

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1529
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.03.2018

PRODUCTION OF RUBBERISED COIR

1529. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the various initiatives and measures undertaken by the Government to enhance production and export of rubberised coir mattresses in the country;
- (b) the steps taken by the Coir Board to encourage export by means of tariff adjustments and subsidy enhancements; and
- (c) the steps taken to enhance export market for coir products especially coir mattresses?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)

(a) to (c): Coir Board is undertaking various promotional activities for enhancing the production and export of coir and coir products including rubberized coir. Such promotional activities are not focused on any particular product, but are applicable for production and export of all coir and coir products.

The incentives available to the coir exporters include the rewards under the Duty Drawback Scheme and the Merchandise Export from India Scheme (MEIS) of the Foreign Trade Policy. As of now, coir and coir products enjoy MEIS reward ranging from 4% to 7%. Duty Drawback incentives are available to coir and coir products ranging from 1% to 5%. The details of Duty Draw Back rates and the MEIS Rewards available for coir products are given in the Annexure- I.

Other initiatives taken to enhance production and export of coir products are given below:

1. Conduct of market study/surveys to assess the market realities and trends.
2. Participation in international seminars and conferences for promoting coir products and thereby to expand its market share.
3. Participation in exhibitions/ fairs/ product promotion programme & catalogue shows abroad to popularize coir products and to strengthen the market pull.
4. Undertaking generic publicity abroad to popularize the use of coir and coir products.
5. Providing External Market Development Assistance (EMDA) to exporters/entrepreneurs as reimbursement of expenditure subject to item-wise ceilings for taking part in delegation/BSMs, participation in fairs and exhibitions abroad and production of catalogues for use abroad in order to equip the exporters to face the challenges of globalization.
6. Organizing workshops and management development programmes for skill development in the areas of international marketing, regulatory & commercial documentation in export, export finance; currency risk management etc.

Annexure-I

Annexure-I referred to in part (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha unstarred Question No. 1529 to be answered on 05.03.2018

Duty Drawback & MEIS Reward rates for Coir Products

Sl. No.	New H S Code	Old H. S. Code	Item Description	Drawback %	MEIS Reward %*
		4410	Particle board and other similar board (for example oriented strand board and wafer board) of wood or other ligneous materials, whether or not agglomerated with resins or other organic binding substances.		
1.	4410 90 40	4410 90 40	---- of Coir	1.9	7.00
		4411 94	Fibre Board of Wood or other ligneous Materials, whether or not Bonded with resins or other organic substances Of Density not exceeding 0.5gm/cm ³		
2.	4411 94 29	4411 94 22	---- Of coir	1.9	5.0
		5305	Coconut, Abaca (Manila Hemp or Musa Textilis Nee) Ramie and other Vegetable Textile Fibres, not elsewhere specified or included, raw or processed but not Spun, Tow, Noils and Waste or these Fabrics (including Yarn waste and Garneted Stock)		
3.	5305 00 10	5305 00 10	Coir Bristle Fibre, Coir Mattress Fibre, Coir short fibre, Coir bit fibre, Decorticated coir fibre	1.0	4.0
4.	5305 00 30	5305 00 30	Curled or Machine twisted coir fibre	1.0	4.0
5.	5305 00 40	5305 00 40	Coir pith processed in value added forms like briquette/coins/neo disc/growbags, organic manure and in loose form for use in horticulture or agriculture.	1.0	4.0
		5308 10	Coir Yarn		
6.	5308 10 10	5308 10 10	---- baled	1.9	7.0
7.	--	5308 10 20	---- spooled hanks	1.9	5.00
8.	5308 10 90	5308 10 90	---- Other	1.9	7.0
		5311	Woven fabrics of other vegetable textile fibres; woven fabrics of paper yarn		
9.	5311 00 15	5311 00 15	---- of coir including log form and geotextiles	5.0	7.0
		5602	Felt, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated		

10.	5602 90 10	5602 90 10	---- of Rubberised coir, needled felt	--	4.0
		5607	Twine, cordage, ropes and cables, whether or not plaited or braided and whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or sheathed with rubber or plastics		
11.	5607 90 10	5607 90 10	---- Coir, cordages & ropes, other than of cotton	--	7.0
		5609 00	Articles of yarn, strip or the like of the heading 5404 or 5405, twine, cordage, rope or cables, not elsewhere specified or included.		
12.	5609 00 10	5609 00 10	---- Products of coir	3.0	7.0
		5701	Carpets and other textile floor coverings, knotted, whether or not made up		
13.	5701 90 90	5701 90 20	---- of coir including geotextiles	5.0	7.0
		5702 20	Floor coverings of coconut fibres (Coir)		
14.	5702 20 10	5702 20 10	---- Coir matting, woven	5.0	7.0
15.	5702 20 20	5702 20 20	---- Coir carpets and other rugs	5.0	7.0
16.	5702 20 90	5702 20 90	---- Others	5.0	7.0
		5703	Carpets and other textile floor coverings, tufted, whether or not made up		
		5703 90	Of other textile materials		
17.	5703 90 90	5703 90 20	---- Carpets and other floor coverings of coir	5.0	7.0
		5705 00	Other carpets and other textile floor covering whether or not made up		
18.	5705 00 32	5705 00 32	---- Of coir jute	5.0	7.0
		9404	Mattress supports, articles of bedding and similar furnishing (for example mattresses, quilts eiderdowns, cushions of pouffes and pillows fitted with springs or stuff or internally fitted with any material or of cellular rubber or plastic, whether or not covered		
19.	--	9404 29 20	---- Of Rubberized coir with or without combination of other materials whether or not with metallic springs.	5.0	--

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