

Some of the countries of export of Basmati rice, Non-basmati rice and wheat during April, 2002 are as under:

Basmati rice	—	UK, UAE, Belgium, Italy etc.
Non-basmati rice	—	Indonesia, Malaysia, Ivory Coast. South Africa, Singapore, Comoros etc.
Wheat	—	Bangladesh, Philippines, Malaysia, Vietnam Soc. Republic, Sri Lanka, Indonesia etc.

Procurement of Tobacco from Karnataka

*230. SHRI M.V. RAJASHEKARAN:
DR. VIJAY MALLYA;

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of quantity of tobacco purchased from tobacco farmers through Tobacco Board since 1998-99, year-wise and State-wise:

(b) whether Government are aware that Tobacco Board is acting in a partisan manner with regard to purchase of Tobacco from karnataka farmers;

(c) if so, whether it is a fact that the State Government of Karnataka has requested the Central Government to purchase tobacco on the basis of the States' production capacity; and

(d) if so, the details of action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDI): (a) Details of the quantity of tobacco purchased by the Tobacco Board since 1998-99 are as follows:

(Qunatity in Million Kilograms)		
Year	Andhra Pradesh	Karnataka
1998-99	Nil	Nil
1999-2000	Nil	Nil
2000-01	0.03	Nil
2001-02	Nil	Nil

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(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Promotion of tourism in Gwalior-Shivpuri area

†*231. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during his visit to Gwalior-Shivpuri area on 19th June, 2002, he had given an assurance to consider some schemes for the development and promotion of local tourism;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the new schemes are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRIJAGMOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The following schemes were offered for development of tourism in Gwalior-Shivpuri area in Madhya Pradesh.

S.No.	Name of the project
1.	Construction of a Convention Centre at Tourist Village, Shivpuri
2. 3.	Development of Bhura Khoas a tourist spot Development of Bhadaiya
4.	Kund/Van Ganga/Sakhya Sagar Expansion and renovation of Museum at Shivpuri
5.	Renovation and conservation work at Gwalior Fort
6.	Conservation/restoration of Town Hall at Shivpuri
7.	Conservation and restoration of Survaya Ki Garni
8.	Development of Baija Tal, Gwalior
9.	Setting up of Tantiya Tope Memorial, Shivpuri
10.	Improvement of Rani Jhansi Memorial Complex Gwalior
(C) The schemes would be implemented after the preparation of detailed Plans for them.	

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