

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1471
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15/12/2023

EDIBLE OIL CONSUMPTION

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

(a) the details of percentage, quantity, imports country-wise details of edible oils consumed in the country and oilseed production, seed type-wise from 2018 till date; and

(b) whether it is a fact that country's edible oil imports have surged to 15 million tonnes from 4 million in comparison to two decades ago, if so, the details thereof with the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SMT. ANUPRIYA PATEL)

(a) The details of country-wise quantity and percentage of imports of edible oil consumed in the country from 2018-19 to 2023-24 (April – September) are given in **Annexure**.

Further, the details of oilseed production, seed type-wise from 2018-19 to 2023-24 are as under:-

Production (Lakh MT)							
S.No.	Crops	F.Y. 2018-19	F.Y. 2019-20	F.Y. 2020-21	F.Y. 2021-22	F.Y. 2022-23	F.Y. 2023-24*
1	Soybean	132.68	112.26	126.10	129.87	149.85	115.28
2	Groundnut	67.27	99.52	102.44	101.35	102.97	78.29
3	Rapeseed & Mustard	92.56	91.24	102.10	119.63	126.43	#
4	Sunflower	2.16	2.13	2.28	2.50	3.63	0.64
5	Safflower	0.25	0.44	0.36	0.61	0.90	#
6	Sesame	6.89	6.57	8.17	7.89	8.02	4.19
7	Niger	0.45	0.41	0.42	0.33	0.29	0.24
8	Linseed	0.99	1.22	1.11	1.26	1.67	#
9	Castor	11.97	18.42	16.47	16.19	19.80	16.69
	Total	315.22	332.21	359.45	379.63	413.56	215.33

* Data for the year 2023-24 is as per First Advance Estimates.

Source: Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.

Estimates will be available only at the Second Advance Estimates stage.

(b) India imported around 4.37 Million MT of edible oils during Oil Year 2002-03 (Nov.-Oct.), which increased to 8.86 Million MT in Oil year 2013-14 and to 16.52 Million MT in Oil Year 2022-23 (Nov.- Oct.). The domestic consumption/demand for edible oilseeds is increasing at around 10 LMT per annum due to growth in population and rising household incomes. The increase in domestic production of edible oilseeds and consequently edible oils is significantly lower than the steadily rising consumption of edible oils in the country, leading to the rise in imports over last 20 years. The domestic production presently is able to meet 45% of the demand within the country.

The Government annually announces Minimum Support Price (MSP) for 22 mandated agricultural crops including 07 oilseeds viz. Groundnut, Sunflower seed, Soybean, Sesamum, Nigerseed, Rapeseed & Mustard and Safflower. From 2018-19 onwards, the MSP has been announced at 1.5 times the cost of production to support the Farmers and encourage production. Accordingly, MSP for all crops including oilseeds is increased every year.

In addition, the Government, through Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, has launched a Centrally Sponsored Scheme viz. National Food Security Mission-Oilseeds & Oil Palm (NFSM-OS & OP) from 2018-19 to augment the domestic availability of vegetable oils by increasing the overall production through enhanced productivity of oilseeds (i.e. Groundnut, Sunflower, Soybean, Sesame, Niger, Rapeseed & Mustard, Safflower, Linseed and Castor) as well as area expansion of Oil Palm & Tree Borne Oilseeds. Further, the Government has launched National Mission on Edible Oil (NMEO)-Oil Palm (NMEO-OP) in August 2021 with the aim to enhance the edible oils availability in the country by harnessing Oil Palm area expansion towards increase in Crude Palm Oil (CPO) production in the country.

Annexure

Annexure referred to in reply to Part (a) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1471 for answer on 15th December, 2023

Country Wise India's Import of Edible Oils														
													(Qty in Thousand MT)	
	2018-19		2019-20		2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2022-23(APR-SEP)		2023-24(APR-SEP)	
COUNTRY	QTY	%IMPORT	QTY	%IMPORT	QTY	%IMPORT	QTY	%IMPORT	QTY	%IMPORT	QTY	%IMPORT	QTY	%IMPORT
INDONESIA	5905.64	39.32	4727.12	32.11	4259.94	31.46	3307.05	23.16	5050.76	32.08	2101.72	29.16	2646.16	30.80
MALAYSIA	2481.37	16.52	3344.69	22.72	2871.49	21.21	3493.92	24.47	2842.88	18.06	1465.90	20.34	1291.36	15.03
ARGENTINA	2308.25	15.37	2669.84	18.13	2626.31	19.40	2363.58	16.55	2080.70	13.21	1245.96	17.29	1190.69	13.86
RUSSIA	46.19	0.31	380.81	2.59	348.38	2.57	350.27	2.45	635.29	4.03	268.38	3.72	723.20	8.42
BRAZIL	619.11	4.12	323.82	2.20	336.75	2.49	763.96	5.35	1585.29	10.07	725.63	10.07	708.74	8.25
ROMANIA	0.00	0.00	9.00	0.06	0.00	0.00	17.40	0.12	197.90	1.26	0.99	0.01	398.56	4.64
THAILAND	177.58	1.18	121.07	0.82	160.41	1.18	563.11	3.94	1115.26	7.08	514.19	7.13	339.26	3.95
SINGAPORE	419.54	2.79	394.64	2.68	331.89	2.45	358.19	2.51	422.06	2.68	158.16	2.19	326.11	3.80
UKRAINE	2486.53	16.56	1976.57	13.43	1744.34	12.88	1498.12	10.49	431.60	2.74	41.77	0.58	258.70	3.01
SWITZERLAND	158.32	1.05	230.69	1.57	200.20	1.48	131.21	0.92	140.81	0.89	60.68	0.84	146.97	1.71
PAPUA N GNA	38.66	0.26	0.45	0.00	29.37	0.22	249.90	1.75	327.21	2.08	161.89	2.25	134.12	1.56
NETHERLAND	37.41	0.25	103.70	0.70	144.06	1.06	199.20	1.40	294.17	1.87	146.17	2.03	121.82	1.42
TURKEY	8.57	0.06	4.33	0.03	49.71	0.37	67.41	0.47	130.43	0.83	67.92	0.94	85.14	0.99
IRAQ	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	46.45	0.54
NEPAL	60.27	0.40	280.54	1.91	220.97	1.63	497.44	3.48	152.19	0.97	84.45	1.17	27.13	0.32
U ARAB EMTS	160.55	1.07	4.35	0.03	3.83	0.03	39.60	0.28	8.55	0.05	0.72	0.01	26.94	0.31
PHILIPPINES	10.84	0.07	0.02	0.00	0.18	0.00	5.31	0.04	17.02	0.11	4.70	0.07	21.47	0.25
SAUDI ARAB	19.63	0.13	24.98	0.17	3.74	0.03	4.88	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21.30	0.25
VIETNAM SOC REP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.04	0.06	7.02	0.04	7.02	0.10	19.89	0.23
BULGARIA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.97	0.15	16.00	0.11	163.48	1.04	31.84	0.44	15.50	0.18
Other	80.84	0.54	125.49	0.85	187.47	1.39	342.57	2.42	142.52	0.91	118.73	1.66	42.69	0.48
TOTAL	15019.30	100.00	14722.11	100.00	13540.01	100.00	14278.16	100.00	15745.14	100.00	7206.82	100.00	8592.20	100.00

(Source: DGCI&S)
