

Advisory (April 16-30, 2026) for
Wheat related practices across zones of India
Crop Season 2025-26

1. Wheat crop is largely at maturity; ensure timely harvesting and safeguard the harvested produce from unexpected rain and strong winds to minimize losses. Avoid irrigation in mature fields and give priority to harvesting lodged crops.
2. Farmers are advised to ensure proper moisture (12-13%) at the time of storage and do necessary cleaning for safe storage. Dry the seed bins thoroughly in the sun prior to storage of grain in them and make sure that the storage bins are free from all kinds of insects/ pests.
3. Dry the grains thoroughly before storing so that the moisture remains at a safe level (<10%). Do not store new seeds or grains with old seeds or grains. Before storing, it should be checked whether the new seeds are infested with insects or not. If it is infected, it should be fumigated with Aluminium phosphide before keeping in the storehouse. For storage of the seeds to be utilized for the next crop, treat them with insecticide like 6 ml. Malathion or 4 ml. Deltamethrin. Treat it at the rate of one quintal seed by dissolving it in 500ml water and dry it in shade and keep it in a storage container.
4. To keep the storage pest free, fumigate the seeds with two to three tablets of Aluminium phosphide (3g each) per ton of seeds for 7 to 15 days. Do this immediately after placing it in the fumigation store. After opening the fumigation room, when the gas comes out, on the same day or the next day, apply 40 ml Malathion, 38 ml. Deltamethrin or 15ml. Bifenthrin should be mixed at the rate of one liter of water and sprayed on the sacks.
5. After combine harvesting of wheat, the left over crop residue should not be burnt and it will be better if green gram crop is sown under no till conditions with residue, it will improve the soil fertility.


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