

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.

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.
