

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH & EDUCATION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5151
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27/03/2018

AGRICULTURE WORK PLAN WITH VIETNAM

5151. ADV. JOICE GEORGE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has linked Work Plan for 2018-2022 in Agriculture with Vietnam recently and if so, the details thereof along with the major proposals under the work plan;
- (b) whether both the countries will further strengthen trade and investment ties in sectors like agriculture and agro-products and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether any combined research and innovations are proposed, if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
कृषि और किसान कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री
(SHRI PARSHOTTAM RUPALA)

(a) In so far as Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE) of Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare is concerned, no Work Plan for 2018-2022 in Agriculture with Vietnam has been signed. However, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has signed a Work Plan for 2018-2020 with Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD) of the Government of Socialist Republic of Vietnam on 03 March, 2018 and a MoU on Economic and Trade Cooperation has been signed between Ministry of Commerce and Industry of the Government of India and the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam on 3rd March, 2018.

(b) Agro commodities and food processing continue to be key commodities in bilateral trade between India and Vietnam. Both the countries are looking forward to further strengthening their trade and investment ties in Agriculture and agro products. An

Inter-Ministerial Joint delegation on Agricultural Trade led by Chairman, Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) visited Hanoi on 30th November, 2017 to deliberate on measures to strengthen trade and investment ties in Agricultural and related sectors. There is increased focus on gaining greater market access for agricultural products, promoting trade and investment in fruits, vegetables, spices, aquatic products, agricultural equipment, enhanced cooperation in food processing, developing harvest and post-harvest technologies and training human resources.

The MoU dated 3rd March, 2018 between Ministry of Commerce and Industry of the Government of India and the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam contains provision on engagement on promotion of agricultural products through Vietnam-India Joint Trade Sub-Commission.

In order to boost bilateral trade, India-ASEAN Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) has been operational with effect from 1st January, 2010. Vietnam is one of the signatory country of Indian ASEAN CECA. Both India and Vietnam have offered duty reduction on certain agriculture items to each other under the said CECA to facilitate bilateral trade in agriculture. India's agriculture and allied export to Vietnam in 2016-2017 was Rs.29614 Crore, while agri and allied import from that country during the same year was Rs.2169 Crore.

The Export-Import data of agriculture and agro-products of India-Vietnam is enclosed as **Annexure**.

(c) Under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research(ICAR) and the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development(MARD) of the Government of Socialist Republic of Vietnam Work Plan, the broad areas of cooperation identified by the parties are:

- a) Animal Husbandry.
- b) Plant Biotechnology.
- c) Fruit trees and Vegetable: Germplasm exchange, improvement and production technologies.
- d) Cotton and Rice improvement and production.
- e) Post Harvest Technologies and Farm Mechanization.
- f) Enhancement of Cooperation and coordination within the relevant International and Regional Organizations.
- g) Other related areas of interest that are mutually agreed upon by the ICAR and MARD, Vietnam.

India's top agriculture and allied export to Vietnam

(Value in Rs. Crore)

S.No.	HSCode	Commodity	2015-2016	2016-2017
1.	20230	BONELESS MEAT	12670.80	12955.99
2.	20629	OTHER EDIBLE OFFAL OF BOVINE ANIMALS, FROZEN	434.97	607.36
3.	30389	OTHER FISH	1681.27	2167.38
4.	30617	OTHER SHRIMPS AND PRAWNS : FROZEN	2973.16	5344.13
5.	30749	OTHER CUTTLE FISH AND SQUID OTH THN LIVE, FRESH OR CHILLED AND FROZEN	399.34	687.51
6.	90421	FRUITS OF THE GENUS CAPSICUM OR OF THE GENUS PIMENTA: DRIED, NEITHER CRUSHED NOR GROUND	780.41	1281.98
7.	90931	SEEDS OF CUMIN: NEITHER CRUSHED NOR GROUND	374.92	643.52
8.	120242	GROUND-NUT, NOT ROASTED OR OTHERWISE COOKED, WHETHER OR NOT SHELLED OR BROKEN-IN SHELLED WHETHER OR NOT BROKEN	127.05	1104.85
9.	230990	OTHR PRPNS OF A KIND USED IN ANML FEEDING	195.35	510.07
10.	520100	COTTON, NOT CARDED OR COMBED	1101.79	1195.89
Total agri and allied export to Vietnam			23447.39	29614.26

Source: D/o Commerce

India's top agriculture and allied import from Vietnam

(Value in Rs. Crore)

S.No.	HSCode	Commodity	2015-2016	2016-2017
1.	30462	FROZEN FILLETS OF CATFISH (PANGASIUS SPP., SILURUS SPP., CLARIAS SPP., ICTALURUS SPP.)	41.71	44.07
2.	30499	OTHER	59.93	61.00
3.	80132	CASHEN NUTS FRESH/DRIED SHELLED	133.41	188.57
4.	90111	COFFEE NEITHER ROASTED NOR DECAFFEINATED	372.34	489.42
5.	90411	PEPPER NEITHER CRUSHED NOR GROUND	464.08	493.22
6.	90619	OTHER CINNAMON	211.69	267.08
7.	90961	SEEDS OF ANISE, BADIAN, CARAWAY OR FENNEL; JUNIPER BERRIES NEITHER CRUSHED NOR GROUND	91.12	96.65
8.	140110	BAMBOOS	79.42	58.74
9.	210111	EXTRCTS ESSNCS AND CNCNTRTS OF COFFE	30.82	51.80
10.	230990	OTHR PRPNS OF A KIND USED IN ANML FEEDING	192.09	255.69
Total agri and allied import from Vietnam			1889.21	2169.37

Source: D/o Commerce
