

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 921
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

PESTICIDE SEDIMENTS IN TEA

921. SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether a large number of samples of tea tested positive for a cocktail of toxic pesticides and DDT was reportedly present in almost 67 per cent of the tea samples;
- b) if so, whether the tea board had conducted any study to find out pesticide sediments in the tea sold in the market with branded names;
- c) if so, the details and the findings thereof; and
- d) the action taken by the Government to ensure that Indian tea continues to be of high standards?

ANSWER

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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) to (c): Analysis of samples of tea carried out by the Tea Board through the accredited laboratories of Tea Research Institutes indicates that the presence of pesticide residues in most of the samples are within the limits of Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) prescribed by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI). The tests conducted include samples of both branded and general tea.

(d): Tea Board works with tea research institutes and other stakeholders to ensure that Indian tea continues to be of high standard with respect to food safety and quality. A comprehensive guideline on plant protection and agricultural practices including the usage of pesticides in form of Plant Protection Code is being implemented. The FSSAI also regularly reviews and updates MRLs for pesticides that are allowed to be present in tea. 'Trustea', an industry-led initiative, has been launched to enforce quality in manufactured tea. 'Trustea' certificate is granted to manufacturing units that do not use plant formulations banned by the Central and state governments or its affiliated bodies.

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 922
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

IMPORT OF OIL SEEDS

922. SHRI ARKA KESHARI DEO:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government has any plan/proposal to import oil seeds to meet country's demand;
- b) if so, the details thereof; and
- c) the likely impact of such import on domestic market in the country?

ANSWER

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- (a) Decisions on importing agricultural products including oilseeds are taken by the Government keeping in view several factors viz. domestic demand and production, domestic and international prices, likely effect on the domestic producers and consumers etc. Currently, Department of Commerce has no plan of importing oilseeds. However, Import Policy for oilseeds (other than that of seed quality and copra) classified under Chapter 12 of ITC HS Code list is 'free' subject to conditions prescribed in the Exim Policy and payment of custom tariff at applicable rates.
- (b) & (c) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

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TEA PRODUCTION

925. SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether tea productivity in the State of Assam is declining;
- b) if so, whether any survey has been conducted to ascertain the reasons therefor;
- c) whether the Government has taken any steps for enhancing tea production and productivity in Assam through promotion of improved technologies and other means; and
- d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्त्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
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(a) & (b): The productivity of tea plantations in Assam has been on increase on year to year basis for the period from 2011-12 to 2013-14, as can be seen from the table given below. However, during the current year, the productivity in Assam for the period from April – September, 2014, as given in the Table, is less in comparison to corresponding period of last year due to adverse weather conditions.

| Year | Production (Million Kgs) | Productivity (made tea kg/ha) |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2011-12 | 581.26 | 1910 |
| 2012-13 | 588.14 | 1932 |
| 2013-14 | 629.05 | 2067 |
| 2014-15 (Apr-Sep) | 414.09 | 1360 |
| 2013-14 (Apr-Sep) | 442.92 | 1455 |

(c) & (d): The government implements a Scheme for Tea Development and Promotion with the objective of enhancing production and productivity of tea throughout the country including Assam. Financial support is provided for replanting, replacement of planting and rejuvenation of old aged tea bushes. A quality upgradation programme is being implemented to upgrade old tea machinery and improve value-addition. Special attention is paid towards improving the productivity of small sector which accounts for nearly 33% of the total production in India. A separate Directorate with adequate technical manpower has been set up with its headquarter at Dibrugarh, Assam to address the developmental needs of the small growers. The Directorate would facilitate enumeration of small growers and help the growers to organize themselves into Producers' Societies. A total expenditure of Rs.246.98 crores during the Eleventh Five Year Plan period and Rs.106.50 crores during the first two

years of the Twelfth Five Year Plan Period has been incurred to support various tea development and promotion activities in Assam.

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IMPORT OF MARBLE

926(H). SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) the quantum and value of marble imported during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise;
- b) the policy framed/being followed for import of marble;
- c) whether the Union Government proposes to amend the existing marble import policy;
- d) if so, the details thereof;
- e) whether the existing marble import policy has adversely affected Rajasthan marble industry; and
- f) if so, the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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- a) The quantum and value of marble imported during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise is given in the following table:

| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15 (APRIL-AUGUST) | |
|-----------------|----------|-------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| | QTY (MT) | VALUE (Rs. Crore) | QTY (MT) | VALUE (Rs. Crore) | QTY (MT) | VALUE (Rs. Crore) | QTY (MT) | VALUE (Rs. Crore) |
| AFGHANISTAN TIS | 600.2 | 1.03 | | | 196.0 | 0.51 | 119.0 | 0.28 |
| ALBANIA | | | | | 23.0 | 0.05 | | |
| ARMENIA | | | | | 49.0 | 0.11 | | |
| AUSTRALIA | 126.9 | 0.27 | | | | | | |
| BHUTAN | 750.0 | 1.14 | 122.7 | 1.29 | 350.0 | 2.00 | | |
| BRAZIL | 0.4 | 0.00 | 116.0 | 0.49 | | | | |
| CANADA | 195.0 | 0.33 | 266.0 | 0.92 | | | | |
| CHINA P RP | 7027.7 | 33.02 | 4874.9 | 21.78 | 5038.9 | 15.45 | 3201.1 | 7.07 |

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|-----------------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|---------|--------|
| SPAIN | 5321.7 | 9.55 | 6963.5 | 13.79 | 3894.8 | 9.35 | 665.4 | 1.57 |
| SRI LANKA DSR | 1478.8 | 6.15 | 1253.5 | 6.13 | 101.5 | 0.67 | 52.9 | 0.34 |
| TAIWAN | | | 2.2 | 0.01 | | | | |
| TANZANIA REP | | | | | 765.0 | 1.61 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| THAILAND | 30.0 | 0.29 | 71.0 | 0.08 | | | | |
| TUNISIA | 151.0 | 0.28 | | | 323.4 | 0.69 | 127.5 | 0.29 |
| TURKEY | 60827.6 | 102.35 | 64614.3 | 123.11 | 41519.8 | 89.84 | 14529.0 | 31.89 |
| U ARAB EMTS | 105.8 | 0.36 | 1294.0 | 2.57 | 136.2 | 0.30 | 41.9 | 0.29 |
| U K | | | 0.4 | 0.00 | | | | |
| U S A | 681.8 | 1.42 | 56.7 | 0.18 | | | | |
| UNSPECIFIED | 172.0 | 0.25 | | | | | | |
| VIETNAM SOC REP | 12466.8 | 19.04 | 14891.5 | 27.94 | 37162.4 | 80.15 | 7149.4 | 15.78 |
| Grand Total | 330200.1 | 611.44 | 277566.3 | 557.43 | 190759.5 | 430.73 | 66026.2 | 154.80 |

b) to d) The details of policy framed/being followed for import of Marble are as under:

i) For import of rough marble and travertine blocks- the quantity has been limited to 8 lakh MT for the financial year 2014-15 with a minimum import price of US \$ 325 per MT. This has been notified vide DGFT Notification No 99 dated 20.11.2014.

ii) The import policy for processed/finished marble (under chapter 68 of ITC HS) is 'free' subject to minimum import price of US \$ 60 per sq metre (DGFT Notification No 65 dated 4.8.2011).

e) & f): No Madam, sufficient safeguards have been provided in the Policy to protect domestic marble industry, including Rajasthan Marble Industry, in the form of annual quota and minimum import price.

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IRON ORE EXPORT

931. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) the quantum and value of minerals and metals including iron ore exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year, mineral/metal and country-wise;
- b) the country's share in world's total export of minerals along with share of various States, particularly Karnataka therein during the said period; and
- c) whether recently export of iron ore from Karnataka has declined sharply and if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government to improve the situation?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्त्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
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- (a) As per Statement annexed.
- (b) As per United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), India's share of World Iron Ore Export is 2.91% in 2012. The export data published by the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCI&S) does not contain separate information on value and share of ores and minerals exported from States.
- (c) Since the imposition of ban on export of Iron Ore from July, 2010, there are no exports from the State of Karnataka.

STATEMENT

| COMMODITY | UNIT | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 (P) | | 2014-15(Apr'14 to May'14) (P) | |
|--------------------------------------|------|----------|------------------|----------|------------------|-------------|------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| | | QTY | VAL(RS CRORE) | QTY | VAL(RS CRORE) | QTY | VAL(RS CRORE) | QTY | VAL(RS CRORE) |
| IRON ORE | TON | 974787 | 686.28 | 3053180 | 2575.05 | 367354 | 337.94 | 44300 | 29.00 |
| IRON AND STEEL | TON | 16663824 | 65749.40 | 18447587 | 74125.25 | 11580001 | 54905.88 | 2184875 | 10216.13 |
| PRODUCTS OF IRON AND STEEL | | | 21732.49 | | 22184.76 | | 21677.06 | | 3823.43 |
| ALUMINIUM, PRODUCTS OF ALUMINM | TON | 1119729 | 14470.71 | 1337146 | 17766.28 | 1360912 | 19012.80 | 256203 | 3511.17 |
| COPPER AND PRDCTS MADE OF COPR | TON | 363463 | 13432.43 | 421852 | 16504.71 | 423250 | 18151.45 | 86425 | 3507.19 |
| LEAD AND PRODUCTS MADE OF LED | TON | 240687 | 2710.01 | 238633 | 2778.16 | 238353 | 3133.87 | 56417 | 744.12 |
| NICKEL, PRODUCT MADE OF NICKEL | TON | 34799 | 3912.31 | 54331 | 5516.12 | 57087 | 5475.91 | 6271 | 649.53 |
| TIN AND PRODUCTS MADE OF TIN | TON | 7692 | 866.51 | 7637 | 914.22 | 10753 | 1482.45 | 1264 | 181.59 |
| ZINC AND PRODUCTS MADE OF ZINC | TON | 131433 | 1370.48 | 163878 | 1762.35 | 148915 | 1745.30 | 33579 | 418.30 |
| OTH NON FERROUS METAL AND PRODC | | | 3527.29 | | 3934.42 | | 4582.94 | | 837.03 |

IMPORT OF IRON ORE AND METAL

Source: DGCIS, Kolkata

EXPORT OF IRON ORE AND METAL

| COMMODITY | UNIT | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 (P) | | 2014-15(Apr'14 to May'14) (P) | |
|--------------------------------------|------|----------|------------------|----------|------------------|-------------|------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|
| | | QTY | VAL(RS CRORE) | QTY | VAL(RS CRORE) | QTY | VAL(RS CRORE) | QTY | VAL(RS CRORE) |
| IRON ORE | TON | 47153196 | 22184.16 | 18119401 | 8984.57 | 16407789 | 9480.80 | 2648982 | 1260.93 |
| IRON AND STEEL | TON | 8041503 | 39759.16 | 8679786 | 44041.79 | 11490022 | 55991.50 | 1885350 | 9159.51 |
| PRODUCTS OF IRON AND STEEL | | | 33850.35 | | 40319.86 | | 41052.64 | | 6998.67 |
| ALUMINIUM, PRODUCTS OF ALUMINM | TON | 515167 | 7323.69 | 574977 | 8887.82 | 736888 | 11797.01 | 129510 | 2066.15 |
| COPPER AND PRDCTS MADE OF COPR | TON | 342526 | 14000.98 | 341008 | 16045.08 | 342950 | 17536.76 | 56150 | 2576.44 |
| LEAD AND PRODUCTS MADE OF LED | TON | 69631 | 907.43 | 47156 | 633.90 | 80766 | 1199.18 | 11436 | 156.64 |
| NICKEL, PRODUCT MADE OF NICKEL | TON | 5334 | 588.75 | 21612 | 2278.46 | 26459 | 2623.71 | 2269 | 250.05 |
| TIN AND PRODUCTS MADE OF TIN | TON | 358 | 28.36 | 235 | 18.31 | 3349 | 492.19 | 460 | 70.69 |
| ZINC AND PRODUCTS MADE OF ZINC | TON | 295067 | 3626.62 | 198669 | 2474.81 | 209370 | 2652.76 | 8620 | 125.08 |
| OTH NON FERROUS METAL AND PRODC | | | 1834.44 | | 2065.33 | | 2525.84 | | 429.71 |

Source: DGCIS, Kolkata

EXPORT OF IRON ORE

| 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 (P) | | 2014-15(Apr'14 to May'14) (P) | |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) |
| CHINA P RP | 20099.73 | CHINA P RP | 7697.78 | CHINA P RP | 7337.89 | CHINA P RP | 890.78 |
| JAPAN | 1263.96 | JAPAN | 1012.66 | JAPAN | 1487.34 | JAPAN | 336.13 |
| KOREA RP | 477.60 | NETHERLAND | 94.08 | KOREA RP | 306.49 | IRAN | 33.63 |
| NETHERLAND | 153.30 | KOREA RP | 75.96 | OMAN | 180.44 | U ARAB EMTS | 0.26 |
| BANGLADESH PR | 113.90 | SINGAPORE | 56.61 | EGYPT A RP | 46.05 | SAUDI ARAB | 0.09 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 75.69 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 47.49 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 122.60 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 0.05 |
| TOTAL | 22184.16 | Total | 8984.57 | Total | 9480.80 | Total | 1260.93 |

Source: DGI&S, Kolkata

EXPORT OF METAL

| 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 (P) | | 2014-15(Apr'14 to May'14) (P) | |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) |
| CHINA P RP | 13597.11 | U S A | 13866.00 | CHINA P RP | 15093.46 | U ARAB EMTS | 2429.88 |
| U S A | 12093.87 | CHINA P RP | 13047.96 | U S A | 13973.30 | U S A | 2296.67 |
| U ARAB EMTS | 6847.74 | U ARAB EMTS | 9021.67 | U ARAB EMTS | 10515.01 | CHINA P RP | 1519.99 |
| KOREA RP | 4239.86 | KOREA RP | 4918.72 | KOREA RP | 5932.34 | KOREA RP | 1303.35 |
| GERMANY | 3806.55 | GERMANY | 4176.42 | ITALY | 4388.23 | SAUDI ARAB | 792.20 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 61334.64 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 71734.60 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 85969.27 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 13490.86 |
| TOTAL | 101919.78 | TOTAL | 116765.36 | TOTAL | 135871.61 | TOTAL | 21832.95 |

Source: DGI&S, Kolkata

IMPORT OF IRON ORE

| 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 (P) | | 2014-15(Apr'14 to May'14) (P) | |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) |
| UKRAINE | 197.54 | SOUTH AFRICA | 878.19 | RUSSIA | 180.91 | AUSTRALIA | 28.97 |
| RUSSIA | 145.73 | BAHARAIN IS | 477.20 | BAHARAIN IS | 57.09 | CHINA P RP | 0.01 |
| BAHARAIN IS | 131.35 | UKRAINE | 362.87 | AUSTRALIA | 38.96 | SUDAN | 0.01 |
| SOUTH AFRICA | 85.19 | AUSTRALIA | 333.45 | SOUTH AFRICA | 37.36 | | |
| BELGIUM | 81.80 | RUSSIA | 152.80 | SENEGAL | 10.61 | | |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 44.68 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 370.54 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 13.00 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 686.28 | TOTAL | 2575.05 | TOTAL | 337.94 | TOTAL | 29.00 |

Source: DGI&S, Kolkata

IMPORT OF METAL

| 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 (P) | | 2014-15(Apr'14 to May'14) (P) | |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------|
| COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) | COUNTRY | VAL(RS CRORE) |
| CHINA P RP | 21105.32 | CHINA P RP | 22238.16 | CHINA P RP | 20544.08 | CHINA P RP | 4575.76 |
| KOREA RP | 11245.64 | KOREA RP | 13138.98 | KOREA RP | 12691.35 | KOREA RP | 2365.37 |
| JAPAN | 9156.95 | JAPAN | 12054.54 | JAPAN | 11014.77 | JAPAN | 2006.66 |
| U ARAB EMTS | 7240.77 | U ARAB EMTS | 8746.37 | U ARAB EMTS | 10546.49 | U ARAB EMTS | 1929.52 |
| GERMANY | 6632.04 | GERMANY | 8439.74 | GERMANY | 6156.28 | MALAYSIA | 1105.07 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 72390.90 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 80868.48 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 69214.70 | OTHER COUNTRIES | 11906.11 |
| TOTAL | 127771.63 | TOTAL | 145486.26 | TOTAL | 130167.67 | TOTAL | 23888.49 |

Source: DGI&S, Kolkata

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PRODUCTIVITY OF NATURAL RUBBER

933. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government has conducted any study on the productivity of natural rubber in the country;
- b) if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- c) the major factors affecting the rubber productivity in the country;
- d) whether climate change has also any adverse impact on rubber productivity and if so, the details thereof; and
- e) the steps taken by the Government to enhance the productivity of natural rubber in the country?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्त्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
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- (a) & (b): The Rubber Research Institute of India (RRII) under the Rubber Board regularly conducts studies pertaining to productivity of natural rubber plantations. The areas of studies undertaken by RRII, inter-alia relate to developing high yielding clones; genetic improvement through genetic diversity analysis and genome mapping; collection, conservation and utilization of domesticated and wild germplasm accessions, and studies on productivity augmenting agro-management practices. Experimental trials are undertaken to analyse the productivity of clones. Commercial yield of major clones realized in rubber plantations is also regularly evaluated.
- (c): Quality of clones used, age of rubber plantations, weather conditions, agro-climatic factors and agro-management practices are the major factors affecting rubber productivity in the country. Price of rubber also influences productivity through its impact on harvesting intensity.
- (d): Studies conducted by the RRII indicate that natural rubber (NR) productivity in Kerala could be adversely impacted to the extent of 4% to 7% while productivity in the North Eastern Region could go up by as much as 11% in the next decade if the present warming trend continues.
- (e): Major steps taken by Government to enhance productivity of NR in the country include development and popularization of new high yielding varieties of planting materials; emphasis on group approach through Rubber Producers Societies (RPS); promotion of replanting of rubber through subsidy

and provision of advisory services; and extension of rubber cultivation in North Eastern Region and Left Wing Extremism affected areas.

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NEW FOREIGN TRADE POLICY

938. SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether there is any proposal for introducing new foreign trade policy;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) the manner in which the new policy differs from the existing foreign trade policy;
- d) whether shortcomings, if any, of the existing policy have been rectified in the new policy;
- e) if so, the details thereof; and
- f) the extent to which the new policy is expected to protect the interests of the exporters and especially the Special Export Zones in the country including the SEZs in Tamil Nadu?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्तर प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
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a): Yes, Madam.

b) to f): The details of the new Foreign Trade Policy are under consultation and finalization

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CURBS ON ONION TRADE

939. SHRI J.C. DIVAKAR REDDY:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government has imposed certain restrictions/curbs on onion trade, thus causing difficulty to the farmers in selling, transportation and exporting them; and
- b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken to remove such curbs to protect the interests of those engaged in cultivating/producing onions in the country?

ANSWER

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(a & b) There is an Inter-Ministerial Committee which takes stock of the arrival of onion and modal prices prevailing in the important production and consumption centres. The Committee takes appropriate decision to calibrate export through MEP on onion from time to time after considering various factors like availability of onion in domestic market, remunerative prices to the growers and availability of agricultural products to common man at affordable prices.

The Government had imposed a Minimum Export Price (MEP) of USD 300 per MT on 17th June, 2014 on export of onions in view of the inordinately high domestic prices and anticipated shortage of onions in domestic markets with a view to safeguard the interests of domestic consumers from soaring prices. This MEP has further raised to USD 500 PMT on 2nd July, 2014 and later brought down to USD 300 PMT w.e.f. 21st August, 2014.

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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 942
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

EXCLUSION OF NATURAL RUBBER IN ASEAN

942. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government proposes to add natural rubber to exclusive/highly sensitive list under the ASEAN treaty;
- b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard;
- c) whether some difficulties/barriers have been faced by the Government in this regard; and
- d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to remove the difficulties?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्त्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a) No, Government does not propose to add natural rubber to exclusive/ highly sensitive list under the ASEAN Treaty because all marketed forms of Natural Rubber (NR) are already under the Exclusion List of India-ASEAN FTA.

(b) to (d): No action is required.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 948
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

DEFERMENT OF PLANT PROTECTION CODE BY
TEA BOARD

948. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Tea Board of India has deferred the implementation of the Plant Protection Code which was to come into effect from September 1, 2014;
- b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the time by which it is likely to be implemented;
- c) whether any request/representation have been received by the Tea Board from small tea growers in this regard; and
- d) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्त्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) & (b): As per notification issued by the Tea Board on 29th August, 2014, all clauses of the Plant Protection Code (PPC), except three clauses, namely 18, 19 and 20, are effective from 1st September, 2014. Full compliance of the Code including the above mentioned clauses is mandated from 1st January, 2015. The PPC is being implemented in phases in order to enable all stakeholders of tea sector to build adequate capacity within the given time frame and fully meet all requirements of the PPC.

(c) & (d): Representations have been received from Small Tea Growers Association from Assam and West Bengal requesting deferment of implementation of Plant Protection Code to the next cropping season. There is currently no proposal to review the date of full implementation of the PPC.

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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 963
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

IMPORT OF RICE BY STC

963(H). SHRI SUMEDHANAND SARSWATI:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Food Corporation of India (FCI) has requested State Trading Corporation (STC) to import rice from Myanmar;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether the STC is facing transport related problems in importing rice from Myanmar via Manipur due to broad gauge work being carried out on Lamding-Badarpur railway track; and
- d) if so, the manner in which the STC proposes to resolve these problems?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्त्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a)&(b) Yes, Madam. FCI has advised STC to float tenders for import of 10,000 MTs per month of rice for Manipur for meeting the requirement of Public Distribution System (PDS) and Other Welfare Scheme (OWS).

(c)&(d) As per decisions of FCI, STC would hand-over the imported cargo to FCI/State Government at Moreh Land Customers Station (LCS), Manipur and FCI/State Government would make necessary arrangement for onward transportation within State.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 969
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

ASSISTANCE TO COFFEE INDUSTRY

969. SHRI E.T. MOHAMMED BASHEER:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the coffee industry in the country has been affected by the pest menace;
- b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- c) the other steps taken/proposed to be taken to assist and protect the coffee industry in the country?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्त्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a): Stem borer pest is amongst the major constraints affecting cultivation of Arabica variety of coffee. The combined effects of higher temperatures, reduction of shade for increasing the yield of pepper grown as intercrop and lack of timely control measures by the growers have led to increase in the incidence of the pest.

About 3200 hectares of productive area in Karnataka state are reported to have been affected by stem borer due to long dry spell from Nov.2013 to May 2014 and resultant high day temperatures. The incidence was lower in other major Arabica coffee producing areas of Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Non-Traditional Areas.

(b)&(c): Several steps have been initiated to address the problem of pest in coffee cultivation. The government has approved a two year Action Plan (2014-15 & 2015-16) for combating the stem borer in affected areas. This includes, inter alia, support for gap filling, raising coffee seedlings by growers SHGs/ collectives, supply of pheromone traps at subsidized rates, and a Mission Mode approach for enhanced education, training and demonstration on stem borer control measures.

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research has included coffee White Stem Borer(WSB) as one of the components in its mega project viz., Consortium Research Programme on Insect borers' for implementation during Twelfth Five year Plan. The Coffee Board has supported a collaborative research project viz., 'Studies on Female Pheromone plant Kairomone on coffee WSB' with a view to improve the efficiency of trapping of adult beetles.

Department of Bio-technology is implementing a project through the Central Coffee Research Institute, University of Agricultural Sciences, Dharwad and a private

laboratory on bio-technological approaches to identify potential *Bt* toxins against coffee stem borer.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 995
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

EXPORT AND IMPORT OF AGRICULTURAL/FARM PRODUCTS

995. SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:
SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:
DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:
DR. K. GOPAL:
SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA:
SHRI RAJU SHETTI:
SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:
CHOUDHARY BABU LAL:
SHRI VIKRAM USENDI:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) the quantum and value of foodgrains and other agricultural/farm products exported and imported vis-a-vis target fixed in this regard during each of the last three years and the current year, commodity/item and country-wise;
- b) India's share in the global trade in foodgrains and other agricultural products along with the share of various States therein;
- c) whether the export of agricultural products is very low in comparison with other consumer products from the country and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- d) whether the export of agricultural products particularly wheat and rice has resulted in shortage and price rise of these products or their processed items in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard;
- e) the assistance/incentives/facilities being provided by the Government to the exporters to boost export of agricultural/ farm products; and
- f) the measures taken by the Government to boost export of agricultural products including any scheme being implemented by the Government through Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) in this regard?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्तर प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a) The details of quantum and value of export of major foodgrains and agricultural/farm products exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise (top 5) are given at **Annexure – I** and **Annexure – II** respectively. No targets were fixed as import and export of agri commodities depends on various factors including availability of stocks in domestic market, concerns of food security, diplomatic /

humanitarian considerations, international demands and supply situation, quality standards in the importing countries, varieties traded and price competitiveness, need to balance between remunerative prices to the growers and availability of agricultural products to common man at affordable prices.

- (b) As per the International Trade Statistics, 2014 from WTO, share of India in the global export of agricultural products is 2.7%. The state wise data is not maintained.
- (c) The share of overall agricultural exports in total merchandise export of the country in 2013-14 was 13.6% which has grown from 9.95% in 2009-10. Considering the huge population and various challenges facing the agricultural sector, the share of agriculture export cannot be considered as low.
- (d) Domestic prices of any agriculture commodity, inter-alia, are a function of several factors like domestic and international demand and supply, cost of production like labour, capital, input cost etc., prevailing domestic and international food inflation etc. and, therefore, cannot be directly attributed to exports alone.
- (e & f) The Government is taking steps to encourage exports of agro products through measures and incentives under Plan schemes of the Commodity Boards and Export Promotion Councils. Besides these measures, the Ministry of Commerce & Industry has put in place various schemes namely Market Development Assistance (MDA), Market Assistance Initiative (MAI), Assistance to States for Developing Export Infrastructure and Allied Activities (ASIDE), Vishesh Krishi and Gram Upaj Yojana, Focus Product Scheme, Focus Market Scheme etc. to provide assistance to encourage exports. APEDA provides assistance to registered members under "Agriculture Export Promotion Plan Scheme" for Quality, Infrastructure, Market Development and Transport Assistance.

Annexure – I

**Export of Major Agricultural Products
(Item-wise & country-wise)**

Quantity in MTs, Value in Rs. Crore

Rice Basmati

| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15(Apr-Sep) | |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| IRAN | 614643 | 2843.21 | 1082217 | 6463.50 | 1440454 | 10975.71 | 423431 | 3501.18 |
| SAUDI ARAB | 721246 | 3380.88 | 681193 | 3659.08 | 826120 | 6717.06 | 427352 | 3689.65 |
| IRAQ | 151961 | 672.87 | 204261 | 1076.67 | 219605 | 1599.72 | 82415 | 650.26 |
| KUWAIT | 199869 | 1362.92 | 163316 | 1059.68 | 175535 | 1513.06 | 70650 | 677.42 |
| U ARAB EMTS | 726901 | 3432.79 | 234638 | 1311.20 | 147900 | 1185.96 | 98172 | 768.46 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 754787 | 3756.92 | 1094177 | 5839.26 | 944475 | 7300.32 | 538973 | 4559.97 |
| Grand Total | 3169407 | 15449.60 | 3459802 | 19409.39 | 3754089 | 29291.82 | 1640993 | 13846.95 |

Non Basmati Rice

| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15(Apr-Sep) | |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| BENIN | 213720 | 452.75 | 576545 | 1302.45 | 1166844 | 2945.56 | 374543 | 951.90 |
| BANGLADESH | 144704 | 271.98 | 31333 | 83.36 | 662833 | 1551.33 | 412506 | 949.69 |
| SENEGAL | 333929 | 589.34 | 854559 | 1463.43 | 651984 | 1185.92 | 405450 | 728.83 |
| SOUTH AFRICA | 192121 | 407.97 | 430700 | 926.50 | 394306 | 970.64 | 194996 | 467.78 |
| LIBERIA | 31278 | 59.37 | 166306 | 334.28 | 323391 | 767.77 | 105410 | 246.64 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 3076003 | 6877.72 | 4628372 | 10338.79 | 3949070 | 10373.99 | 2163452 | 5969.77 |
| Grand Total | 3991755 | 8659.13 | 6687815 | 14448.81 | 7148428 | 17795.21 | 3656357 | 9314.61 |

Wheat

| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15(Apr-Sep) | |
|--------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| BANGLADESH | 321332 | 427.52 | 1774038 | 2801.73 | 1994693 | 3187.29 | 838183 | 1382.84 |
| KOREA | | | 1053751 | 1722.04 | 754729 | 1250.93 | 66403 | 105.98 |
| U ARAB EMTS | 115653 | 155.75 | 498132 | 805.41 | 664861 | 1149.00 | 318857 | 543.69 |
| INDONESIA | 3352 | 4.47 | 375433 | 613.56 | 325506 | 547.57 | 347544 | 583.99 |
| DJIBOUTI | 25000 | 35.32 | 461109 | 754.35 | 300939 | 515.05 | 11550 | 19.48 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 284288 | 400.14 | 2352352 | 3831.91 | 1531285 | 2627.81 | 885657 | 1522.03 |
| Grand Total | 749625 | 1023.20 | 6514815 | 10529.00 | 5572013 | 9277.65 | 2468194 | 4158.01 |

Sugar

| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15(Apr-Sep) | |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| SUDAN | 204898 | 670.00 | 400753 | 1267.99 | 491705 | 1421.02 | 132645 | 378.56 |
| IRAN | 67758 | 201.49 | 153543 | 448.59 | 377899 | 1072.98 | 93105 | 245.92 |
| SRI LANKA | 455992 | 1436.36 | 192162 | 567.38 | 284466 | 790.13 | 34872 | 93.33 |
| U ARAB EMTS | 341193 | 1057.17 | 362700 | 1063.21 | 210850 | 628.59 | 115467 | 323.83 |
| SOMALIA | 127773 | 410.29 | 202678 | 598.75 | 189143 | 527.93 | 174592 | 487.54 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 1551805 | 4991.47 | 1481943 | 4630.40 | 923576 | 2737.85 | 400386 | 1125.38 |
| Grand Total | 2749419 | 8766.78 | 2793779 | 8576.32 | 2477639 | 7178.50 | 951067 | 2654.55 |

Pulses

| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15(Apr-Sep) | |
|--------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| PAKISTAN | 42508 | 218.79 | 59059 | 297.52 | 100170 | 395.60 | 41692 | 188.22 |
| TURKEY | 23816 | 159.93 | 27720 | 203.15 | 60482 | 335.31 | 6757 | 39.43 |
| ALGERIA | 32200 | 211.24 | 36853 | 269.75 | 57553 | 329.99 | 12914 | 79.24 |
| SRI LANKA | 16865 | 117.47 | 12713 | 84.60 | 19794 | 90.95 | 14489 | 71.64 |
| SPAIN | 3814 | 21.27 | 3192 | 19.79 | 14413 | 82.22 | 5152 | 31.77 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 54299 | 339.23 | 63117 | 410.18 | 93141 | 514.73 | 40214 | 243.51 |
| Grand Total | 173502 | 1067.93 | 202654 | 1284.99 | 345553 | 1748.81 | 121218 | 653.81 |

Oil Meal

| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15(Apr-Sep) | |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| IRAN | 141971 | 251.41 | 714583 | 2206.12 | 1175597 | 4143.36 | 136430 | 310.28 |
| PAKISTAN | 511776 | 954.53 | 539108 | 1593.16 | 588697 | 1906.67 | 103534 | 335.20 |
| KOREA RP | 613161 | 554.44 | 950183 | 1411.71 | 1178776 | 1540.97 | 471749 | 534.76 |
| BANGLADESH PR | 532741 | 937.40 | 354233 | 918.17 | 560859 | 1327.37 | 244525 | 563.30 |
| THAILAND | 591614 | 973.38 | 593883 | 1588.75 | 419062 | 979.51 | 140697 | 222.24 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 5013928 | 8125.30 | 3426188 | 8801.62 | 2653513 | 7172.24 | 500112 | 1058.14 |
| Grand Total | 7405191 | 11796.46 | 6578178 | 16519.53 | 6576504 | 17070.13 | 1597047 | 3023.92 |

Source: DGCI&S

Import of Major Agricultural Products
(Item-wise & country-wise)

Quantity in MTs, Value in Rs. crore

| Vegetable Oil | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15(Apr-Sep) | |
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| INDONESIA | 4246764 | 22397.35 | 4756402 | 24253.64 | 3544424 | 18261.68 | 1809283 | 9633.78 |
| MALAYSIA | 1059835 | 5509.64 | 2456837 | 13071.29 | 1665854 | 8697.51 | 1356487 | 7144.04 |
| UKRAINE | 752387 | 4726.56 | 1107613 | 7440.60 | 1074635 | 6874.46 | 866601 | 4928.47 |
| ARGENTINA | 769388 | 4694.60 | 818641 | 5590.12 | 1091678 | 6761.36 | 885440 | 5097.93 |
| BRAZIL | 112363 | 691.06 | 218685 | 1489.96 | 225743 | 1394.36 | 255830 | 1492.69 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 141253 | 889.81 | 248070 | 1716.00 | 340560 | 2048.67 | 242163 | 1485.57 |
| Grand Total | 7081990 | 38909.02 | 9606248 | 53561.61 | 7942894 | 44038.04 | 5415804 | 29782.47 |

| Oil Meal | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15(Apr-Sep) | |
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| TANZANIA REP | 846 | 0.87 | 63906 | 90.72 | 62745 | 99.44 | 23378 | 37.11 |
| NEPAL | 39313 | 41.32 | 33211 | 45.32 | 27572 | 39.24 | 16626 | 25.47 |
| INDONESIA | 23223 | 27.06 | 11700 | 15.49 | 18492 | 27.40 | 26706 | 46.04 |
| CANADA | 1058 | 6.65 | 1132 | 8.51 | 1157 | 9.36 | 794 | 6.66 |
| PHILIPPINES | 6000 | 6.49 | 17398 | 22.60 | 6170 | 8.42 | 12800 | 21.46 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 15686 | 16.33 | 20953 | 27.74 | 10796 | 16.01 | 10018 | 14.26 |
| Grand Total | 86126 | 98.72 | 148300 | 210.38 | 126932 | 199.87 | 90322 | 151.00 |

| Pulses | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15(Apr-Sep) | |
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| CANADA | 1468145 | 3057.55 | 1107459 | 3000.98 | 1504717 | 4603.73 | 902727 | 2751.07 |
| MYANMAR | 859880 | 3252.71 | 963649 | 3540.89 | 667148 | 2768.22 | 428079 | 2257.64 |
| AUSTRALIA | 299056 | 854.86 | 721044 | 2651.36 | 342216 | 1153.87 | 150627 | 551.39 |
| U S A | 111979 | 275.77 | 178275 | 555.61 | 195846 | 673.22 | 123282 | 416.46 |
| RUSSIA | 272544 | 574.46 | 324858 | 920.11 | 215619 | 546.49 | 61357 | 164.61 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 484241 | 1433.01 | 717951 | 2675.69 | 252337 | 1291.23 | 130945 | 726.89 |
| Grand Total | 3495845 | 9448.35 | 4013236 | 13344.63 | 3177883 | 11036.75 | 1797017 | 6868.07 |

| Sugar | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15(Apr-Sep) | |
| | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
| BRAZIL | 98523 | 302.46 | 1108215 | 3041.76 | 866841 | 2231.20 | 933009 | 2319.56 |
| PAKISTAN | | | 12802 | 36.61 | 13127 | 35.58 | | |
| U S A | 282 | 4.28 | 258 | 5.47 | 215 | 5.42 | 115 | 2.75 |
| GERMANY | 89 | 1.65 | 159 | 3.50 | 137 | 4.24 | 193 | 6.48 |
| ITALY | 1 | 0.06 | 1 | 0.08 | 63 | 2.87 | 49 | 2.20 |
| OTHER COUNTRIES | 830 | 5.38 | 824 | 6.95 | 575 | 7.55 | 465 | 5.28 |
| Grand Total | 99725 | 313.83 | 1122259 | 3094.38 | 880958 | 2286.86 | 933831 | 2336.26 |

Source: DGCIS

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1013
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

DGTR

1013. SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the setting up of a Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR) has provided a level playing field to the industry and exporters, enabling them to effectively compete against the imported goods in the domestic market; and
- b) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्तर प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) and (b) : Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR) is yet to be constituted. Directorate General of Anti-Dumping & Allied Duties (DGAD) (to be re-designated as DGTR when full staff strength is provided) conducts anti-dumping and anti-subsidy investigations on the basis of duly substantiated petitions filed by domestic industries, and recommends imposition of duty, wherever appropriate, to the Department of Revenue. DGAD has recommended imposition of anti-dumping duty on 249 products since 1992, against 46 number of countries.

The basic intent of the anti-dumping and countervailing (anti-subsidy) measures is to eliminate injury caused to the domestic industry by the unfair trade practices of dumping and subsidization and to create a level playing field for the domestic industries by re-establishing a situation of open and fair competition in the Indian market.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1024
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

EXPORT/IMPORT OF MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS

1024. SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. NEPAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) the quantity and value of meat and meat products exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year, product and country-wise;
- b) the registered meat exporters/ companies in the country, State/UT-wise;
- c) the financial assistance or subsidy provided to the registered meat exporters by the Government during the said period, State/UT-wise;
- d) the other facilities/incentives provided by the Government to boost export of meat and to ensure compliance of the prescribed norms by the exporters for the purpose;
- e) whether there has been demand from various States and other quarters to impose ban/restrictions on export of meat and meat products from the country; and
- f) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्तर प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
 THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
 (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
 (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) The quantity and value of meat and meat products exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year, product and country-wise are given below:

(i) EXPORT OF MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS:

Quantity in MT/Value in Rs.Crore

| ITEM | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15 (APR TO SEP)* | |
|---------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| | QTY | VAL | QTY | VAL | QTY | VAL | QTY | VAL |
| BUFFALO MEAT | 984966 | 13741.11 | 1076100 | 17409.00 | 1365632 | 26457.82 | 689843 | 13488.30 |
| OTHER MEAT | 318 | 3.67 | 193 | 2.33 | 269 | 3.40 | 575 | 1.14 |
| PROCESSED MEAT | 576 | 9.50 | 796 | 9.37 | 507 | 7.68 | 90 | 2.56 |
| SHEEP/ GOAT MEAT | 10942 | 252.83 | 15286 | 426.47 | 22610 | 69412.00 | 13047 | 453.33 |
| Grand Total | 996802 | 14007.11 | 1092375 | 17847.17 | 1389018 | 27163.01 | 703555 | 13945.34 |

Source: DGCI&S *Provisional

(ii) IMPORT OF MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS:

Quantity in MT/Value in Rs.Crore

| ITEM | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15 (APR TO SEP)* | |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| | QTY | VAL | QTY | VAL | QTY | VAL | QTY | VAL |
| PROCESSED MEAT | 960 | 9.74 | 568 | 9.02 | 387 | 7.64 | 104 | 3.21 |
| SHEEP/ GOAT MEAT | 5 | 0.22 | 20 | 1.52 | 59 | 5.13 | 52 | 5.12 |
| OTHER MEAT | 544 | 12.47 | 427 | 15.71 | 360 | 15.80 | 250 | 10.23 |
| Grand Total | 1509 | 22.43 | 1015 | 26.25 | 806 | 28.57 | 406 | 18.56 |

Source: DGCI&S *Provisional

(iii) COUNTRY-WISE EXPORT OF MEAT & MEAT PRODUCTS:

Value in Rs.Crore

| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 | 2014-15(APR TO SEP)* |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| VIETNAM SOC REP | 4051.77 | 5129.19 | 10976.18 | 5875.27 |
| MALAYSIA | 1404.13 | 1943.71 | 2356.42 | 1241.49 |
| EGYPT A RP | 1143.20 | 1257.20 | 2033.33 | 1457.99 |
| THAILAND | 443.80 | 1448.35 | 1790.42 | 810.08 |
| SAUDI ARAB | 1079.45 | 1301.22 | 1691.79 | 892.89 |
| Others | 5884.76 | 6767.49 | 8314.88 | 3667.62 |
| Total | 14007.11 | 17847.17 | 27163.01 | 13945.34 |

Source: DGCI&S *Provisional

(iv) COUNTRY-WISE IMPORT OF MEAT & MEAT PRODUCTS:

Value in Rs.Crore

| COUNTRY | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 | 2014-15 (APR TO SEP)* |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| SRI LANKA DSR | 10.46 | 8.53 | 8.84 | 4.00 |
| AUSTRALIA | - | 1.35 | 4.15 | 2.46 |
| BELGIUM | 1.29 | 4.31 | 4.01 | 3.60 |
| NETHERLAND | 5.59 | 3.81 | 3.79 | 1.53 |
| ITALY | 1.31 | 3.90 | 3.10 | 1.82 |
| Others | 3.78 | 4.36 | 4.68 | 5.15 |
| Total | 22.43 | 26.25 | 28.58 | 18.56 |

Source: DGCI&S *Provisional

(b) State-wise APEDA approved registered meat abattoirs and Meat Processing Plants are given below:

| State | Nos. of abattoirs-cum-meat processing plants /standalone abattoirs | Nos. of Meat Processing Plants |
|-------------|--|--------------------------------|
| U.P. | 32 | 24 |
| Maharashtra | 9 | 5 |
| Punjab | 4 | - |
| Telangana | 3 | - |
| Kerala | 2 | - |
| Haryana | 1 | 1 |
| Nagaland | 1 | - |
| Chennai | 1 | 1 |
| West Bengal | 1 | - |
| Bihar | 1 | - |
| New Delhi | - | 1 |
| Karnataka | - | 1 |
| Rajasthan | - | 1 |

- (c) APEDA, an autonomous organization under the Department of Commerce, provides financial assistance/subsidy to the registered meat exporters under the Agriculture Promotion Plan Scheme under components like specialised transport vehicle for meat products, in house laboratory and HACCP implementation for meat products and transport assistance for meat products. The financial assistance/ subsidy provided by APEDA under the above Plan scheme during the last three years is as under:-

(Rs. in crores)

| 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 28.17 | 18.91 | 18.16 |

Source: APEDA

The financial assistance or subsidy provided to the registered meat exporters are not maintained state-wise. The transport assistance component for export of meat products has been discontinued since 01.01.2014

- (d) In addition to the above, the Government has taken following steps to promote the export of scheduled products including meat and meat products:-

- (i) APEDA acts as facilitating body for helping exporters to overcome various trade related issues, particularly exports.
- (ii) APEDA regularly disseminates information of various trade related aspects to the exporters.
- (iii) Participation in international trade fairs to promote Indian meat products.

(e) & (f): No, Madam. There has been no demand from any State to impose ban /restrictions on export of meat and meat products in the recent past. However, representations are being received from time to time from some religious/social organisations demanding ban on export of meat and its products. The existing export policy is in the interest of the farmers, livestock producers, meat consumers, traders, stake holders and stake holders of other sectors such as dairy, leather, animal feed etc.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1028
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

INDO-US TRADE AGREEMENTS

1028. SHRI C.N. JAYADEVEN:
SHRI SANJAY HARIBHAU JADHAV:
SHRI M. RAJA MOHAN REDDY:
SHRI R. DHRUVA NARAYANA:
SHRI RAVNEET SINGH

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether any Indian delegation has recently visited the United States (US) to hold consultation and make agreements relating to bilateral trade;
- b) if so, the details thereof indicating the consultations held and agreements signed in this regard during the said visit;
- c) whether any decision was taken to form a Trade Policy Forum (TPF) to discuss trade and investment issues between the two countries; and
- d) if so, the details thereof along with the progress made in this regard?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्तर प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a)&(b): No, Madam. No Indian delegation from Department of Commerce has recently visited the United States to hold consultations and make agreements relating to bilateral trade.

(c)&(d): India-US TPF is already in existence since the time it was first established in July, 2005. The Indo-US TPF is designed to enhance bilateral trade and investment relations between India and the United States.

The 8th Ministerial Meeting of the TPF was recently held in New Delhi on 25th November, 2014. During the meeting a range of issues including Market Access for identified products, market access for pharmaceutical & traditional medicines and pharmacopeia besides Totalisation Agreement and US Immigration Reforms were discussed.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1043
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

EXPORT AND IMPORT OF SPICES

1043(H). SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS:
SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) the quantum and value of export and import of different spices during each of the last three years and the current year, item and country-wise;
- b) the share of India in world's total export along with share of various states therein;
- c) whether a huge influx of spices particularly cardamom from foreign countries to Indian markets has resulted in fall in price of Indian spices, particularly cardamom;
- d) if so, the details thereof along with the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- e) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to boost export of spices including pepper and cardamom and indicating the support provided to their growers for adopting/following organic cultivation and planting methods?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्तर प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) : The item-wise export and import of spices for the last three years and current year up to September 2014 are given in Annexures I & II respectively. Details of country wise export and import details of spices are given in Annexures III & IV respectively.

(b): Export of spices from India accounts for 48% in volume and 43% in value of the global spice trade. Share of states in export is not compiled as spices from various states are transported to major market centers across the country and exported through the ports.

(c) & (d): Details of production and import of spices including Cardamom and the average domestic price of Cardamom and the imported Cardamom are given at Annexure-V. Compared with domestic production, the import of spices including cardamom is small and has not had a significant impact on domestic prices. The government has taken measures to prevent inflow of cardamom through illegal means by alerting the custom authorities.

(e): Spices Board implements various export development and promotional activities and assists the producers and exporters for increasing the export of spices and spice products from the country. High-end value addition in spices is encouraged through upgradation of quality and providing infrastructural facilities through spices parks and laboratories. The Spices Board provides financial assistance to farmers for organic farm certification, support for setting up organic farm input units and organic cultivation of spices with a view to promote organic production of spices.

ITEM-WISE EXPORT OF SPICES FROM INDIA

| ITEM-WISE EXPORT OF SPICES FROM INDIA | | (QTY. IN TONNES & VALUE IN Rs. LAKHS) | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| | 2011-12 | | 2012-13(P) | | 2013-14(Est) | | 2014-15(APR- SEPT) | |
| ITEM | QTY | VALUE | QTY | VALUE | QTY | VALUE | QTY | VALUE |
| PEPPER | 26,700 | 87,813.45 | 15,363 | 63,810.29 | 21,250 | 94,002.34 | 10,100 | 51,486.00 |
| CARDAMOM(S) | 4,650 | 36,322.28 | 2,372 | 21,215.04 | 3,600 | 28,380.88 | 1,295 | 10,806.75 |
| CARDAMOM(L) | 935 | 6,830.00 | 1,217 | 6,254.59 | 1,110 | 7,961.15 | 215 | 2,826.40 |
| CHILLI | 241,000 | 214,408.00 | 301,000 | 238,060.90 | 312,500 | 272,227.20 | 161,000 | 154,730.00 |
| GINGER | 21,550 | 20,420.02 | 22,207 | 18,725.14 | 23,300 | 25,614.27 | 8,300 | 10,273.00 |
| TURMERIC | 79,500 | 73,434.40 | 88,513 | 55,487.70 | 77,500 | 66,675.85 | 43,000 | 34,455.00 |
| CORIANDER | 28,100 | 16,401.85 | 35,902 | 20,182.59 | 45,750 | 37,185.65 | 23,000 | 24,005.00 |
| CUMIN | 45,500 | 64,442.05 | 85,602 | 115,306.61 | 121,500 | 160,006.00 | 87,500 | 97,750.00 |
| CELERY | 3,650 | 2,340.05 | 5,171 | 2,977.26 | 5,600 | 3,661.48 | 3,050 | 2,160.00 |
| FENNEL | 8,100 | 7,209.20 | 13,811 | 10,466.12 | 17,300 | 16,001.42 | 6,450 | 6,980.50 |
| FENUGREEK | 21,800 | 7,275.20 | 29,622 | 10,488.12 | 35,575 | 13,378.37 | 10,950 | 5,691.50 |
| OTHER SEEDS (1) | 13,050 | 5,881.25 | 18,442 | 11,178.60 | 27,800 | 15,425.65 | 12,000 | 6,755.00 |
| GARLIC | 2,200 | 1,415.70 | 22,872 | 6,868.14 | 25,650 | 8,387.05 | 5,810 | 2,427.00 |
| NUTMEG & MACE | 3,620 | 24,097.51 | 3,231 | 22,591.87 | 4,450 | 26,285.62 | 1,525 | 8,980.00 |
| OTHER SPICES (2) | 35,900 | 32,033.00 | 34,298 | 30,209.03 | 34,700 | 41,846.80 | 17,000 | 22,070.00 |
| CURRY POWDER/PASTE | 17,000 | 25,208.25 | 17,436 | 27,515.66 | 23,750 | 40,132.03 | 11,150 | 20,820.00 |
| MINT PRODUCTS (3) | 14,750 | 222,372.00 | 20,039 | 394,049.95 | 24,500 | 343,042.20 | 13,300 | 146,325.00 |
| SPICE OILS & OLEORESINS | 7,265 | 130,438.28 | 9,515 | 155,888.19 | 11,415 | 173,324.85 | 5,925 | 87,745.00 |
| TOTAL | 575,270 | 978,342.48 | 726,613 | 1,211,275.80 | 817,250 | 1,373,539.26 | 421,570 | 696,286.15 |
| VALUE IN MILLION US \$ | | 2,037.76 | | 2,212.13 | | 2,267.67 | | 1152.08 |
| (1) INCLUDE BISHOPS WEED(AJWANSEED), DILL SEED, POPPY SEED, ANISEED, MUSTARD ETC. | | | | | | | | |
| (2) INCLUDE ASAFOETIDA, CINNAMON, CASSIA, CAMBODGE, SAFFRON, SPICES (NES) ETC. | | | | | | | | |
| (3) INCLUDE MENTHOL, MENTHOL CRYSTALS AND MINT OILS. | | | | | | | | |
| SOURCE : DGCI&S., CALCUTTA/SHIPPING BILLS/EXPORTERS' RETURNS. | | | | | | | | |

Annexure-II**ITEM-WISE IMPORT OF SPICES INTO INDIA**

| ITEM-WISE IMPORT OF SPICES INTO INDIA (QTY. IN TONNES & VALUE IN Rs. LAKHS) | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| SPICES | 2011-12 | | 2012-13(P) | | 2013-14(E) | | 2014-15 (APR-SEPT) | |
| | QTY | VALUE | QTY | VALUE | QTY | VALUE | QTY | VALUE |
| PEPPER (1) | 17,565 | 53339.88 | 15,600 | 56944.18 | 15,680 | 61620.37 | 11,950 | 58,097.50 |
| CARDAMOM(SMALL) | 51 | 361.71 | 495 | 1612.44 | 1,110 | 3165.00 | 925 | 2,295.55 |
| CARDAMOM(LARGE) | 2,330 | 10390.00 | 3,895 | 14558.80 | 3,705 | 21406.20 | 400 | 2,130.00 |
| CHILLI / PAPRIKA | 1,740 | 2133.93 | 1,225 | 940.22 | 580 | 1034.73 | 0 | 0.00 |
| GINGER FRESH / DRY | 16,920 | 4739.26 | 57,090 | 10409.89 | 36,400 | 10177.90 | 7,950 | 5,355.00 |
| TURMERIC | 2,325 | 3060.52 | 2,495 | 2173.89 | 7,350 | 5931.55 | 4,950 | 4,557.00 |
| CORIANDER | 3,775 | 2722.76 | 4,470 | 3526.04 | 4,640 | 5177.10 | 700 | 771.00 |
| CUMIN BLACK / WHITE | 665 | 839.31 | 120 | 165.36 | 570 | 923.40 | 0 | 0.00 |
| MUSTARD SEED | 345 | 92.38 | 55 | 12.84 | 200 | 99.20 | 130 | 55.50 |
| POPPY SEED | 24,075 | 26847.93 | 11,630 | 23221.50 | 14,800 | 30487.55 | 8,500 | 17,135.00 |
| GARLIC | 310 | 220.05 | 95 | 105.30 | 80 | 99.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| CLOVE | 12,175 | 44081.58 | 10,105 | 45188.27 | 10,900 | 55496.35 | 5,050 | 21,333.50 |
| NUTMEG | 735 | 3173.17 | 720 | 3575.04 | 800 | 3941.11 | 190 | 1,141.00 |
| MACE | 280 | 3466.66 | 567 | 4937.27 | 700 | 6283.74 | 205 | 1,461.50 |
| CASSIA | 15,655 | 9169.33 | 12,180 | 8225.59 | 18,200 | 13066.45 | 10,050 | 9,730.00 |
| STAR ANISE | 2,850 | 4725.10 | 4,695 | 7482.40 | 2,695 | 4733.15 | 1,600 | 2,878.00 |
| OTHER SPICES (2) | 7,760 | 15604.24 | 4,960 | 7848.88 | 9,450 | 34453.60 | 4,950 | 14,940.00 |
| OILS &OLEORESINS (3) | 1,580 | 24479.94 | 1,325 | 19303.95 | 2,150 | 32417.36 | 975 | 16,462.75 |
| TOTAL | 111,136 | 209,447.75 | 131,722 | 210,231.86 | 130,010 | 290,513.76 | 58,525 | 158,343.30 |
| VALUE IN MILLION US \$ | | 445.18 | | 387.90 | | 481.86 | | 264.23 |
| '(P): Provisional (E): Estimate | | | | | | | | |
| Import figures for the current year are only quick estimates and subject to revision | | | | | | | | |

(1) INCLUDE WHITE PEPPER, LIGHT PEPPER AND BLACK PEPPER

(2) INCLUDE ANISEED, ASAFOETIDA, CINNAMON, PEPPER LONG, CAMBODGE, HERABAL SPICES AND SPICES NES.

(3) INCLUDE SPICES OILS & OLEORESINS AND MINT PRODUCTS.

Annexure-III

| MAJOR COUNTRY-WISE EXPORT OF TOTAL SPICES FROM INDIA | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| | 2011-12 | | 2012-13(P) | | 2013-14(E) | |
| COUNTRY | QTY (MT) | VALUE (LAKHS) | QTY (MT) | VALUE (LAKHS) | QTY (MT) | VALUE (LAKHS) |
| U.S.A | 46046 | 160543.54 | 71087 | 211572.30 | 71038 | 235237.87 |
| CHINA | 21015 | 86806.23 | 25751 | 201791.56 | 21571 | 162896.85 |
| VIETNAM | 15929 | 27712.34 | 60908 | 63595.26 | 84214 | 106805.69 |
| MALAYSIA | 54953 | 54327.91 | 64947 | 49387.73 | 62796 | 62951.67 |
| U.A.E | 60946 | 58822.55 | 57238 | 47713.42 | 58932 | 58007.78 |
| U.K | 16511 | 40106.38 | 22101 | 46650.93 | 23192 | 54053.57 |
| GERMANY | 6427 | 36795.46 | 7125 | 39575.25 | 8148 | 38260.15 |
| SINGAPORE | 8553 | 35615.31 | 7927 | 36673.94 | 8362 | 24576.20 |
| SAUDI ARABIA | 21922 | 42708.93 | 22351 | 35594.83 | 25812 | 35637.61 |
| THAILAND | 13628 | 15299.43 | 38303 | 31870.42 | 5662 | 10401.55 |
| NETHERLANDS | 5976 | 26073.27 | 6586 | 29694.38 | 7778 | 32957.83 |
| SRI LANKA | 51035 | 35598.98 | 48528 | 28743.88 | 58428 | 39140.34 |
| MEXICO | 7641 | 12075.38 | 15383 | 22226.93 | 12602 | 18742.84 |
| BANGLADESH | 35131 | 25171.38 | 34193 | 21381.62 | 18969 | 13308.32 |
| NEPAL | 7238 | 3123.61 | 26047 | 18799.07 | 21525 | 14397.91 |
| BRAZIL | 5508 | 15767.53 | 6661 | 18470.33 | 8193 | 15704.82 |
| INDONESIA | 26168 | 22231.87 | 22237 | 18331.33 | 73267 | 72699.34 |
| PAKISTAN | 34891 | 30616.61 | 20671 | 18008.88 | 7573 | 9573.46 |
| JAPAN | 7155 | 23873.08 | 6628 | 17772.70 | 6754 | 21289.80 |
| FRANCE | 3232 | 10524.19 | 3890 | 17568.66 | 3875 | 14168.04 |
| EGYPT(A.R.E) | 11532 | 10431.36 | 20911 | 17554.56 | 18814 | 17746.78 |
| SPAIN | 5815 | 11110.38 | 11031 | 17328.58 | 12756 | 22918.41 |
| SOUTH AFRICA | 9787 | 16305.71 | 12058 | 15806.99 | 11792 | 17112.33 |
| AUSTRALIA | 4686 | 11545.42 | 5448 | 11652.26 | 5547 | 12848.33 |
| OTHERS | 93546 | 165155.63 | 108603 | 173509.99 | 179650 | 262101.74 |
| TOTAL | 575270 | 978342.48 | 726613 | 1211275.80 | 817250 | 1373539.25 |
| VALUE IN MLNUS\$ | | 2037.76 | | 2212.13 | | 2267.67 |
| Note: The country wise figures are compiled after completion of the financial year. | | | | | | |
| (P) Provisional (E): Estimate | | | | | | |
| Source : DGCI&S Kolkata/Exporters returns/DLE from customs | | | | | | |

Annexure-IV

COMMODITY / COUNTRY-WISE IMPORT OF SPICES INTO INDIA

| COMMODITY/ ITEM | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14(Est) | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| | QTY (MT) | VALUE (Rs. LAKHS) | QTY (MT) | VALUE (Rs. LAKHS) | QTY (MT) | VALUE (Rs. LAKHS) |
| PEPPER | | | | | | |
| SRI LANKA | 3651.60 | 13564.55 | 6838.29 | 25850.00 | 8074.71 | 30770.32 |
| VIETNAM | 6498.97 | 16927.81 | 4130.37 | 14800.00 | 4601.79 | 18137.62 |
| INDONESIA | 6597.70 | 20002.20 | 4600.00 | 16250.59 | 2235.41 | 8794.38 |
| BRAZIL | 364.00 | 1215.49 | | | 125.00 | 575.21 |
| MALAYSIA | | | | | 18.00 | 85.53 |
| ITEM TOTAL | 17565.00 | 53339.88 | 15600.00 | 56944.18 | 15680.00 | 61620.37 |
| CARDMOM(SMALL) | | | | | | |
| GUATEMALA | 49.00 | 354.16 | 495.00 | 1612.44 | 1052.00 | 3027.75 |
| UAE | 0.80 | 7.55 | | | | |
| ITEMTOTAL | 51.00 | 361.71 | 495.00 | 1612.44 | 1110.00 | 3052.50 |
| CARDAMOM(LARGE) | | | | | | |
| NEPAL | 2321.82 | 10376.49 | 3895.00 | 14558.80 | 3705.00 | 21406.20 |
| ITEM TOTAL | 2330.00 | 10390.00 | 3895.00 | 14558.80 | 3705.00 | 21406.20 |
| CHILLI/PAPRIKA | | | | | | |
| CHINA | 1618.88 | 1942.15 | 799.63 | 748.44 | 78.91 | 84.02 |
| SPAIN | 19.09 | 29.88 | 0.79 | 2.40 | | |
| INDONESIA | | | | | | |
| OTHERS | 102.00 | 161.90 | | | | |
| ITEM TOTAL | 1740.00 | 2133.93 | 1225.00 | 940.22 | 580.00 | 1034.73 |
| GINGER FRESH/DRY | | | | | | |
| NEPAL | 14190.52 | 1332.75 | 50000.00 | 6500.00 | 29180.00 | 4419.81 |
| NIGERIA | 1314.33 | 1823.76 | 2757.87 | 2256.45 | 4528.35 | 3214.14 |
| ETHIOPIA | 100.00 | 160.45 | 209.00 | 156.46 | 411.10 | 312.68 |
| CHINA | 349.96 | 707.58 | 187.00 | 270.81 | 285.59 | 284.90 |
| BURMA(MYANMAR) | 281.00 | 319.37 | 186.00 | 123.24 | 60.00 | 49.62 |
| ITEM TOTAL | 16920.00 | 4739.26 | 57090.00 | 10409.89 | 36400.00 | 10177.90 |
| TURMERIC | | | | | | |
| INDONESIA | 1021.90 | 1052.06 | 358.00 | 297.68 | 605.24 | 401.99 |
| VIETNAM | 171.90 | 271.51 | 703.71 | 665.64 | 1705.96 | 1707.66 |
| BURMA(MYANMAR) | 831.77 | 1346.09 | 1254.00 | 1048.28 | 2891.34 | 2756.08 |
| ITEM TOTAL | 2325.00 | 3060.52 | 2495.00 | 2173.89 | 7350.00 | 5931.55 |
| CORIANDER | | | | | | |
| ITALY | 2741.91 | 2101.00 | 3656.00 | 3016.60 | 3518.52 | 4111.77 |
| U.S.A | 178.80 | 173.80 | 318.50 | 295.03 | 437.50 | 504.77 |
| RUSSIA | 182.18 | 74.99 | 149.00 | 59.54 | 32.00 | 17.78 |
| BULGARIA | 290.00 | 125.30 | | | 22.50 | 24.98 |
| ROMANIA | 57.05 | 33.82 | 87.00 | 29.70 | | |
| NEW ZEALAND | 26.05 | 22.56 | | | | |
| ITEM TOTAL | 3775.00 | 2722.76 | 4470.00 | 3526.04 | 4640.00 | 5177.10 |
| POPPY SEED | | | | | | |
| TURKEY | 23086.00 | 25742.62 | 11000.00 | 12642.86 | 14000.00 | 28832.00 |
| CHINA | 989.00 | 1105.28 | 600.00 | 774.00 | 731.00 | 1652.07 |
| ITEM TOTAL | 24075.00 | 26847.90 | 11630.00 | 23221.50 | 14800.00 | 30487.55 |
| CLOVE | | | | | | |

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|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| TANZANIA | 1555.60 | 8128.37 | 1959.80 | 10659.88 | 3526.64 | 23513.32 |
| MADAGASCAR | 5568.38 | 21175.60 | 4655.17 | 18579.21 | 3168.40 | 14569.44 |
| SRI LANKA | 1976.00 | 8691.98 | 2252.27 | 13033.93 | 2401.21 | 13725.27 |
| INDONESIA | 1691.88 | 1939.47 | 1012.42 | 1078.02 | 795.20 | 871.20 |
| ITEM TOTAL | 10791.86 | 39935.42 | 10105.00 | 45188.27 | 10900.00 | 55496.35 |
| NUTMEG | | | | | | |
| SRI LANKA | 514.17 | 2264.40 | 525.08 | 2352.30 | 261.77 | 1500.00 |
| INDONESIA | 214.10 | 880.00 | 173.00 | 1084.77 | 296.69 | 2011.00 |
| SINGAPORE | | | | | | |
| ITEM TOTAL | 734.47 | 3173.17 | 720.00 | 3575.04 | 800.00 | 3941.11 |
| MACE | | | | | | |
| INDONESIA | 111.65 | 1076.38 | 425.72 | 3291.13 | 296.69 | 2399.75 |
| SRI LANKA | 159.15 | 2286.14 | 141.00 | 1641.17 | 292.17 | 3057.96 |
| SINGAPORE | | | | | | |
| ITEM TOTAL | 280.00 | 3466.66 | 567.00 | 4937.27 | 700.00 | 6283.74 |
| CASSIA | | | | | | |
| VIETNAM | 10056.68 | 6182.90 | 10000.00 | 7000.00 | 13826.39 | 10602.55 |
| CHINA | 4351.99 | 2253.39 | 2180.00 | 1200.00 | 4000.00 | 2360.00 |
| ITEM TOTAL | 14408.67 | 8436.29 | 12180.00 | 8225.59 | 18200.00 | 13066.45 |
| STAR ANISE | | | | | | |
| VIETNAM | 1878.45 | 3186.00 | 4533.23 | 7143.13 | 2500.00 | 4500.00 |
| CHINA | 902.02 | 1440.59 | 140.00 | 250.63 | 20.40 | 15.54 |
| HONGKONG | 58.00 | 86.76 | | | | |
| ITEM TOTAL | 2850.00 | 4725.10 | 4695.00 | 7482.40 | 2695.00 | 4733.15 |
| SPICE OILS & OLERNES | | | | | | |
| CHINA | 1116.03 | 18757.40 | 863.89 | 15149.03 | 1476.09 | 25276.38 |
| MADAGASCAR | 58.00 | 472.92 | 20.00 | 141.89 | 240.50 | 2186.29 |
| SRI LANKA | 41.62 | 1551.25 | 130.10 | 1131.55 | 110.28 | 1880.00 |
| U.S.A | 40.77 | 399.09 | 47.16 | 741.37 | 94.08 | 1007.37 |
| INDONESIA | 213.61 | 2015.85 | 160.29 | 1000.32 | 56.63 | 620.45 |
| RUSSIA | 5.24 | 172.86 | 8.59 | 250.21 | 6.14 | 307.75 |
| FRANCE | 19.45 | 80.00 | 14.45 | 117.45 | 11.31 | 140.23 |
| SINGAPORE | 14.91 | 149.99 | 27.47 | 218.29 | 1.50 | 17.68 |
| MEXICO | 9.00 | 189.56 | 7.00 | 140.40 | 4.01 | 13.71 |
| ITEM TOTAL | 1580.00 | 24479.94 | 1325.00 | 19303.95 | 2150.00 | 32417.56 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 111136.00 | 209447.75 | 131722.00 | 210231.86 | 130010.00 | 290513.76 |

(Est) : Estimate

Source : DGCI&S Kolkata/DLI from customs

| PRODUCTION AND IMPORT OF SPICES INTO INDIA | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| YEAR | TOTAL PRODUCTION (MT) | TOTAL IMPORT (MT) | PRODN. OF CARDAMOM (MT) | IMPORT OF CARDAMOM (MT) |
| 2011-12 | 6324920 | 111136 | 15000 | 51 |
| 2012-13 | 5801114 | 131722 | 14000 | 495 |
| 2013-14 | 5833870 | 130010 | 14795 | 1110 |
| 2014-15 (*) | NA | 58525 | 16000 | 925 |
| Note: Total production figures for 2014-15 are available after the current crop season Cardamom : Preliminary estimates. Import : Figures - April - September. | | | | |

Average Domestic Price of the Cardamom and Average Import Price of Cardamom

| Year | Avg. Domestic Price of Cardamom (Rs/Kg) | Average Import price of Cardamom (Rs/Kg) |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| 2011-12 | 645.62 | 709.24 |
| 2012-13 | 686.89 | 325.75 |
| 2013-14 | 649.2 | 285.14 |
| 2014-15 (Aug- Oct) | 767.84 | 248.17 |

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1059
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES

1059. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:
SHRI DUSHYANT CHAUTALA:
SHRI CHANDRAKANT KHAIRE:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRI FEROZE VARUN GANDHI:
SHRI VENKATESH BABU T.G.:
KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:
SHRIMATI SAKUNTALA LAGURI:
SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:
SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) the details of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) presently functional/non- functional in the country, State/UT-wise along with the incentives/facilities/tax/ rebates/financial assistance provided by the Government to the units in SEZs, and its contribution in country's economy, employment generation and export during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- b) whether the Government has recently cancelled approval of some SEZs in the country and if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- c) whether the Government also proposes to impose penalty on those developers and has asked to refund the duty benefits availed by them, if so, the details thereof and the response of the developers thereto;
- d) whether there has been demands from various quarters for discontinuing or reducing the Minimum Alternate Tax (MAT), Dividend Distribution TAX (DDT) and relaxation in land acquisition norms and if so, the details thereof along with the response of the Government thereto; and
- e) the measures taken/being taken by the Government to review/revamp the current SEZ policy and issues relating to infrastructure for non-core uses of SEZs and to make the recently announced new Foreign Trade Policy WTO complaint?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्त्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a): In addition to Seven Central Government Special Economic Zones (SEZs) and 11 State/Private Sector SEZs set-up prior to the enactment of the SEZ Act, 2005, approval

has been accorded to 524 proposals out of which 352 SEZs have been notified. There are a total of 196 functional SEZs. The fiscal concessions and duty benefits allowed to Special Economic Zones (SEZs) are in built into the SEZs Act, 2005 and SEZs Rules, 2006 framed thereunder. These exemptions are uniformly applicable to all SEZs and are in the nature of incentives for export and are consistent with the principles that guide export promotion initiatives of the Government in general.

States/UTs-wise details of functional/non-functional SEZs and their contribution to exports and employment generation during the last three years and the current year are at **Annexure-I** and **Annexure-II** respectively.

(b) & (c): Recently Board of Approval on Special Economic Zones (SEZs) has approved for de-notification/cancellation of 35 notified/formally approved SEZs (**Annexure-III**) as the progress made by the Developers of these SEZs is not satisfactory. These de-notification/cancellation are subject to payment of all applicable duties and tax benefits availed by the Developer and receipt of No-objection Certificate (NOC) from the concerned State Government. Further, 18 in-principle approved SEZs (**Annexure-IV**) have been cancelled by the Department owing to no further action has been taken by the Developers.

(d): There have been demands from various quarters for discontinuing of Minimum Alternate Tax (MAT) imposed to SEZ Developers and Units and Dividend Distribution Tax (DDT) levied on SEZ Developers. Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department of Commerce) had recommended the restoration of original exemption from Minimum Alternate Tax (MAT) and Dividend Distribution Tax (DDT) to SEZ developers and units. However, Ministry of Finance has not agreed.

As per entry no. 18 of the State list in the 7th schedule to the Constitution of India, land is a State subject.

(e): Review of functioning of SEZs is an on-going process and on the basis of inputs/suggestions received from stakeholders on the policy and operational framework of the SEZ Scheme, Government periodically takes necessary measures so as to facilitate speedy and effective implementation of SEZ Scheme.

| States/UTs-wise details of functional SEZs | | |
|---|--|---------------------------|
| States/UTs | Functional SEZs (Central Govt. + State Govt./Pvt. SEZs + notified SEZs under the SEZ Act, 2005) | Nonfunctional SEZs |
| Andhra Pradesh | 18 | 27 |
| Chandigarh | 2 | 0 |
| Chhattisgarh | 1 | 2 |
| Delhi | 0 | 3 |
| Goa | 0 | 7 |
| Gujarat | 18 | 24 |
| Haryana | 6 | 31 |
| Jharkhand | 0 | 1 |
| Karnataka | 25 | 34 |
| Kerala | 14 | 19 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 2 | 19 |
| Maharashtra | 25 | 54 |
| Manipur | 0 | 1 |
| Nagaland | 0 | 2 |
| Odisha | 2 | 7 |
| Puducherry | 0 | 2 |
| Punjab | 2 | 6 |
| Rajasthan | 4 | 7 |
| Tamil Nadu | 36 | 29 |
| Telangana | 24 | 36 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 10 | 24 |

| | | |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Uttarakhand | 0 | 1 |
| West Bengal | 7 | 10 |
| GRAND TOTAL | 196 | 346 |

Annexure-II

| States/UTs-wise details of contribution of Exports and Employment from SEZs during the last three years and current financial year | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|--|---------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| | | Exports | | | | Employment* | | | |
| | | <i>(Rs. in Crore)</i> | | | | <i>(In Persons)</i> | | | |
| Sl. No. | States/UTs | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 | 2014-15 (as on 30.9.2014) | 2011-12 | 2012-13 | 2013-14 | 2014-15 (as on 30.9.2014) |
| 1 | Gujarat | 182414.33 | 226937.74 | 225042 | 107602.42 | 42097 | 51190 | 75586 | 64356 |
| 2 | Karnataka | 22006.81 | 39363.94 | 51372.88 | 21682.80 | 85055 | 141366 | 193686 | 206096 |
| 3 | Tamil Nadu | 50152.39 | 67618 | 71417 | 35847.40 | 219989 | 237950 | 268405 | 288160 |
| 4 | Maharashtra | 24198.83 | 42962.25 | 56399.23 | 26073.40 | 194469 | 271134 | 339919 | 340061 |
| 5 | Kerala | 31373.3 | 33824.47 | 8003.64 | 2853.77 | 23799 | 25701 | 32311 | 45581 |
| 6 | Andhra Pradesh | 18163.8 | 27687.71 | 33291.07 | 3955.01 | 117266 | 144346 | 157280 | 46024 |
| 7 | Telangana | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16598 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 128749 |
| 8 | Uttar Pradesh | 13637.38 | 12591.49 | 16282.42 | 7736.87 | 63637 | 75101 | 83970 | 89684 |
| 9 | West Bengal | 14870.7 | 15050.7 | 16204.27 | 2696.75 | 36309 | 55656 | 48112 | 49599 |
| 10 | Haryana | 3442.95 | 4980.75 | 8740.43 | 5397.80 | 29220 | 38497 | 50208 | 54732 |
| 11 | Madhya Pradesh | 1637.12 | 1937.16 | 2984.23 | 2048.65 | 12313 | 12429 | 10308 | 10440 |
| 12 | Rajasthan | 1315.69 | 1498.42 | 2036.59 | 1039.78 | 11028 | 13163 | 14574 | 16254 |
| 13 | Chandigarh | 1103.25 | 1339.93 | 1778.15 | 1024.80 | 7620 | 6140 | 5927 | 6369 |
| 14 | Chhattisgarh | 0 | 9.56 | 1.84 | 2.96 | 0 | 119 | 119 | 40 |
| 15 | Odisha | 158.27 | 217.21 | 386.09 | 115.62 | 1787 | 1715 | 1577 | 2043 |
| 16 | Punjab | 2.91 | 139.6 | 136.72 | 145.52 | 299 | 369 | 1299 | 1855 |
| 17 | Goa | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 28 |
| TOTAL | | 364478 | 476159 | 494077 | 234821 | 844916 | 1074904 | 1283309 | 1350071 |

* Calculated on cumulative basis.

Annexure-III

| List of SEZs de-notified/cancelled by BoA | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------|
| Sl. No. | Name of the Developers | Date of formal approval |
| 1 | M/s. Hindalco Industries Ltd. (Sambalpur, Odisha) | 30.07.2007 |
| 2. | M/s. Essar Jamnagar SEZ Ltd. (Jamnagar, Gujarat) | 21.08.2006 |
| 3. | M/s. Asia Pacific Corporation Ltd. (Dist. Kutch Gujarat) | 07.01.2008 |
| 4. | M/s. Adani Townships & Real Estate Company Pvt. Ltd. (Ahmedabad, Gujarat) | 12.06.2007 |
| 5. | M/s. Gaurinandan Property Holders Pvt. Ltd. (Ahmedabad, Gujarat) | 21.11.2008 |
| 6. | M/s. Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation (Jhagadia Bharuch, Gujarat) | 21.08.2006 |
| 7. | M/s. Chennai Business Park Pvt. Ltd. (Kanchipuram District, Tamil Nadu) | 19.06.2007 |
| 8. | M/s. Viraj Profiles Ltd. (Dist. Thane, Maharashtra) | 21.08.2006 |
| 9. | M/s. Enfield Realtors Ltd. (Burdwan, West Bengal) | 23.05.2007 |
| 10. | M/s. Enfield Exports Ltd. (Burdwan, West Bengal) | 23.08.2006 |
| 11. | M/s. Enfield Energy Ltd. (Dist. Burdwan, West Bengal) | 26.06.2008 |
| 12. | M/s. Capstone Developer Pvt. Ltd. (24, Parganas(S), West Bengal) | 30.10.2008 |
| 13. | M/s. Essel Infraprojects Ltd. (Gorai-manori-Uttan Region, Mumbai) | 30.10.2008 |
| 14. | M/s. RNA Builders (Dist. Thane, Maharashtra) | 26.11.2007 |
| 15. | M/s. AEC Marketing Pvt. Ltd. (Dadra and Nagar Haveli) | 22.04.2008 |
| 16. | M/s. Royal Palms India Pvt. Ltd. (Goregaon (East), Mumbai) | 26.06.2007 |
| 17. | M/s. Marathon Prachin Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd. (Panvel, Distt. Raigad) | 15.11.2006 |
| 18. | M/s. Bombay Industrial Corporation (Distt. Mumbai, Maharashtra) | 19.06.2007 |
| 19. | M/s. Reliance Infocom Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd. (Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra) | 26.07.2007 |
| 20. | M/s. Pride Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd. (Pune, Maharashtra) | 25.10.2007 |
| 21. | M/s. Rajiv Gandhi IT Park Co-op Society Ltd. (Distt. Aurangabad, Maharashtra) | 30.10.2008 |
| 22. | M/s. Kirti Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd. (Distt. Pune, Maharashtra) | 27.02.2009 |
| 23. | M/s. Siddhivinayak Knowledge City Developers Pvt. Ltd. (District Pune, Maharashtra) | 19.06.2007 |

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| 24. | M/s. Jindal Photo Limited (Igatpuri Nasik, Maharashtra) | 25.06.2007 |
| 25. | M/s. Dosti Enterprises (Thane, Maharashtra) | 18.06.2007 |
| 26. | M/s. City Parks Pvt. Ltd.(Distt. Pune, Maharashtra) | 06.11.2006 |
| 27. | M/s. Ferrani Hotels Pvt. Ltd. (Malad, Mumbai, Maharashtra) | 30.07.2007 |
| 28. | M/s. NEPC India Ltd. (Coimbatore District, Tamil Nadu) | 08.05.2008 |
| 29. | M/s. Best and Crompton Engineering Ltd. (Kancheepuram District, Tamil Nadu) | 26.06.2008 |
| 30. | M/s. Emaar MGF Land Ltd. (Comibatore District, Tamil Nadu) | 26.02.2009 |
| 31. | M/s. GVK Perambalur SEZ Pvt. Ltd. (Perambalur district, Tamil Nadu) | 10.02.2009 |
| 32. | M/s. Kovai Hills Township Pvt. Ltd. (Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu) | 05.12.2007 |
| 33. | M/s. SAIL Salem SEZ Pvt. Ltd. | 26.06.2008 |
| 34. | M/s. Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation (TIDCO) (Kancheepuram, Tamil Nadu) | 25.06.2007 |
| 35. | M/s. Anush Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd. (Kancheepuram Distt., Tamil Nadu) | 06.06.2006 |

Annexure-IV

| List of in-principle approved SEZs cancelled | | |
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| Sl. No. | Name of the Developer | Location |
| 1. | M/s. Indian Steel Corporation Limited | District Bhuj, Gujarat |
| 2. | M/s. Sri Kubera Infracon India Ltd. | Medak District, Andhra Pradesh |
| 3. | M/s. Ozone SEZ Developers Pvt. Ltd. | Chikkaballapur, Karnataka |
| 4. | M/s. Lepakshi Knowledge Hub Private Limited | Ananthapur District, Andhra Pradesh |
| 5. | M/s. Reliable Smartcity Limited | Pachama (Abdullahpur) District, Madhya Pradesh |
| 6. | M/s. RNB Infrastructure Private Limited. | Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu |
| 7. | M/s. United Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd. | Indore District, Madhya Pradesh |
| 8. | M/s. Tirunelveli Infrastructure Developers Private Limited. | Tirunelveli District, Tamil Nadu |
| 9. | M/s. Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (Gwalior) M.P. Ltd. | Gwalior District, Madhya Pradesh |
| 10. | M/s. Chowgule Ports & Infrastructure Pvt. Limited | District, Ratnagiri, Maharashtra |
| 11. | M/s. Videocon Industrial Limited | Navi Mumbai Maharashtra |
| 12. | M/s. Maharaja Multitrade Private Limited | District Nashik, Maharashtra |
| 13. | M/s. Uttam Galva Steels Limited | District Raigad, Maharashtra |
| 14. | M/s. Maharashtra Airport Development Company Limited | Nagpur, Maharashtra |
| 15. | M/s. Supreme Petrochem Ltd | District Raigad, Maharashtra |
| 16. | M/s. Plastene Infrastructure Limited | Dist. Kutch, Gujarat |
| 17. | M/s. LMJ Warehousing Private Limited | Kandla Gujarat |
| 18. | M/s. Coastal Ferrotech Limited | Haldia East Mednipur, West Bengal |

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1063
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

TRADE DEFICIT

1063. SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:
SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRI CHANDRA PRAKASH JOSHI:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:
SHRI KIRTI AZAD:
SHRI INNOCENT:
SHRIMATI DARSHANA VIKRAM JARDOSH:
SHRI KODIKKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) the quantum and value of export and import including contribution of small and medium export houses therein during each of the last three years and the current year, country, commodity/sector-wise along with the country's share in world's trade including share of various States therein;
- b) the share contribution of the export sector in the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of the country along with the measures taken by the Government to increase contribution of manufacturing sector in overall GDP;
- c) whether there is an increase in trade deficit, causing negative impact on the economic condition of the country and if so, the details thereof indicating the sectors adversely affected thereby during the said period along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
- d) whether the World Trade Organisation (WTO) has cut its forecast on global trade growth for 2014 and if so, the details thereof; and
- e) the measures taken by the Government to boost exports to minimize the impact of the trade deficit and to enhance the benefits provided to the exporters under various export promotion schemes along with the target fixed, if any, to boost country's trade by the year 2020?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्तर प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a)&(b) The details of Export, Import, Trade Deficit and Exports as percentage of GDP (Financial year wise) for Merchandise goods is given in Table-1. India's Total Trade and its share in the World (Calendar year wise) is given in Table-2. The details of state-wise

exports during 2013-14 (as reported by Customs and compiled by DGCI&S Kolkata but not validated) are given in Table-3.

Table-1:

Value (US \$ Billion)

| YEAR | Export | Import | Trade deficit | Export as Percentage of GDP |
|------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| 2011-12 | 306.0 | 489.3 | 183.3 | 17.47 |
| 2012-13 | 300.4 | 490.7 | 190.3 | 17.41 |
| 2013-14 | 314.4 | 450.2 | 135.8 | 18.16 |
| 2014-15 (Apr-Oct.)* | 189.8 | 273.6 | 83.8 | Not Available |

* figures for 2014-15 (Apr-Oct.) are provisional

Source: DGCI&S

Table-2:

Value (US \$ Billion)

| Calendar Year | India's Total Trade | India's Share in World Trade (%) |
|---------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2010 | 576.6 | 1.87 |
| 2011 | 767.4 | 2.08 |
| 2012 | 785.4 | 2.12 |
| 2013 | 779.3 | 2.07 |

Source: WTO

Table-3:

| Sl.No. | State | Exports by the State(2013-14) | Share of the State (%) |
|--------|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| | | Value (in Rs.Cr) | |
| 1 | ANDAMAN & NICOBAR | 58.64 | 0.00 |
| 2 | ANDHRA PRADESH | 93860.34 | 4.93 |
| 3 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | 4.60 | 0.00 |
| 4 | ASSAM | 2465.65 | 0.13 |
| 5 | BIHAR | 5761.69 | 0.30 |
| 6 | CHANDIGARH | 596.90 | 0.03 |
| 7 | CHATTISGARH | 7701.68 | 0.40 |
| 8 | DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI | 10551.21 | 0.55 |
| 9 | DAMAN & DIU | 3889.90 | 0.20 |
| 10 | DELHI | 55894.42 | 2.93 |
| 11 | GOA | 9305.74 | 0.49 |
| 12 | GUJARAT | 444477.75 | 23.33 |
| 13 | HARYANA | 64477.46 | 3.38 |
| 14 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | 5003.10 | 0.26 |
| 15 | JAMMU & KASHMIR | 1043.33 | 0.05 |
| 16 | JHARKHAND | 3710.53 | 0.19 |
| 17 | KARNATAKA | 107592.68 | 5.65 |
| 18 | KERALA | 25923.50 | 1.36 |
| 19 | LAKSHADWEEP | 5.01 | 0.00 |
| 20 | MADHYA PRADESH | 26463.25 | 1.39 |
| 21 | MAHARASHTRA | 434591.04 | 22.81 |

| | | | |
|----|---------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 22 | MANIPUR | 2.64 | 0.00 |
| 23 | MEGHALAYA | 579.28 | 0.03 |
| 24 | MIZORAM | 0.56 | 0.00 |
| 25 | NAGALAND | 19.42 | 0.00 |
| 26 | ORISSA | 24233.76 | 1.27 |
| 27 | PUDUCHERRY | 1882.61 | 0.10 |
| 28 | PUNJAB | 42729.58 | 2.24 |
| 29 | RAJASTHAN | 35786.70 | 1.88 |
| 30 | SIKKIM | 14.33 | 0.00 |
| 31 | TAMIL NADU | 163008.74 | 8.56 |
| 32 | TRIPURA | 7.98 | 0.00 |
| 33 | UTTAR PRADESH | 80523.45 | 4.23 |
| 34 | UTTARAKHAND | 6781.78 | 0.36 |
| 35 | WEST BENGAL | 63731.95 | 3.35 |
| 36 | UNSPECIFIED | 182329.90 | 9.57 |
| | TOTAL | 1905011.09 | 100.00 |

The details of export and import commodity-wise/country-wise during last three years is available in the DGCI&S publication in CD from namely 'Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India' Vol. I and Vol II. Such CD's are regularly sent to Parliament Library by DGCI&S, Kolkata. The Government of India has proposed a number of administrative and fiscal measures to revive the industrial growth and has launched a "Make in India" programme with 25 thrust sectors, which is likely to increase the contribution of manufacturing sector in overall GDP.

(c)&(e) The trade deficit over the last three years has shown a mixed trend. However, one of the prime contributors of trade deficit is import of Petroleum & Crude oil, accounting for nearly one-third of country's total imports, which is critical for the growth of the economy and meeting the energy needs of the country. As such, these imports are essential in nature and do not cause negative impact on the economic condition of the country.

In order to boost exports and reduce imports Government has taken a number of measures, which *inter alia* include the following:

- (i) Compression in import of gold and silver and non-essential items including hike in custom tariffs and administrative measures like linking gold imports with the gold exports under 80-20 scheme, whereby 20 per cent of the imported gold has to be channelized for gold exports.
- (ii) Exports are supported through various schemes e.g. Focus Market Scheme, Market Linked Focus Product Scheme, Focus Product Scheme and Duty Drawback Scheme. Exporters can avail duty free import of capital Goods under EPCG scheme and raw materials under Advance Authorisation Scheme.

The target is to double India's exports of Goods and Services by the end of 12th Five Year Plan (FYP) over the level achieved by the end of 11th FYP.

(d) As per WTO's Press Releases, 26th September, 2014, the forecast for World Trade growth in 2014 has been reduced to 3.1% (down from 4.7% in April, 2014).

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1078
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

BAN ON AMERICAN POULTRY PRODUCTS

1078. SHRI DILIP PATEL:
SHRI DUSHYANT SINGH:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether there was a ban on sale of certain American poultry products in the country;
- b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- c) whether the WTO ruled in favour of USA against India and called the ban inconsistent with norms;
- d) whether India and the US are set to begin to sort out their difference against each other at the World Trade Organisation (WTO) over poultry import ban imposed by India and penal duties on steel charged by the US;
- e) if so, the details thereof;
- f) whether India has strengthened its argument in both cases; and
- g) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a) & (b): There is no ban on import and sale of poultry products including American Poultry products in the country. However, import of poultry products is not allowed pursuant to outbreak of Avian Influenza (highly pathogenic or low pathogenic Avian Influenza) in the country of export, as per Government of India notification No. S.O. 1663(E) dated 16 July, 2011.
- (c): In the WTO dispute DS430 (Measures Concerning the Importation of Certain Agricultural Products from the United States), the WTO Panel had ruled that the import restrictions imposed vide the aforesaid Notification by India on account of outbreak of Avian Influenza in the country of export, is inconsistent with the WTO Agreement, in particular, the Agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures.
- (d) to (g): In the WTO Dispute DS430, as stated above, no further development has taken place whereas in the WTO Dispute DS436 (related to Countervailing Duty imposed by the US against certain carbon steel

flat products) wherein India is complainant, both India and the US have completed arguments before the WTO Appellate Body.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1082
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

TRADE ALONG LoC

1082. SHRI P.C. MOHAN:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) the quantum and value of trade generated along the Line of Control (Indo-Pak) and Nathu La Pass (Indo-China) during each of the last three years;
- b) whether the Government has taken note that the trade across the region was adversely affected because of adulteration;
- c) if so, the details thereof indicating the incidents reported in this regard during the said period; and
- d) the steps taken by the Government to check the same and to improve the trade in the coming days?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्त्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) The total quantum and value of trade generated along the Line of Control (**Indo-Pak**) i.e. trade through Trade Facilitation Centre (TFC) Chakan-Da-Bagh and TFC Salamabad, (J&K) during the last three years is at **Annexure-A**.

The total quantum and value of trade generated along **Nathu La Pass (India-China)** during the last three years is at **Annexure-B**.

(b) No incidence of adulteration which adversely affected trade has come to the notice of Government.

(c) & (d) : Do not arise in view of (b) above.

Annexure-A

Quantity and Value of Items Traded from Salamabad to Chakoti(POK) and from Chakandabad to Rawalkote(POK)

| Year | Quantity (MT) | Value (Rs. in Crores) |
|-------------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| 2011-12 | 46526.00 | 319.24 |
| 2012-13 | 76806.00 | 372.72 |
| 2013-14 | 62460.00 | 347.59 |

Quantity and Value of Items Traded from Chakoti(POK) to Salamabad and from Rawalkote(POK) to Chakandabad

| Year | Quantity (MT) | Value (Rs. in Crores) |
|-------------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| 2011-12 | 36852.00 | 477.52 |
| 2012-13 | 79024.00 | 617.41 |
| 2013-14 | 35294.00 | 465.47 |

Annexure-B

2011-12

| IMPORT | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Commodities | Quantity | Value(Rs.) |
| Nil | Nil | Nil |

| EXPORT | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Commodities | Quantity | Value(Rs.) |
| Copper Items | 20652 kgs | 57,17,625.00 |
| Canned Foods | 15671 Ctns | 44,41,170.00 |
| Textiles | 10637 Mtr | 12,42,300.00 |
| Tea | 9976 Kgs | 14,24,620.00 |
| Utensils | 7269 Kgs | 21,17,750.00 |
| Spices | 563 Kgs | 1,45,350.00 |
| Cigarettes | 32 Ctns | 20,000.00 |
| Vegetable Oil | 424173 Lts | 2,01,30,022.00 |
| Snuff | 1020 Kgs | 76,000.00 |
| Misri | 1200 Kgs | 60,000.00.00 |
| Blanket | 7667 Pcs | 3,71,85,947.00 |
| Total | | 7,25,60,784.00 |

2012-13

| IMPORT | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Commodities | Quantity | Value(Rs.) |
| Blanket | 4736 Pcs | 34,61,598.00 |
| Quilt | 2862 Pcs | 14,68,452.00 |
| Carpet | 2884 Pcs | 25,53,340.00 |
| RMG | 8352 Pcs | 26,56,032.00 |
| China Clay | 80 Pcs | 7,200.00 |
| Total | | 1,01,46,622.00 |

| EXPORT | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Commodities | Quantity | Value(Rs.) |
| Copper Items | 40027 Pcs | 43,42,040.00 |
| Canned Foods | 29768 Ctns | 1,08,38,055.00 |
| Textiles | 10715 mtrs | 8,16,250.00 |
| Tea | 1407 kgs | 1,73,860.00 |
| Utensils | 4698 Pcs | 11,97,200.00 |
| Spices | 159 kgs | 43,600.00 |
| Processed Food | 55584 ctns | 1,40,09,625.00 |
| Vegetable Oil | 371300 Ltrs | 2,38,66,750.00 |
| Incense Sticks | 36105 Pcs | 3,65,100.00 |
| Misri | 400 kgs | 16,000.00 |
| Blanket | 6837 Pcs | 22,04,050.00 |
| Coffee | 30 kgs | 8250.00 |
| Rice | 19275 kgs | 7,45,105.00 |
| Total | | 5,86,25,885.00 |

2013-14

| Import | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Commodities | Quantity | Value (Rs.) |
| Blankets | 4810 Pcs | 41,99,455.00 |
| Quilt | 2174 Pcs | 19,62,067.00 |
| Carpet | 1860 Pcs | 22,24,339.00 |
| RMG | 8190 Pcs | 31,15,523.00 |
| Shoes | 454 pcs | 1,69,105.00 |
| Total | | 1,16,70,489.00 |

| Export | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Commodities | Quantity | Value (Rs.) |
| Copper items | 8264pcs | 75,22,950.00 |
| Canned food | 19956Ctns | 84,16,900.00 |
| Processed Food | 35241 Ctns | 1,26,25,925.00 |
| Vegetable Oil | 538666 Ltrs | 3,83,32,640.00 |
| Utensils | 5690 Pcs | 15,24,600.00 |
| Tea | 4750 Kgs | 7,08,550.00 |
| Blankets | 3744 Pcs | 14,89,250.00 |
| Textiles | 42570 Pcs | 46,35,750.00 |
| Incense Sticks | 326 Ctns | 7,94,700.00 |
| Coffee | 871 Kgs. | 3,69,270.00 |
| Spices | 185 Kgs | 81,200.00 |
| Gur | 1995 Kgs | 86,500.00 |
| Rice | 3010 Kgs | 1,34,450.00 |
| Misri | 16197 Kgs | 8,04,250.00 |
| Total | | 7,75,26,935.00 |

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1090
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

TASK FORCE FOR EXPORT FACILITATION

1090. SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government has recently constituted a Task Force, to remove procedural complexities in exports and reduce the transaction costs;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether the Task Force has since submitted its report to the Government; and
- d) if so, the recommendations made by it along with the follow-up action taken by the Government thereon?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्तर प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
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(a)&(b) The '2nd Task Force on Transaction Costs in Exports' was constituted by the Government in April 2013. The scope of the Task Force involved identifying key issues and evolving a strategy towards reducing transaction costs in terms of specific operational problems for export/import processes.

(c)&(d) The Task Force has submitted its report in July, 2014. It has made recommendations for simplification of procedures and processes relating to procedural and EDI level changes. In addition, specific recommendations relating to Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Shipping and Ministry of Textiles have also been suggested by the Task Force. Besides, it has suggested framework for an efficient trade facilitation mechanism in India. Task Force Report containing details of the issues as well as recommendations is available at DGFTs website at <http://dgft.gov.in/exim/2000/tcostrep2011/tcostenglish2.pdf>. Respective Departments / Ministries / Authorities have been requested to take appropriate action on these recommendations.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1094
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

FTA WITH GUATEMALA

1094. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government proposes to sign Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with Guatemala;
- b) if so, the details thereof along with the commodities/products enlisted in the said agreement;
- c) whether the Government has included cardamom in the said agreement; and
- d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतन्त्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)
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- a) to d): No, Madam.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1106
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

EXPORT DUTY ON WHEAT AND RICE

1106. SHRI S.R. VIJAYAKUMAR:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- whether wheat and rice are being exported from the country;
- if so, the quantity and value of their exports along with the rate of export duty imposed on them during each of the last three years and the current year;
- whether onion, grains and pulses are being imported to meet the domestic demand; and
- if so, the details thereof indicating the quantity and value of its import during the said period?

ANSWER

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(a-b) Yes, Madam. Wheat and rice are being exported from India without any quantitative restriction or Minimum Export Price(MEP). There is no export duty on wheat and rice. The export of wheat and rice from 2011-12 onwards in terms of value and quantity is as under:

Qty in MT, value in US Million \$

| Commodity | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15 (Apr - Sep.) | |
|--------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|-------------------------|---------|
| | Qty | Value | Qty | Value | Qty | Value | Qty | Value |
| Wheat | 7,49,625 | 202.06 | 65,14,815 | 1934.24 | 55,72,025 | 1569.08 | 24,97,323 | 704.90 |
| Rice(basmati) | 31,69,446 | 3216.99 | 34,59,829 | 3564.04 | 37,54,102 | 4864.89 | 16,41,160 | 2304.89 |
| Rice(non-basmati) | 39,91,768 | 1723.38 | 66,87,851 | 2651.97 | 71,48,472 | 2925.16 | 36,40,212 | 1537.85 |

Source: DGCIS

(c-d) India imports a negligible amount of grains. However, due to shortage of pulses in the domestic market, India import pulses and lentils to bridge the mismatch between supply and domestic availability. The import of wheat, rice, pulses and onion from 2011-12 onwards in terms of value and quantity is as under:

(Qty in MT, value in US Million \$)

| Commodity | 2011-12 | | 2012-13 | | 2013-14 | | 2014-15 (Apr - Aug.) | |
|---------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-------------------------|---------|
| | Qty | Value | Qty | Value | Qty | Value | Qty | Value |
| Wheat | 22 | 0.02 | 2,944 | 1.11 | 11,272 | 4.42 | 1.00 | 0.00* |
| Rice | 1,060 | 1.16 | 716 | 0.73 | 1,442 | 1.37 | 855 | 0.77 |
| Pulses | 34,95,845 | 1,961.34 | 40,19,695 | 2,452.34 | 36,55,278 | 2,127.41 | 16,10,122 | 1042.02 |
| Onion | 353 | 0.19 | 450 | 0.06 | 17,847 | 5.31 | 669 | 0.22 |

Source: DGCIS/Website of DOC
*negligible

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1110
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

WELFARE OF SMALL TEA GROWERS

1110. SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL:
SHRI ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether a large number of small tea growers in various parts of the country including Assam are being deprived of the benefits from different schemes of the Central Government and are facing starvation;
- b) if so, the details thereof and the remedial action taken by the Government in this regard;
- c) whether the small tea growers are not able to register themselves under tea board in absence for/want of their land holding certificates;
- d) if so, the remedial measures taken by the Government in this regard; and
- e) whether such small tea growers including tea growers from Assam are also being deprived of the genuine price of the green leaves produced by them; and
- f) if so, whether the Government has any proposal to regularize such small tea growers to allow them to get proper market value of their produce and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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(a) to (f): Small tea groups are entitled to receive all benefits under the scheme of Tea Development and Promotion implemented by the Tea Board subject to fulfillment of conditions relating to ownership of land and registration as a small grower. With a view to facilitate coverage under the various components of the Scheme, the growers are encouraged to become members of collective units such as Self Help Groups/Producer societies and are provided financial support for upkeep and maintenance of the tea fields as well as proper post harvest handling of green leaf.

A separate Small Growers Directorate with adequate field officers has been set up to address the developmental needs of the small growers. The growers are issued identification card after physical verification of the area cultivated and are assisted to enroll with the primary producer groups or self-help groups. So far, 1,09,848 small growers have been enumerated throughout the country and 50,411 identification cards have been issued.

A price sharing formula (PSF) for the green tea leaves sold by small growers to Bought Tea Factories has been notified as per the provisions of the Tea (Marketing) Control Order. The formula takes into account the cost of production of green tea leaf by the small growers and cost of manufacturing by the Bought Leaf Factories and provides for the net sale proceeds to be shared in the ratio of 65:35. Minimum bench mark prices are fixed and notified for each tea district based on the above formula and payment of green leaf price to the growers is closely monitored by the District Level Price Monitoring Committees set by the Tea Board.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1113
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

EXPORT/IMPORT OF FERTILISERS

1113(H). SHRI NARANBHAI KACHHADIYA:
SHRIMATI JYOTI DHURVE:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) the quantum and value of fertilisers exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year, country and item-wise; and
- b) the measures taken being taken by the Government to boost their exports?

ANSWER

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- (a) The item-wise quantum and value of fertilisers exported and imported during each of the last three years and the current year, is given below:

| Import | Quantity in Thousand TON | | | | Values in US\$ Millions | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------|----------------------------|--|---------|
| | Fertilizer CRUDE | Fertilizer MANUFACTURED | SULPHER, UNROASTED IRON PYRITE | Total | Fertilizer CRUDE | Fertilizer MANUFACTURED | SULPHER, UNROASTE D IRON PYRITE | Total |
| 2011-12 | 9745.0 | 18095.1 | 2039.9 | 29880.0 | 478.4 | 9206.5 | 478.4 | 10163.4 |
| 2012-13 | 8167.1 | 15950.2 | 1549.6 | 25666.9 | 319.5 | 7403.9 | 319.5 | 8042.8 |
| 2013-14 | 7170.7 | 14890.9 | 1292.9 | 23354.4 | 926.1 | 5337.8 | 183.1 | 6446.9 |
| 2014-15 (April-Sept) | 4150.6 | 7677.5 | 905.5 | 12733.6 | 498.8 | 2741.0 | 158.6 | 3398.4 |

| Export | Quantity in Thousand TON | | | | Values in US\$ Millions | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|---------|-------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------|
| | Fertilizer CRUDE | Fertilizer MANUFACTURED | SULPHER, UNROASTED IRON PYRITE | Total | Fertilizer CRUDE | Fertilizer MANUFACTURED | SULPHER, UNROASTED IRON PYRITE | Total |
| 2011-12 | 16.7 | 127.7 | 163.4 | 307.8 | 5.0 | 78.0 | 35.2 | 118.2 |
| 2012-13 | 30.5 | 159.0 | 370.3 | 559.7 | 4.1 | 84.5 | 61.8 | 150.5 |
| 2013-14 | 10.7 | 137.4 | 577.8 | 725.8 | 6.4 | 75.4 | 66.3 | 148.1 |
| 2014-15 (April-Sept) | 4.4 | 52.1 | 22411.5 | 22467.9 | 3.7 | 25.3 | 49.2 | 78.2 |

The commodity-wise/country-wise details of export and import during last three years are available in the DGCI&S publication in CD form, namely 'Monthly Statistics of Foreign Trade of India' Vol.I and Vol.II. Such CDs are regularly sent to Parliament Library by DGCI&S, Kolkata.

- (b) To encourage manufacturing/exports of fertiliser, the Government has been encouraging Indian Companies to establish Joint ventures abroad in countries which are rich in fertilizer resources for production facilities, with buy back arrangements and to enter into long term agreement for supply of fertilizers and fertilizer inputs to India. To boost exports of fertilizers, the concerned Export Promotion Council, namely CHEMEXCIL, arranges International Trade Fairs and Buyers-Sellers meets in India and abroad.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1116
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

FTA PROVISIONS

1116. DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government has taken note of the observations, concern raised by Indian industries, particularly, Metal Industries regarding custom duty concession/exemption extended to various projects/industries under Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with ASEAN countries;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether as per FTA, the exemption extended to import copper products such as Copper Cathodes, Copper Rods, Copper Scrap, Brass and Zinc Ingots has negatively impacted Indian industries;
- d) if so, the details thereof; and
- e) the protective measures taken by the Government to protect Metal industries in the country?

ANSWER

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(a) to (b): Some industries and associations have indicated their sensitivities on products in the metal industries (including copper) due to imports from FTA partners.

(c) to (e) The share of preferential imports under Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) to the total imports for copper products during the period 2013-14 is insignificant. Moreover, for protecting the interest of the domestic including metal industries, these agreements provide for maintaining sensitive/negative lists of items on which limited or no tariff concessions are granted. In addition, in case of a surge in imports and injury to the domestic industry, a country is allowed to take recourse to the measures such as anti-dumping and safeguards.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1141
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

REVIEW OF SEZ AND FTA AGREEMENTS

1141. SHRI G. HARI:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) whether the review of Special Economic Zones and Free Trade Agreements has been delayed;
- b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- c) whether the Government proposes new Foreign Trade Policy to give domestic manufacturers and exporters the benefit of the revisions; and
- d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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(a) & (b): Review of functioning of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) is an on-going process and on the basis of inputs/suggestions received from stakeholders on the policy and operational framework of the SEZ Scheme, Government periodically takes necessary measures so as to facilitate speedy and effective implementation of SEZ Scheme.

Further, every Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) has a joint review mechanism which monitors the implementation of the FTA. Moreover, evaluation of FTAs is a continuous process which starts even before FTA negotiations are entered into and is done periodically, thereafter.

(c) & (d): New Foreign Trade Policy (FTP), 2014-19 has not been announced so far. Present FTP 2009-14 is in operation.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1145
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2014

FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS

1145. SHRI RAM CHARITRA NISHAD:
DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA:
SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA:
DR. P. VENUGOPAL:
SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:
SHRI MUTHAMSETTI SRINIVASA RAO (AVANTHI):
SHRI M.B. RAJESH:
SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN:
SHRI BHAGWANTH KHUBA:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- a) the details of countries with which India has entered into Free Trade Agreements and Preferential Trade Agreements along with the total trade (import/export) with FTA partner countries including ASEAN countries during the year 2014;
- b) whether the Government has made any assessment/evaluation or proposes to make any review of the impact of FTAs signed with various countries including the ASEAN countries on the domestic stakeholders and if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether FTAs have resulted in preferential imports from FTA partner countries and the export from the country has declined and if so, the details thereof indicating items that have recorded major increase in imports during the said period;
- d) whether companies/MNCs from major countries like China, USA and Japan are setting up plants in neighbouring ASEAN countries misusing/abusing the FTA provisions as a result thereof and if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- e) the protective measures taken by the Government to boost exports as well as protect domestic industries and agricultural sector from the adverse impact of import?

ANSWER

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) The details of the Free Trade Agreements (including Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreements or CECAs and Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreements or CEPA) and Preferential Trade Agreements entered into by India is given in Annexure 1 and Annexure 2 respectively. The total trade, along with imports and exports

with the FTA partner countries including ASEAN countries during the period 2014 is given in Annexure 3.

(b) and (c) Assessment evaluation of FTAs is a continuous process which starts even before FTA negotiations are entered into. Before entering into negotiations with its trading partners, studies are undertaken internally, as well as through the Joint Study Group (JSG) to study the feasibility of the proposed FTAs, including their impact on the domestic stakeholders including the Apex Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Industry Associations as well as the Administrative Ministries and Departments. An analysis based on the available preferential import data from some key FTA partners reveals that the percentage of overall preferential imports are low in relation to the overall imports from these partners. However, share of preferential imports to total imports is significant with some trading partners in specific sectors such as iron and steel, plastics and organic chemicals.

(d) The government is not aware of any specific instances of companies being set up by China, Japan and the United States in the ASEAN region for misusing/ abusing the FTA provisions.

(e) In order to protect the interest of the domestic industry and agriculture sector, these agreements provide for maintaining sensitive/negative lists of items on which limited or no tariff concessions are granted under the FTA. In addition, in case of a surge in imports and injury to the domestic industry, a country is allowed to take recourse to the measures such as anti-dumping and safeguards.

Annexure-I

Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) (including Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreements or CEPAs and Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreements or CECAs entered into between

India and other countries

| S. No. | Name of the Agreement and the participating countries | Date of Signing | Date of Implementation |
|---------------|---|---|--|
| 1. | India - Bhutan Agreement on Trade, Commerce and Transit | 17.01.1972 (revised on 28.07.2006) (Agreement is renewed, from time to time, by mutual consent to such changes and modifications as may be agreed upon between the two countries) | 29.07.2006 |
| 2. | Revised Indo-Nepal Treaty of Trade | 06.12.1991 (Revised on 27.10.2009) (The Treaty is amended/modified by mutual consent of the contracting parties and the present Treaty is valid till 26.10.2016) | 27.10.2009 |
| 3. | India - Sri Lanka FTA | 28.12.1998 | 01.03.2000 |
| 4. | Agreement on South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA) (India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Bhutan and Maldives and Afghanistan) | 04.01. 2004 | 01.01.2006 (Afghanistan became Eighth Member of SAARC from April, 2007 and the provisions of Trade Liberalization Programme are applicable to Afghanistan w.e.f. 07.08.2011). |
| 5. | India - Thailand FTA - Early Harvest Scheme (EHS) | 09.10.2003 | 01.09.2004 |
| 6. | India - Singapore Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) | 29.06.2005 | 01.08.2005 |
| 7. | India - South Korea Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) | 07.08. 2009 | 01.01.2010 |
| 8. | India – ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam) | 13.08.2009 | 1st January 2010 in respect of India and Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand. 1st June 2010 in respect of India and Vietnam. 1st September 2010 in respect of India and Myanmar. 1st October 2010 in respect of India and Indonesia. 1st November, 2010 in |

| S. No. | Name of the Agreement and the participating countries | Date of Signing | Date of Implementation |
|--------|--|-----------------|---|
| | | | respect of India and Brunei. 24 January 2011 in respect of India and Laos. 1st June 2011 in respect of India and the Philippines. 1st August, 2011 in respect of India and Cambodia. |
| 9. | India - Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement | 16.02.2011 | 01.08.2011 |
| 10. | India - Malaysia Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement | 18.02.2011 | 01.07. 2011 |
| 11 | India - ASEAN Services and Investment Agreement (Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam) | 9.9.2014 | 1.7.2015 |

Annexure 2

Preferential Trade Agreement (Limited tariff lines with Margin of Preference i.e. percentage of Tariff concession) entered into by India with other countries/ groupings:

| S. No. | Name of the Agreement and the participating countries | Date of Signing | Date of Implementation |
|---------------|---|--|--|
| 1 | Asia Pacific Trade Agreement (APTA) (Bangladesh, China, India, Lao PDR, Republic of Korea, and Sri Lanka) | July, 1975 (revised Agreement signed on 02.11.2005) | 01.11.1976 |
| 2 | Global System of Trade Preferences (G S T P) (Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ecuador, Egypt, Ghana, Guinea, Guyana, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Libya, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Tanzania, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe) | 13.4.1988 | 19.4.1989 (for 15 signatory countries) |
| 3 | India - Afghanistan PTA | 06.03.2003 | May, 2003 |
| 4 | India - MERCOSUR PTA | 25.01.2004 | 01.06.2009 |
| 5 | India - Chile PTA | 08.03. 2006 | 13.01.2009 (full implementation) |

Annexure 3

Total trade of India with its FTA partners for the period January-August, 2014

| Country | Export (in \$ million) | Import (in \$ million) | Trade (in \$ million) |
|-------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| AFGHANISTAN | 307 | 106.31 | 413.31 |
| BANGLADESH | 4,488.89 | 383.99 | 4872.88 |
| BHUTAN | 274.88 | 103.16 | 378.04 |
| BRUNEI | 29.76 | 607.71 | 637.47 |
| CAMBODIA | 99.57 | 10.73 | 110.3 |
| INDONESIA | 3,098.61 | 9,711.25 | 12809.86 |
| JAPAN | 4,099.71 | 6,117.61 | 10217.32 |
| KOREA | 3,225.23 | 8,831.95 | 12057.18 |
| LAO PD RP | 39.31 | 18.7 | 58.01 |
| MALAYSIA | 3,102.40 | 7,154.15 | 10256.55 |
| MALDIVES | 83.92 | 2.73 | 86.65 |
| MYANMAR | 597.12 | 1,125.54 | 1722.66 |
| NEPAL | 2,885.08 | 389.41 | 3274.49 |
| PAKISTAN | 1,561.39 | 343.46 | 1904.85 |
| PHILIPPINES | 967.14 | 276.99 | 1244.13 |
| SINGAPORE | 6,383.70 | 4,658.15 | 11041.85 |
| SRI LANKA | 3,805.46 | 362.83 | 4168.29 |
| THAILAND | 2,285.32 | 3,672.80 | 5958.12 |
| VIETNAM | 3,837.00 | 1,636.37 | 5473.37 |
| | | | |
| Total | 41171.49 | 45513.84 | 86685.33 |
