

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3867(H)**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 19<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2018**

**EXPORT OF BASMATI AND NON BASMATI RICE**

3867(H). SHRI RADHESHYAM BISWAS:

SHRI RAGHAV LAKHANPAL:

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

- (a) the details of total export of Basmati and non-Basmati rice from the country during the last three years along with the names of countries to which these exports were made;
- (b) whether there is an increase or decline in the export of basmati rice from the country during the said period and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has decided to allow rice exports selectively and if so, the details thereof along with the procedure followed for export of rice;
- (d) whether such steps by the Government would fuel the high prices of rice in the domestic market and if so, the reaction of the Government along with the steps taken to keep the prices under control; and
- (e) whether there have been instances of dumping of agricultural products in the country from various countries and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to prevent such incidents and make the country self-reliant in terms of agricultural products?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

- (a) The details of total export of Basmati and non-Basmati rice from the country during the last three years, country-wise, are at **Annexure-I**.
- (b) In quantity terms, the export of basmati rice has increased from 36.99 lakh MT in 2014-15 to 39.85 lakh MT in 2016-17. However, there has been a decline in the value terms. This can be attributed solely to the fall in international prices of Basmati rice.
- (c) As per the extant export policy, export of rice is 'free'. However, export of Basmati rice is allowed subject to registration of contracts with the Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) and fulfilment of certain other conditions as specified in Notification No. 18/2015-20 dated August 1, 2016 issued by the Director General of Foreign Trade (DGFT).
- (d) Prices of essential commodities including rice are monitored by the Government and appropriate policy decisions are taken in the light of *prevailing* situation. As export of

rice accounts for less than 10% of total production of rice in the country, the effect on domestic prices, if any, is likely to be minimal. On the other hand, allowing free exports of rice contributes towards better realisations for the rice farmers.

- (e) Currently, there is no anti-dumping duty in force on agricultural products imported from other countries. Further, no application for imposition of anti-dumping duty on agricultural products is pending in Directorate General of Anti-dumping & Allied Duties (DGAD).

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#### Annexure-I

Qty. in MT; Values In Million USD						
	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17	
COUNTRY	QTY	VALUES	QTY	VALUES	QTY	VALUES
<b>A. BASMATI RICE</b>						
SAUDI ARAB	9,66,301	1,187.91	9,48,845	842.22	8,09,344	671.08
IRAN	9,35,568	1,108.50	6,95,311	571.19	7,16,582	564.28
U ARAB EMTS	2,77,885	314.38	6,12,152	475.18	6,14,659	467.66
IRAQ	2,35,448	259.13	4,19,284	341.58	4,53,741	337.32
KUWAIT	1,66,469	250.53	1,80,730	211.68	1,62,674	149.37
U S A	88,941	132.07	1,20,688	131.55	1,08,992	112.17
YEMEN REPUBLC	1,74,054	195.90	1,42,162	110.49	1,30,652	103.28
U K	1,36,339	147.57	1,87,703	143.14	1,50,537	101.55
OMAN	56,127	68.75	1,05,250	92.84	83,151	75.48
QATAR	1,23,969	187.01	24,249	25.07	81,961	72.47
OTHER COUNTRIES	5,37,826	664.52	6,09,457	533.04	6,72,917	553.92
<b>TOTAL (A):</b>	<b>36,98,927</b>	<b>4,516.28</b>	<b>40,45,831</b>	<b>3,477.98</b>	<b>39,85,210</b>	<b>3,208.60</b>
<b>B. NON-BASMATI RICE</b>						
BENIN	5,98,569	247.12	6,23,348	215.53	7,02,183	251.87
NEPAL	6,30,489	216.76	5,34,142	193.52	5,83,737	209.73
SENEGAL	7,65,019	226.03	9,13,982	245.80	6,76,060	189.68
GUINEA	3,97,717	152.88	3,95,980	133.03	5,41,573	182.44
IRAQ	40,304	25.37	53,840	26.58	3,05,671	140.54
U ARAB EMTS	2,41,873	125.56	2,34,270	114.14	2,60,223	133.71
COTE D' IVOIRE	2,59,694	97.93	4,48,982	150.27	3,75,024	124.14
SOMALIA	2,03,892	80.92	2,69,099	92.47	3,54,677	121.66
LIBERIA	2,67,066	100.70	2,10,682	73.73	2,52,381	90.97
SOUTH AFRICA	3,38,839	131.43	2,60,806	87.07	2,54,068	88.33
OTHER COUNTRIES	45,58,747	1,932.16	25,19,458	1,036.51	24,65,236	992.10
<b>TOTAL (B):</b>	<b>83,02,209</b>	<b>3,336.84</b>	<b>64,64,589</b>	<b>2,368.64</b>	<b>67,70,833</b>	<b>2,525.19</b>
<b>G. TOTAL (A+B):</b>	<b>1,20,01,136</b>	<b>7,853.12</b>	<b>1,05,10,420</b>	<b>5,846.62</b>	<b>1,07,56,043</b>	<b>5,733.79</b>

Source: DGCI&S

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