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INSTABILITY IN WHEAT: A MAJOR PROBLEM IN RECENT YEARS FACING BY FARMERS OF AKOLA DISTRICT OF MAHARASHTRA STATE

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ABSTRACT: The increase in instability in agricultural production of wheat is major problem in Akola district. It affects price instability. The proposed study was conducted in Akola district pertaining the data of twenty years i.e. from year 1986-87 to 2005-06. This period was splitted into decades. Akola is rainfed area and because of this reason there was inconsistency in area, production and productivity of wheat. Instability in area was higher in period-I i.e. 31.68 per cent. It is similar with the productivity in wheat but the instability in production was higher in period-II i.e. 37.50 than period-I. The study showed that the instability in production of wheat was more in wheat and it is a major problem of study area. Implications of innovative measures and implication of improved new technologies in such a draught prone area is necessary.

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