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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3130 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31st DECEMBER,2018

IMPLEMENTATION OF AGRICULTURAL EXPORT POLICY

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

- (a) whether the implementation of new agricultural export policy will have a financial implication of over Rs. 1,400 crore and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the new export policy will promote cluster approach where identified districts would be developed as cluster to promote export through setting up of entire value chain for particular area specific farm products and if so, the details thereof:
- (c) whether the Government has approved a proposal for establishment of monitoring framework at the Centre to oversee implementation of agriculture export policy and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether steps will be taken to mitigate the impact of new agriculture export policy on inflation in the domestic agriculture market and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has minimized export curbs on agricultural products to keep the domestic price under check and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether the Government is considering to remove or has removed all kind of restrictions on export of organic products including organic farm products and if so, the details thereof along with the extent to which this step of the Government is likely to boost agricultural export and help farmers in the country?

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) Implementation of various elements of Agriculture Export Policy will have some financial implications, some of which will be met from within the framework of existing schemes of various Ministries/Departments of Government of India. Hence, it would not be possible to provide an exact estimate of the financial implications of implementation of the new Agriculture Export Policy.
- (b) Yes, madam. Export oriented cluster development across States will be key to ensuring surplus produce with standard physical and quality parameters, which meet export demands. A Product / cluster is identified based on the existing production

contributing to exports, exporters operations, scalability of operations, size of export market / India's share, awareness about SPS requirements, and potential for increase in export in short term. A tentative list of identified clusters has been included in the Agriculture Export Policy (Annexure-I). The list can be expanded provided the conditions for formation of cluster are met.

- (c) Yes, madam. The Government has constituted an Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) to oversee the implementation of Agriculture Export Policy. The Committee shall oversee the implementation of Agriculture Export Policy and shall monitor the progress made on 'Actionable Points' from the Agriculture Export Policy.
- (d & e)The Agriculture Export Policy, while providing a stable policy regime for boosting exports of agricultural products, aims at identifying the commodities essential for food security of the country. Under extreme price situations, a high-level committee would decide on putting export restrictions on such identified agricultural commodities.
- (f) At present, there are no restrictions on export of organic products. The Agriculture Export Policy provides an assurance that no export restrictions will be put on the export of organic products. It is expected that this step would encourage farmers to take up organic agriculture, thus helping them to move up in the value chain.

Annexure-I

			Annexure-I
Product	Region	State	District
		Kerala	Thrissur, Wayanad, Thiruvananthapuram
Banana	South	Andhra Pradesh	Kadapa, Anantapur
		Tamil Nadu	Trichy, Theni, Pollachi
	West	Maharashtra	Jalgaon, Kolhapur, Solapur
		Gujarat	Bharuch, Narmada, Surat
Pomegranate	South	Andhra Pradesh	Anantapur, Kurnool
		Karnataka	Belgaum, Mysore
	West	Maharashtra	Solapur, Ahmednagar, Pune
	Central	Madhya Pradesh	Khargone, Khandwa, Burhanpur
Mango	West North	Maharashtra	Ratnagiri, Sindhudurg
		Gujarat	Junagarh, Valsad, Kutch, Navsari
		Uttar Pradesh	Saharanpur, Meerut, Lucknow
	South	Telangana	Rangareddy, Mehboobnagar, Warangal
		Andhra Pradesh	Krishna, Chittoor, Kurnool
Granas	West	Maharashtra	Pune, Nasik, Sangli
Grapes	South		
Rose Onion		Karnataka Maharashtra	Bangalore Rural, Chikkaballapura
Onion	West		Nasik
	Central	Madhya Pradesh	Indore, Sagar, Damoh
Potato	North	Uttar Pradesh Punjab	Agra, Farukkabad
			Jalandhar, Hoshiarpur, Kapurthala,
			Navashehar
	West	Gujarat	Banaskantha, SabarKantha
	Central	Madhya Pradesh	Indore, Gwalior
Tea	East	Assam	Tinsukia, Sibsagar, Dibrugarh
Coffee	South	Karnataka	Chikkamagaluru, Kodagu, Hassan
Marine products	South	Andhra Pradesh	East Godavari, Vishakapatnam, West
			Godavari, Nellore
	East	Odisha	Jagatsinghpur, Bhadrak, Balasore
	West	Gujarat	Kutch, Veraval, Navasari, Valsad
Chilli	South	Telangana	Khammam, Warangal
		Andhra Pradesh	Guntur
Turmeric	South	Telangana	Nizamabad, Karimnagar
		Kerala	Wayanad, Alleppy
	East	Meghalaya	West Jaintia Hills
	East	Odisha	Kandhamal
Cumin	West	Gujarat	Banaskantha, Mehsana
	North	Rajasthan	Jalore, Jodhpur, Barmer, Nagaur, Pali
Pepper	South	Kerala	Wayanad
	South	Karnataka	Chikmagalur
Cardamom	South	Kerala	Idukki
Isabgol	North		Jodhpur, Nagaur, Barmer, Jaisalmer
Castor	West	Rajasthan Gujarat	•
			Banaskantha, Kutch, Patan, Sabarkantha, Mehsana
		-	Nagpur, Amravati, Wardha
Orange	West	Maharashtra	No marin Amazorata Wandles