

(d) and (e) Export of Basmati rice during April to November, 2010 is 13.60 lac MT as compared to 13.04 lac MT during the corresponding period last year reflecting that there is no decline in our exports of Basmati rice.

**Joint venture by Japanese companies at Dighi port**

2181. SHRI A. ELAVARSAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Japanese companies have shown interest in setting up a joint venture in the Special Economic Zone close to the new Dighi Port which is the last point for the Delhi - Mumbai Industrial Corridor developed with Japan's financial assistance;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Japanese company delegates visited the port and made a preliminary study of the investment opportunities in the areas of power, LNG, automobile and agriculture; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d) Dighi Port Industrial Area in Maharashtra is one of the Investment Nodes taken up for development in Phase - 1 of the Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC) Project. A Japanese delegation had recently visited the Dighi Port Industrial Area for a preliminary analysis.

**Signing of CECA pact with Malaysia**

2182. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and Malaysia have signed a comprehensive market opening pact, Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) that expands the scope of trade liberalization into services;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether under this agreement India will gain access to Malaysian market for mangoes, banana, basmati rice, cotton garments and automobiles while Malaysia will offer higher level of