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Performance of *Kharif* jowar production in Akola district of Vidharbha region

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Paper History : Received : 17.05.2013; **Revised :** 29.07.2013; **Accepted :** 26.08.2013 **ABSTRACT :** The present study is an attempt to evaluate the growth and instability of an important crop, *Kharif* jowar. Akola district from Vidharbha region was chosen purposively as area under *Kharif* jowar was highest reported in Akola district of Vidharbha region. The study was based on secondary data pertained to the year 1991-92 to 2011-12. The results revealed that *Kharif* jowar is an important crop in Akola district. The growth rates for area and production were found significant. Instability studied in Akola indicated that *Kharif* jowar productivity exhibited less variation. It means that production of *Kharif* jowar over the period has been almost constant. Production witnessed highest instability as compared to area and productivity.

KEY WORDS : Kharif jowar, Growth rate, Degree of instability

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