

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN) : (a) and (b) Certain measures to increase exports, were announced as part of the Annual Supplement to the Foreign Trade Policy (2009-14) on 18.04.2013. Government has added Norway to Focus Market Scheme (FMS) thereby bringing the total markets under Focus Market Scheme to 125. Venezuela has been added to Special Focus Market Scheme (Special FMS). 47 new items have been added to Market Linked Focus Product Scheme (MLFPS) and 122 new items have been added to the Focus. Product Scheme (FPS). Incremental Exports Incentivisation Scheme (IEIS) has been extended for the year 2013-14 and 53 Latin American and African countries have been added in the list of eligible countries *w.e.f.* 1.4.2013. The details of announcement are available on the website of DGFT at <http://dgft.gov.in>.

(c) All these measures were designed to increase exports and seem to be showing result. Exports during April-Oct. 2013 were to the tune of 179.02 Billion US\$ *vis-a-vis* 168.70 Billion US\$ in the same period last year. This is an increase of 6.11% in 2013-14 over the same period in the previous year.

Exports of spices

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

(a) the item-wise total quantum of the spices exported from India during the last three years and the current year, along with the foreign exchange earned therefrom;

(b) the details of the steps taken/being taken by Government and the Spices Board to encourage export of spices during the said period; and

(c) the year-wise and State-wise details of the workshops organized by the Spices Board in different parts of the country during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN) :(a) The major item-wise export of spices from India for the last 3 years and the current year (Apr.-Sept.2013) is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) The promotion of export of spices and spice products from India is being undertaken through the Spices Board. The Board has been formulating development and promotional programmes which aim at equipping the exporters to have necessary competitive edge in sustaining and increasing export markets for Indian spices. The export development activities of the Board focus on quality improvement, value addition, technology transfer and upgradation. The quality improvement programmes of the Board have helped spices exporters to acquire capabilities that conform to international quality standards. The major thrust areas are Infrastructure development research on new applications of spices and new product development, promotion of Indian Spices abroad, setting up of Infrastructure for common cleaning, grading, processing, packing storing facilities (Spices Park) in major spice growing /marketing centers, promotion of organic spices/GI spices etc. Special programmes are proposed for entrepreneurs from North East.

The Board also undertake promotional activities through literature, exhibitions, field publicity programmes, campaign, training for farmers, exporters etc.

(c) The state-wise and year-wise details of workshops/training programmes organized by the Spices Board for the last three years are as follows :

State	No. of Workshop/Training Programmes/ Seminars conducted		
	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
1	2	3	4
Kerala	131	148	148
Karnataka	129	143	116
Tamil Nadu	15	18	20
Sikkim	35	37	33
North Eastern region	76	68	36
Andhra Pradesh	50	32	85

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1	2	3	4
Maharashtra	-	3	5
Gujarat	-	37	41
Rajasthan	33	33	27
Madhya Pradesh	-	13	23
Uttar Pradesh	-	4	11
TOTAL	469	536	545

Statement*Major item-wise export of spices from India for the last 3 years and current year***Item-wise export of spices from India**

Item	2010-11			2011-12(E)			2012-13(E)			April- September 2013 (*)		
	Qty (M.T)	Value (Rs.Lakhs)	Value (Mil.Us\$)	Qty (M.T)	Value (Rs.Lakhs)	Value (Mil.Us\$)	Qty (M.T)	Value (Rs.Lakhs)	Value (Mil.Us\$)	Qty (M.T)	Value (Rs.Lakhs)	Value (Mil.Us\$)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Pepper	18,850	38318.50	84.18	26,700	87,813.45	182.90	16,000	67,256.57	122.83	10,200	42,300.84	70.93
Cardamom(S)	1,175	13216.25	29.04	4,650	36,322.28	75.65	2,250	18,505.92	33.80	1,205	9,712.13	16.34
Cardamom(L)	775	4462.90	9.80	935	6,830.00	14.23	1,100	7,366.19	13.45	260	2,053.15	3.52
Chilli	2,40,000	153554.00	337.35	2,41,000	2,14,408.00	446.59	2,81,000	2,26,144.00	413.00	1,34,500	1,19,374.20	202.10
Ginger	15,750	12131.25	26.65	21,550	20,420.02	42.53	19,850	16,863.10	30.80	5,550	9,093.77	15.89
Turmeric	49,250	70285.15	154.40	79,500	73,434.40	152.95	80,050	53,985.40	98.59	38,500	31,668.85	53.60
Coriander	40,500	16663.25	36.61	28,100	16,401.85	34.16	37,100	21,076.90	38.49	21,300	17,231.15	29.17
Cumin	32,500	39597.75	86.99	45,500	64,442.05	134.22	79,900	1,09,317.60	199.64	67,500	89,902.45	151.07
Celery	3,750	2585.90	5.68	3,650	2,340.05	4.87	4,800	3,055.15	5.58	2,850	1,792.98	3.01
Fennel	7,250	6588.25	14.47	8,100	7,209.20	15.02	14,575	11,402.04	20.82	9,600	8,740.42	14.56

Fenugreek	18,500	6548.10	14.39	21,800	7,275.20	15.15	31,100	10,835.74	19.79	20,025	7,108.37	12.12
Other Seeds(1)	12,500	5558.05	12.21	13,050	5,881.25	12.25	18,600	11,612.10	21.22	12,300	6,375.65	10.68
Garlic	17,300	6977.30	15.33	2,200	1,415.70	2.95	24,000	7,449.21	13.60	7,500	3,412.30	5.82
Nutmeg and Mace	2,100	9776.80	21.48	3,620	24,097.51	50.19	3,645	26,095.06	47.66	2,700	15,584.62	26.52
Other Spices(2)	25,250	16015.30	35.18	35,900	32033.00	66.72	37,550	32849.95	59.99	18,400	16,716.80	28.94
Curry Powder/ Paste	15,250	21050.50	46.25	17,000	25,208.25	52.51	19,000	29,835.93	54.49	9,950	16,505.33	27.79
Mint Products(3)	17,450	169679.00	372.77	14,750	2,22,372.00	463.17	19,980	3,32,179.30	606.65	10,650	1,33,437.20	222.13
Spice Oils and Oleoresins	7,600	91062.45	200.06	7,265	1,30,438.28	271.68	8,670	1,31,286.33	239.77	5,765	80,772.85	136.91
TOTAL	5,25,750	684070.70	1502.85	5,75,270	9,78,342.48	2037.76	6,99,170	11,17,116.48	2040.18	3,78,755	611783.06	1031.11

(E) : Estimate

(1) include bishops weed(ajwanseed), dill seed, poppy seed, aniseed, mustard etc.

(2) include tamrind, asafoetida, cinnamon, cassia, cambodge, saffron, spices (nes) etc.

(3) include menthol, menthol crystals and mint oils.

Source:DGCI & S., Calcutta/shipping bills/exporters' returns.

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