

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 527**  
ANSWERED ON 26/07/2024

**EXPORT OF SEA FOOD**

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

- (a) the current status of the export of seafood from the country;
- (b) the volume of exports of seafood from the country State-wise;
- (c) the impact of the Red Sea crisis on the seafood export from the country; and
- (d) the measures that Government has taken in order to support the exporters hit by the Red Sea crisis?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) The current status of the export of seafood from the country is given below:-

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Quantity (Lakh Tonnes)</b>	<b>Export (in Crores INR)</b>
2023-24*	18.19	61043.68
2024-25 (April-May)	2.57	8924.01

\*Provisional

- (b) State-wise volume of exports of seafood from the country is given in the **Annexure**.

(c) & (d) Some increase in freight cost has been reported by industry. However, exports from India are continuing as the sailings of containers carrying ships from India have been diverted via the Cape of Good Hope route. Despite the challenges, the seafood exports increased in quantity terms from 17.54 Lakh Tonnes in the year 2022-23 to 18.19 Lakh Tonnes in the year 2023-24, registering a growth of 3.73%.

Government has been regularly keeping watch over the interests of exporters, including seafood exporters. During heightened activities, Indian Navy had substantially enhanced maritime surveillance efforts in Central / North Arabian Sea and augmented force levels. Aerial surveillance by long-range maritime patrol aircraft and Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) system had been enhanced to have a complete maritime domain awareness. Towards effective surveillance of exclusive economic zone (EEZ), Indian Navy is operating in close coordination with Coast Guard.

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State-wise Volume of Export of Indian Marine Products in 2023-24*	
State/UT	Quantity(Tonnes)
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	286.66
Andhra Pradesh	427237.92
Assam	380.31
Bihar	1785.27
Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	3220.82
Delhi	18.69
Goa	73768.65
Gujarat	345052.39
Haryana	3.55
Jharkhand	25.54
Karnataka	273509.37
Kerala	188654.65
Madhya Pradesh	1.57
Maharashtra	170075.44
Meghalaya	0.18
Odisha	81823.57
Puducherry	200.58
Punjab	82.67
Rajasthan	0.95
Tamil Nadu	89000.93
Telangana	2975.40
Uttar Pradesh	788.23
Uttarakhand	4.00
West Bengal	160737.65
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1819634.98</b>

\*Provisional  
Source: DGCIS

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