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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2799 (H) TO BE ANSWERED ON 20th MARCH, 2017

EXPORT OF MAIZE

2799(H). SHRI RAJU SHETTY:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of export of maize from the country during the last three years and the current year, state-wise and year-wise; and
- (b) the steps taken or being taken by the government to promote maize exports from the country along with the outcome thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण) (स्वतंत्र प्रभार)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) State wise export data is not maintained. However, the details of export of Maize from the country during the last three years and the current year, year-wise are as under:

Quantity in lakh MT; Value in USD million

HS Code	Commodity	2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		2016-17 (Apr-Dec)	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
10051000	Maize Seed	0.24	28.75	0.23	29.28	0.24	23.75	0.29	25.88
	Other Maize								
10059000	(Corn)	39.54	981.12	28.03	637.49	6.74	154.24	3.60	82.45
Total		39.78	1009.87	28.26	666.77	6.98	177.99	3.89	108.33

Source: DGCI&S

(b) Encouraging exports of agricultural products, including organic products, is a continuous process. The Agricultural and Processed Food Export Development Authority (APEDA), an autonomous organisation under the Department of Commerce, provides financial assistance to the exporters through various components of its Plan Scheme viz. Infrastructure Development, Market Promotion, Quality Development and Transport Assistance. However, export of agricultural products depend on several factors such as international demand and supply situation, quality standards in the importing countries, varieties traded and price competitiveness etc. The export of maize from India is currently not feasible due to high domestic prices in comparison to international price.
