

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5071
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

IMPORT OF WHEAT

5071(H). SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT:

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

- a) the quantum and value of imported wheat in the country during 2014-15;
- b) whether the quality of imported wheat is better in comparison to domestic wheat;
- c) if so, the details thereof;
- d) whether the Government proposes to discontinue import of wheat; and
- e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

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

- (a to c) During the year 2014-15, 20,867 MT of Wheat and Meslin valuing Rs. 43.92 crore was imported. Wheat import accounts for only 0.02% of our production (95.76 Million Tonnes) and is miniscule. Any import of agricultural commodities is subject to relevant import policy and its conditions thereto.
- (d) Currently, no such proposal is under consideration in the Department of Commerce.
- (e) Does not arise.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5085
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

EXPORT/IMPORT OF GOLD/GOLD JEWELLERY

5085. SHRI P.K. BIJU:

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

- a) the quantum and value of gold exported from and imported into the country during each of the last three years, country-wise;
- b) whether any gold jewellery has also been exported and imported during the said period;
- c) if so, the quantum and value thereof, country-wise; and
- d) the steps taken by the Government to increase export of gold/gold jewellery and reduce their imports?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

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- (a) The quantum and value of gold exported from and imported into the country during each of the last three years, country-wise is at Annexure-I and II.
- (b) & (c) Yes, Madam. The quantum and value of gold jewellery exported from and imported into the country during each of the last three years, country-wise is at Annexure-III and IV.
- (d) With a view to promote the exports from gems and jewellery sector, Government has taken a number of steps such as providing financial assistance for participation in international fairs, organizing buyer-seller meets, etc., under Market Development Assistance (MDA) and Market Access Initiative (MAI) Schemes of the Department of Commerce. Besides, under the Foreign Trade Policy, Advance Procurement/ Replenishment of Precious Metals to exporters has been allowed apart from revision of duty drawback rates for gold jewellery exports. Further, to discourage imports of gold jewellery, import duty on gold jewellery was increased from 10% to 15%.

Annexure I

COUNTRY-WISE AND TOTAL EXPORT OF GOLD FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS AND CURRENT YEAR:

country	2011-12		2012-13		2013-14		2014-15(APR TO FEB)	
	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)
AUSTRALIA					2	4982816	17	43044072
BOTSWANA	0	780046						
CANADA			14	36083284				
EGYPT A RP					22	59636218		
FRANCE			0	374037				
GERMANY			0	48534	1	2186474		
GHANA							5	12038000
HONG KONG			3342	10273955501	5	13806843	5	1776420
NETHERLAND			0	16006				
SINGAPORE	23	63332579	32	93317354				
SWITZERLAND			1	2952939	46	97335711	801	1884708888
U ARAB EMTS	90301	229124473706	89640	253573491514	70644	183334703616	58113	144138928138
U S A	6	16505475	3	9638489	0	383594		
UNSPECIFIED	5	13339739						
Grand Total	90335	229218431545	93032	263989877658	70720	183513035272	58941	146080495518

Note: Figures for 2014-15(Apr to Feb) is provisional.

SOURCE:DGCIS

Annexure II

COUNTRY-WISE AND TOTAL IMPORT OF GOLD FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS AND CURRENT YEAR:

country	2011-12		2012-13		2013-14		2014-15(APR TOFEB)	
	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)
AUSTRALIA	76839	192827141769	61455	170387705525	22262	56906921005	32554	80159728203
BELGIUM	5	12220165	106	309169322	1207	3021751162	173	425635677
BOTSWANA					1	2291233	239	492726336
BRAZIL			198	367546521	616	1240959116	10861	19114066182
BURKINA FASO							2617	5222190994
CANADA	279	702765914	790	2290452401	2539	6645103702	5561	13239461015
CHINA P RP	1419	3837528341	180	519179797	1198	3062535645	940	2203955572
COLOMBIA			1187	3257892213	1632	3817851601	8309	17591603938
COTE D' IVOIRE							195	405845340
CZECH REPUBLIC	0	6088						
DOMINIC REP							27845	16017561429
FIJI IS	26	64075892	25	69395472	24	65711329	22	45754493
FRANCE	1	3138197	1	3299788	1	2184105		
GERMANY	682	1836376334	48	116149832	321	810910344	206	377054371
GHANA			52	148501225	3863	9234821088	22171	50968943059
GUINEA					825	1927704398	7406	16645163606
HONG KONG	8357	21184355860	13050	39059446253	3202	8060927087	1801	4458642235
INDONESIA	1464	3927747136	3067	8938365447	50	133170416		
ISRAEL	2	3637010						
ITALY	203	556465501	21	65941301	426	1085224128	249	613546746
JAPAN	1112	2932081649	617	1847262675	10	27477479	3	6251992
KOREA RP	870	2093788578	549	1619274919	500	1276418414	0	300829
MALAYSIA	375	1006739520	377	1105565202	1059	2759335808	357	912280638
MAURITIUS	0	294375						
MEXICO							10	19064302
NEW ZEALAND							2	4446702
PERU	5755	14707952751	2726	5170940413	4917	7676907827	8044	11537280777
PHILIPPINES			100	290679077			1710	814786803
RUSSIA							100	251977233
SAUDI ARAB	600	1688046838	813	2024338563	1116	1952051428	5189	8750560405
SINGAPORE	830	2175589107	8543	24970415713	774	2025730509	1634	4076335729
SOUTH AFRICA	148124	369813024501	93704	272227345823	58961	149576951451	35882	87251739914
SPAIN	51	138397202	57	166575831	110	262705129	146	322160498
SUDAN							78	193265769
SWAZILAND	431	1145926251	965	2811204490	2600	6451004286	5	12800288
SWEDEN	50	133868831						
SWITZERLAND	606216	1517627824337	550962	1599938379168	387166	986998991451	422256	1035695118287
TAIWAN					102	292992611		
TANZANIA REP			6707	16921110518	8633	18448508305	15568	32333376561
THAILAND	23	59762624	840	2496121744				
TURKEY	3494	8755765725	4035	11995908145	424	1127833892	905	2212728254
U ARAB EMTS	200066	501672583248	190889	555985789762	119751	304757498063	90608	223077833570
U K	1849	4119569758	3996	11731292276	4719	12037223861	5446	13524870869
U S A	17961	42206009901	67119	183192133337	32694	70711314067	72976	148108398538
UNSPECIFIED	1268	3774370597	538	1500951141	10	25188823		
VIETNAM SOC REP							27	38561654
Grand Total	1078352	2699007054000	1013717	2921528333894	661713	1662426199763	782095	1797126018808

Note: Figures for 2014-15(Apr to Feb) is provisional.

SOURCE: DGCIS

Annexure III

COUNTRY-WISE AND TOTAL EXPORT OF GOLD JEWELLERY FOR THE LAST 3 YEARS AND CURRENT YEAR							
country	2011-12		2012-13		2013-14		2014-15
	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)
AFGHANISTAN TIS					43	101366757	6
AUSTRALIA	124	387557912	38	241841315	140	442797516	100
AUSTRIA	0	866408	53	162637054	66	25348282	1
AZERBAIJAN							0
BAHAMAS			2	86550			0
BAHARAIN IS	185	868718211	9	150608788	54	153791852	284
BANGLADESH PR	0	16937	6	27518838	1	3219300	1
BELGIUM	15	67868219	20	148495623	23	112345711	2
BOTSWANA	0	1526762	0	1509095	0	8617	
BRAZIL	0	21079	0	94591			0
BULGARIA					0	3502	
CANADA	235	734633752	157	532117491	291	919959168	540
CHILE	0	53352					0
CHINA P RP	0	159089	9	35964479	22	59795731	83
COSTA RICA					0	1020744	0
CROATIA			1	854855			
CYPRUS	0	202008					
CZECH REPUBLIC	0	3339147	1	2171880	1	6025044	0
DENMARK	1	11502271	0	13144512	3	11831227	2
DOMINIC REP							0
ECUADOR	0	171776					
ESTONIA			0	1751725	0	2206670	
FIJI IS	2	4610364	26	90727100	19	54827480	24
FINLAND	0	4880137	2	12684595	5	10778912	6
FRANCE	21	78682440	10	69872523	47	150396371	30
GERMANY	34	153542202	77	247443149	222	387472604	339
GHANA			0	63600			
GREECE	0	2573611	0	792543	4	924006	0
GREENLAND							0
HONG KONG	4450	12517475438	12992	32401646288	4489	19512032144	14492
HUNGARY							0
INDONESIA	0	31595	0	118855			15
IRAN							28
IRELAND	0	198028	0	706958	2	1694606	0
ISRAEL	1	4076244	1	3875062	0	4016099	2
ITALY	55	325977194	35	217672577	87	245956348	117
JAPAN	8	38984538	16	66592556	19	29204919	17
KAZAKHSTAN	0	1735381			2	4729295	0
KENYA			0	364384			
KOREA RP	1	1419515	0	37218	0	330133	0
KUWAIT	53	342866701	24	154600720	20	75314621	288
LATVIA			0	19628	0	84909	
LEBANON	0	421590			0	433845	0
LITHUANIA	0	139725					
LUXEMBOURG	0	51315					
MACAO							0
MALAYSIA	52	325528108	405	1269375507	1055	2767579027	338
MALTA	0	2639					
MARTINIQUE							1

MAURITIUS	0	2255028	1	4473101	1	2618170	1
MEXICO	0	4257			1	9534397	0
MONGOLIA							10
NEPAL	3	534057	0	8493	0	36010	5
NETHERLAND	18	51437367	2	18623272	26	61852712	30
NETHERLANDANTIL			0	886897			
NEW ZEALAND	0	4149059	16	53670641	9	26306903	18
NICARAGUA			0	222860			
NIGERIA			0	181575			
NORFOLK IS			0	638685			
NORWAY	0	2321604	2	5376558	7	30170587	0
OMAN	0	606287	50	148139521	4	11381185	34
PAKISTAN IR	6	340152174					
PANAMA REPUBLIC	0	1885249	0	2621497			
PHILIPPINES	0	133428					
POLAND	0	103456	0	89100	8	23226345	0
QATAR	27	105130002	0	3354838	17	67037806	10
ROMANIA					0	68508	0
RUSSIA	0	5667587	0	365016	0	180317	0
SAUDI ARAB	30	65321195	14	40553795	9	36037426	26
SERBIA MONTNGRO							0
SEYCHELLES					0	1969335	8
SINGAPORE	4672	12425079603	4915	12309904363	4355	11360080944	5269
SLOVAK REP	0	149788					
SLOVENIA	0	887	0	1595439	26	64035011	0
SOUTH AFRICA	1	5311189	3	18480759	43	24303294	20
SPAIN	2	45846137	7	35044502	6	8064380	3
SRI LANKA DSR	3	7429179	0	1486630	3	12525475	9
SWAZILAND	30	27595998	0	24733	0	5468	
SWEDEN	126	319597028	78	180039979	105	265744803	106
SWITZERLAND	288	855565297	2	14471347	156	830105251	112
TAIWAN	0	1219840	1	5832899	11	15406585	0
THAILAND	4	32426916	5	50301972	97	146298171	99
TRINIDAD	2	4786345					1
TURKEY	12	30468334	56	167272309	128	317633642	71
U ARAB EMTS	101122	269693431544	87061	249722258871	64396	178401945178	109950
U K	1123	3003664318	1396	4248659189	1929	4746668748	2497
U S A	1419	4735422931	1309	5478206152	1788	3661726530	1726
UKRAINE	0	148140	13	3694386	0	216361	0
UNSPECIFIED	3568	12017357590	1	7376807	40707	108277548287	44
URUGUAY					0	21635	
VIETNAM SOC REP	0	725960					
VIRGIN IS US			1	5506173			
YEMEN REPUBLC	0	199187	0	264600	1	5603908	
ZAMBIA	1	3775493	10	20526830			0
ZIMBABWE							0
Grand Total	117694	319669736142	108827	308405543848	120448	333493848812	136765

Note: For GOLD JEWELLERY, ITCHS Code:'71131910','71131920','71131940','71142010','71141910' is considered.

SOURCE: DGCIS

COUNTRY-WISE AND TOTAL IMPORT OF GOLD JEWELLERY FOR THE LAST 3 YEARS AND CURRENT YEAR								
country	2011-12		2012-13		2013-14		2014-15(APR TO JA	
	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)	QTY(KG)	VAL(INR)
AUSTRALIA	0	1630481	0	1508915	0	3279812	16	1711499
AUSTRIA					0	99089		
BELGIUM	1	4041852	2	8370254	0	13067695	5	10480730
CANADA	0	461065	3	8713649	0	12102503	0	12066
CHINA P RP	12	18358947	29	41975381	0	38872577	724	3327937
DENMARK	0	187984	0	122749	0	123421		
ECUADOR					0	38744		
ESTONIA			0	120107				
FRANCE	9	24938552	7	26325985	0	26589012	21	42074388
GEORGIA	0	50970						
GERMANY	25	50926907	9	25584601	0	24218464	8	17512300
HONG KONG	227	670608879	1830	6251838658	0	725295792	381	86311810
INDONESIA	0	111941			0	75217312	1388	33796050
IRELAND	4	11518368	5	13360548	0	14212632	17	36592880
ISRAEL			0	24997	0	26152		
ITALY	73	185334577	52	147590109	0	151753930	123	25566840
JAPAN	4	12076970	12	35411928	0	16070967	2	12496100
KENYA					0	44406521		
KOREA DP RP							0	1007105
KOREA RP	15	38345376	9	28167034	0	36912244	22	43142370
MALAYSIA	5	10221037			0	27434022	54	12182840
MEXICO					0	19172		
NETHERLAND			0	350185				
NEW ZEALAND		464409						
NORWAY							1	2266311
QATAR							1	1871994
SINGAPORE	10	22473886	0	881932	0	1390833581	270	62163150
SLOVENIA							0	9055
SOUTH AFRICA	0	631780			0	9544		
SPAIN	8	20617737	0	142601	0	2924206	3	8569193
SWEDEN	0	43307	0	2359			0	62050
SWITZERLAND	58	158817352	311	863870519	0	8402766	0	4320827
TAIWAN	1	1684019						
THAILAND	685	1484194186	1031	3246201568	0	560198715	49	77243690
TURKEY	11	25217970	3	22887942	0	25004790	30	78967230
U ARAB EMTS	340	903672103	17338	44259765063	9	25046215904	2253	51347210
U K	6	15694229	8	120101369	0	15852700	9	72569260
U S A	176	523955265	161	552143757	0	450435465	226	40436320
UNSPECIFIED	286	1110173955	104	623667599	0	922257866	14	16759000
VIETNAM SOC REP							2	5331942
ZIMBABWE	0	1398483						
Grand Total	1956	5297852587	20914	56279129809	9	29631875598	5619	11413450

Note: For GOLD JEWELLERY, ITCHS Code:'71131910','71131920','71131940','71142010','71141910' is considered.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5104
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

AMENDMENT IN TEA ACT

5104. SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:

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

- a) whether the Government proposes to amend the 1953, Tea Act to give more teeth to the Tea Board of India;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether the Tea Board has sought powers to monitor the working of tea gardens, making its approach more direct and proactive than the present reactive attitude; and
- d) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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(a) & (b): The Tea Act was enacted in 1953 with the objective of controlling the tea industry pursuant to relevant international agreements and developing the industry as well as production and marketing of tea. As the sector has undergone several changes since inception of the Tea Act, 1953, the Law Commission in its 159th Report has, inter alia, recommended amendment of the Tea Act, 1953.

(c) & (d): The Government undertook an exercise for consulting stakeholders, and obtaining their views on the amendments to the Tea Act, 1953 including the provisions related to monitoring the working of tea gardens. The interests and views of all stakeholders is taken into account in finalizing the amendments.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5120
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

EXPORT/IMPORT OF ANIMAL PRODUCTS

5120(H). SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:

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

- a) the quantum and value of export and import of animal products from/to the country during each of the last three years, country and product-wise;
- b) the share of India in world's trade indicating the share of various States therein;
- c) whether the share of India in world's trade of animal products is very less;
- d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- e) the steps taken by the Government to promote export of animal products?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

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

- (a) The quantum and value of export and import of animal products from/to the country during each of the last three years (Upto February, 2015), product-wise is given as under. No details are available for the current year (2015-16):-

ANIMAL PRODUCT	Qty/	2012-13		2013-14		2014-15(apr-feb)	
	UNIT	QTY	VAL (US \$)	QTY	VAL (US \$)	QTY	VAL(US \$)
ANIMAL CASINGS	KGS	645843	3943914	352200	4731753	244347	3028832
BUFFALO MEAT	TONS	1076103	3201135830	1365643	4350376900	1356794	4410103663
OTHER MEAT	TONS	194	430003	268	548450	248	406720
PROCESSED MEAT	TONS	796	1726194	508	1294313	222	976897
SHEEP/GOAT MEAT	TONS	15287	78353823	22608	115365252	21807	125922546
Grand Total		1738223	3285589764	1741227	4472316668	1623418	4540438658

Source: DGCI&S

IMPORT OF ANIMAL PRODUCTS

ANIMAL PRODUCT	Qty/ UNIT	2012-13		2013-14		2014-15(apr-feb)	
		QTY	VAL (US \$)	QTY	VAL (US \$)	QTY	VAL (US \$)
ANIMAL CASINGS	KGS	20	266	220	408	-	-
OTHER MEAT	TONS	426	2890474	361	2607184	428	2903167
PROCESSED MEAT	TONS	566	1652810	388	1271181	156	777482
SHEEP/GOAT MEAT	TONS	22	280727	60	855846	75	1246189
Grand Total		1034	4824277	1029	4734619	659	4926838

Source: DGCI&S

The quantum and value of export and import of animal products from/to the top five destinations during last three years country-wise in respect of three major products is given at **Annexure-I**.

(b) India's share in world trade of Animal Products as per UN Comtrade data for 2013 is 0.89%. State wise share of animal products in World trade is not maintained.

(c & d) Yes, Madam. Some of the reasons for our negligible share in world trade are high consumption base, relatively low productivity, prevalence of various Livestock diseases such as FMD, impeding market access to Indian Livestock products, several quality, and non tariff issues from major competing countries, intermittent outbreaks of Avian influenza, lack of modern food processing infrastructure etc.

(e) The Government has taken several steps to ensure quality of meat export is in line with the rules/regulations and requirements of the importing country. The export of chilled and frozen meat is allowed subject to the provision specified to the gazette notification on raw meat (chilled and frozen) under Export (Quality Control and Inspection) Act, 1963. Under the provisions of the above Rules, each consignment of meat is compulsorily required to be accompanied by a Veterinary Health Certificate issued by the designated authorities. Meat consignments conforming to the notified standards and specifications and which are export worthy only are allowed for export.

Besides the step taken to maintain quality of Meat for International Markets, APEDA also takes following initiatives to promote other Scheduled products including Meat products

- APEDA acts as facilitating body for helping exporters to overcome various export related issues

- APEDA regularly disseminates information of various trade related aspects to the exporters.
- APEDA organizes participation in International trade fairs/exhibitions to create awareness of Indian animal product exporters.

ANNEXURE – I

EXPORT

2012-13

**BUFFALO MEAT
PROCESSED MEAT**

SHEEP/GOAT MEAT

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
U ARAB EMTS	7049	37560488
SAUDI ARAB	4153	23085002
QATAR	1412	8014535
KUWAIT	920	5116272
PAKISTAN IR	448	236129
OTHER COUNTRIES	1305	4341397
TOTAL	15287	78353823

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)
AUSTRALIA	487
HONG KONG	112
U ARAB EMTS	81
SAUDI ARAB	73
MALAWI	20
OTHER COUNTRIES	23
TOTAL	796

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
VIETNAM SOC REP	302130	943646730
MALAYSIA	115358	357441688
THAILAND	87094	265644502
EGYPT A RP	71250	230589882
SAUDI ARAB	69624	215532575
OTHER COUNTRIES	430647	1188280453
TOTAL	1076103	3201135830

2013-14

**BUFFALO MEAT
PROCESSED MEAT**

SHEEP/GOAT MEAT

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
U ARAB EMTS	10717	59630834
SAUDI ARAB	5763	32998337
QATAR	1612	9142288
PAKISTAN IR	1554	826382
KUWAIT	1149	6499105
OTHER COUNTRIES	1813	6268306
TOTAL	22608	115365252

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)
HONG KONG	168
AUSTRALIA	116
SAUDI ARAB	70
U ARAB EMTS	58
VIETNAM SOC REP	57
OTHER COUNTRIES	39
TOTAL	508

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
VIETNAM SOC REP	524180	1795568827
MALAYSIA	121713	388672060
EGYPT A RP	107822	338217089
THAILAND	89967	296317174
SAUDI ARAB	74600	247106649
OTHER COUNTRIES	447361	1284495101
TOTAL	1365643	4350376900

2014-15 (Apr to Feb)**BUFFALO MEAT****PROCESSED MEAT****SHEEP/GOAT MEAT**

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
U ARAB EMTS	10575	61767946
SAUDI ARAB	6554	39666251
QATAR	1844	10581197
KUWAIT	1601	9533306
OMAN	481	2421073
OTHER COUNTRIES	752	1952773
TOTAL	21807	125922546

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
U ARAB EMTS	75	38
SAUDI ARAB	72	39
VIETNAM SOC REP	27	2
KOREA RP	20	7
AUSTRALIA	10	2
OTHER COUNTRIES	18	7
TOTAL	222	97

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
VIETNAM SOC REP	594197	2027756547
EGYPT A RP	123014	407621278
MALAYSIA	116733	379506304
THAILAND	97105	329114146
SAUDI ARAB	64310	225847203
OTHER COUNTRIES	361435	1040258185
TOTAL	1356794	4410103663

IMPORT**2012-13****OTHER MEAT****PROCESSED MEAT****SEEP/GOAT MEAT**

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
BELGIUM	112	703281
NETHERLAND	104	628203
ITALY	76	709790
SPAIN	46	308727
CHILE	26	173425
OTHER COUNTRIES	62	367048
TOTAL	426	2890474

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
SRI LANKA DSR	535	1447822
NETHERLAND	16	76024
BELGIUM	10	87735
DENMARK	2	9244
FRANCE	2	4731
OTHER COUNTRIES	1	27254
TOTAL	566	1652810

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
AUSTRALIA	20	249760
U ARAB EMTS	2	29964
THAILAND	0	1003
TOTAL	22	280727

2013-14**OTHER MEAT**

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
SRI LANKA DSR	351	1002522
NETHERLAND	16	105469
BELGIUM	10	76156
SPAIN	8	47355
GERMANY	2	8193
OTHER COUNTRIES	1	31486
TOTAL	388	1271181

PROCESSED MEAT

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
AUSTRALIA	51	696597
NEW ZEALAND	9	150810
SINGAPORE	0	8439
TOTAL	60	855846

SHEEP/GOAT MEAT

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
BELGIUM	98	583658
NETHERLAND	69	520840
SRI LANKA DSR	61	468994
SPAIN	55	357788
ITALY	53	500104
OTHER COUNTRIES	25	175800
TOTAL	361	2607184

2014-15 (Apr to Feb)

OTHER MEAT

SHEEP/GOAT MEAT

PROCESSED MEAT

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
SRI LANKA DSR	126	568196
BELGIUM	11	64235
NETHERLAND	8	49504
SPAIN	7	44861
THAILAND	2	29831
OTHER COUNTRIES	2	20855
TOTAL	156	777482

COUNTRY
AUSTRALIA
NEW ZEALAND
TOTAL

COUNTRY	QTY (Tons)	VAL(US\$)
BELGIUM	154	913032
SRI LANKA DSR	73	547456
SPAIN	67	429628
ITALY	57	522193
NETHERLAND	50	311671
OTHER COUNTRIES	27	179187
TOTAL	428	2903167

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5125
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

PROHIBITION/RESTRICTION ON EXPORT OF
DAIRY PRODUCTS

5125. DR. P. VENUGOPAL:

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

- a) whether some countries including Russia has prohibited/restricted import of certain dairy products from India;
- b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- c) the impact of the decision on export of such products indicating the problems being faced by Indian exporters along with the quantum of foreign exchange loss to the country thereby;
- d) whether any team from these countries, particularly from Russia has visited the country to inspect several cheese and dairy products units;
- e) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- f) the further measures taken by the Government to get the said prohibition/restriction lifted along with the present status thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

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

- (a) & (b) Export of agricultural commodities like dairy products is subject to compliance with the quality, sanitary and phytosanitary standards and relevant rules & regulations of the importing countries. Temporary restrictive measures are sometimes adopted by the importing countries in view of non-conformity to any of these standards/rules. So far as Russia is concerned, in general, no prohibition/restriction has been imposed by the Eurasian Customs Union (EACU) countries on the import of dairy products from India. However, the export of dairy products to EACU is being regulated in compliance with the recommendations of the Federal Service for Veterinary and Phytosanitary Surveillance (FSVPS) of Russia.
- (c) The export of agricultural products depends on several factors such as domestic and international demand and supply situation, price competitiveness, quality concerns, sanitary & phytosanitary requirements etc. As such, it is not possible to assess the impact of any single factor on volume of exports of a particular product.

(d) & (e) Inspection of some dairy establishments were done by the Russian authorities (FSVPS) from 29.10.2014 to 7.11.2014. They have raised certain concerns regarding collection of milk only from own farms and not from collection depot, animal identification and disease control for FMD, T.B., Brucellosis and enzootic leucosis. Similar concerns related to the disease control were raised during EU mission as well.

(f) Does not arise in view of (a) & (b) above.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5139
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

SEZ IN MUMBAI

5139(H). SHRI RAJAN VICHARE:

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

- a) whether the work of setting up a Special Economic Zone (SEZ) near Jawaharlal Nehru Port in Nhava Sheva, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra has commenced;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which it is likely to be commenced;
- d) the total number of persons likely to be affected by converting of this area into SEZ; and
- e) the amount of compensation fixed for them at the time of their displacement?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

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

(a) to (c): The notification for setting up a Special Economic Zone (SEZ) at Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra developed by M/s. Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (JNPT) has been issued on 11.08.2014. The environmental clearance has been received on 5th December, 2014. The Master Plan and detailed project report has been submitted by M/s. L&T Infrastructure Engineering Limited on 31st March, 2015. Further, the area levelling activities and the tender process for protection wall of SEZ (phase-I) have been initiated.

(d) & (e): As regards rehabilitation of displaced persons, State Governments have their own policies and procedures to deal with the same.

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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5155
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

PRODUCTION AND EXPORT/IMPORT OF TOBACCO

5155. COL. SONARAM CHOUDHARY:
SHRI ANTO ANTONY:

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

- a) the production and consumption of tobacco in the country during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- b) the salient features of the policy for regulation of tobacco production/cultivation in the country;
- c) the quantum and value of tobacco and other value added products exported and imported from/to the country during the said period, country-wise;
- d) whether the Government proposes to curtail/enhance the area of tobacco producing land;
- e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- f) the measures taken by the Government to encourage its production/cultivation and export?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

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

- (a) The Tobacco Board under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry regulates the production and promotion of export of Flue Cured Virginia (FCV) tobacco in the country. The production and consumption of FCV tobacco in India during last 3 years, state wise is as follows:

Production :

(Qty in Million.Kgs)

Crop season	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Total
2012-13	176.64	93.86	270.50
2013-14	213.93	102.02	315.95
2014-15*	193.26	103.50	296.76

*Estimated Production Source: Tobacco Board

Consumption :

Crop season	Estimates of consumption (Million Kgs)		
	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka	Total
2012-13	63.75	27.42	91.17
2013-14	57.06	24.07	81.13
2014-15*	39.19	17.99	57.18

Source: Tobacco Board (*Information up to December, 2014)

- (b) FCV tobacco crop is a highly regulated and subjected to stringent restrictions on extent of area planted, quantity of tobacco produced and cured. Production of tobacco in excess of authorised limits and without registration from Board is subject to levy of heavy penalties deterring the farmers from doing so. Violations of the Tobacco Board Act and Rules entail appropriate punishments as laid out in the Act/ Rules. Tobacco Board has restricted horizontal expansion of the area under tobacco by not granting registration to new growers, and not issuing any licenses for construction of new barns creating additional curing infrastructure and not expanding FCV tobacco cultivation to new areas. Tobacco Board is encouraging farmers to go for alternative crops / cropping systems.
- (c) The quantum and value of tobacco and other value added products exported and imported from/to the country during the last 3 years (no data is available for current year), country-wise is given as under : -

**Exports
(HS Code 2401)**

(QTY. IN TONS, VALUE IN ₹ in Lakh)

S.No	COUNTRY	2012-13		2013-14		2014-15*	
		QTY	VALUE	QTY	VALUE	April 14 - Feb' 15	
						QTY	VALUE
1	Belgium	38610	75239.19	47577	117572.3	24940	58231.84
2	Egypt	11159	14299.42	14333	23597.39	19511	31387.7
3	Philippines	6295	10403.63	10687	22365.78	13230	22450.8
4	Russia	14170	25828.48	12812	28948.58	10839	23648.69
5	DPR Korea	12656	21052.79	11012	21523.23	9943	19323.04
Others		145133	236360	139232	270984	102606	191661
Grand Total		228023	383184	235653	484991.77	181069	346703.38

(Source: Tobacco Board)

**Import
(HS Code 2401)**

(QTY. IN TONS, VALUE IN ₹ in lakh)

Commodity	2012-13		2013-14		2014-15 (Apr to Feb)	
	QTY	Value	QTY	Value	QTY	Value
ZIMBABWE	1,070.41	5,267	872.8	486	1,063.98	5,845
BRAZIL	240.4	1,048	221	1,055	260.8	121
TURKEY	261.82	1,358	249.48	1,599	259.56	1,614
INDONESIA	6.44	0.03	41.58	188	96.4	439
NEPAL	83.59	0.02	78.58	0.02	77.5	0.02
Others	504.12	1,488	85.91	205	137.13	625
Total	2,166.78	9,193	1,549.35	7,954	1,895.37	9,734

(Source: DGCI&S)

- (d & e) Tobacco Board is regulating the production of FCV tobacco based on market dynamics to ensure fair and remunerative prices to tobacco farmers. As a policy, Tobacco Board is not going for horizontal expansion of tobacco. Further, India is a signatory to WHO's Frame work Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) whereby there is an obligation to implement the provisions of FCTC in India to reduce the consumption of tobacco. Appropriate supply management also helps in ensuring remunerative prices to growers.
- (f) Tobacco Board provides timely inputs to farmers. Tobacco Board also implements many extension and developmental schemes with its wide network of qualified and trained technical staff in collaboration with Central Tobacco Research Institute (CTRI), Rajahmundry and National Institute of Plant Health Management (NIPHM) aimed at improving the yield and quality of the tobacco, mechanization in tobacco farming and transfer of technology product integrity/post harvest product management. Further, the Tobacco Board is participating in International Trade Fairs, Exhibitions, and International Tobacco Trade Forums. Advertisement in international print media, branding of Indian tobacco in international media, holding interaction between various stake holders, participation in the international fairs / exhibitions and buyer seller meets are other measures undertaken to encourage production / cultivation and export.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5159
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

EXPORT OF POTATO

5159(H). SHRIMATI NEELAM SONKER:

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

- a) whether the Government provides or proposes to provide financial assistance to potato growers in different States including Uttar Pradesh to promote export of potato;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether the Government adopts uniform policy in the country for export of potato; and
- d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

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

- (a & b) APEDA provides financial assistance to the exporters of horticulture produce including potato as under:
- (i) **Infrastructure Development:** The exporters are supported for creation of infrastructure required for post-harvest handling, specialized cold storages like high humidity, controlled/modified atmosphere, mechanized grading, sorting and packaging. Financial assistance is provided for establishment of common infrastructure facilities by Central/State Government agencies wherein APEDA provides 90% grant-in-aid. A Sub-component "establishment of common infrastructure facilities in PPP mode by Government or Public sector agencies" has been introduced with 75% grant-in-aid to special purpose vehicles (SPV) by APEDA.
 - (ii) **Market Promotion** for brand publicity through advertisement, packaging, participation in international trade fairs etc.
 - (iii) **Quality Development** for purchase of laboratory testing equipment, implementation of quality management systems like ISO/HACCP/TNC/BRC/TQM, GAP, reimbursement of testing charges for analysis of water, soil, residues of pesticides etc and for getting export oriented need based research conducted. For export testing purposes, APEDA has recognized 29 laboratories after following a very stringent procedure of assessment, audit and surveillance.

(iv) **Transport Assistance Scheme:** to subsidize freight so as to make the produce cost competitive in global market.

(c & d):Yes, Madam. Export of Potato is free as per Foreign Trade Policy of the Government.

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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5161
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

TRADING RESTRICTIONS ON SUGAR INDUSTRY

5161. SHRI KAMLESH PASWAN:

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

- a) whether the lack of export subsidy and other trading restrictions have impacted sugar industry and if so, the details thereof;
- b) whether the Government proposes to revisit its current trade policy for sugar and remove such restrictions and if so, the details thereof; and
- c) the other steps being taken by the Government to boost country's share in global sugar exports?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

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

(a & b) As per extant policy, the exports of sugar is free without quantitative restrictions subject to prior registration by DGFT. To enhance the production of new product raw sugar targeted for export market, the Central Government vide notification date 28.02.2014, provided incentive towards "Marketing and Promotion Service of Raw Sugar Production" for 2013-14 sugar season @ Rs. 3300/- per MT for February-March, Rs. 2277/- per MT for April-May, Rs. 3300/- per MT for June-July & Rs. 3371/- per MT for August- September. The scheme was further extended vide notification dated 27.02.2015 to provide incentive @ Rs. 4000/- per MT upto 14 Lakh MT for the current sugar season 2014-15 "(October- September)".

(c) Encouraging exports is a continuous process. The export of agricultural products depend on various factors including availability of surplus over and above the requirement of buffer stock if any including, strategic reserve, concerns of food security, diplomatic/humanitarian considerations, international demand 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.

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5162
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015**

NATIONAL OFFSET POLICY

5162(H). SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA:

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

- a) whether the Government proposes to finalise the National Offset Policy to boost the manufacturing sector in the country;
- b) if so, the details and the salient features thereof along with the sectors selected for its implementation;
- c) the benefits likely to accrue to the manufacturing sector thereby;
- d) the manner in which the policy is likely to help in attracting investments, acquiring new technology and raw material, enhancing Research and Development (R&D) capability, boosting exports and Make in India programme; and
- e) the time by which the policy is likely to be implemented?

ANSWER

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

- a) to e): The draft Offset Policy is still under formulation and going through the consultative process.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5195
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

5195(H). SHRI ABHISHEK SINGH:
SHRI RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY:

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

- a) the present policy/norms of the Government in regard to constitution/establishment of Export Promotion Council;
- b) the names of items for which such council has been constituted and contemplated to be constituted by the Government;
- c) whether States/UTs have also been requested to constitute such councils;
- d) if so, the details thereof indicating the name of States/UTs which have constituted such councils; and
- e) the measures taken by the Government to persuade all States/UTs to constitute such council?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

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

- (a) Export Promotion Councils (EPCs) are organizations of exporters, registered under Companies Act / Societies Registration Act, set up with the objective to promote and develop Indian exports. Each Council is responsible for promotion of a particular group of products / projects / services. EPCs are also eligible to function as Registering Authority to issue Registration-cum-Membership Certificate (RCMC) to its members, for which they have to fulfil the criteria laid down in the Foreign Trade Policy.
- (b) The products group for which EPCs have been formed include pharma products, engineering products, leather products, gems and jewellery, handicrafts, handlooms, software, telecom, plastic, sports goods, readymade garments, dyes, basic inorganic and organic chemicals, carpet, cashew etc.
- (c)to(e) No specific request has been made to States / UTs to constitute EPCs. However, in order to mainstream the States for boosting exports, all States have been asked to develop their export strategy and appoint a Senior Secretary as Export Commissioner.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5198
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

TRADE BETWEEN BRICS NATIONS

5198. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

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

- a) whether BRICS nations have recently signed pacts to stimulate trade in their local currencies and agreed on a joint working group to set up a development bank;
- b) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the importers-exporters on such pacts;
- c) whether trade between BRICS nations is likely to improve in the coming years; and
- d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (स्वतंत्र प्रभार) (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)

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

(a) to (b): The BRICS nations have signed the agreement to establish the New Development Bank. The designated signatories of the Federative Republic of Brazil, the Russian Federation, the Republic of India, the People's Republic of China and the Republic of South Africa signed the Inter- Governmental Agreement on July 15, 2014 at Fortaleza Brazil, to establish the New Development Bank. The major objectives behind setting up this Bank are as under-

- i. to utilize resources at its disposal to support infrastructure and sustainable development projects, public or private, in the BRICS and other emerging market economies and developing countries, through the provision of loans, guarantees, equity participation and other financial instruments;
- ii. to cooperate as the Bank may deem appropriate, within its mandate, with international organizations, as well as national entities whether public or private, in particular with international financial institutions and national development banks;
- iii. to provide technical assistance for the preparation and implementation of infrastructure and sustainable development projects to be supported by the Bank.

The Bank will be an additional source of long term finance for infrastructure projects in India. In addition such a Bank will also be instrumental for increasing economic cooperation among BRICS countries, which will ensure more productive use of resources among BRICS countries including India.

(c) to (d): Some of the trade related measures outlined under “*BRICS cooperation on trade and investment matters* “ in the 4th BRICS Trade Ministers Joint Communique signed on 14 July, 2014 in Fortaleza, Brazil would facilitate trade amongst BRICS countries. One of this refers to forging closer links between the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) of the BRICS countries.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5200
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

CONTRIBUTION OF SERVICE SECTOR IN EXPORT

5200(H). SHRI CHIRAG PASWAN:
SHRI KANWAR SINGH TANWAR:

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

- a) the export and import of services during each of the last three years country, sector and State/UT-wise;
- b) India's share in world in respect of export of services along with contribution of States/UTs including Bihar and Uttar Pradesh therein, State/UT-wise; and
- c) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to enhance export of services and to boost indigenous service sector so as to reduce dependence on imports?

ANSWER

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(a) & (b) The existing system does not have institutional mechanism for collection of service data of export/import except from what is generated by RBI through their balance of payment. Based on information received from RBI, approximate sectoral data is prepared by Department of Commerce which is as under:

- (i) India's sector-wise exports and imports of services during each of last 3 years **(Annexure-A)**
- (ii) India's share in world in respect of export services **(Annexure-B)**
- (iii) Leading exporters and importers of commercial services in the world – 2014 **(Annexure-C)**
- (iv) RBI does not maintain state-wise services export data.

(c) There are many challenges in services. In order to promote trade in services, Government of India follows a multi pronged strategy of negotiating meaningful market access through multilateral, plurilateral and bilateral trade agreements, trade promotion through participation in international fairs/exhibitions, focused strategies for specific markets and sectors, increasing competitiveness through reforms and provision of fiscal benefits through schemes like Service Exports from India Scheme (SEIS).

ANNEXURE-A

The export and import of Services during each of the last three years (Values in USD Billion):

Year / Item	FY 2011-12		FY 2012-13		FY 2013-14	
	Export	Import	Export	Import	Export	Import
Services	142.3	78.2	145.7	80.8	151.5	78.5
(1) Travel	18.5	13.8	18.0	11.8	17.9	11.8
(2) Transportation	18.2	16.4	17.3	14.8	17.4	14.8
(3) Insurance	2.6	1.5	2.2	1.4	2.1	1.1
(4) Government not included elsewhere (g.n.i.e)	0.5	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.5	1.0
(5) Miscellaneous	102.5	45.8	107.5	51.9	113.6	49.8
Note: Miscellaneous Services include services such as Software services, Business services, Financial services, Communication Services, etc.						
Source: RBI "Database on Indian Economy".						

ANNEXURE-B**India's share in world in respect of export of services (Values in USD Billion)**

	2012	2013	2014
India's Export of Services	145.0	148.2	154.1
Total World Export of Services	4428.1	4666.5	4861.6
India's % Share in World Export of Services	3.3	3.2	3.2
Note: Values in USD Billion			
Source: World Trade Organization (WTO); Calendar year data			

ANNEXURE-C

Leading exporters and importers of commercial services, 2014

\$bn and %

Rank	Exporters	Value	Share	Annual % change	Rank	Importers	Value	Share	Annual % change
1	United States	686	14.1	3	1	United States	454	9.6	4
2	United Kingdom	329	6.8	4	2	China	382	8.1	16
3	Germany	267	5.5	5	3	Germany	327	6.9	1
4	France	263	5.4	4	4	France	244	5.1	6
5	China	222	4.6	8	5	Japan	190	4.0	12
6	Japan	158	3.3	19	6	United Kingdom	189	4.0	-1
7	Netherlands	156	3.2	11	7	Netherlands	165	3.5	8
8	India	154	3.2	4	8	Ireland	142	3.0	16
9	Spain	135	2.8	5	9	Singapore	130	2.7	0
10	Ireland	133	2.7	9	10	India	124	2.6	-1
11	Singapore	133	2.7	2	11	Russian Federation	119	2.5	-5
12	Belgium	117	2.4	4	12	Korea, Republic of	114	2.4	4
13	Switzerland	114	2.3	2	13	Italy	112	2.4	4
14	Italy	114	2.3	2	14	Belgium	108	2.3	4
15	Hong Kong, China	107	2.2	2	15	Canada	106	2.2	-5
16	Korea, Republic of	106	2.2	3	16	Switzerland	93	2.0	2
17	Luxembourg	98	2.0	11	17	Brazil	87	1.8	5
18	Canada	85	1.7	-4	18	Hong Kong, China	78	1.6	2
19	Sweden	75	1.5	3	19	United Arab Emirates a, b	72	1.5	...
20	Denmark	72	1.5	2	20	Spain	72	1.5	11
21	Russian Federation	66	1.4	-5	21	Luxembourg	67	1.4	13
22	Austria	65	1.3	2	22	Sweden	65	1.4	8
23	Chinese Taipei a	57	1.2	12	23	Denmark	64	1.3	1
24	Thailand	55	1.1	-6	24	Australia	62	1.3	-7
25	Macao, China	53	1.1	-1	25	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of	60	1.3	17
26	Australia	52	1.1	0	26	Thailand	53	1.1	-4
27	Turkey	50	1.0	9	27	Norway	53	1.1	-5
28	Norway	49	1.0	1	28	Austria	51	1.1	3
29	Poland	46	0.9	2	29	Chinese Taipei a	46	1.0	8
30	Greece	42	0.9	14	30	Malaysia	44	0.9	-2
	Total of above	4058	83.5	-		Total of above	3871	81.7	-
	World	4860	100.0	4		World	4740	100.0	5

a Follows BPM5 services classification.

... indicates unavailable or non-comparable figures.

- indicates non-applicable.

Note: Figures for a number of countries and territories have been estimated by the Secretariat. Annual percentage changes and rankings are affected by continuity breaks in the series for a large number of economies, and by limitations in cross-country comparability.

Source: WTO and UNCTAD Secretariats.

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5228
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SLAUGHTER HOUSES

5228(H). SHRI SATYAPAL SINGH:

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

- a) whether the Government provides financial assistance for setting up and running of slaughter houses in the country; and
- b) if so, the details thereof indicating the financial assistance provided to slaughter houses during each of the last three years, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

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- (a) & (b) The Department of Commerce does not give any financial assistance for setting up and running of slaughter house in the country. Financial assistance pertaining to other Ministries is being gathered.

Annexure-I.

Grant Released for abattoir projects during last three years (2012 to 2015):

Sr. No.	Name of the Project Promoter	State	Amount Released (Rs. in Crore)
Grant Released for abattoir projects during 2012-13			
1.	Kolkata Municipal Corporation (For 74 DC Dey Road Project)	West Bengal	3.86
2.	Shimla Municipal Corporation	Himachal Pradesh	4.86
3.	DAH&F and Veterinary Services at Majhitar, East Sikkim.	Sikkim	0.62
A	Sub Total		9.34
Grant Released for abattoir projects during 2013-14			
4.	The Kolkata Municipal Corporation, (for 74 DC Dey Road Project)	West Bengal	5.15
5.	Goa Meat Complex Ltd, Panjim, Goa 403 001	Goa	0.62
6.	Meat Product of India Limited, Edayar.	Kerala	1.44
7.	Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Hyderabad	Telangana	5.92
8.	Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation under PPP mode with M/s. Vizag Foods Pvt. Ltd	Andhra Pradesh	1.500
9.	Municipal Corporation Shimla	Himachal Pradesh	06.00
10.	Mizoram Food and Allied Industries Limited (A Govt. of Mizoram Undertaking), Aizawl.	Mizoram	01.29
11.	Itanagar Municipal Council, Neharlagun at Papum Pare	Arunachal Pradesh	1.02
12.	Kolkata Municipal Corporation, Kolkata (for 400 Rabindra Sarani Project)	West Bengal	0.58
13.	Mysore City Corporation	Karnataka	01.50
14.	Hospet City Municipal Council	Karnataka	0.005
15.	City Municipal Council, Chitradurga, Karnataka	Karnataka	0.005
16.	Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Govt. of Sikkim	Sikkim	0.69
B	Sub Total		25.72
Grant Released for abattoir projects during 2014-15			
17.	Municipal Corporation SAS Nagar, Mohali.	Punjab	0.33
18.	Tiruchirappalli City Corporation	Tamil Nadu	0.15
19.	GVMC, Vishakhapatnam.	Andhra Pradesh	4.50
20.	Hospet City Municipal Council, Bellary	Karnataka	0.33
21.	Municipal Corporation Shimla	Shimla	3.00
22.	City Municipal Council Chitradurga	Chitradurga	0.28
23.	City Municipal Council Chamarajanagara	Chamrajnagar	0.41
24.	Mokokchung Municipal Council, Mokokchung.	Nagaland	1.10
25.	DAH&F and Veterinary Services at Majhitar, East Sikkim.	Sikkim	0.19
C	Sub Total		10.29
D	Grand Total		45.35

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INTER-MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON
EXPORT/IMPORT

5229. SHRI VINAYAK BHAURAO RAUT:
SHRIMATI K. MARAGATHAM:
SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE:
SHRI NAGENDRA KUMAR PRADHAN:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:
SHRI KALIKESH N. SINGH DEO:

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

- a) whether the Government has set up an Inter-Ministerial Committee to study and recommend ways to reduce the number of mandatory documents required for export and import;
- b) if so, the details and the terms of reference thereof;
- c) whether the Committee has since submitted its report;
- d) if so, the recommendations made by the Committee and the follow-up action taken by the Government thereon; and
- e) the other measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to cut transaction cost for exporters, boost outward shipments and to improve India's ranking in ease of doing business in the world?

ANSWER

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- (a) & (b) Yes, Madam. The Committee was constituted on July 15, 2014. Terms of Reference of the committee included study and analysis of export and import documents mentioned in the "Trading Across Borders" section of the "Doing Business Report 2014" published by World Bank and to identify such documents which can be removed/merged/ rationalized.
- (c) & (d) The Committee submitted its report on 10-12-2014 and made recommendations for reducing number of documents as well as other measures for reducing cost and time required for exports and imports from India. As a follow up action, Government has reduced the number of mandatory documents required for exports and imports from India to three each.

- (e) Following major Trade Facilitation measures have been adopted by the Government:
- i. About 89% of export and 93% import transactions (2013-14 data) were processed at Customs through the Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) system.
 - ii. Customs clearance of specified export goods takes place on 24x7 basis from 18 sea ports and 17 air cargo complexes.
 - iii. Electronic Bank Realization Certification (eBRC) system introduced by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) ensures secured online flow of export related Foreign Exchange realization information from Banks to DGFT.
 - iv. Exporters can file online applications to avail benefits under the Foreign Trade Policy Schemes.

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**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5235
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015**

**BAN ON EXPORT OF MEAT AND MEAT
PRODUCTS**

5235(H). SHRI BHOLA SINGH:

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

- a) whether some countries have banned import of meat and meat products from India;
- b) if so, the details thereof;
- c) the impact of such decision on export/exporters of such products and loss of foreign exchange thereby; and
- d) the measures taken by the Government to get the said ban lifted along with the present status thereof?

ANSWER

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- (a)& (b) Countries like EU, China and Indonesia have not been allowing import of Indian buffalo meat citing reasons like prevalence of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) in India. However, in general, there are no bans imposed by these countries.
- (c) There is a continuous growth in export of meat during last three years.
- (d) The Government has been flagging the issue of market access of Indian buffalo meat with EU, China and Indonesia from time to time on different platforms.

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**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5267
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015**

INCLUSION OF STEEL IN NEGATIVE LIST

5267. SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

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

- a) whether the Government proposes to include Steel in the Negative List of Free Trade Agreement with Asian countries; and
- b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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- (a) No, Madam. There is no such proposal to include Steel in the Negative List of FTAs already signed in the Asian countries. The government would take into account the sensitivities of tariff lines for all products including steel for finalizing any offer under the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) which is under negotiation with ASEAN and its FTA partners viz. Australia, China, India, Japan, Korea and New Zealand.
- (b) Does not arise.

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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5287
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24TH APRIL 2015

**LIBERALISATION OF FDI AND VISA REGIMES IN
SERVICE SECTOR**

5287. SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

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

- a) whether a decision has been taken to opt out of negotiation for agreement between selected World Trade Organisation (WTO) member countries for liberalising Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) and visa regimes in services sector and for lowering import duty on certain items of information technology project and environmental goods;
- b) if so, the details thereof; and
- c) the manner in which the decision is going to benefit the country?

ANSWER

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a) to c):

For liberalizing Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) and visa regimes in Services Sector:-

- i) Yes. India is not a participant in the plurilateral agreement on services, the Trade in Services Agreement (TISA).
- ii) The TISA is being negotiated among a group of 23 countries, outside the aegis of the WTO.
- iii) India believes that the WTO is the best platform to carry forward Services negotiations in a transparent and inclusive manner. We believe that such a plurilateral approach is not the solution for the impasse in the Doha Round; rather it will surely endanger the conclusion of the Doha Round by disturbing the delicate balance arrived at between Agriculture, Non Agricultural Market Access (NAMA) and Services after years of intense negotiations.

For lowering import duty on certain items of information technology project:-

- i) Yes. India has decided not to participate in the Information Technology Agreement-II (ITA-II) negotiations.
- ii) India had been a signatory of Information Technology Agreement-I (ITA-I), an agreement of the WTO since 1997, that committed participating countries to eliminate their custom duties on specific information technology products. Accordingly, India had phased out customs duties on these 217 products in 2005. However, in recent years, selected WTO member countries have started negotiations to expand the

product coverage of ITA, now called ITA-II. In this context, India has decided not to participate in the ITA-II negotiations, in line with the recommendations of Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY) and the domestic manufacturing industry.

- iii) Decision to not join the ITA expansion negotiations was taken in light of the various measures taken by the Government to build a sound manufacturing environment in the field of Electronics and Information Technology. Non participation in ITA expansion negotiations is expected to give a boost to indigenous manufacturing of electronic products.

For lowering import duty on certain items of environmental goods:-

India has made its submissions in multilateral negotiations at WTO on environmental goods. India has however, not supported any plurilateral negotiations in this matter.
