher growth in area than the yield and 26 per cent recorded higher growth in yield than the area. Only five per cent experienced negative growth rate in production, area and yield. In 12% districts no data available on production and yield growth.

During 1971-86, 62% of districts registered higher growth in area than the yield and 22 per cent recorded higher growth in yield than the area. Only 6 per cent districts experienced negative growth rate in production, area and yield.

Area growth has been in large number of districts during 1971-86 while the yield growth is observed in large number of districts during 1971-81.

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Sesamum was grown in 298 districts which constitute 84% districts of the country taking 1970-71 as a base year. Of

the three edible oilseeds under study this oilseed is grown in largest number of districts than the other two.

3.7 Pattern of Growth of Production, Area and yield during 1971-81 :

Ist Category :

This category includes those districts which have a production growth rate of 30 per cent and above. Only five districts which constitute nearly 2 per cent of the sesamum growing districts in the country lie here. Of these five districts three districts -namely Burdwan, West-Dinajpur and Bankura are in west- Bengal. Rest of the two districts are Moradabad and Rampur of U.P.

IIInd Category :

The districts which recorded the growth rate between 15 and 30 per cent in production have been included in this category. There are 30 districts which account for 10 per cent of the sesamum growing districts in the country in this category. Six districts of this category lie in West-Bengal forming a contiguous belt from Murshidabad in North to the Midnapore district in south, interrupted only by Burdwan, the district of high growth rate. Three districts namely Bolangir, Keonjhar and Sundergarh of Orissa and four districts Jaisalmer, Bikaner, Churu, and Jhunjhunnu in a contiguous form registered a growth rate between 15 and 30 per cent. In U.P. the districts of Bijnor, Nainital

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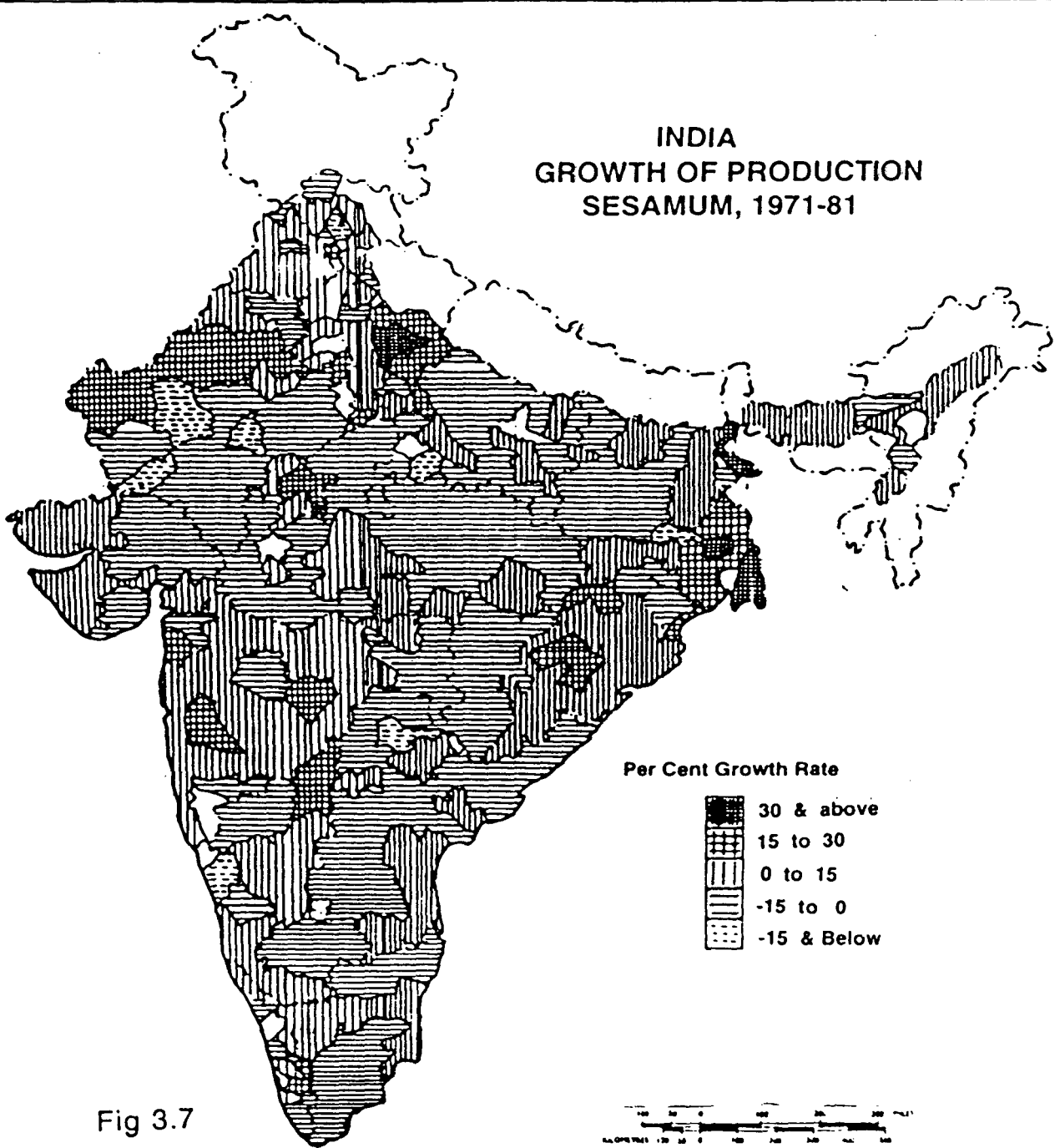


Fig 3.7

Pilibhit, Bareilly, Badaun and Farrukhabad from a cluster in the foothills of Himalayas. Two districts each of Maharashtra and Karnataka, one each of Kerala and Gujarat, Haryana and Himachal Pradesh were observed under this category.

On the regional basis it can be said that the majority of districts lie in Northern region followed by Eastern region.

When we take into consideration the growth rate of production, area and yield then it is found that nearly 63 per cent districts have positive growth in production, area and yield.

IIIrd Category :

Production growth rate ranging from between 0 to 15 per cent demarcates third category. One hundred seventeen districts constituting nearly 39% of the sesamum growing districts were reported under this category. This type of growth can be observed throughout the India extending from Lakhimpur district of Assam in east to Kutch district of Gujarat in west and Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh in north to Allepy district of Kerala in South.

In North India, Kangra and Sirmaur districts of Himachal Pradesh, Amritsar, Ferozpur, Ludhiana and Patiala of Punjab, Ganganagar, Sikar, Bundi, Jhalwar of Rajasthan

Constitute this category. In western U.P. five districts form a small belt of this growth category; overall, thirteen districts of U.P. are under this category. Bihar also shows a small belt comprising the districts of Purnea, Bhagalpur and Santhal Pargana. In M.P. a cluster is found in south-western part which continues in Maharashtra.

In the Eastern and North-Eastern region, all districts of Orissa except the four districts belonging to IIInd category all the districts of Assam except Darrang, N.C.Hills experienced growth rate in between 0 to 15 %.

In western region coastal districts of Gujarat (only Jamnagar, Junagarh, and Kutch) form a small cluster. Besides this small cluster, a large cluster is observed in Maharashtra, interrupted only by Aurangabad and Parbhani districts of another category. This growth rate category embraces most of the districts of Maharashtra. Seven districts of Karnataka, four district each of Tamilnadu and Andhra Pradesh are reported in this category.

The majority of districts in this category lies in Northern region, followed by western and east and North-eastern and southern region.

When all the three components namely production, area and yield growth rate are examined then it is observed that nearly 77% districts registered positive growth rate in production and only 10 % recorded positive growth rate in production, area and yield. There are only 7% districts

where production and yield growth rate are positive but area growth rate is negative.

TABLE 3.8

Growth pattern for sesamum production during 1971-81

Category	Growth in production	No. of districts	% of the sesamum growing district
I	30 and above	5	1.68
II	15 to 30	30	10.07
III	0 to 15	117	39.26
IV	(-15) to (-0)	138	46.31
V	(-15) & below	8	2.68
	Total	298	100

IVth Category :

This category belongs to the negative growth rate of production. Negative growth rate in this category ranges from 0 to 15 per cent. It includes nearly 40 per cent (138 districts) of the sesamum growing districts of the country. During 1971-81, this growth rate category embraced the largest number of sesamum growing districts.

As revealed in the fig. 3.7 most of the districts of Rajasthan, M.P., U.P. and Bihar constitute this category. In Rajasthan except the districts of Jaisalmer, Bikaner, Churu, Jhunjhunnu, Jodhpur, Ajmer, Kota all other districts registered the negative growth rate between 15 and zero per

cent. In M.P. a continuous belt is observed, interrupted by the third growth rate category in south-western part. Except the districts of western part of U.P., this growth pattern is observed throughout U.P., in dispersed form.

Most of the districts of Gujarat are lying under this category. Only five districts of Maharashtra fall under this category. All the districts of Tamilnadu except the middle position districts of Salem and South Arcot lie in this category. Majority of districts of Andhra Pradesh experienced negative growth rate between zero and 15 per cent. Only two districts of Assam namely Darrang and N.C.hills lie in this category.

As regards to the spatial distribution it is Northern region comprising most of the districts of this category.

Nearly 75 per cent districts in this category have experienced negative growth rate in production, area and yield 23 percent districts registered negative growth rate in production and yield. Only 2 percent districts have experienced positive growth rate in yield but negative in production and area.

Vth category :

This category includes the districts registering negative growth rate of less than 15 percent in production. Only eight districts which constitute nearly 3 per cent of

the sesamum growing districts in India lie in this category. Three districts of Rajasthan namely Jodhpur, Jalore, and Ajmer, Mandi of Himachal Pradesh, Dhanbad of Bihar, Hamirpur of U.P, Karimnagar of Andhra Pradesh and North Kanara of Karnataka are reported under this category.

3.8 Pattern of Growth of Production, Area and Yield during 1981-1986:

For calculating the growth rate during this period triennium averages of 1980-81 - 1982-83 and 1985-86 - 1987-88 have been selected. All the sesamum growing districts have been classified in five categories depending upon their five years growth.

Ist Category:

Six districts which is nearly two per cent of the sesamum growing districts registered a positive growth rate more than 30 per cent and above in production. A total of six districts are reported under this category. Out of which five districts are in U.P and one in Bihar. All the districts in this category have positive growth rate in production area and yield.

IIInd Category:

This category comprises 9.39 percent (28) of the sesamum growing districts of the country.

In western U.P, three districts namely Kheri,

Shahjanpur and Sitapur form a small cluster adjacent to Nepal. Other districts in U.P are Etawah, Allahabad, Faizabad and Ghazipur. Five districts of M.P. namely Rajgarh, Vidisha, Shajapur and Datia registered the growth rate between 15 and 30 per cent. Four districts of Maharashtra form a cluster in North, eastern part. Five districts of Karnataka, Two each of Andhra Pradesh, Orissa and West Bengal are also under this category.

With regard to the growth rate of production, area and yield, it is clear that 96% districts registered positive growth rate in all the three components namely - production, area and yield. Only one district of wardha registered positive growth rate in production and area but negative in yield.

TABLE 3.9
Growth pattern for sesamum production during 1981-86

Category	Growth in production	No. of districts	% of the sesamum growing district
I	30 and above	6	2.01
II	15 to 30	28	9.40
III	0 to 15	133	44.6
IV	(-15) to (-0)	88	29.53
V	(-15) and below	43	14.43
	Total	298	100

IIIrd Category :

Of the sesamum growing districts in India 44 per cent (133) registered a growth rate between zero to 15 per cent.

A narrow belt of this growth rate category starts from Punjab and further expands in U.P., becomes much wider in M.P. and Orissa and forms a cluster (fig.3.8). Another narrow belt starts from Bhilwara district of Rajasthan move towards south and swallows in the districts of Maharashtra. Again a narrow strip along the Coromandal coast in the districts of Tamilnadu is observed. Four districts of Assam namely Goalpara, Kamrup, Darrang and Sibsagar form a contiguous belt in North-Eastern region.

As a conclusion it can be said that a huge cluster is observed in the states of M.P and Orissa which embraces a majority of districts of this category.

Seventy eight percent districts in this category registered positive growth rate in production, area and yield. Nineteen percent experienced negative growth rate in area but positive in production and yield. Only four percent districts registered a negative growth rate in yield but positive in production and area. Concludingly, it can be said that the majority of districts experienced positive growth rate in production, area and yield.

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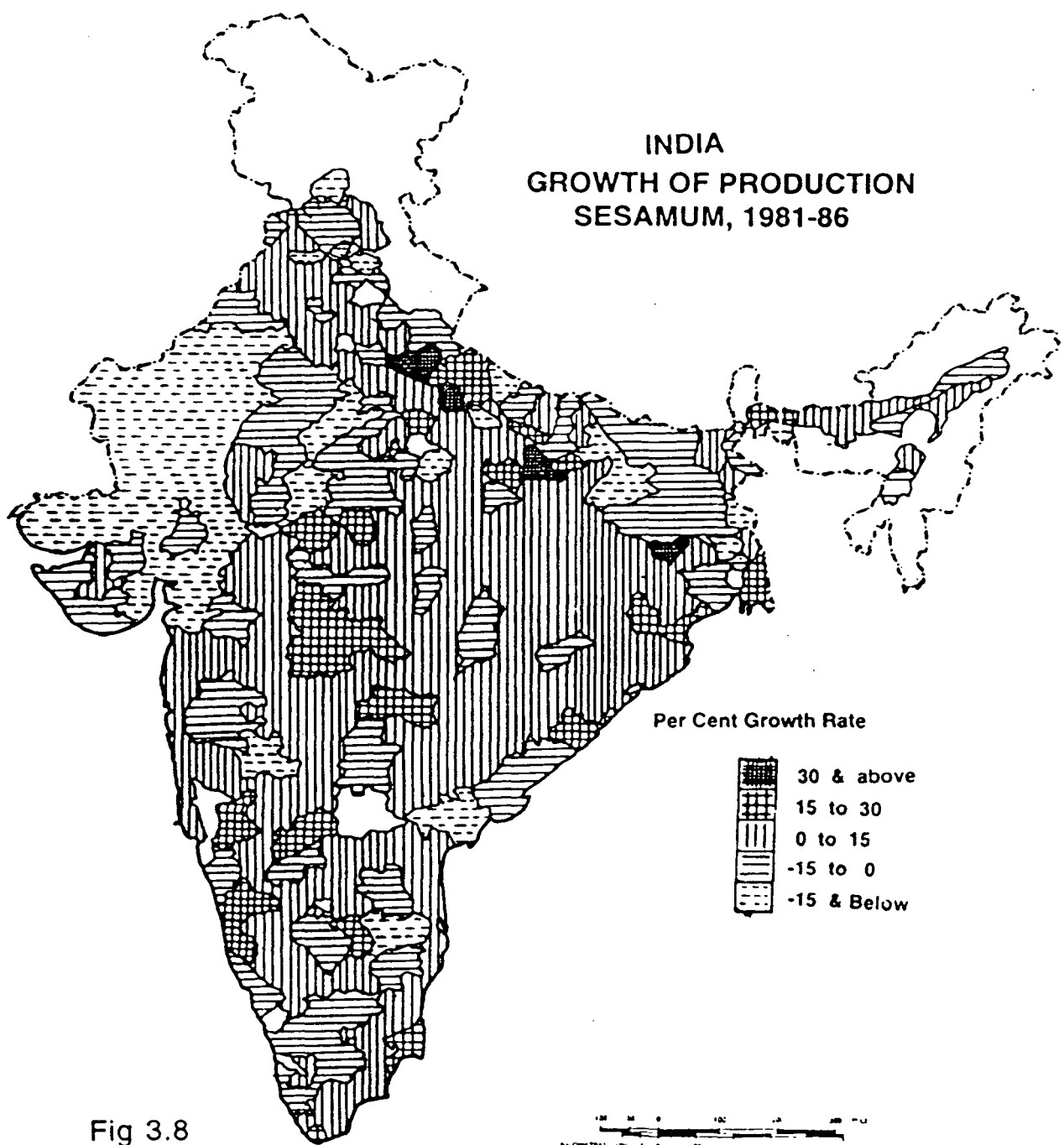


Fig 3.8

IVth category:

Eighty-eight districts which constitute 30 percent of the sesamum growing districts are under this negative growth rate category. This is most important category after IIIrd category in terms of the number of districts.

A small cluster is observed comprising the districts of Kangra, Mandi, Bilaspur, Amritsar in the states of Himachal Pradesh and Punjab. But its larger area lie in Himachal Pradesh. A bigger cluster than the above is discerned in district of Ganganagar, Jhunjhunu, Sikar, Alwar, Jaipur, Ajmer, Tonk, Bundi of Rajasthan and Morena, Shivpuri, Guna and Mandsaur of M.P. It is interrupted by a narrow belt of Vth category. Another cluster is clearly identified in Bihar.

Besides these major clusters, small patches of this category are observed in Andhra Pradesh and Tamilnadu. Three districts of Assam namely Lakhimpur, Nowgong and Sibsagar lie in this category. In western region Jamnagar, Junagarh, Amreli, Surendernagar and Sabarkantha of Gujarat and Pune, Ahmednagar and Dhulia of Maharashtra fall under this category.

Sixty six percent districts in this category experienced negative growth rate in production and area but positive growth rate in yield. Sixteen percent districts

have registered negative production growth rate but positive in both area and yield and negative growth rate in production and yield but positive in area. There are only two districts which registered negative growth rate in all the three production, area and yield.

Vth Category :

This category comprises those districts which registered a negative growth rate of 15% and below. Forty three per cent of the sesamum growing districts are observed under this category.

A large belt of this category is clearly observed in western Rajasthan and Gujarat. Twelve districts of Rajasthan and ten districts of Gujarat lie in this belt. Another narrow strip comprising the districts of Bharatpur, Swai-Madhopur, Kota and Jhalwar is observed in Rajasthan. A small patch is discerned in Bihar comprising the districts of Gaya, Patna, Saran and Balia district of U.P.

Two districts of west Bengal, Burdwan and Murshidabad, three of Andhra Pradesh and one of Maharashtra registered negative growth rate of less than 15% .

Out of the total districts under this category a many as sixty five percent districts have negative growth rate in production, area and yield. 30% registered negative growth rate in production and area both but positive is

yield. Only 4% districts experienced negative growth rate in area and yield but positive in area.

3.9 Pattern of Growth of Production, Area and Yield during 1971-1986:

Ist Category :

Only three districts which constitute nearly one percent of the sesamum growing districts lie in this category. Two districts namely Badaun and Moradabad of U.P and 24 Pargana of West-Bengal are reported under this category.

All the three districts experienced positive growth rate in production, area and yield.

Though the over all growth rate during this period has been 30 percent and above in these districts but annual growth rate is only 2 percent and above.

IIInd Category :

Eleven districts which comprises nearly three percent of the sesamum producing districts of the country fall in this category.

Four districts namely Bareilly, Farrukhabad, Hardoi and Jaunpur of U.P and four districts of West Bengal namely, West Dinajpur, Bankura, Burdwan, Nadia lie in this category. Two districts of Karnataka namely Bidar and Gulbarga also lie in this category (fig. 3.9).

As many as 36% districts in this category registered positive growth rate in production, area and yield. Remaining districts have positive growth rate in production and area but negative in yield.

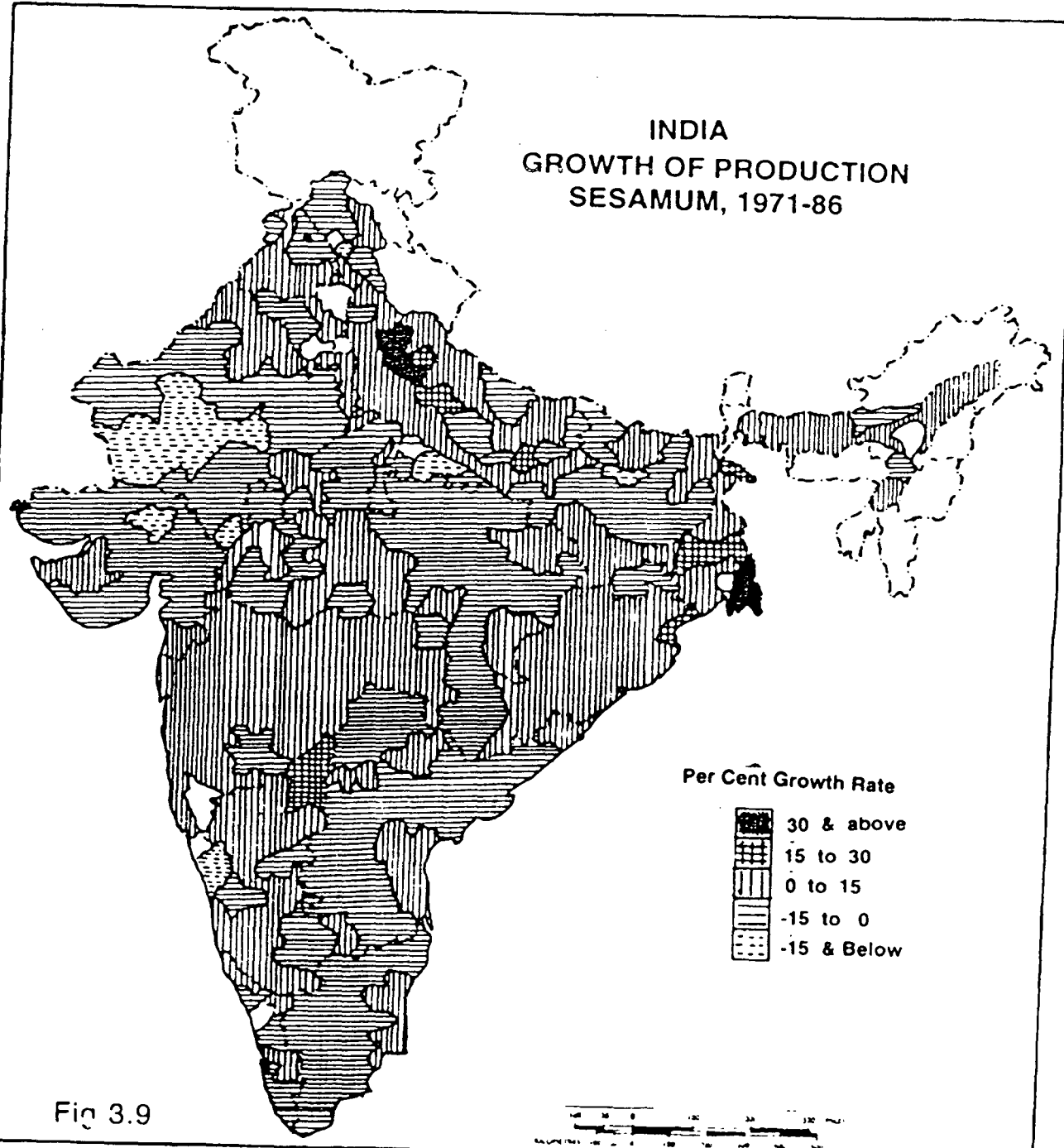
As regards to the annual growth rate in production these districts have experienced growth between 1 and 2 percent.

TABLE 3.10
Growth pattern for sesamum production during 1971-86

Category	Growth in production	No. of districts	% of the sesamum growing district
I	30 and above	3	1.01
II	15-30	11	3.70
III	0-15	143	47.98
IV	(-15) to (-0)	130	43.62
V	Below -15 above	11	3.69
	Total	298	100

IIIrd category :

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Nearly forty eight per cent of sesamum growing districts registered a growth rate between zero and 15 percent (143).

This type of growth rate pattern in production is observed in different clusters. In North India a continuous belt starts from the Ferozpur district of Punjab, encompasses Ganganagar, Churu, Jhunjhunnu districts of Rajasthan then it extends eastwards comprising the Mahendergarh and Gurgaon districts of Haryana. In western U.P it becomes wider and then tapers towards east upto the Varanasi and Ghazipur districts touching the state boundary of Bihar. Another narrow belt emanates from Mahasu district of Himachal Pradesh, engulf in its fold Ambala district of Haryana and Hill districts of U.P namely Nainital, Rampur, Pilibhit and kheri.

Seven districts of Bihar, six of West Bengal have registered the growth rate of this category. A continuous belt is observed in North-east comprising most of the districts of Assam.

Two large cluster of this growth category are discerned in Maharashtra and Orissa. All the districts of Maharashtra except Kolaba, Satara, Sangli, Kolhapur and Sholapur form a large cluster. Same is the case with Orissa. Except the Balasore district all districts have a growth rate between

zero and 15 percent.

Other small patches are observed in Karnataka and Tamilnadu.

Though the growth rate over fifteen years have remained between zero and 15 percent but annual growth rate ranged between 0 to 0.96 percent.

Nearly forty percent districts in this category registered positive growth rate in production, area and yield. Another 40 percent districts have positive growth rate in yield. Ten percent districts registered positive growth rate in yield but negative in area. Another 10 percent districts have positive rate in production and area but no data available for yield. Ambala is the only districts which experienced negative growth rate in both area and yield of sesamum.

IVth Category :

As many as 43 percent (130) of the sesamum growing districts in India registered a negative growth rate between fifteen and zero percent.

As regard to the spatial distribution (fig. 3.9) these districts are dispersed through out the country. A regular pattern interrupted only at some places is seen starting from and passing through Rajasthan, M.P and then extending in the southern states of Andhra- Pradesh and Tamilnadu.

North - east ward this continuous belt is observed in Bihar.

A small patch of this growth pattern can be discerned in Himachal Pradesh also.

Annual growth in these districts ranges from -0.96 to -0.005 % during the period under study.

When we scrutinize the growth rate of the production, area and yield then we find that nearly one - half of the districts registered negative growth rate in production, area and yield. Nearly one fourth districts have experienced negative growth rate in area but positive in yield. Fifteen percent districts registered positive growth rate in area but negative in yield.

Vth Category :

Nearly four (11) percent of the sesamum growing districts fall under this negative growth rate category. Of these Rajasthan alone accounts for 6 districts. The remaining districts are Simla, Hamirpur of Himachal Pradesh, Patna of Bihar, Mehsana of Gujarat and North Kanara of Karnataka lie in this Category.

As a conclusion of growth rate of production of sesamum it can be asserted that the proportion of districts in the Ist category (30% and above) is high and almost equal during 1971-81 and 1981-86. Same is the case with second category. In third category proportion of districts has been

higher during 1971-86 followed by 1981-86 and 1971-86. In negative growth rate category of zero and 15 per cent proportion of districts is higher during 1971-81 followed by 1971-86 and 1981-86. In Vth category proportion of districts has been higher during 1981-86 followed by 1971-86 and 1971-81. During 1971-81, fifty per cent of sesamum growing districts recorded higher growth in area than the yield and of these districts 90 per cent have recorded negative growth in yield. Only 6 per cent districts registered positive growth rate in yield than the area and of these 55% districts experienced negative growth rate in area. 39% districts have recorded negative growth rate in production, area and yield.

During 1981-86, only 23% districts registered higher growth in area than the yield; and nearly 50 per cent of these districts recorded negative growth rate in yield. As many as 58% districts registered higher growth in yield and of these 56% recorded negative growth in area. Only 9 per cent districts experienced negative growth rate in production, area and yield. During 1971-86, 45 per cent of the sesamum growing growth rate in all production, area and yield.

3.10 Conclusion :

Three oilseeds showed different growth pattern in three periods. The major finding are as follows:

Groundnut :

In case of groundnut positive growth in production

in all categories was recorded in large proportion of districts during 1971-86 followed by period 1981-86 and 1971-81. During 1971-81 the proportion of districts having negative growth rate was highest followed by the period 1971-86 and 1981-86 respectively.

Highest positive growth rate was recorded in large proportion of districts during 1981-86 while the highest negative growth rate was observed in greater number of districts during 1971-86.

Rapeseed and mustard :

Positive growth of production was registered in large number of districts during period 1971-86. The proportion of districts during 1971-81 and 1981-86 under rapeseed and mustard was more or less equal. During 1971-86 proportion of districts having negative growth rate was also higher which is followed by 1971-81 and 1981-86.

Highest positive growth rate was recorded in large proportion of districts during 1981-86 while the highest negative growth rate was observed in greater number of districts during 1971-86.

Sesamum :

In case of sesamum positive growth rate was observed in larger proportion of districts during 1981-86 followed by period 1971-81 and 1971-86. Negative growth in all categories was more in large number of district as compared to the other periods under study.

CHAPTER IV

Instability in production, area and yield of oilseeds

Oilseeds play a vital role in the economy of country. Country is always facing shortage of oilseeds and we have to import a huge amount of oilseeds to supplement the demand. The scarcity of oilseeds is further intensified by instability in production of oilseeds. Instability in oilseeds as well as in other crops is a function of several factors. Oilseeds are grown largely in rainfed tracts of India, hence due to lack of irrigation facility and dependence of rainfall, oilseed production is more instable. Besides rainfall, there are several other factors which

determine the stability of oilseed production.

The present chapter attempts to identify the various levels of instability in production, area and yield of groundnut, rapeseed and mustard and sesamum in India. The effects of area and yield have been taken into consideration while explaining the instability of production of these crops. Coefficient of variation has been taken as a measure of instability. Districts have been classified in various categories for separate crops depending upon their coefficient of variation (C.V) in production.

4.1 Groundnut:

Groundnut was grown in 241 districts of India in 1970-71. C.V of production ranges from 19.08 per cent in Raigarh district of M.P. to 332.6 per cent in Bundi district of Rajasthan. All these districts have been classified in five categories of less unstable, moderately less unstable, moderately unstable, highly unstable and very highly unstable.

Areas with low Instability:

This category includes those districts which have coefficient of variation between zero and 25 per cent. The districts in this category are most consistent in production among all the groundnut growing districts. Nearly five per cent districts lie in this category. Four districts of M.P

namely Sehore, Surguja, Bilaspur and Raigarh lie in this category. (fig. 4.1)

Chengalput, Salem, Tiruchirapalli and Thanjavur district of Tamilnadu also lie in this category.

More than 60 per cent districts in this category show higher C.V in yield than the area, while remaining districts have higher c.v in area than the yield hence it can be said that production instability is a result of yield instability in majority of districts in this category.

Area with Moderately low Instability.

In this category c.v in production ranges between 25 and 50 per cent. Ninety four districts which constitute nearly 39 per cent of the groundnut growing districts in the country lie in this category.

Most of the districts in this category lie in western and southern regions of India. Twelve districts of U.P and five districts of Rajasthan lie in this category. In M.P a continuous belt is observed, starting from Guna and Vidisha in north to the west Nimar and East Nimar districts in south. This belt continues in Dhule, Jalgaon, Buldhana and Aurangabad on the one hand and Amravati, Nagpur, Wardha and Yeotmal on the other. Only two districts of Orissa namely Mayurbhanj and Sambalpur lie in this category.

In South India most of the districts of Andhra Pradesh,

Karnataka and Tamilnadu lie in this category.

Fourty seven per cent districts in this category have higher c.v in yield and fifty two per cent districts recorded higher coefficient of variations in area. Hence, it can be inferred from the above that area and yield instability are equally responsible for instability production.

Areas with moderate Instability:

This category has coefficient of variation between 50 to 75 per cent. Nearly 30 per cent groundnut growing districts in the country experienced moderate instability in production of groundnut.

The districts of this category are spread all over India. three districts of Punjab, two of Haryana and fourteen of U.P lie in this category. In Rajasthan; Sikar, Jaipur, Kota, Bhilwara, Pali and Sirohi registered the production c.v between 50 and 75 per cent. Eight districts of M.P, five of Bihar and five of Orissa also lie here.

Nasik, Ahmednagar, Bhir and Nanded district of Maharashtra form a continuous belt.

Sixty three per cent districts have higher coefficient of variation in area than the yield. Six districts namely Raisen, Santhal Pargana, Hisar, Azamgarh, Sikar, Farrukhabad have recorded c.v of more than 70 per cent in area.

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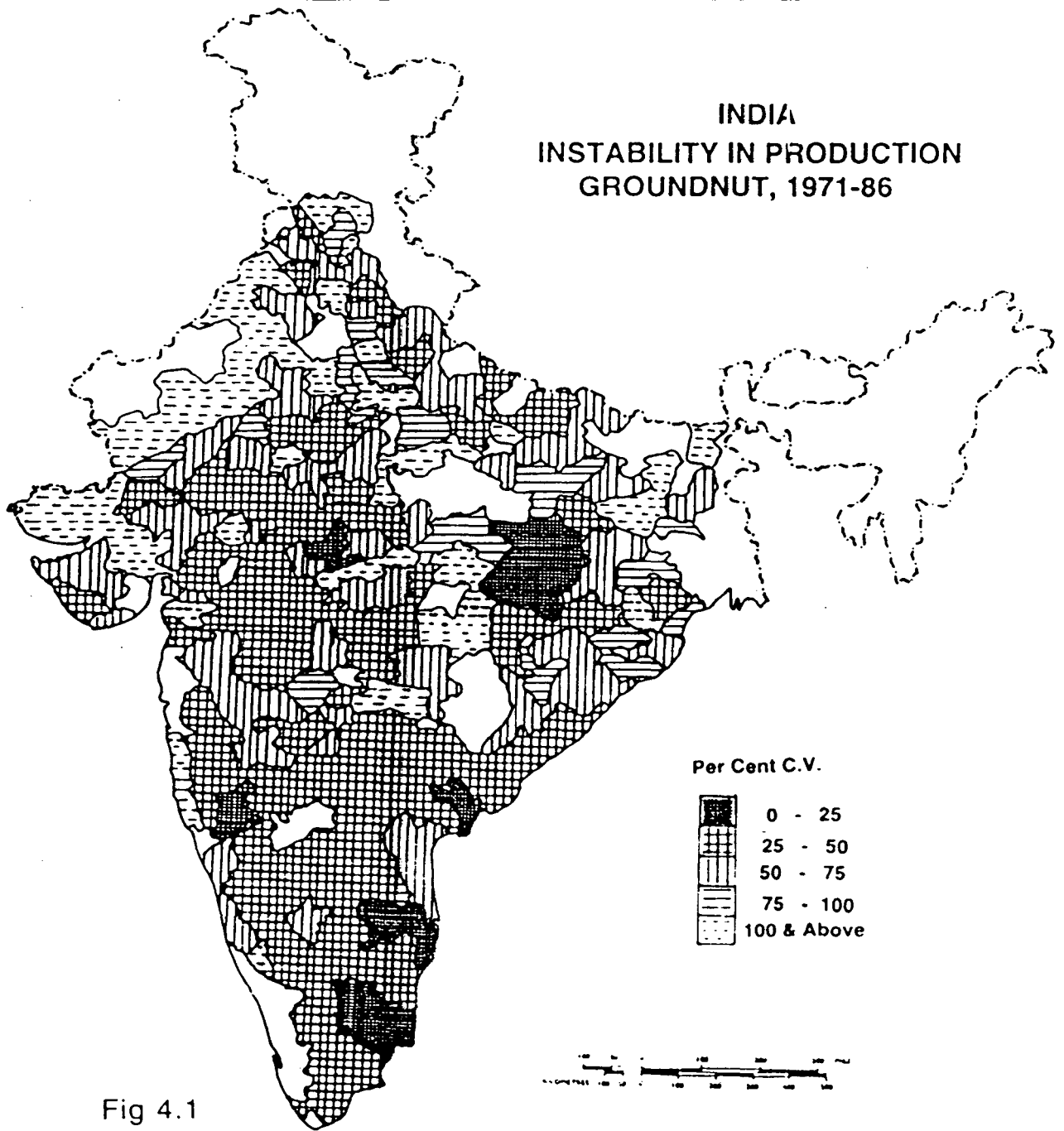


Fig 4.1

Remaining 37 per cent districts recorded higher coefficient of variation in yield. Only the districts of Amreli, Jamnagar, Santhal pargana, Hardoi, Patna and pali have recorded c.v between 50 and 70 per cent in yield. It can be said that area instability has been responsible for the production instability in these districts.

Areas with High Instability:

This category is of high instability in production. Coefficient of variation ranges between 75 to 100 per cent. Twenty five districts which constitute ten per cent of the groundnut growing districts have been included in this category.

Majority of districts of this category are spread in three states namely U.P, M.P and Orissa. Merrut, Aligarh, Etah, Etawah, Jalaun, Kanpur, Mirzapur and Varanasi districts of U.P lie in this category. Two districts each of M.P, Rajasthan and Bihar also lie in this category.

Balasore, Dhenkanal and Kalahandi of Orissa and Parbhani district of Maharashtra lie in this category.

Nearly 90 per cent districts in this category have higher c.v in area than the yield. Remaining districts have recorded higher c.v in yield than the area. Hence it can be said that instability in productions is due to area instability.

Table 4.1
Range of the Coefficients of Variation in
production of Groundnut 1971-1986

Cate gory	Level of Instabi-	C.V. (in %)	Total Districts	% of districts to the Groundnut Growing Districts
1	Low Unstable	less than 25	11	4.56
2	Mod. low unstable	25-50	94	39
3	Mod.High unstable	50-75	71	29.46
4	Highly Unstable	75-100	25	10.37
5	Very Highly Unstable	100 & above	40	16.22
	Total		241	100

Areas with very High Instability:

Those districts which have a coefficient of variation of more than 100 per cent are included in this category. Forty districts constituting 16 per cent of groundnut producing districts are included in this category. Eight districts; Barmer, Jodhpur, Jhunjhunnu, Ferozpur, Surendranagar, Churu, Simla, Monghyr have c.v of more than 200 per cent to 300 per cent. Two districts namely Gandhinagar and Bundi recorded coefficient of variation of more than 300 per cent.

Kangra and Kulu districts of H.P lie in this category. A belt of districts of this category starts from Ferozpur

and Bhatinda districts of Punjab, embraces the Ganganagar, Churu, Nagaur, Jodhpur and Barmer districts of Rajasthan and reaches up to the Kutch district of Gujarat. Four districts of M.P and three of Bihar lie in this category.

Except one districts of Kulu all the districts in this category have higher c.v in area than the yield. Production instability in these districts has been caused by area instability.

4.2 Rapeseed and mustard:

Rapeseed and mustard was grown in 250 districts of India in 1970-71. Coefficient of variation (c.v) has been calculated for these 250 districts for production, area and yield coefficient of variation of production has been taken into consideration in classifying the districts into different categories. It ranges from 22.37% in Bahraich district of U.P to 301 per cent in Bidar district of Karnataka. On the basis of c.v of production of rapeseed and mustard, districts are classified into five categories as in case of ground nut.

Areas with low Instability:

Those districts which recorded a coefficient of variation of production less than 25 per cent are included in this category. Seven districts constituting mainly three per cent of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts are

included here.

Four district namely Yeotmal, Nellore, Valsad and Jalgaon have not recorded instability. In two districts of Bahraich and Bhir yield c.v is higher than the area c.v, hence yield instability has been mainly responsible for the production instability.

Table-4.2
Range of the Coefficients of Variation in
production of Rapeseed & Mustard 1971-1986

Cate gory	Level of Instabi-	C.V. (in %)	Total Districts	% of districts to the Rapeseed & Mustard Growing Districts
1	Low Unstable	less than 25	12	2.80
2	Mod. low unstable	25-50	79	31.60
3	Mod.High unstable	50-75	58	24.06
4	Highly Unstable	75-100	42	17.46
5	Very Highly Unstable	100 & above	59	24.48
	Total		250	100

Areas with Moderately low Instability:

This category includes those district which recorded coefficient of variation between 25 and 50 per cent. 79 district constituting nearly 32 per cent of rapeseed and mustard growing districts of India have been included in this category.

Chamba and Kangra districts of H.P, Gurdaspur, Amritsar and Bhatinda districts of Punjab lie in this category. In U.P a continuous belt is observed in the districts bordering Nepal. These are Nainital, Rampur, Pilibhit, Kheri, Shahjanpur, Sitapur and Gonda. Eighteen districts of M.P. and four of Orissa form a continuous belt. Another belt can be discerned in Bihar starting from Monghyr and spreading in the districts of Hazaribagh, Purnea and Singhbhum.

A narrow belt is observed in Assam starting from Goalpara in west to the Lakhimpur district in east.

A cluster is also observed in Maharashtra in the districts of Buldhana, Akola, Aurangabad, Parbhani, Nanded and Osmanabad. Four districts of Tamilnadu are also included in this category.

In 47 per cent district of this category c.v of area has been higher than the c.v of yield. Remaining district have higher c.v of yield than that of area. In this case it

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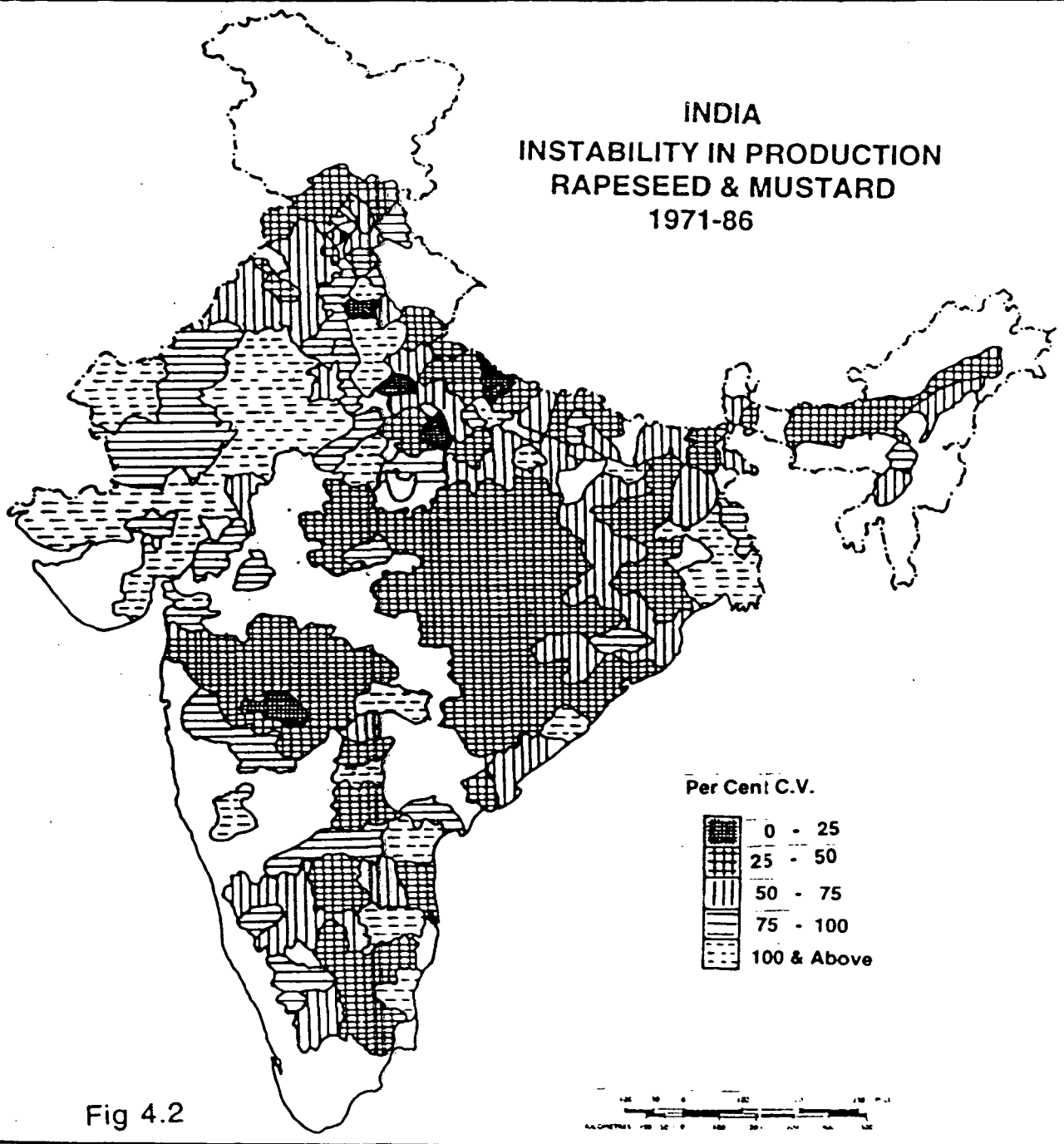


Fig 4.2

can be inferred that yield instability has been a major factor for production instability in a majority of districts.

When we examine the range of c.v of area (294.8) and c.v of yield (194.2), we find a wide gap between these two. In other words area has been highly instable than the yield.

Areas with Moderate Instability:

This category deals with the districts which recorded c.v of production between 50 and 75 per cent. Fifty eight districts accounting for one fourth of rapeseed and mustard growing districts lie in this category.

Kulu, Mahasu and Bilaspur districts of H.P lie in this category. Five districts of Punjab namely Jullundhar, Ludhiana, Ferozpur, Sangrur and Patiala also lie in this category. In Haryana Hisar and Jind, Ganganagar, Alwar and Chittorgarh districts of Rajasthan fall under this category. In U.P a majority of districts lie in this category. But concentration of districts of U.P in this category is in eastern part. these districts can be mentioned as Basti, Sultanpur, Pratapgarh, Allahabad, Azamgarh, Gorakhpur and Varanasi.

A continuous belt of this category is observed in Bihar in the districts of Gaya, Palamau and Ranchi. Other districts of Bihar are Darbhanga, Bhagalpur and Santhal

Pargana. Two districts of Assam namely Sibsagar and Cachar lie in this category. Balasore, Keonjhar and Cuttack districts of Orissa are also in this category.

In South India four districts of Andhra Pradesh and five districts of Karnataka lie in this category.

Nearly 22% districts in this category registered higher C.V. of yield than the C.V. of area. In the remaining 78% districts C.V. of area has been higher than the C.V. of yield. On the basis of above it can be said that in majority of districts area instability has been responsible for production instability.

Areas with High Instability:

The districts, which experienced c.v of production between 75 to 100 per cent are included in this category. Forty two districts constituting nearly 17 per cent of the rapeseed and mustard growing districts of the country are included in this category.

Majority of districts in this category lies in Northern and Western India. Kinnaur, Mahasu districts of H.P, Ambala, Karnal, Rohtak, Mahendergarh and Gurgaon of Haryana lie in this category. Five districts of Rajasthan in western part form a continuous belt. Only four districts of U.P and six of M.P are included in this category.

Three districts of Gujarat namely Mehsana, Panchmahal

and Surat and two of Maharashtra fall under this category. In South India Guntur and Kurnool of Andhra Pradesh, Bellary, Chickmanglur and Mysore of Karnataka and Nilgiri district of Tamilnadu lie in this category.

Nearly 70% districts recorded higher C.V. of area than the yield. Remaining districts experienced higher C.V. of yield than the area.

Areas with Very High Instability.

The districts recording c.v of production more than 100 per cent constitute this category. Fifty nine i.e. one fourth of rapeseed and mustard growing districts fall under this category. Thirteen districts namely Tonk, Gwalior, Dhanbad, Barabanki, Chittor, Ajmer, Kota, Jhalwar, Chanda, Amreli, Dharwar, Mandi and Bundi have c.v of production between 100 and 200 per cent. Four districts namely Dungarpur, Gulbarga, Sahabad and Bhilwara recorded c.v of production more than 200 per cent. Bidar is the only district which has registered a c.v of more than 300 per cent in production.

A small cluster of districts in this category is observed in Western U.P., five districts namely Merrut, Moradabad, Bulandsahar, Aligarh and Mathura form this cluster. A continuous belt of districts starts from Churu and Jhunjhunnu of Rajasthan, bifurcates in two parts in the

West and South in Gujarat, Kutch district demarcates Western boundary while Bhavnagar southern.

Another cluster of districts is observed in West Bengal in Burdwan, Birbhum, Hoogly, Midnapore and 24 Pargana.

Nearly 85 per cent district registered higher c.v of area than yield. Remaining districts recorded higher c.v of yield than the area. In other words most of the districts in this category recorded production instability mainly because of area instability.

4.3 Sesamum:

Sesamum was grown in 298 districts of the country in 1970-71 accounting for 84 per cent districts of the country. for instability measure coefficient of variation has been calculated for production, area and yield of these district. C.v of production has been taken into consideration in classifying the districts into different categories, which will indicate different levels of instability of production amongst the districts. C.v of production ranges between 12.94 per cent in Cachar district of Assam to 339.81 in North Kanara district of Karnataka. On the basis of different categories of instability sesamum producing districts have been classified into five categories as in the case of other oil seeds under study.

Areas with Low Instability

The districts which recorded c.v of production less than 25 per cent are included in this category. Nearly 2 per cent of the sesamum growing districts lie here. These districts are Cachar, Goalpara, Gurdaspur, Chingelput, Nowgong, West Nimar and Hoshangabad. Though these districts are most consistent in production among all the sesamum growing districts, whatever instability in there, it is because of area instability in majority of districts. Because c.v of area has been higher than the c.v of yield.

Areas with Moderately low Instability;

C.V. of production ranges between 25 and 50 per cent for this category. Nearly one third sesamum growing districts are included in this category.

Three districts of H.P lie in this category. Six districts of U.P also lie in this category.

A continuous belt of this category can be observed in majority of districts of M.P. Three districts of Orissa namely Ganjam, Cuttack and Mayurbhanj also lie in this category. In Assam a continuous belt is observed in Kamrup, Darrang and Lakhimpur districts.

In Maharashtra a cluster of districts is observed in Chanda, Yeotmal, Akola, Parbhani, Bhir, Osmanabad, Ahmednagar and Thane.

In Southern region a cluster of districts is observed in three districts Nellore, Cuddapha and Chittoor. Another cluster is observed in Tamilnadu in the districts of South Arcot, Salem, Tiruchirapalli, Madurai and Thanjavur. Hassan and Mysore and Belgaum districts of Karnataka and Palghat and Alleppey districts of Kerala lie in this category.

More than half of districts in this category recorded higher c.v of area than the yield. In the remaining 44 per cent districts c.v of yield is higher than the c.v of area. Hence taking into consideration the number of districts it can be inferred that area instability is largely responsible for the production instability in this category.

Table-4.3
Range of the Coefficients of Variation in
production of Sesamum 1971-1986

Cate gory	Level of Instabi-	C.V. (in %)	Total Districts	% of districts to the Sesamum Growing Districts
1	Low Unstable	less than 25	11	3.71
2	Mod. low unstable	25-50	96	32.21
3	Mod.High unstable	50-75	101	33.89
4	Highly Unstable	75-100	47	15.77
5	Very Highly Unstable	100 & above	43	14.42
	Total		298	100

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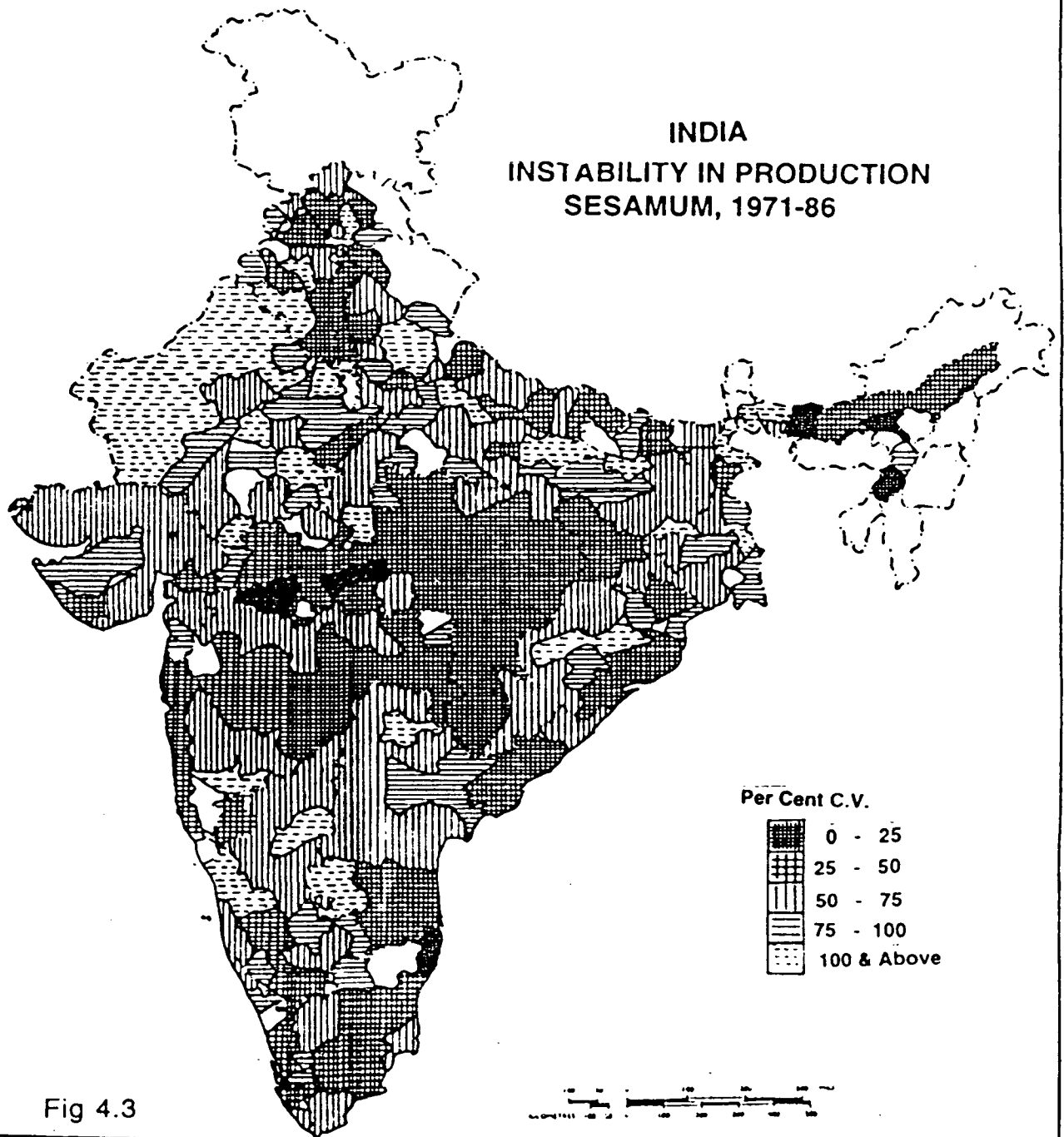


Fig 4.3

Areas with Moderate Instability:

This category includes those districts which have recorded c.v of production between 50 and 75 per cent. Altogether 101 districts constituting nearly 34 per cent of sesamum growing districts are included in this category.

Two districts of H.P and three of Punjab lie in this category. Saharanpur, Muzaffarnagar and Bijnor districts form a small cluster in western U.P, Sitapur, Bahraich and Gonda form another cluster adjacent to Nepal. Besides these above mentioned districts two more districts of U.P also lie in this category. In Rajasthan only three districts, namely, Nagaur, Udaipur and Tonk lie in this category. Four districts of M.P namely Gwalior, Shivpuri, Guna and Raigarh form a continuous belt. Other districts of U.P in this category are Rewa, Satna and Chindwara. Saharsa, Purnea and Monghyr, Bhagalpur, Santhal Pargana form a cluster. The other districts of Bihar in this category is of Singhbhum.

Four districts each of Orissa and West Bengal lie in this category.

In Western region the greatest concentration of districts can be discerned in Gujarat. Twelve districts of Gujarat lie in this category. Nine districts of Maharashtra also lie in this category.

In Southern region a continuous belt of districts is

observed in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka. Nine districts of Andhra Pradesh and eight districts of Karnataka are observed in this category, three districts of Tamilnadu and one of Kerala also lie in this category.

Nearly 70 per cent districts in this category have registered higher c.v of area than the c.v of yield. Therefore, it can be said that area instability has again been the main reason for the production instability.

Areas with High Instability:

The range of c.v of production lies between 50 to 75 per cent. Sixteen per cent of the sesamum growing districts have been included in this category on the basis of their c.v of production.

Mahasu district of H.P, Amritsar and Ferozpur of Punjab lie in this category. Eight districts of U.P and Seven districts of Rajasthan lie in this category. Muzaffarpur, Shahbad and Gaya districts of Bihar also lie in this category. Balasore, Keonjhar and Puri districts of Orissa, Bankura, Murshidabad and 24-Pargana districts of West Bengal and N.C. Hills of Assam lies in this category.

In Western region only four districts of Gujarat lie in this category.

In Southern region Khammam, Nalgonda and Krishna districts of Andhra Pradesh form a cluster, Coorg, Tumkur

and Kolar districts of Karnataka, Dharmपुरi of Tamilnadu and Kottayam of Kerala lie in this category.

Nearly eighty per cent districts of this category registered higher c.v of area than the c.v of yield. Remaining 20 per cent districts have experienced higher c.v of yield than the area.

Concludingly, it can be said that area instability has played a vital role in production instability.

Areas with Very high Instability:

C.v. of production in this category is above 100 per cent and the districts included in this category are highly unstable in production performance. Nearly 15 per cent sesamum growing districts have recorded c.v of production greater than 100 per cent. Some districts like Badaun, Dhanbad and Hardoi have registered c.v of production between 150 to 200 per cent. Three districts namely Simla, Jaunpur and North Kanara registered a c.v of production greater than 200 per cent.

One district of H.P. two of Punjab and eight of U.P lie in this category. In western U.P, Moradabad, Rampur, Badaun and Bareilly form a cluster. Another cluster of districts is observed in Eastern U.P in the districts of Azamgarh, Jaunpur, Balia and Gorakhpur. In Rajasthan a continuous belt starts from Ganganagar and Churu districts in north and

extends upto the Barmer and Jalore in South. Overall seven districts lie in this belt. Vidisha is the only district of M.P. in this category,

Bolangir and Dhenkanal districts of Orissa, Patna and Dhanbad of Bihar and Nadia, West Dinajpur and Jalpaiguri of West Bengal lie in this category.

In southern region Karimnagar and Adilabad districts of Andhra pradesh, North Kanara, and Shimoga of Karnataka lie in this category.

Around 67 per cent districts have recorded higher instability in area than the yield. Remaining 33 per cent district have attained higher c.v of yield than the c.v of area. Hence it is clear here that area instability largely influenced the production instability.

4.4 Major findings:

In case of groundnut only a small proportion (5%) districts registered low instability in productions. Largest number of districts (39%) recorded moderately low instability followed by the districts of Moderately high instability (30%) and highly instable districts (16%).

Area instability has been higher than the yield instability in 71 per cent of the groundnut producing districts. hence it is clear that area instability is more responsible for production instability than the yield

instability in case of groundnut.

In rapeseed and mustard only 3 per cent districts are low instable. But majority of districts (32%) like groundnut crop registered moderately low instability followed by the districts of very high instability and moderate instability.

Area instability is mainly responsible for the production instability in majority (66%) of rapeseed and mustard growing districts.

In sesamum two per cent districts are less unstable in production. Large number of districts (34%) recorded medium instability followed by districts of moderately less instability, moderately high instability and highly instable districts.

Area instability has been higher than the yield instability in majority of districts (65%), hence it can be said that area instability is responsible for productions instability.

Finally it can be said on the basis of above discussion that area instability is largely responsible for production instability in all the three oilseeds under study.

Chapter - V

Determinants of Area and Yield of Oilseeds

In the present chapter an attempt has been made to examine the role of agricultural inputs namely irrigation, fertilizer consumption and prevailing prices on the yield and area of three oilseed crops namely - Groundnut, Sesamum and Rapeseed and Mustard. This analysis has been carried out for three points of time i.e. triennium, of 1970-73, 1980-83, and 1985-87. The triennium averages have been calculated in order to avoid early fluctuations for all the variables under study. In case of irrigation and prices of oilseeds, data was available separately. However, in case of fertilizer consumption data was not available separately for oilseed crops. Therefore, fertilizer consumption pertains to total cropped area instead of area under oilseed crops.

Regression analysis has been carried out to examine the role of independent variables (fertilizer consumption, irrigation and price) in explaining the variations in yield and area of three selected oilseed crops. The following equation has been used for the above purpose ;

$$Y_{aj} = a + b_1x_1 + b_2x_{2j} + b_3x_{3j}$$

Where Y_{aj} = area under oilseed crop j,
 x_1 = Fertilizer consumption (Kg) per hectare,
 x_2 = irrigated area as percentage of total area under crop j,
 x_3 = the prevailing price of oilseed crop j,
 a = Constant (intercept) &
 $b_1b_2b_3$ = regression coefficients for variable x_1, x_2, x_3 respectively.

This exercise has been carried out for three selected oilseed crops for three points of time separately. The first part of the chapter deals with groundnut crop which is followed by rapeseed and mustard, sesamum.

5.1 Variations in Area under groundnut

The regression equation of the percentage of area under groundnut on a set of three independent variables (i) x_1 = fertilizer consumption, (ii) x_2 = % irrigated area under crop and

(iii) x_3 = Price of groundnut during the year 1970-73) is as follows;

Area under

$$\text{groundnut} = 5.4 + (0.069)x_1 + (-0.025)x_2 + (-0.006)x_3$$

Above stated three variables explained only 3.2% variations in the distribution of area under groundnut during the year 1970-73. Out of the three only fertilizer consumption explained variations in area under groundnut was significant.

Value of R square, revealed increased role of x_1 to x_3 on area under groundnut during the year 1980-83. During this period R value explains more than 4% variations in the distribution of area under groundnut. Interestingly, the role of independent variables has declined from 4% in 1980-83 to 2% in 1985-87 (Table - 5.1).

Table 5.1

Role of Fertilizer consumption, Irrigation and prices in area and yield of groundnut

Year	Yield		Area	
	R Value	% variation Explained	R Value	% variation Explained
1970-73	0.176	17.60	0.032	3.20
1980-83	0.054	05.4	0.04	4.00
1985-87	0.103	10.3	0.024	2.04

It is worth to note that fertilizer consumption explained significant negative role in area under groundnut, which is indicated by beta value in Table-5.1.

Overall results prove that independent variables under study have little impact on the area under groundnut crops over the year 1970-73 to 1985-87.

5.2 Variations in the Yield of Groundnut 1970-73.

In case of yield, fertilizer consumption and irrigation have significant role. During the year 1970-73, these variables explained about 17.6% variation in the yield of groundnut.

The regression equation of yield on x_1, x_2, x_3 is as follows:

$$\text{Yield of G.nut 1970-73} = 1.73 - (0.395) * X_1 - (0.114) * X_2 + (0.102) * X_3$$

* = significant at 5% level

Interestingly, fertilizer consumption had negative

role in explaining the yield of groundnut, explanation of which needs further research. Prices of the crop, however, had a positive role in explaining the yield but it is insignificant.

5.3 Variations in Yield of Groundnut 1980-83:

During the year 1980-83, the role of fertilizer consumption, irrigation and prices of the crop declined when compared with 1970-73 as R squared value explained only 5.4% variations in the distribution of the yield of groundnut as compared to 17.6% in 1970-73. The regression equation of yield during 1980-83 is as follows: Yield of G.nut 1980-83 = $1.38^* - (0.0034)^*x_1 - (0.0005)x_2 + (0.0005)x_3$

* = significant at 5% level

Fertilizer consumption is negatively explaining the yield of groundnut. The prevailing price of groundnut for which regression coefficient is insignificant at 5% level, had positive impact on the yield of groundnut.

Negative relationship of fertilizer consumption with the yield of groundnut may be because of the use of fertilizer consumption data for the total cropped area. It means that areas, experiencing high yield of groundnut show less consumption of fertilizer and vice-versa. It is probable that in the lower yield districts of groundnut intensive cultivation of food crops such as wheat & rice, which required more consumption of fertilizers, was

undertaken in between 1970-73 to 1980-83.

5.4 Variations in Yield of Groundnut 1985-87:

The percentage of variations in the yield explained by set of independent variables under study has increased from 5.4% in 1980-83 to 10.3% in 1985-87. The regression equation is as follows :

$$\text{Yield of G.nut 1985-87} = -6.45 - (2.83) * x_1 - (3.188) X_2 + (4.87) X_3$$

*significant at 5% level

Again here regression coefficient for fertilizer is negative but insignificant. Interestingly, prices of groundnut, had most significant positive role in explaining the yield of groundnut during this period. Regression coefficient reveals that per unit increase in prices leads to 4.86 unit increase in yield of groundnut. Overall analysis shows that agricultural inputs such as fertilizer and irrigation have only marginal impact on the area as well as yield of groundnut. Groundnut being a Kharif crop needs less irrigation, hence it is obvious that irrigation has marginal role in explaining the area and yield of groundnut. However, the prevailing prices of the groundnut showed quite significant role on the yield of groundnut which has increased from 1970-73 to 1985-87. It means farmers are becoming economic minded; and the selection of crops in general and groundnut in particular is

significantly determined by the prevailing prices of crops.

The negative impact of fertilizer as stated earlier also may be attributed to the production of groundnut in the areas of non-food crops; and dependence of groundnut cultivation on rainfall. Apart from these three independent variables under study, there are certain other factors, which explain about 75% variation in the distribution of the yield of groundnut the identification of the role of unknown variables begs efforts for further research.

Rapeseed and Mustard (RM) :

5.5 Variations in Area of Rapeseed & mustard:

Examination of R squared values (Table-3) reveals that the role of fertilizer consumption, irrigation and the prevailing prices of the crop do not significantly determine the percentages of area under rapeseed & mustard. For all these points of time R squared values do not contribute even more than 1% variation in the distribution of the area under rapeseed and mustard. This may be because of heavy dependency of rapeseed and mustard on the certain other variables like rainfall, farmer's satisfaction etc. The regression equation of the area under rapeseed and mustard on independent variables are as follows :

$$\text{Area under RM 70-73} = 0.389 + (0.00396)x_1 - (0.00074)x_2 +$$

$$(0.0057) x_3$$

$$\text{Area under RM 80-83} = 2.334 - (0.00149)x_1 + (0.000429)x_2 - (0.00127)x_3$$

$$\text{Area under RM 85-87} = 4.788 + (0.000567)x_1 - (0.000469)x_2 - (0.00348)x_3$$

While examining the regression equation, it is clear that regression coefficient of none of the variable is significant for all the three points of times. The negligible impact of x_1 to x_3 on the area under rapeseed and mustard either questions the reliability of data or its heavy dependency on certain other variables. .1s1

Table 5.2

Role of Fertilizer consumption, Irrigation and Prices in Area and Yield of Rapeseed and mustard

Year	Yield		Area	
	Value	% variation Explained	Value	% variation Explained
1970-73	0.010	01.00	0.0058	0.58
1980-83	0.236	23.60	0.0048	0.48
1985-87	0.420	04.20	0.0035	0.35

5.6 Variations in Yield of Rapeseed and Mustard :

Given set of three independent variables had more role in explaining the yield of rapeseed and mustard than area. This set explains only 1% variation in the distribution of rapeseed and mustard, during 1970-73, but during the year 1980-83 there was a abrupt increase and it explained about

23% variation, which may be attributed to the intensification of rapeseed and mustard cultivation. During the year 1985-87, there was a sharp decline in R value. It explained only 4.2% variation in the distribution of yield of rapeseed and mustard during this period. This clearly indicates instability in the yield of rapeseed and mustard.

The regression equations of the yield of rapeseed and mustard on independent variables are as follows :

$$\text{Yield of RM 70-73} = 0.363(0.00104)**x_1 + (0.000117)x_2 + (0.000117)x_3$$

$$\text{Yield of RM 80-83} = -0.04218 + (0.0042) x_1 + (0.0094)**x_2 + (0.00106)x_3$$

$$\text{Yield of RM 86-87} = 0.7829**+(0.00164)**x_1-(0.00013)x_2-(0.000386)x_3$$

** significant at 5% level of significance

* Significant at 10% level of significance

During the year 1970-73 regression coefficient of none of the variables explained significant role in the yield of rapeseed and mustard. Irrigation has emerged as one of the most significant determinant of the yield of rapeseed and mustard during the year 1980-83 as the regression coefficient of irrigation is significant at 5% level. Fertilizer consumption, however, had significant role in explaining the yield of rapeseed and mustard during the year 1985-87. Interestingly prices of the crop do not explain any significant role in the yield of rapeseed and mustard.

Sesamum :

5.7 Variations in area of sesamum:

The consumption of fertilizer, irrigation and the prevailing prices of the sesamum crop have relatively less role in explaining the area under sesamum crop; because these variables together explain less than 10% variation extending from 1970-73 to 1985-87 (Table 2). The regression equation of the percentage of area selected variables are as follows:

$$\text{Area under sesamum 1970-73} = -1.56 - (0.023)X_1 - (0.011)X_2 + (0.017)X_3$$

* significant at 5% level

$$\text{Area under sesamum 1980-83} = -1.898 - (0.0028)X_1 - (0.00017)X_2 + (0.00611)X_3$$

* significant at 5% level

$$\text{Area under sesamum 1985-87} = -0.429 - (0.003)X_1 - (0.006)X_2 + (0.002)X_3$$

Out of three independent variables, it is the price of the crop, which shows a significant positive role in the area under sesamum crop at five per cent level of significance. For the year 1985-87, the role of prices is insignificant at 5%, but significant at 10% level. Rest of the two variables fertilizer and irrigation have insignificant role in explaining the area under sesamum.

It means except the prevailing prices, it is not fertilizer consumption and irrigation, but certain other factors, which are beyond the scope of the per cent study, may have significant role in explaining the area under sesamum. The significant role of prices on area under sesamum suggests that increase in the prices of sesamum, % area under sesamum can be increased significantly.

Table - 5.3
Role of Fertilizer consumption, Irrigation and Prices
in Area and Yield of Sesamum:

Year	Yield		Area	
	Value	% variation Explained	Value	% variation Explained
1970-73	0.126	12.60	0.057	5.70
1980-83	0.822	08.20	0.040	4.00
1985-87	19.890	19.89	0.067	6.70

5.8 Variations in Yield of Sesamum :

The set of independent variables under study have significant role in explaining the yield of sesamum crop; the per cent variation explained in the distribution of yield of sesamum are 12.6, 8.2 & 19.89% in 1970-73, 1980-83 & 1985-87 respectively. Increase in the impact of agricultural inputs-fertilizer consumption, irrigation and prices indicate towards the process of intensification of sesamum crop. During the years 1985-87, these variables explained about 1/5 of the total variation in the yield of

sesamum which means that the account of 4/5 variation needs the inclusion of other variables in 1985-87.

The regression equations for the year 1970-73 to 1985-87 of the yield on independent variables are as follows :

$$\text{Yield of sesamum 1970-73} = *0.189 + *(0.0018)X_1 + *(0.0011)X_2 + (0.00069)X_3$$

* significant at 5 % level. Yield of sesamum 80-83 =

$$*0.3306+(0.000123)x_1+*(0.00154)x_2-(0.000295)x_3$$

* significant at 5 % level.

$$\text{Yield of sesamum 85-87} = *0.594+(0.000115)x_1+*(0.000679)x_2-(0.00049)x_3$$

* significant at 5 % level.

Interestingly, irrigation and fertilizer consumption have significant role in explaining the yield of sesamum. Prevailing prices, however, does not explain significant impact on the yield of sesamum for the year 1970-73. The regression coefficient of irrigation is significant for all three points of time which means the role of irrigation in the yield of sesamum can not be denied. While comparing the significance level of regression coefficients, it is clear that the irrigation is relatively more significant than the fertilizer consumption. Regression coefficient of prices indicates significant negative role in explaining the yield of sesamum.

While comparing the role of three independent

variables under study in explaining the area and yield of sesamum crop, it is clear that the role of these variables is relatively more in yield than in area under the crop.

5.9 Conclusion:

From the overall analysis it is clear that fertilizer consumption, irrigation and the prevailing prices have marginal role in explaining the area under groundnut, sesamum and rapeseed and mustard. There has been more or less insignificant increase in the impact of these variables on the area under oilseed crops under study. In case of yield, however, independent variables under study have significant role. Moreover, there had been increase in the percentage of variation explained by these variables on the yield of oilseed crops from 1970-73 to 1985-87, which clearly indicates towards the intensification of oilseed crops. In case of groundnut, the prevailing prices of the crop emerged as one of the most significant determinants of yield, while irrigation is the most significant in the determination of the yield of sesamum. In case of rapeseed and mustard, however, irrigation and fertilizer consumption emerged as most significant for the years 1980-83 and 1985-87 respectively. While examining the distribution of R values, it is clear that the yield of sesamum is the most stable which is followed by groundnut and rapeseed and mustard. The instability of groundnut and rapeseed and mustard may be because these crops are dependent on the vagaries of rainfall.

Chapter VI

Summary and Conclusion

The present study covers the time period 1970-71 to 1987-88. Entire study is divided in three periods - 1970-71 to 1980-81, 1980-81 to 1985-86 and 1970-71 and 1986-87. The study takes into account only three oilseeds-groundnut, rapeseed and mustard and sesamum. All the districts of India growing these crops in 1970-71 are taken into consideration. The present study tries to:

1. Present a spatio-temporal analysis of growth of production, area and yield of oilseeds (groundnut, rapeseed and mustard, and sesamum) in the districts of India.
2. Study the instability in production, area and yield of the oilseeds.
3. Study the role of fertilizer consumption, irrigation and prices in explaining the variations in area and yield of oilseeds.

The results of the study are as follows:

The three oilseed crops showed different patterns of growth in production, area and yield for different periods.

In the case of groundnut it is observed that production has recorded a growth rate of more than 15% in large number of districts during 1981-86 than the 1971-81. The largest number of districts experienced growth rate of production between 0-15% during the period 1971-81 than the period 1981-86.

While examining the extreme variations in the growth pattern of groundnut, it is clear that the highest positive and negative growth rates were reported in largest number of districts for the period 1981-86 than the 1971-81. Overall positive growth rate in production of groundnut was reported in largest number of districts during the same period as compared to the period 1971-81. While the overall negative growth rate is observed in largest number of districts during the period 1971-81 as compared to 1981-86.

If we examine the growth pattern in production over 15 years (1971-86) then it is found that largest number of districts recorded growth rate between zero and fifteen per cent followed by negative growth rate between 0 and 15%.

In the districts registering production growth rate of 30 percent and above growth rate of area has been higher than that of yield during 1971-81 and 1981-86. Same is the

case with districts recording production growth between 15 to 30 and zero to 15 percent. In other words, in districts registering positive production growth rate, growth rate in area has been higher than that of yield during 1971-81 and 1981-86.

In the districts recording negative growth rate in production, yield growth rate has been higher than the area during 1971-81 and 1981-86. Negative growth in production, area and yield has been in large number of districts during 1971-81. Closely followed by 1981-86.

In case of rapeseed and mustard highest growth rate in production is recorded in largest number of districts during 1981-86 than the 1971-81. Same is the case with the districts reporting growth rate between 15 and 30%. Production growth rate between 0 and 15% is found in largest number of districts during 1971-81 than the 1981-86. Highest negative growth has been reported in more districts during 1981-86 closely followed by the period 1971-81.

Overall positive growth rate in production of rapeseed and mustard is reported during 1971-81 in largest number of districts than 1981-86. While the number of districts recording highest negative growth rate is equal equal during 1971-81 and 1981-86.

While over the period 1971-86 a large proportion of

districts recorded production growth rate between 0 to 15% followed by the districts registering growth rate of 15 to 30%.

In the districts registering production growth of 30 percent and above growth of area has been higher than that of yield. Again it is found that in all the districts which recorded positive growth in production, area growth has been higher than that of yield during the periods studied.

Districts experiencing negative growth in production recorded higher growth in yield than that of area in all the three periods under study. Negative growth in production, area and yield has been in largest number of districts during 1971-81, followed by 1981-86.

In case of sesamum largest number of districts in Ist category (production growth rate of 30% and above) is observed during than 1981-86 than 1971-81. The maximum number of districts in IInd category of growth rate is reported during 1971-81 followed by 1981-86. While the highest negative growth rate is observed in maximum number of districts during 1981-86 followed by 1971-81.

Overall positive and negative growth rate is reported in largest number of districts during 1981-86 and 1971-81 respectively.

In the districts which recorded production growth rate

of 15 percent and above, area growth has been higher than that of yield during 1971-81 and 1981-86. But the districts which registered a positive growth in production between zero and 15%, growth of yield has been higher than that of area during 1981-86, while during 1971-81 growth of area has been higher than that of yield.

The districts which recorded negative growth of production between zero and 15 percent registered higher growth in yield than that of area during 1981-86 and 1971-86.

Negative growth in production, area and yield has occurred in large proportion of districts during 1971-81 while it was lowest during 1981-86.

The analysis of the district wise decomposition of instability across the time period 1971-86 shows that variability in the growth rate of production of groundnut, rapeseed and mustard and sesamum is largely explained by the variability in area than the yield.

Another set of findings is related to the relationship of area and yield of the groundnut, rapeseed and mustard and sesamum with irrigation, fertilizer consumption and prices. It is found that irrigation fertilizer consumption and prices have marginal impact on the area under the groundnut, rapeseed and mustard, sesamum.

In the case of groundnut fertilizer and irrigation are marginally determining the area and yield. Groundnut being a kharif crop needs less irrigation hence, it is obvious that irrigation has a marginal role in case of area under groundnut. But the prevailing prices of the groundnut showed quite significant relationship with the yield of groundnut.

In case of sesamum, except irrigation and fertilizer consumption, prices have significant relationship with the area while in case of yield it is irrigation and fertilizer consumption which show a significant relationship. In case of rapeseed and mustard none of these, irrigation, fertilizer consumption and prices, have showed relationship with the area under the crop. Irrigation and fertilizer consumption showed a significant relationship with the yield but the prices of crop do not explain any significant relationship with the yield.

APPENDIX - I

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MANDYA	-10.191	-9.141	-6.886	GUNTUR	-19.878	-19.380	6.707	SABARKANTHA	-10.315	-4.646	-5.977
SIROHI	-10.377	-4.146	-14.241	BARODA	-20.193	-7.677	-2.444	BANASKANTHA	-10.401	-4.691	-10.968
SHIMOGA	-10.386	-8.743	-5.669	SIROHI	-20.898	-5.092	-0.736	AZAMGARH	-10.409	-2.930	0.000
SHAJAPUR	-10.404	-8.828	-5.701	KUTCH	-21.036	-4.574	-6.889	JHANSI	-10.666	-5.403	-4.698
SATNA	-10.404	-7.681	-9.054	KAIRA	-21.606	-9.446	-7.469	BHAVNAGAR	-11.157	2.095	-13.162
AZAMGARH	-10.755	3.088	0.000	PANCHMAHAL	-22.283	-7.660	-4.135	CHAMBA	-11.197	-4.893	-6.743
BHIND	-11.343	-8.956	-7.404	CHURU	-22.982	-9.932	0.513	PANCHMAHAL	-11.282	-7.103	-4.458
BARMER	-11.419	-3.246	-10.789	CHHITOR	-23.111	-6.947	-7.813	KAIRA	-11.284	-5.986	-5.802
BHANDARA	-11.659	7.177	-20.322	BROACH	-23.267	-7.607	-6.968	BAHRAICH	-11.444	-5.689	-6.173
SANGALI	-11.775	-7.582	0.000	KOTAH	-23.376	-20.370	4.085	SAWAI MADHOPUR	-12.440	-5.913	-7.312
PAL	-12.054	-3.671	-11.795	BHARTPUR	-23.412	-1.567	-20.582	DHAMBAD	-12.827	-9.990	-2.318
N.C. HILLS	-12.312	-10.856	-5.538	LUCKNOW	-25.625	-20.237	2.552	LUCKNOW	-12.834	-7.175	-5.876
SAHABAD	-12.945	-6.089	-11.086	UDAIPUR	-25.879	-8.364	-10.239	MANDI	-12.945	-3.041	-12.511
JHABUA	-12.945	-14.987	-0.961	BHAVNAGAR	-26.172	3.364	-22.341	NAGOUR	-13.204	-0.560	-14.443
KANYAKUMARI	-12.945	-12.945	0.000	JHALWAR	-26.326	-19.732	-9.318	KARIMNAGAR	-13.518	-14.257	0.809
NALGONDA	-13.212	-8.503	-2.079	BAHRAICH	-27.430	-20.127	1.661	SIROHI	-14.031	-4.463	-9.957
TRIVENDRUM	-13.331	-7.408	-9.528	NAGOUR	-27.877	0.206	-24.216	DUNGARPUR	-14.357	-7.451	-7.583
ADILABAD	-13.381	-3.153	-14.211	MEHASANA	-29.801	-15.702	-4.142	SIMALA	-15.172	-4.887	-10.669
DANGS	-13.639	-9.996	0.000	PAL	-29.964	-1.199	-28.805	HAMIRPUR	-15.811	-11.809	-4.126
ANANTPUR	-13.857	-9.591	-18.130	DUNGARPUR	-34.632	-16.111	-19.329	PATNA	-15.816	-11.282	-3.201
DHAMBAD	-14.796	-12.196	-6.557	PATNA	-35.616	-29.850	4.719	MEHASANA	-16.133	-10.750	-5.147
MANDI	-15.916	0.335	-18.325	BANSHARA	-36.732	-19.856	-19.504	AJMER	-17.905	-8.450	-9.710
HAMIRPUR	-16.309	-9.019	-19.004	BIKANER	-37.294	-13.639	-37.345	PAL	-18.483	-2.854	-17.875
JODHPUR	-18.204	-1.582	-17.800	BARMER	-37.551	-14.219	-24.899	BANSHARA	-19.940	-13.387	-6.808
LALORE	-18.431	-3.421	-20.192	LALORE	-38.614	-6.279	-29.341	BARMER	-21.162	-7.051	-15.765
KARIMNAGAR	-19.576	-16.583	-8.263	JODHPUR	-41.725	-5.549	-38.576	LALORE	-25.806	-4.383	-23.366
AJMER	-21.413	-13.423	-11.812	JAISALMER	-49.573	-43.292	-2.613	JODHPUR	-26.946	-2.922	-25.407
NORTH KANARA	-39.596	-37.527	0.000	SIMALA	-58.537	-28.287	-59.086	NORTH KANARA	-29.661	-25.391	0.000

APPENDIX - III

CODE	DISTT NAME	CODE	DISTT NAME	CODE	DISTT NAME	CODE	DISTT NAME
101	SRIKAKHAM	403	VRIDDHARA	718	TUMKUR	937	SHADOL
102	VISAKHAPATNAM	404	BRDACH	719	NORTH KANARA	938	DATIA
103	EAST GODAVARI	405	VALSAD	801	TRIVENDRUM	939	TIKANGARH
104	WEST GODAVARI	406	DANGS	802	QUILON	940	CHHATARPUR
105	KRISHNA	407	GANDHI NAGAR	803	ALLEPPEY	941	PANNA
106	GUNTUR	408	KAIRA	804	KOTTAYAM	942	SEHORE
107	ONGOLE	409	MEHASANA	805	ERNAKULAM	943	RAISEN
108	NELLORE	410	PANCHMAHAL	806	TRICHUR	1001	THANA
109	KURNOOL	411	SABARKANTHA	807	PALGHAT	1002	RATNAGIRI
110	ANANTPUR	412	SURAT	808	MALAPURAM	1003	NASIK
111	CUDDAPH	413	APRELI	809	KOZHIKODE	1004	DHULIA
112	CHITTOR	414	BHAVNAGAR	810	CANNANDRE	1005	JALGAON
113	HYDERABAD	415	JAMNAGAR	901	SAGAR	1006	AHEMADNAGAR
114	NIJAMABAD	416	JUNAGARH	902	DAMOH	1007	POONA
115	NEDAK	417	KUTCH	903	JABALPUR	1008	SATARA
116	MAHABUBNAGAR	418	RAJKOT	904	MANDALA	1009	SANGALI
117	NALGONDA	419	SURENDERNAGAR	905	HOSHANGABAD	1010	SHOLAPUR
118	MARANGAL	501	HISAR	906	NARSIMHPUR	1011	KOLHAPUR
119	KHAMMAM	502	ROHTAK	907	EAST NIMAR	1012	AURANGABAD
120	KARIMNAGAR	503	GURGAON	908	BALAGHAT	1013	PARBHANI
121	ADILABAD	504	KARNAL	909	BETUL	1014	BHIR
201	CACHAR	505	AMBALA	910	CHINDWARA	1015	MANDI
202	GODALPARA	506	JIND	911	SEONI	1016	OSHANABAD
203	KAMRUP	507	MOHINDERGARH	912	DURG	1017	BULDHANA
204	DARANG	601	BILASPUR	913	RAIPUR	1018	AKOLA
205	NONGSONG	602	CHAMBA	914	BILASPUR	1019	AMRAWATI
206	SIBSAGAR	603	KANGARA	915	SURGUJA	1020	YEOTMAL
207	LAKHIMPUR	604	KINNAUR	916	RAIGARH	1021	WARDHA
208	N.C. HILLS	605	KULU	917	BASTAR	1022	NAGPUR
209	NIKIR HILLS	606	MANDI	918	BHIND	1023	BHANDARA
301	PATNA	607	MAHASU	919	SMALTOR	1024	CHANDA
302	SAHABAD	608	LAHAUL & SPITI	920	SHIVPURI	1025	KOLABA
303	GAYA	701	BANGLORE	921	GUNA	1101	BALASORE
304	SARAN	702	BELGAUM	922	VIDISHA	1102	BOLANGIR
305	CHAMPARAN	703	BELLARY	923	RAJGARH	1103	CUTTACK
306	MUZAFFARPUR	704	BIDAR	924	MORENA	1104	DHENKANAL
307	DARBHANGA	705	BIJAPUR	925	SHAJAPUR	1105	GANJAM
308	MONGHYR	706	CHICKMAGLUR	926	UJJAIN	1106	KALAHANDI
309	BHAGLPUR	707	CHITRADURGA	927	RATLAM	1107	KEDNJHAR
310	S.PARGANA	708	SOUTH KANARA	928	MANDSAUR	1108	KORAPUT
311	SAHARSA	709	DHARWAR	929	DEWAS	1109	MAYURBHANJ
312	PURNEA	710	GULBARGA	930	INDORE	1110	PHULBANI
313	HAZARI BAGH	711	HASSAN	931	WEST NIMAR	1111	PURI
314	DHANBAD	712	ODORG	932	DHAR	1112	SAMBALPUR
315	RANCHI	713	KOLAR	933	JHABUA	1113	SUNDERGARH
316	PALAMAU	714	MANDYA	934	REWA	1201	HOSHARPUR
317	SINGHBHUM	715	MYSORE	935	SATNA	1202	JULLULANDHAR
401	AHMEDABAD	716	RATCHUR	936	SIDHI	1203	LUDHIANA
402	BANASKANTHA	717	SHIMOGA			1204	FEROZPUR

CODE	DISTT NAME	CODE	DISTT NAME	CODE	DISTT NAME
1205	AMRITSAR	1506	MATHURA	1603	COOCH BIHAR
1206	GURDASPUR	1507	AGARA	1604	WEST DINAJPUR
1207	KAPURTHALA	1508	MAINPURI	1605	MALDA
1208	BHATINDA	1509	ETAH	1606	MURSIDABAD
1209	PATIALA	1510	BAREILLY	1607	NADIA
1210	SANGRUR	1511	BADNAUN	1608	24-PARGANA
1211	RUPAR	1512	SHAHJANPUR	1609	HOWRAH
1301	AJMER	1513	PILIBHIT	1610	HOOGLY
1302	ALWAR	1514	BIJNOR	1611	BURDWAN
1303	BANSWARA	1515	MORADABAD	1612	BIRBHUM
1304	BANER	1516	RAMPUR	1613	BANKURA
1305	BHARTPUR	1517	FARUKHABAD	1614	PURULIA
1306	BHILWARA	1518	ETWAH	1615	MIDNAPORE
1307	BIKANER	1519	KANPUR		
1308	BUNDI	1520	FATEHPUR		
1309	CHITTOR	1521	ALLAHABAD		
1310	DUNGARPUR	1522	JHANSI		
1311	GANGANAGAR	1523	JALALUN		
1312	JAIPIUR	1524	HAMIRPUR		
1313	JAISALMER	1525	BANDA		
1314	JALORE	1526	VARANSI		
1315	JHALWAR	1527	MIRZAPUR		
1316	JHUNJHUN	1528	JAUNPUR		
1317	JODHPUR	1529	GHAZIPIUR		
1318	KOTAH	1530	BALIA		
1319	NAGAUR	1531	GORAKHPUR		
1320	PALI	1532	DEORIA		
1321	SANAI MADHOPUR	1533	BASTI		
1322	SIKAR	1534	AZAMGARH		
1323	SIROHI	1535	LUCKNOW		
1324	TONK	1536	UNNAO		
1325	UDAIPUR	1537	RAI BARELI		
1326	CHURU	1538	SITAPUR		
1401	CHINGELPUT	1539	HARDOI		
1402	NORTH ARCOT	1540	KHERI		
1403	SOUTH ARCOT	1541	FATZABAD		
1404	SALEM	1542	GONDA		
1405	DHARMPURI	1543	BAHRAICH		
1406	COIMBATORE	1544	SULTANPUR		
1407	TIRUCHIRAPALLI	1545	PRATPGARH		
1408	THAJAVUR	1546	BARA BANKI		
1409	MADURAI	1547	NAINITAL		
1410	RAMNATHPURAM	1548	ALMORAH		
1411	TIRUNELVELI	1549	PITHORAGARH		
1412	NILGIRIS	1550	DEHRADUN		
1413	KANYAKUMARI	1551	TEHRIGARHMAL		
1501	SAHRANPUR	1552	UTTARKASHI		
1502	MUZAFFARNAGAR	1553	GARHMAL		
1503	MEERUT	1554	CHAMOLI		
1504	BULANDSAHAR	1601	DARJEELING		
1505	ALIGARH	1602	JALPAIGURI		

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