

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2438
ANSWERED ON 21/03/2025

INCREASE IN IMPORT DUTY TO SUPPORT OILSEED FARMERS

2438. SMT. PHULO DEVI NETAM:

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

- (a) whether Government has recently increased import duty on vegetable oils to support domestic oilseed farmers;
- (b) if so, the details of these changes and their expected impact on domestic oilseed prices and farmer incomes;
- (c) year-wise data on import volumes, import duties, and revenue collected from crude and refined vegetable oils over the past five years; and
- (d) Minimum Support Price (MSP), market prices, and procurement data for soybean and rapeseed over the last five years, along with projections post-import duty revision?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) & (b) In order to support the oilseeds farmers, the Basic Custom Duty on Crude Soybean Oil, Crude Palm Oil, and Crude Sunflower Oil was raised from 0% to 20%, making the effective duty on crude oils to 27.5% and the Basic Custom Duty on Refined Palm Oil, Refined Sunflower Oil, and Refined Soybean Oil was increased from 12.5% to 32.5% making the effective duty on Refined oils as 35.75% w.e.f 14th September 2024. These adjustments are part of the government's ongoing efforts to bolster domestic oilseed production.

(c) The data (oil year-wise) of import volumes of Crude and refined vegetable oils over the past five years is as under:

Major Crude Oil Imports

(Quantity in LMT)

Year (Nov-Oct)	Crude Palm Oil	Crude Soybean	Crude Sunflower	Crude Rapeseed	Crude Palm Kernel
2019-20	68.15	33.68	25.26	0.17	0.68
2020-21	74.66	28.91	19.09	0.52	0
2021-22	59.43	41.18	19.92	0	0
2022-23	75.00	37.93	28.87	0.0	0.0
2023-24	70.16	31.41	34.91	0.031	1.02

Source: DGCIS

Major Refined Oil Imports

(Quantity in LMT)

Year (Nov-Oct)	RBD Palmolein	Refined Soybean	Refined Sunflower
2019-20	4.3	1.59	0.02
2020-21	8.48	3.73	0.20
2021-22	21.08	1.01	0.11
2022-23	22.95	0.17	0.02
2023-24	18.98	0.25	0.061

Source: DGCIS

The revenue collected from crude and refined vegetable oils over the past five years is as under:

Financial Year-wise data on revenue collected from crude and refined vegetable oils over the past five years (CTH 1507 to 1515)		
S. No.	FY	Revenue Collected (in Rs.)
1	2019-20	78,27,03,22,616
2	2020-21	1,92,34,12,44,863
3	2021-22	3,15,13,13,24,119
4	2022-23	1,43,85,13,43,662
5	2023-24	1,36,48,66,04,375

Source: CBIC

The details of import duty rates for the past five years on major edible oils is annexed as **Annexure-1**.

(d) The year-wise data of MSP (Minimum Support Prices) for Soybean and Rapeseed over the last five years are as under:

(in ₹ per quintal)

S. No.	Crops	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
1	Soybean (yellow)	3880	3950	4300	4600	4892
2	Rapeseed	4650	5050	5450	5650	5950

Source: DA&FW

The Procurement details of Rapeseed and Soybean procured at MSP under PSS (Price Support Scheme) during the last five years is as under:

Year	Mustard Seed (Quantity Procured (in LMT))	Soybean (Quantity Procured (in LMT))
2019-20	8.04	0.11
2020-21	0.00001	0.00004
2021-22	Nil	Nil
2022-23	11.14	Nil
2023-24	12.08	0.07

Source: DA&FW

Annexure referred to in reply to Part (c) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2438 for answer on 21.03.2025.

Details of import duty rates for the past five years on major edible oils is as follows:

Commodity	Import Duty in percent	Date from which applicable
Crude Palm oils	30.25	27.11.2020
	35.75	02.02.2021
	30.25	30.06.2021
	24.75	11.09.2021
	8.25	14.10.2021
	5.5	13.02.2022
	27.5	14.09.2024
Refined Palm oils	41.25	30.06.2021
	35.75	11.09.2021
	19.25	14.10.2021
	13.75	21.12.2021
	35.75	14.09.2024
Crude Sunflower oil	38.5	02.02.2021
	30.25	20.08.2021
	24.75	11.09.2021
	5.5	14.10.2021
	5.5	14.09.2024
Refined Sunflower oil	41.25	20.08.2021
	35.75	11.09.2021
	19.25	14.10.2021
	13.75	15.06.2023
	35.75	14.09.2024
Soya-bean oil (crude)	38.5	02.02.2021
	30.25	20.08.2021
	24.75	11.09.2021
	5.5	14.10.2021
	5.5	14.09.2024
Soya-bean oil (refined)	41.25	20.08.2021
	35.75	11.09.2021
	19.25	14.10.2021
	13.75	15.06.2023
	35.75	14.09.2024

Source: CBIC
