

**Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
Department of Consumer Affairs**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1625
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.03.2018**

IMPORT OF PULSES

1625. SHRI CHANDU LAL SAHU: SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:
(OIH)

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the quantum of pulses imported during 2014 to 2017, crop-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the minimum and maximum procurement price of imported pulses and expenditure incurred on their transportation;
- (c) the names of the States which procured imported pulses, quantum-wise and per quintal price of pulses charged from States;
- (d) the total time taken by the Government to bring imported pulses into the Indian markets; and
- (e) the impact of imported pulses on consumers and pulses produced in the country?

ANSWER

उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण राज्य मंत्री
(श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

**THE MINISTER OF STATE
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)**

(a) to (e): Imports of pulses are primarily through private trade and the quantum of imports along with their value is at **Annexure**.

Central Government also imported 3.79 lakh MT of pulses including 0.18 lakh MT in 2015-16 and 3.61 lakh MT in 2016-17 towards building the buffer of upto 20 lakh MT of pulses. These imports were mainly from Myanmar, Canada, Australia and Mozambique. The cargo was received in around one to three months from the placement of order.

Government is releasing the pulses from the buffer to States, Central Agencies and also disposing through open market sales. States like Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Maharashtra, etc. were provided pulses including imported pulses from the buffer.

The imported pulses improves availability and help ameliorate demand-supply gap in pulses and moderate its prices.

ANNEXURE**STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1625 FOR 06.03.2018 REGARDING IMPORT OF PULSES.****India's Import of Pulses, category-wise, for the last three financial years 2014-15 to 2016-17 and the current financial year 2017-18 (upto November, 2017)**

ITCHS	Item Description	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17		2017-18 (upto Nov, 2017)	
		Quantity (TON)	Value (US \$)	Quantity (TON)	Value (US \$)	Quantity (TON)	Value (US \$)	Quantity (TON)	Value (US \$)
07131000	Peas (Pisum Sativum) Dried And Shld	1951974	810060432	2245390	831959611	3172758	1205583785	2454962	804960917
07132000	Chickpeas (Garbanzos) Dried And Shld	418877	217072305	1031487	672426986	1080633	907006424	746802	659322031
07133100	Beans Of The Spp Vigna Mungo,Hepper Or Vigna Radiata,Wilczek Dried And Shld	622887	596438309	581603	684615232	574524	677331394	328304	275184857
07133200	Small Red Beans Dried And Shld					69	67199	185	182109
07133300	Kidny Bens Incl Whte Pea Bens Dried And Shld	116898	113598364	111506	88116839	109883	95258778	48743	51324755
07133990	Other Dried Leguminous Vegetables	74621	56976383	57463	55744105	61858	74387750	40159	33708660
07134000	Lentils (Mosur),Dried And Shld	816467	558063380	1260193	1016984900	829436	629857695	700056	426907541
07135000	Broad Beans And Horse Beans Dried And Shld					12879	4414863	13697	4046945
07136000	Pigeon Peas (Cajanus Cajan)	575218	428493919	462713	507270318	703544	609362929	309597	177068184
07139010	Othr Dried And Shld Luguminous Vegtbls,Split	5	10145	33585	31075107	58259	35011216	23855	13681330
07139090	Other Of Hdg. 071390	7896	5392946	13759	14028270	5631	5846576	23222	21896920
	Total	4584841	2786106183	5797699	3902221368	6609473	4244128609	4689582	2468284249

Note: Figures pertaining to the current financial year 2017-18 is Provisional and subject to changes.

Source:- Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics (DGCIS), M/o Commerce & Industry
