

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

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1315**  
ANSWERED ON 06/12/2024

**VOLUME OF EXPORTS OF CROPS AND FRUITS**

1315. SHRI SANJAY KUMAR JHA:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be please to state:

- (a) the details of crops and fruits exported from India including the details of the countries to which the said produces are exported;
- (b) the volume of the exports during the last five years, year-wise;
- (c) whether many countries have heavily increased their import duties and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the volume of Makhana exports of the country during the last five years; and
- (e) whether Government is planning to form a separate logistics department to deal with issues such as rising costs in the sector which impacts global competitiveness of exporters?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

**(a) & (b)** Out of India's agriculture export basket comprising of primary as well as value-added products, the crops, which account for substantial share of India's agriculture exports, are non-Basmati rice, Basmati rice, spices, fresh fruits and fresh vegetables etc. Major fruits exported from the country are grapes, banana, pomegranate, mango, apples, orange etc. Major export destinations for these products are Bangladesh, China, Saudi Arabia, UAE, Iran, USA etc. The export data for the last five years is annexed as Annexure – I.

**(c)** Importing countries change import duty rates for various products, which is their sovereign right, from time to time, based on several factors such as nature of the product, domestic demand, domestic financial situation, foreign currency reserves etc. However, member countries of World Trade Organisation (WTO) are obligated to keep the import duty rates within the bound tariff rates agreed to by them.

**(d)** There is no separate HS code for Makhana. However, the export of makhana is covered with "Other prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereals or cereal products" under HS code 19041090. The details of export of products under HS code 19041090 are annexed as Annexure-II.

(e) At present, there is no proposal to form separate logistics department to deal with issues related to rising cost of the exports. However, Government has taken initiatives such as launch of National Logistics Policy (NLP) in September 2022 to reduce logistics cost. Further, through Comprehensive Logistics Action Plan detailed in NLP, the aim is to improve supply chain management, reduce logistics cost and create data driven decision support mechanism for efficient logistics ecosystem.

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Annexure referred to in reply to Part (a) & (b) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 1315 for answer on 06.12.2024.

India's Export for last 5 years (Qty in Thousand MT)					
Product Name	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Basmati Rice	4454.71	4631.53	3947.97	4560.76	5242.51
Non-Basmati Rice	5036.19	13087.94	17260.69	17786.56	11116.71
Spices	1192.45	1610.02	1425.06	1310.25	1415.23
Fresh Vegetables	1927.79	2326.54	2384.85	3375.57	2686.18
Fresh Fruits	819.18	956.96	1164.60	1094.11	1438.73
Bananas, Fresh	195.75	232.52	376.57	361.84	596.36
Pomegranates Fresh	80.55	67.98	99.04	62.28	72.01
Apples, Fresh	21.18	30.61	31.98	52.88	21.85
Oranges, Fresh/Dried	93.75	162.54	119.55	73.16	69.86
Grapes, Fresh	193.69	246.11	263.08	267.95	343.98
Fresh Mangoes	49.66	21.03	27.87	22.96	32.10

Annexure referred to in reply to Part (d) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 1315 for answer on 06.12.2024.

Country	USD Million					Qty in MT				
	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
U S A	7	9	6	6	9	3069	4600	3305	3108	4442
U K	1	2	1	2	4	613	1026	729	819	1684
Nepal	2	4	4	3	3	864	2544	1467	1058	865
U A E	2	4	2	2	3	2091	2637	1755	1980	2163
Canada	1	1	1	1	2	251	601	372	533	1032
Australia	1	1	1	1	2	595	915	477	522	866
Qatar	1	1	1	1	1	598	875	493	410	786
Maldives	1	1	1	1	1	181	249	214	227	257
Bangladesh	1	1	1	1	1	197	215	198	386	396
Netherland	0	0	1	0	1	34	99	327	220	562
Singapore	0	1	1	1	1	331	480	591	505	491
Sri Lanka	0	1	1	0	1	211	278	393	154	242
Malaysia	0	0	0	0	1	150	258	144	58	283
Saudi Arab	1	1	1	0	1	563	647	394	242	415
Ireland	0	0	0	0	1	72	150	92	143	239
Oman	0	0	0	0	1	398	319	220	194	523
Bhutan	0	0	0	1	0	353	323	323	243	72
New Zealand	0	0	0	0	0	66	120	122	76	184
Kuwait	0	0	0	0	0	355	342	218	164	218
Italy	0	0	0	0	0	2	47	23	56	126
Others	1	2	2	1	3	783	1397	1153	883	1563
Total	19	30	24	23	36	11778	18121	13007	11982	17410

Source: DGCI&S

India’s Export of Other prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereals or cereal product to the World.

Products: Other prepared foods obtained by the swelling or roasting of cereals or cereal products.

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