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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 537 (H)
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05th FEBRUARY, 2021

EXPORT OF JAGGERY

537(H). SHRI KAILASH SONI:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to export jaggery at international level so that farmers at the grassroot level get direct benefit out of it and their financial status improves, as local Indian jaggery proves to be quite hygienic for human health; and

(b) if so, by when the said scheme would be introduced, especially with reference to Narsinghpur in Madhya Pradesh, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI HARDEEP SINGH PURI)

(a) : India's export basket of agriculture products includes jaggery also. The details of export of jaggery for the last 6 years from 2015-16 to 2020-21 (upto November, 2020) are given below :-

Year	Quantity in MT	Value in USD Million
2015-16	19,257	10.60
2016-17	23,077	14.91
2017-18	21,630	16.54
2018-19	23,450	15.90
2019-20	24,439	17.22
2020-21* (upto November 2020)	23,300	14.82

* Provisional   (Source: DGCIS, Kolkata)

(b) : Promotion of exports of agricultural products is an ongoing process. To promote agricultural exports, including jaggery, the Government has introduced a comprehensive Agriculture Export Policy, which is under implementation in collaboration with the States/ UTs. The Department of Commerce also implements several other schemes to promote exports, including exports of agricultural products, viz. Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES), Market Access Initiatives (MAI) Scheme etc. In addition, assistance to the exporters of agricultural products is also available under the Export Promotion Schemes of Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA). Exporters and the food processing industries of Narsinghpur in Madhya Pradesh can also avail benefits of the above mentioned schemes.

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